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THE  
ROMANE  
HISTORIE

WRITTEN BY

T. LIVIUS  
of PADUA.

Also,

The Breviaries of L. FLORVS:  
with a Chronology to the vvhole Historie;  
and the Topography of ROME in old time.

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*Traned out of Latine into English,* by PHILEMON HOLLAND,  
*Doctor in Physick.*

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To which is now added,

A Supplement of the Second Decad of *LIVY*,  
(which was loft.)

Lately written in Latine by

IFREINSEMIUS,  
and now newly Translated into English.

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To the most High and Mighty Monarch, ELIZABETH,  
(my dread Sovereign) by the grace of God, Queen of England  
France, and Ireland; Defender of the Faith, &c.

**A**L my labour whatsoever, in translating another mans work, I present here unto your Highness, and consecrate to the happy and immortal memory of your most sacred Majesty. In which I confess) in regard of mine own imperfections, venturesome and overbold; as the first enterprises, right hard and exposed to perill. Yet, most Worthy and Powerfull Emperess; Who is thirso unjustified, that by the favourable aspect of your countenance, may not be graced and enabled? It is so difficult and dangerous, which under the fortunate auspices of your Majesty, cannot be effected with ease and pass in safety?

Accesse then, most gracious Lady, the first fruits of a few years study, for the benefit and joy of life and liberty. An offering, as well in that respect, as of myself the meanest of many thousands; and in all proportion; but considering either the argument or the first Author, not much unfitting. He, in penning the History of the greatest State in his time, for exquisite eloquence had not his equal; no more than your Highness in glorious government at this day and second. Such are the incomparable perfections resplendent in your Royal person; the wonder of the world.

Vouchsafe also, of your accustomed clemency, shew to all, of your fervent zeal to learning and good letters, what care (among other rare virtues and singular gifts seated in your Heroick mind) no Prince cometh near unto your Excellency, to reach forth your gracious hand to T. Ervius: who having arrived long since and conversed as a meer stranger in this your famous Island, and now for love thereof learned in some sort the language, humbly craveth your Majesties favour to be ranged with other free denizens of this kind; so long to live under your Princely protection, as he shall duly keep his own allegiance; and acquaint your liege subjects with religious devotion after his manner, with wisdom, policy, virtue, valour, loyalty, and not other wise.

And the Almighty guard your Majesty at all times with his holy Angels; prolong your life among us in perfect health, adorn your noble heart with divine graces, maintain your Regall estate in all honours, bless the rest of your daies (and infinite may they be) with sweet repose and firm peace, to the joy of your true-hearted and loving people; and finally, accomplish all your desires, for present prosperity and future felicity.

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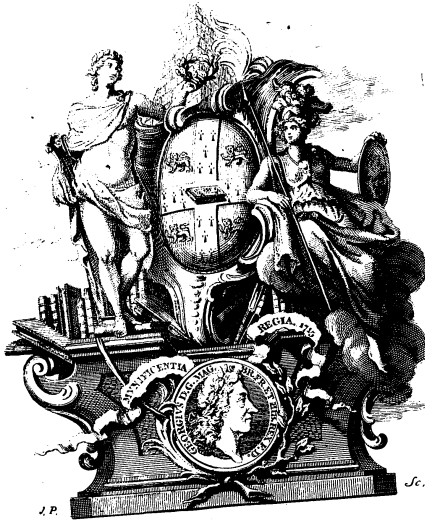
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*Ad Anglicam Livianæ Historiæ versio-  
nem, Interpretis Protopopæa.*

**N**ate (decem decies sensu fastidia menset,  
Longa nimis; matri dum grave pondus eras)  
Quid lucem refugis? (necuit pudor iste parenti)  
Atria quid fugitas regia? siste pedem.  
Siste pedem, audentes sequitur fortuna; nec ausis  
Excidere è magnis dedecum esse reor.  
Horri dulum peperis si rustica Nympha; paternum  
Te genus aut virtus nobilitare potest.  
Nempe Decus Patavi gemit te Livius ingens:  
Sume animum, tanto es qui genitore satum.  
Et, qua fovit opemque tulit Læstina vocanti,  
Elucidum potens, dia Diana mihi;  
Hæc oculis hæc te manibus resovebit ætæque:  
Audiet, ipsa leget, faustaque verba dabit.  
Agnoscat proprias, Princeps rer maxima, laudes;  
Sive artes pacis, seu fera bella refers.  
Quid si talia dædæ, quid si nodus hæret, & orbis  
Mirandum Decus, hæc Elizabetha tenet,  
Quæ tulit in Latium Patavinum, transfudit inde  
Tentonus, Hætruscum, Gallus, Iberus, Arabs?  
At patrias mavult audire & reddere voces,  
Quæ patria princeps, alma parensque sua est.  
(Scilicet ille Ithacum sapiens optavit Vlysses  
Velsumum è patriâ posse videre focum.)  
Illius aspectu vitalis, numine tutus,  
Auspiciis felix atque beatus eris.  
Aulam sive colas, seu Sacra, aut Castra sequaris:  
Sanctior (ecce) vocat Curia; gratum eris.  
Sive togata legas gens ingenua, placibus:  
Siu mage civilis tu, ba frequenque poli.  
Aulicus, Antistes, Miles, prudensque Senator,  
Causidicus, Civis, femina, virgo, puer,  
Hinc documenta potens: discet juvenisque senexque  
Vir bonus, & patria commodus esse sua.  
Ergo mæste animi; nec te gens Critica lædet:  
Candidior, quo quis dicitur, esse solet.

Σὺ δὲ χαρίεσσα (τὴ χάρις ἔστι δὲ ὁμοῦ καὶ ἡ χάρις)  
Τίμων, οὐκ ἀντιβλέπεις τοῦδε τοῦ πατρὸς καὶ τῆς μητρὸς  
αἰς τὰ ἔχου οὐκ ἐν χάριτι, ἀλλὰ μὲν γὰρ χάρις τὸν οὐλοῦτο  
τὸ καὶ σίνος τῶν αὐτῶν ἀλλοθὶν ἀλλὰ ὁ δὲ ἀντὶ.



*TO THE READER.*

**T**Rue is that Axiome received from Philosophy, τὸ ἀπὸ  
φύσεως ἀπορρέον ὅτι τὸ ἐκ τῆς ἀφθαρσίας, i. The corruption of one thing is the  
generation of another. Thus out of the ashes and ruins  
of Troy sprung the City of Rome: and by the woful fall  
of that one state, arose not only the most glorious em-  
pire of the Romans, but also the best writer of their hi-  
story, *Titus Livius*. For whereas after the fatal destruction of Troy, two  
principal men of name remained alive, *Aeneas* and *Antenor*: the one with  
his fleet arriving in that coast of *Italy* where Tybre runneth, built *Lavi-  
num*, and became the first father of the Romans, according to *Virgil* in  
the first *Æneid*:

— genus unde Latinum,  
Albanique patres, ætæ mania Romæ:

— from whence are Latines come,  
The noble Albanes eke, and walls of stately Rome.

*Antenor* entered the Venice gulf, & founded the City of *Padua*, the native  
place of *Livy* their historiographer, as the same Poet writeth a little after:

Hic tamen ille urbem Patavi I sedesque locavit  
Teucrorum, &c.

Yet here the City *Padua* built he: therein to plant  
His Trojanes, left when Troy was lost, who resting seat did want.

And I wot not well, whither they were more beholden to that fortune  
of theirs, (whereof so much they boasted) for *Aeneas* the author of their  
beginning and admirable greatnes: than for this writer *Livy*, who com-  
mended their deeds to everlasting fame. For from their very first rising  
[even with *Aeneas*] unto their sensible declining and decay, were not  
1200 years compleat: but since *Livy* enchronicled their acts, sixteen  
hundred are come and gone: yet continue they as fresh this day as at the  
first, and spread stil far and neer into all parts of the world: So much more  
durable and permanent are the memorials recorded by learned Histori-  
ans, than either any Monarchy be it never so great, or all those wonderful  
Pyramids and Obelisks, reared by most magnificent Kings, and migh-  
ty Emperors, to immortalize their name and memory. This *T. Livius*  
then, was born at *Padua*, in the year 694 after the foundation of *Rome*,  
when *L. Junius* and *Q. Cælius Metellus Celer* were Consuls. He flour-  
ished

To the Reader.

ished all the time of *Augustus Caesar*, and died in the fourth year of *Tiberius*. By which account, he lived full LXXVI. years: as appeareth by an ancient Epitaph upon his tomb at *Padua*, (where it is thought he died) with the pourtrait of his visage: whereof the one is represented here, and the other immediately before the beginning of the History.



TITVS LIVIVS PATAVINVS.

Cujus invictō calamo, invicta Romanorum  
facta scripta sunt.

TITE LIVY OF PADVA.

Who wrote long since with peer-less pen,  
The acts of Romans, match-less men,

To the Reader.

Other evidences there be concerning the same, which needles it were to call to witness: for no Epitaph nor inscription either enchaſed in ſtone or cut in braſs, is there left, better than the monuments of his own writings (if they had come entire to our hands) and the testimony of good and approved authors. For during the time of *Augustus*, he wrote the worthy deeds of the Romans, and continued the narration thereof from the very foundation of the City of *Rome* unto the one and twentieth year of his Empire. A story of 750 years, and a peece of work for the artificial frame and elegant setting out, comparable to the best in that kind. My purpose is not here, to enter into a large field and Rhetorical discourse of his praises in regard of any gifts of fortune wherewith he was plentifully enriched: namely, the place of his nativity, a City more ancient by 400 years than *Rome*; flourishing in martial puissance, able to set out and maintain 100000 fighting men for the wars; in stately port at home, having a nobility of 400 in number; in gorgeous and costly buildings; in traffique and frequent affluence of Marchants thither; as also, that *Venice* was a Colony deducted and drawn from thence; and, which is not the least, how at this day the famous University there, affordeth excellent Professors in all kind of learning: nor his happiness and felicity to live and die with the glory and beauty of *Rome*, and not to behold with his eyes those daies of her declining state & deformity, which in great wisdom he foresaw in his spirit, and denounced accordingly: ne yet the special favour wherein he stood with his Prince *Augustus*, and *Livia* the Emperess: much less then mean I to set forth the singular qualities and perfections of his mind, and namely his rare and passing eloquence, which my pen is more able now to describe and amplify to the worthiness thereof, than it was to imitate and expresse the same in translating of his story. Moreover, if I should set into his commendation, besides that I must needs come far short of his merit, the thing it self would but renew the just grief, that all learned men have taken for the piteous maime and defect of that notable peece of work & uniform composition which he left unto posterity. For having digested the whole history into an hundred and two and forty books, as *Petrarch* was of opinion, and as *Sigonius* therein well collecteth: like as also it is evident by the *Breviaries of L. Florus* the Epitomist, wherof we have 140, with an evident flaw and default of twain, to wit, the 126 and 137: see the partial injury of the time, the crooked and maligne destiny of the man! Books of far less moment and importance, yea, & those of greater antiquity, have been spared & remain safe: but of that work of his, one fourth part hath not escaped the envy of fortune: and that which now is extant, hath been delivered unto us either by fragments of old copies unperfect, or by the over-curious meddling of some busy *Aristarches* of late daies depraved, who with their correcting have corrupted; and in stead of reforming words, have deformed the natural sense and primitive construction. Where, by the way, I must advertise the Reader of that which *Pettus Crinitus* hath observed, even against the common opinion proved by those who otherwise are

are well learned, namely that our Author dispensed not this history into Decades: that is to say, futed and forted them not into several Tomes and Sections of ten books a peece. For *Priscian* and other old Grammarians, when they cite any testimony out of *Livy*, quote the book, and make no mention at all of any Decade; and with him the above-named *Petrarch*, *Florus*, and *Politian* do agree. Now in these 33 books, so few as they be, preserved as another Palladium out of a generall skare-fire, we may conceive the rare and wonderfull eloquence of our writer in the whole; for the farther he proceedeth into a world, as it were, of matters, the more copious still he floweth; and with such variety, as that he never iterateth one thing twice, but at every change of new affairs, returneth alwaies fresh and gay, furnished with new devises, inventions, and phrases; much like a second *Anteu*, gathering greater strength and more forces still at every turn; or after the manner of a little hill, which issuing from a small source, is maintained with fresh springs and new riverets; and hasting toward the vast Ocean, carrieth a deeper channell and broader stream. For the form of his stile, I refer the readers to the sound and staid judgment rather of *Quintilian*, who compareth him with *Herodotus*, *Thucydides*, and the best Greeks; than to the fantastick conceits of some Critics of our time, who seeking *nodum in circo*, have dreamed of I wot not what Patavinity in him. What should I speak of that Patheticall spirit of his in moving affections? But, that which most of all commendeth an history, which being *lux veritatis*, ought especially to deliver with sincerity the whole truth and nothing but the truth, without respect of face or person; to keep only to the substance and train of the subject argument; the due and orderly regard of the important circumstances thereto belonging, without inserting extravagant and impertinent by-matters, much less than fabulous tales; therein he hath the prick and price above all others. For, neither forbearth he to reprove (as occasion is offered) the Romans, in whose favour he might be thought to have writen; nor doubteth to praise the good parts and the valiant exploits of their mortall enemies. The Gauls he may seem to gall more bitterly upon a sinister affection, glancing at them as he doth, in many places for their greedy desire of gold and idle sloath, as not able to endure any long travell, and heat least of all; yet so, as the French, now living, seem not much offended therewith; for above other Nations they have given him most friendly entertainment, and twice enfranchised him among them. I am not unwilling to touch by the way this principall point and vertue of an Historiographer, I mean the delivery of a simple truth in his narrations; for that I have observed in him throughout, that he hath been most modest in reporting from others by hearsay any thing that soundeth to an untruth; so little deserveth he to be noted with the infamous brand of liew. The wary circumspection of his in that behalf which I dare be bold to recommend unto the Reader, I proposed unto my self in making him English; endeavouring by conference especially of the select copies in Latine, yet not rejecting other translations (such as

I had some little skill in) to come as near as possibly I could, to the true meaning of the Author; making this account, that if I could approve my diligence that way to men of reason and understanding, all other my wants and defects might sooner be passed by and pardoned. A desire I had to perform, in some sort, that which is profitable to the most, namely, an english History of that C.W. which of all others (if I have any judgment) affordeth most plenteous examples of devout zeal in their kind, of wisdom, pollicy, justice, valour, and all vertues whatsoever. According to this purpose and intent of mine I framed my pen, not to any affected phrase, but a mean and popular stile. Wherein, if I have called again into use some old words, let it be attributed to the love of my country language; if the sentence be not so concise, couched and knit together, as the originall, loath I was to be obscure and dark; have I not englished every word aptly? Each Nation hath severall manners, yea, and terms appropriate by themselves; have I varied in some places from the French or Italian? Censured I look to be, and haply reprov'd; but like as *Alcibiades* said to one, *οὐδ' αὖτε ἐν ἡμέτεροις, ἢ ἐν Σικελίᾳ* (*Euribiades*) *so you bear me speak*; even so I say, Find fault and spare not; but withall, read the originall better before ye give sentence. And howsoever I have faulted otherwise by oversight, set against it my affection and desire to do some good whiles I live to my sweet native country; add thereto the long travell that I have taken to testifie the same; and if that will not bring down the ballance, let the profit and delight both, which you shall find in the argument and discourse of the history, counterpoise and outweigh my wants, more or less. And thus I recommend unto my countrymen *Livy* in english habit; *Livy* (I say) who whether he were more honored whiles he lived, than beloved at this day of forraign nations, I cannot easily determine. For like as then (by the testimony of *S. Hierom*, and *Pliny* in his Epistles) there repaired many great and noble personages from the farthest parts of *Spain* and *France*, only to see his face, for the admiration they conceived of him by the fame of his incomparable eloquence; even so of late time, his spirit (which yet liveth in his writings) hath made a voyage by *Florence* into the same *France* and *Spain*; and hath passed as far as into *Arabia* one way, and *Almain* another. In which distant and remote parts he hath found such kind entertainment, not only in Courts of Emperors and Kings, in palaces of Princes and great Potentates; but also with the people in generall; that they seem to strive no less (who may endow him with most ample franchises and free burgesie) than those seven cities in old timewho every one challenged to themselves the birth of the Poet *Homer*. Since then, he hath thus long been desirous to cross the seas into this noble Island, not as a traveller to sojourn for a time in the Court only or the Universities, but to remain here still both in City and country, and thereto hath learned our language indifferently; let it now appear that this nation of ours (like to reap as great fruit and benefit by his acquaintance as any other) is ready to receive and embrace him as friendly as the rest.



THE EPITAPH.

V. F.  
TITUS LIVIUS  
LIVIAE T. F.  
QUARTAE L.  
HALYS  
CONCORDIALIS  
PATAVI.  
SIBI ET SUI  
OMNIBUS.  
OBIIIT IIII. TIBERII  
CAESARIS ANNO.  
NATUS. LXXVI  
ANNOS.



THE  
FIRST BOOK  
OF THE HISTORIES  
OF  
TITUS LIVIUS  
OF PADUA, FROM THE FOUNDATION  
OF THE CITY OF ROME.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the First Book.

- A** He coming of Aeneas into Italy, and his acts there: the reign of Alcanius in Alba: of Sylvius Aeneas, and so forth of other Sylvii. Kings thereof, are contained in the first Book. The daughter of Numitor with child by Mars, Romulus and Remus are born. Amulius killed. The City of Rome built by Romulus. The Senate by him chosen. He made war with the Sabines. He presented unto Jupiter Feretrius the royall spoiles of their King, whom he slew with his own hands. He divided the people into Centuries, vanquished the Fidenates and Veientians, and was canonized a god. Numa Pompilius taught the rites and ceremonies of sacrifice and divine service, erected a Temple to Janus, and was the first that shut the doores thereof, after he had made peace with all the Nations thereabout: and finishing that he had secret company and conference by night with the goddess Egeria, won the stout and fierce hearts of the people to Religion. Tullus Hostilius warred upon the Albans, whereupon ensued the combate of the three brethren, twins on both sides. Horatius was acquit for killing his sister. The execution of Metius Suffetius. Alba raised and destroyed. The Albans made free denizens of Rome, and there dwelt. Was denounced against the Sabines. Finally, Tullus was consumed with lightning. Ancus Martius renewed the ceremonies by Numa first ordained. He to the Latines, being conquered and made Citizen of Rome, he assigned the mount Aventine to inhabit. He won again by force a town of the Latines called Politorium, which the old Latines had surprised and possessed themselves of, and utterly destroyed it. He made the Sublician or wooden bridge over Tybris, and adjoynd to the City the hill Janiculum. He enlarged the bounds of the Empire, built Ostia, and reigned three and thirty years. In the time of his reign, Lucumo the son of Demaratus a Corinthian, removed from Tarquins, a City of Tuscanie, and came to Rome: and there entering into amity with Ancus, began to bear the name of Tarquinius, and so to be called: and after the death of Ancus took the Kingdom upon him. He increased the number of the Senators by one hundred, subdued the Latines, appointed the Censors or Theatres, set forth the publike games and plaies: and being warred upon by the Sabines, he augmented the centuries of the horsemen. And for to make proofe and triall of Accius Navius the Augur his cunning, he demanded of him, as they say, whether that which he conceived in his mind were possible to be effected: and when he made answer, that it was, he commanded him to cut a whetstone in two with a razor, which out of hand was by Accius done. Moreover, he won the field of the Sabines, and defeated them: walled the City about, made the walled sickle, and when he had reigned eight and thirty years, was murdered by the sons of Ancus. There succeeded after him Servius Tullius, the son of a Captive, a noble Lady of Corniculum, who being a child, and lying swaddled in the cradle, had a flame of fire (as the report goeth) burning about his head. He discomfited the Veientians, and Tuscans in battell: He was the first that numbred the people of Rome, valued their goods and augmented the Lustrum every five years, in which were repared to have been numbred eighty thousand Citizens. He described the Classes and Centuries: set out further the bounds of the Pomaria, without and within the City walls: and put to the City the hills Quincialis, Viminalis, and Esquilinus. He together with the Latines founded the Temple of Diana in mount Aventine, and when he had reigned four and thirty years, he was, with the privacy, and by the counsell of his daughter Tullia, murdered by L. Tarquinius, the son of the Sepricus. After him L. Tarquinius Superbus usurped the Kingdom, without the election either of the Senators or the people. On which day Tullia (most wicked and cursed wretch that she was) caused her Coach to be driven over the Corps of her father, lying dead on the ground. He had about him a troupe of armed men for the guard of his person. By a subtilie wile he put to death Turnus Herdonius, who had war with the Volscians, and of their spoiles edified a Temple to Jupiter, on the hill Capitoll where the god Terminus and the goddess Juventas, agreed not to be displaced, whose altars could not be stirred nor removed, as the others. By the

the fraudulent profile of his son Sex. Tarquinius he brought the Gabians to his obedience. Unto his other H two sons being gone to Delphi, and consulting there the Oracle, whether of them should be King of Rome, a sister was made. That he should reign who first kissed his mother: which answer they interpreting wrong, Junius Brutus, who accompanied them in their voyage, made as though he caught a fall, and kissed the ground, the mother indeed of all: which proved true on his part, as it fell out in the end. For when as Tarquinius Superbus by his proud tyrannic ill demeanour, had incurred the hatred of all men: he at last upon the forcible outrage and villany done by Sex. Tarquinius (his son) in the night season upon the body of Lucretia: who sending for her sister Tricipitinus, and her husband Collatinus, besought them earnestly not to see her death unrevenged, and so with a knife killed her selfe: he I say, by the means of Brutus, speedily was driven and expelled out of Rome, when he had reigned five and twenty years. Then were the Consuls first created, Lu. Jun. Brutus, and Lu. Tarquinius Collatinus.

The Preface of Titus Livius to his whole Work.



Hetherin writing the acts and affairs of the people of Rome, from the first Foundation of the City, I shall perform a work of importanc and worth my travail, I either wot I well, nor if I witt, dare I avouch: seeing it is a thing both old and usual, that new Writers alwaies perswade themselves, either in matter to deliver more truth and certainty, or in manner of curious penning thereof, to outgo the rudenesse of elder time. Howsoever it fall out, this yet will do me good, that even I also, to the utmost of my power, have endeavoured to cternize the worthy deeds of that people which is the sovereign of the whole world. And if, among so many Writers, my lame chance be to obscure, yet may I comfort my selfe in this, That they who shall darken and shadow the same, are men so highly reputed and renowned. Besides, the thing it self is of infinite toyle and labour, as counting and comprizing from above 700 years past, and which arising from small beginnings hath proceeded and grown to great, as now the bignesse thereof is combrons to it self: and I doubt not, but the Readers for the most part will take but small delight and pleasure, either in those far-fetched Originals, or in the times next ensuing, for halfe they make to these novelties of later daies, wherein the puiissance of that so mighty people hath wrought long since their own downfall and from beholding these calamities, which this our Age for such things as are reported, either before, or at the Foundation of the City, more beautified and set out with Poets Fables, than grounded upon pure and faithfull Records, I mean neither to aver nor disprove. This leave and privilege hath antiquity, by interlacing the acts of gods and men together, to make the first rising of Cities more sacred and venerable. And if it may be lawfull for any people under heaven to consecrate and ascribe unto the gods their Original, surely, such is the renowned martiall prowells of the Romans, that all nations of the world may as well abide them to report Mars above the rest, to be the prime father both of themselves and of their first founder, as they can be content to live in subjection under them. But these and such like matters, howsoever they shall hereafter be censured or esteemed, I will not greatly weigh and regard. This would I have every man rather to think upon in good earnest, and consider with me what their life, and what their carriage was, by what men and means, both in war and peace, their dominion was achieved and enlarged. Afterward as their discipline began by little and little to shrink, let him mark how at the very first their behaviour and manners sunk withall: and how still they fell more and more to decay and ruin yea, and began soon after to tumble down right even until these our daies, wherein we can neither endure our own faults, nor faves for the cure. For this is it that is so good and profitable in an history, when a man may see and behold, as in a conspicuous monument and lightfom memoriall the lively examples of all sorts, set up in open view for his instruction, whereout he may chuse for himself and his Country what to follow, as also learn how to echew a foul enterprife, and avoid a shamefull end. But unless I be deceived with the affectionate love of mine own commended work, never was there Common-weal, either more mighty, more holy and devout, better stored of good preidents, or into which covetousnesse and exccesse more lately crept, or wherein poverty and frugality were so greatly or so long time honored, in summe as the more they wanted, the lesse they desired. Now of late daies wealth hath brought in avarice, abundant pleasures have kindled a desire for riot, lust, and loose life, to destroy and bring all to naught. But these complaints, which will be nothing pleasant, no not when perhaps they shall be needfull, banish we must (howsoever we do) at our first entrance of so weighty a matter: when as we rather should begin (if as the Poets use, it were our manner also) with good prefaces and lucky foretellings, with vows and prayers to gods and goddesses, to vouchsafe their furtherance and happy successe to the enterprife of so great a Work.

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The First Book  
OF  
TITUS LIVIUS.

It of all, this is generally held for certain, That the Greeks, after the winning of Troy, dealt cruelly with all the Trojans, save only *Aeneas* and *Aeneas*: to whom, as well in regard of the bond of mutuall entertainment, as also for that they ever perswaded peace and the rendring again of *Helen*, they wholly forbore to shew any rigour at all, as by martiall right of war they might have done. And how *Aeneas* afterwards, accompanied with a number of *Heneians*, who driven by civill discord out of *Papilagonia*, and having lost at Troy their King *Pylemenes*, were to seek both a resting place, and a Captain to conduct them, arrived through many adventures and accidents of fortune, in the inmost gulf of the Adriatick sea: and after they had expelled the *Euganians* that inhabited between the sea and the Alps, those *Heneians* together with the Trojans, kept those parts and there remained. The place where first they landed, called *Troy*, whereout the Territory and Seigniory thereabout was also named *Troy*, and the whole people in general called *Heneians*. Moreover, how *Aeneas* upon like misfortune, having fled his country, yet aspiing by the fatall direction of the destinies to greater affairs, came first into *Macedony*: and after into *Sicily*, seeking an abiding place: and sailing with a fleet came first into *Macedony*, and landed in the country of *Laurentum*: which place likewise was named *Troy*. Where the Trojans being set a shore, having after their long wandering nothing in a manner left them but ships and armour, as they forraged and drove booties out of the Country, King *Latinus* with the *Aborigines*, who at that time inhabited out of these strangers. But what beell ner out of town and country, to withstand the violent invasion of these strangers. But what beell thereupon in two manner of waies reported. Some say, that *Latinus* being in a battell vanquished, first made peace with *Aeneas*, and after that allied himselfe to him by marriage. Others affirm, that as both armies stood ranged in battell array, before the trumpets sounded the battell, *Latinus* came forth into the Vanguard, and called out the General of the strangers to parle: demanding who they were, from whence they came, by what chancethey departed from their own home, and to what end they entered the Laurentine borders? After that he heard the company were Trojans, the Captain *Aeneas*, son of *Venus* and *Anchises*, and that upon the burning of their City, they having forgone their country, sought some place to abide and build them a City in: wondered much, not only at the noblenesse of the people and their leader, but also at their courageous hearts, resolved either for war or peace: whereupon, by giving his right hand he plight his troth, and faithfully promised them friendship and amity. So the two Generals made a League, and each host saluted other. And *Aeneas* by *Latinus* entertained and lodged in marriage to *Aeneas*, joynd private alliance to the familiar household gods, by giving his daughter in marriage to *Aeneas*, joynd private alliance to the former publick confederacy. Which thing truly put the Trojans in good hope and full assurance to end one day their wandering and fitting to abide, and to settle themselves in one certain place of abode. Hereupon, a Town they built, which *Aeneas* of his wives name called *Lavinium*. Within a while, by this new marriage, he had issue a son: whom the parents named *Ascanius*. But after all this, were both Trojans and *Aborigines* warred upon. For *Turonus* King of the Rutilians, unto whom *Lavinia*, before *Aeneas* his coming, had been espoused, taking it to heart that a stranger was preferred before him, made war both upon *Aeneas* and *Latinus*: but neither Army departed from the battell with joy and well appaid. For the Rutilians were vanquished: the *Aborigines* and Trojans were indeed the field, but lost their Captain *Latinus*. Then *Turonus* and the Rutilians mitruing their own strength, fled for succour to the puissant and mighty *Tuscan*, and to their King *Meczenus*, who keeping his Royall Court at *Cere*, a town in those daies of great wealth, nor well pleased even from the first beginning, with the foundation of a new City, and supposing the Trojans power was already much more encreased than might well stand with the safety of the borderers, joynd full willingly his forces with the Rutilians. *Aeneas* to win the hearts of the *Aborigines* against so dreadful and dangerous war, to the end they all should not only live under one government, but also be all of one name, called both Nations *Latines*. And from that time forth were the *Aborigines* nothing inferior to the Trojans in love and loyalty towards their Prince *Aeneas*. *Aeneas* also trusting confidently in the valiant and faithfull hearts of these two States, growing up daily more and more in mutuall amity, albeit *Hetruria* was so mighty, that the name thereof was renowned not only throughout the inland parts, but the sea coasts also, even from one end of *Italy* to the other, from the

Venerable in this day descended from *Phrygia*, and the Trojans under the conduct of *Aeneas*.

*Aeneas* and the Trojans arrive in Italy King *Latinus*.

*Aeneas* espoused *Lavinia*.

*Lavinia* built *Ascanius* born.

*Latinus* slain.

The Latines.

The death  
and sepulture  
of *EXAS*.  
*Indians Indig.*

The wise go-  
vernment of  
*LEVINIA*, &  
Queen Mo-  
ther,  
*JULIA* or *As-*  
*CONIA*.  
The family of  
the *JULI*.

Long Alba  
built by Asca-  
nins.  
The Kingdom  
of Alba.

**Albums or Tyris.**

Laticus Syl.

**Tiberius.**

*Augustine*

**Number and Analysis,**

**Rhea Sylvia.**

*Romulus and Remus born.*

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Answers mira-  
culously fa-  
ved.*

*Laurentia.*

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of INDIANA,

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**Parres,  
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**Patris**

then e brought back his army with conquest and victory, as a man no less desirous to shew his nobility with glory, then to achieve the same by prowess, he bare afore him on high as a pompous Pageant in a frame fity for the purpose wrought, the spoile and armor of his enemies Captain, by himself slain: and so ascended up to the Capitol Hill, where laying them down at the Oak which himselfe had in great reverence, he consecrated them as a present to *Jupiter*: and let out with ally, the foundation and bounds of a Temple unto him: giving moreover this addition and title to the god, and saying solemnly: "O *Jupiter Feretrius*, I King *Romulus* upon my victory, present unto thee this armor of a King, and within this compais of ground, which even now I have conceived and assigned, I dedicate a Temple, to receive those rich and royal spoils, which the posterity, following mine example, shall bear away from the Kings and Captains general of their enemies, whom they shall happen hereafter to kill. This is the very beginning of that Temple, which first of all other was in *Rome* consecrated. And so it pleased God, that neither the first founders words were spoken in vain, whereby he foretold and pronounced, that his posterity should bring their spoils thither: nor his glory flourish and grow mightily. This lute was gently heard, and soon obtained. After this, he set forth against the *Cornutians* that began to war upon him: with whom he had the least ado, for that their courages were well abated already by the overthrow of others. To both these places as unto Colonies, were new inhabitants sent. But the greater number were desirous to enter their names, and to plant themselves at *Craffminum*, for the fertility of the soil, And many likewise removed from thence to *Rome*, the parents especially and kinsfolk of the ravished women. Last of all, the Sabins warred far more sharply and dangerously then the rest, for nothing did they either in fury and rage, or for covetous desire of spoils. Neither made they talk and shew of war, before they were indeed and were seen in field. And besides this consideration policy, they dealt also with craft and subtilty. For whereas one *Sp. Tarpeius* had the charge of the Cattle in *Rome*, his daughter a young maiden, *Tatius* with a sim of money corrupted and procured at what time as he went to fetch water without the walls for sacrifice, to receive armed soldiers into the fortress. But so soon as they were let in, they with their armor smothered and killed her: either for that thereby it might be thought the Cattle was won by force: or because they would make her an example to posterity, that no Traitor should ever think to escape unpunished. But hereto belongeth a tale, namely that the Sabins used commonly on their left arms to wear bracelets of masse and weighty gold, and fair rings besides on their fingers, let with precious stones of great value: and that she covenanted and agreed with them to have that which they wear on their left hands; whereupon she had their targets in stead of those golden ornaments, heaped upon their left hands. Others say, that upon agreement and covenant made to deliver that which was on their left hands, she demanded their armor: and because she seemed to deal deceitfully, she was overtaken therewith, and perished by receiving a reward of her own chusing. However it was, the Sabins were possessed of the Cattle. From whence the morrow after (when as the Romans army well appointed in battle ray, had taken up and overpread the whole plain that lieth from mount *Palatine* to the hill *Capitol*) they would not come down on even ground before that the Romans partly nettled with anger, and partly pricked with a hot desire to recover the Cattle again, began with their N great disadvantage to climb against the hill. Whereupon the Captains on both sides joined battle. *Metius Curius* for the Sabins. *Hofstius Hostilius* for the Romans: who albeit he was on the lower ground, yet in the forefront most courageously and stoutly underwent the brunt of the conflict. But so soon as he was stricken down and slain, incontinently the Romans retired and gave ground: and thus difcomfited fled backward to the old gate of *Palatine*. *Romulus* himself also, born back with the press and throng of those that fled, lift up his weapons on high towards heaven, and cried out saying: "O *Jupiter*, I *Romulus* by thy direction guided and ruled, have here in this mount *Palatine* laid the foundation of this City: and now already have the Sabins by corruption and treachery got the Citadel and fortress thereof: from whence they having passed the midst of the vale between, make hither in haste with force of arms: But thou O father of gods and men, vouchsafe O yet from hence at leastwise to repulse the enemies, deliver the Romans from this so great fear, and stay their shameful flight. And here to thee O *Jupiter Stator* I vow a Temple, for a memorial to all posterity, that by thy present help this City was saved and preserved. Thus having once prayed, as if he had known for certain that his prayers were heard. Even here (quoth he) O ye Romans doth *Jupiter Opt. Max.* the best and greatest of all the gods command you to stay and begin the battle afresh. Herewith the Romans, no less then if they had been commanded from heaven above, made

Tomals present  
to Jupiter Feretrius  
the spoils of the King of the Cornutians.

By Consul, Cato, and M. Metellus.

The Armentaries offered, and then they forced. Hofstius wife to Romulus.

Colonies of the Romans first planted.

The Sabins make war.

The Cattle of Rome betrayed to the Sabins.

A cruel battle between the Romans and Sabins. Metius Curius slain. Hofstius Hostilius.

The prayer of Romulus to Jupiter Stator.

A made a stand. And *Romulus* in person hied him with all speed to the foremost in the vanguard. Now was *Metius Curius*, principal leader of the Sabins, run down from the Cattle, and had scattered and chased the Romans back as far as the *Forum* or common place of *Rome* at this day reacheth in length: and being come within a little of the gate of *Palatine*, he lit up his voice and cried aloud: "Vanquish we have these faithless friends, and heartless foes: and now know they well, it is one thing to ravish maidens, and a far other thing to fight with men. In this sort, as he braved it out, *Romulus* with a troop of lusty young men, made head against him. *Metius* haply at that time fought on Horieback, whereby he was forced the sooner to recule, and the Romans made after and pursued him. The other battle of the Romans in like manner, being much encouraged with the valour of their King, discomfited the Sabins. *Metius* with his horse under him, affrighted at the noise of them that ran after, leapt into a marsh or bog thereby. Which accident, considering the danger of so great a person, made the Sabins to look back to him. And he verily taking heart again at the calling and encouragement of many of his favourites, escaped. But the Romans and Sabins both, in the middle valley between the two hills, renew the battle again: where the Romans got the better hand. Then the Sabine Dames, for whose wrongful usage all this war arose, with their hair hanging loose about their shoulders, and renting their garments, for very grief and sorrow past all fear, ventured to run amongst the javelins and darts as they flew: and thus having thrust themselves violently overthwart between them, began to part these bloody armies, and to end their deadly feud: Befeeching their own fathers on the one side, and their husbands on the other, that they being fathers and sons in law, would not embrew themselves with so unkind and unnatural bloodshed, nor as parricides, murder the young ones newly born, some their grand-children, and others their own heirs of their body begotten. "If ye our fathers, think much (say they) of the affinity between our husbands and you, or if ye our husbands are displeased with our marriage, bend all your anger and malice against us: we are the cause of this war, we are the cause of wounding and killing both husband and father: yet will we rather die, then live either Orphans without the one, or Widows without the other. This thing moved as well the multitude of Soldiers, as also the Captains; and presently a sudden all was built, and the sight ceased, Whereupon the Generals came forth to conclude a League. Neither made they peace only, but one City of two: united their Realms, and joined together in the Regiment: but the royal estate they settled in *Rome*.

D The City thus being made one of twain, the Romans for to gratifie the Sabins in some sort, were of *Curius*, a town of the Sabins, called *Quirites*. And for a memorial of that battle, the very place where *Curius*, after he was gotten out of the deed-marsh, first set his horse on firm ground, was named *Curius* his lake. This joyous peace ensuing presently upon so cruel war, made these women better beloved of their husbands and parents: but especially of *Romulus* himself. And therefore when he divided the City into thirty Wards or Parishes, he called them by their names. But it is not left in any record (for out of all question the women were far more in number then so) whether those that should give names unto the Wards, were chosen by age, or by their own dignity and worthiness, or their husbands degree and calling, or by calling lots. At the same time were enrolled and ordained three Centuries of Gentlemen or Knights: The *Ramenenses* were so called of *Romulus*, the *Thienenses* of *Titus Tatius*; but of the name and first beginning of the *Lucerians*, the occasion is not certain. So these two Kings not only reigned together, but also governed with great unity and concord. But after certain years the kindred of King *Tatius* chanced to bear and evil entreat the Embassadors of *Laurentum*. And when as the *Laurentines* pleaded the law of Nations, for satisfaction of this outrage: *Tatius* his kinsfolk what by favour, and what by intreaty, prevailed mere with him then the just complaint of the others, Whereby he brought vengeance due to them upon his own head: for being come upon a time to *Laavinum*, unto a solemn sacrifice and feast, there in unapproach or horribly the people ran upon him, and so was he slain. Which thing (they say) *Romulus* made less regard of then was meet: either for that fellowship in Lordship is never faithful, or because he esteemed him not unjustly to be made away. Whereupon he forbore indeed to make war: yet to the end the wrong done unto the Embassadors, together with the murder of the King, might be expiated and purged clean away, the League between the Cities of *Rome* and *Laavinum* was renewed. But whilst peace verily was beyond mens expectation with them concluded: behold another fresh war arose, much nearer then the other, and hard almost at their very gates. For the people of *Fidene* supposing the Romans power and riches to encrease over much to near unto them; before they should grow to such greatness as they were like to do, began first to war upon them: and sending a power of lusty tall soldiers, invaded and wasted all the country between the City of *Rome* and *Fidene*. And taking their way on the left hand, for that the *Tyber* kept from the other, they foraged and spoiled as they went, to the great fear of the Peasants and country people. So as this sudden tumult and garbail heard out of the fields into the City, brought the first news of the war, *Romulus* raised therewith (for so nigh a warmight bear no delay) led forth his army, and encamped within a mile of *Fidene*: and leaving there a competent guard, he departed thence with all his other forces, commanding part of his soldiers to lie close in certain covert places, among the thickets in ambushment. Himself with the greater number, and all his horse, advanced forward, and riding up and down before their gates after a disordered and bragging manner, made semblant of a bravado, and all to train the enemy forth, which was the thing he only sought. This kind of horrid service was a means that the *Fidene*ans less suspected and marvelled at their flying, which they were to counterfeite.

The Sabins women to their husbands and fathers.

Quirites.

Curius Lake.

Centuries.

Titus Tatius.

A Stratagem of Romulus.

feir, For whilst the Cavalry stood unresolv'd, as it were, in a hammering whether to fly or fight, G  
and the Infantry which began to retire: all at once the enemies in thronging manner fall'd forth  
of the gates, and chafed the Romans so fiercely, that in their eager pursuit they were drawn to the ve-  
ry place of ambush, Thence the Romans suddenly arose, and charged the flank of the enemies; And  
to encrease their fright, they likewise that were left behind to guard the camp, shewed themselves  
with banners displayed. So the Fidenates terrified sundry ways, before well near that *Romulus* and  
his men of arms could rein about their horse-heads, turned their backs, and rode full gallop towards  
the town again, and so much the faster, for that they fled now in good earnest themselves, that pur-  
sued them, who a little before made but semblance thereof. Yet for all this could they not escape  
the enemy: for the Romans hard at their heels, rushed together with them pell-mell into the town,  
before the gates could be shut against them. At this Fidenatian war spreading so dangerously, the  
Veientians grew angry in their hearts, and began to chafe. Touched they were also in regard of kin-  
dred and alliance: for the Fidenates were likewise Tuscan. And fearing lest (if the Roman forces  
should thus distress and lie upon all the borders) they being so near should not go free, they were  
the rather pricked forward, and thereupon made rodes, and entered in arms the confines of *Rome*,  
spoiling and rifling, more like robbers than professed warriors. So without pitching any tents, or  
abiding the coming of their enemies, but only driving and carrying away great booties out of the  
fields, they return again to *Vei*. The Romans contrariwise, not finding the enemies in the field, but  
yet provided and resolved to give battel, and to hazard all, passed over the *Tyber*. Whom the *Ve-*  
*ientians* understanding to be encamping themselves, fully minded to come against their City: issued  
forth and met them, intending to try the quarrel by dint of sword, and in open field, rather than to  
be mued up within the town, and to fight and defend themselves from off their houles and walls. There  
the Roman King with the strength only of his old beate fouldiers, without any other help  
and supply whatsoever, without policy or stratagem, had the better: and having thus discomfited  
the enemies, he chafed them even to their very walls. And for that the City was exceeding strong,  
fortified as well by natural situation, as by walls, he forbore to assault it. But in his return home-  
ward, he wasted the country, more upon a mind to revenge, than hope of spoil. With this delectate  
the Veientians no less subdued then if they had lost a field, sent Orators to *Rome* to sue for peace:  
unto whom Truce was granted for an hundred years, but they were amerced to lose part of their  
lands. There were in manner all the acts that were done both at home and abroad, during the reign  
of *Romulus*. Whereof none seemed to derogate any jot from the opinion, both of his divine birth  
and beginning, and also of his immortality or deification after his death. Such was his courageous  
heart in recovering his Grandfathers Kingdom: his policy and wisdom in founding the City first, and  
after in establishing and governing the same, as well in war as in peace. By whose good proceedings  
it got such strength, and so sure footing, that for forty years space after, it enjoyed peace with safety.  
Nevertheless of his Commons he was better beloved then of his Nobles: but above all, his  
Souldiers most heartily affected him: of whom he had always about him, as Elquires of the body,  
three hundred Pensioners armed, not only in time of war, but also of peace, whom he called *Celeres*.  
Thus having achieved these noble and immortal deeds, as he upon a time assembled all his people  
upon the plain, at the marsh *Capra*, there to number or muster his army: behold upon a sudden there  
arose a tempest with great cracks of thunder, which with so thick and cloudy a storm, covered the  
King, that the people lost the sight of him. And never after was *Romulus* seen on earth. The Ro-  
man youth, after their fear was at length past, and that upon so dark and troublesome weather, it  
proved a fair day again, and calm withal, seeing the Kings Throne empty, albeit they credited the  
Senators that stood next about him, who gave out he was taken up aloft in the storm: yet stricken  
into sad dumps, as it were for the loss of their father, held their peace a good while. But afterwards,  
when some few of them had once begun, they all set on and cried aloud, *All hail god Romulus the*  
*son of a god, King and Father of the City of Rome*: With earnest prayer beseeching him of his grace,  
that he would vouchsafe to be propitious, and save their off-spring and posterity forever. I am of  
this mind, that some there were even then, that suspected and secretly surmised that the King was  
pulled in pieces by the hands of the Nobles. For this rumor also was bruited abroad, although in  
very dark and obscure terms. But by reason of the high admiration of the man, and the present fear  
withal, the former opinion took place, and was more current. Over and besides, it grew the rather  
credible, through the politick practise of one person. For as the whole City was pensive and sor-  
rowful for the mis of their King, and fore-dilect with the Senators, one *Proculus Julius*, a sub-  
stantial good author (as men say) and to be believed in a matter of great importance, stepped forth  
into the assembly. *Romulus* (quoth he) O *Quintus*, the Founder and Patron of this City, even  
this very morning at the day break, descended suddenly down from heaven and met me, and as  
I stood all quaking for fear, ready to worship him, and humbly beseeching that I might behold  
his face to face: Away (quoth he) and tell the Romans that the will of the gods in heaven is, that  
my City of *Rome* shall be the head and chief of the whole world: will them therefore to follow  
me and practise chivalry, and the knowledge thereof: and woe it well, and so let them teach their  
posterity to wit, That no power in the world shall be able to withstand the puissance of the Ro-  
mans. Which (said he) was not so soon spoken, but he ascended on high, and departed. A won-  
der it was to see, how much they gave credit to this mans tale, and how greatly the mis of *Romulus*  
both among the Commons and the Army, was by this belief of his immortality, digested,

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A In this mean while the Senators fell to strive who should be King, and the desire of so many  
troubled much and perplexed their minds. But as yet, there was no banding, nor riding from any  
one person in particular: for that in a State so newly risen, and of so small continuance, there was  
not one that far excelled another in authority. All the contention was between the two several  
factions in general. For they that were descended of the Sabins, fearing lest because after the death  
of *Tatius* there was none of their part, that had reigned with *Romulus* in equal jurisdiction, they  
should now lose their possession and title to the Crown, were desirous to have a King chosen out  
of their corporation. The old Romans again might not abide an alien or forrainger to be King.  
Howbeit, thus diversly affected as they were, a King they all well needs have, as who (God wot)  
B had not yet tasted the sweetness of liberty and freedom. Besides, the Nobles began to fear, lest per-  
adventure in case the hearts of many Cities thereabouts, should not be well disposed, but provoked  
against them, some forraign power would make invasion, finding the City without government,  
and the army without a Captain. Therefore they all liked well to have one head, but none could  
find in his heart to give place unto another. Whereupon the hundred Senators associate and com-  
bine together in the rule of the Common-weale, by dividing themselves into ten Decuries, and for  
every Decury choosing one to bear the chiefe authority. So that ten governed at once, but one  
alone had the regal Ensigns and the Liens before him. This sovereignty and preheminence deter-  
mined every five days: and thus went it through them all round in course. After which manner,  
they continued the space of one year. And the government upon this occasion was (as it is still at  
this day) called *Interregnum*. Then after a year began the Commons to grudge and mutter, that  
their servitude was greater then before, having now Lords over them, an hundred for one: and fee-  
med they would no longer endure, but have a King again, yea, and one of their own choosing. The  
Senators seeing them thereabouts, and taking it to be good policy for to overthrow that of their own ac-  
cord, which they were otherwise like to fongo, curved favour with them in this wise, to wit: by  
granting the chief prerogative unto the people (in choosing a King) yet so, as they gave them no great  
priviledge, then they referred to themselves. For thus it was decreed, that when the people had  
elected a King, it should stand firm and ratified, if the Senators liked thereof, and gave thereto their  
royal assent. And even at this day in making of Laws, and choosing of Magistrates or Rulers, the same  
right is in some sort observed, setting aside the violence of Tribunes. For that now before the peo-  
ple give their voices, the Senators passe by their authority, that which they would have done, fall  
out in the assembly of people, by a mutiny, doubtful as it will. To proceed then, the *Interregne*  
having called a general Parliament: In the name of God (quoth he) O *Quintus*, and which may be  
to you good, lucky, and prosperous, elect, or nominate ye a new King: for so is the good pleasure  
of the Nobles and Senators: and in case ye shall elect a man of such quality, as may be deemed wor-  
thy to succeed *Romulus*, then will they by their assent pals the same, and allow thereof. This pleased  
and contented the Commons so highly, that because they would not seem behind in bounty and  
courtesie, they answered again, that this only they ordained and agreed upon, to wit, that the Senate  
should determine who should be King of *Rome*. There was in these days one *Numa Pompilius*,  
much renowned and esteemed for his just life and religious: he dwelt in *Caere*, a City of the Sabins.  
E A man right skilful and very well seen (as any one might be in that age) in all Laws both divine and  
humane: whole teacher and first master, for want of other Author of his Science and Knowledge  
(they say) but yet untruly, was *Pythagoras* of *Samos*. Concerning whom, this is well known, that  
he too, years after and above. in the days of *Servius Tullius* King of *Rome*, held a School of young  
men Students, that were his Disciples, and followed his Sect in the utmost and farthest coast of *Italy*,  
about *Metapontum*, *Heraclea*, and *Craton*. From which places (albeit he had lived in that time)  
whatname of him could spread so far as to the Sabins? or by what entrance and affinity of lan-  
guage might he possibly have trained any man unto him for desire of learning at his hands? or by  
what good means and help, could *Numa* travel alone unto him in safety, through so many coun-  
tries, of divers tongues and sundry manners? I am of this opinion rather, that the man by nature  
F was framed and disposed to vertue, and that he was instructed, not so much in strange and forraign  
Sciences, as after that strict rule, that stern and severe discipline of the ancient Sabins: then whom,  
there was no nation in times past, more precise, reformed, and void of corruption. The Roman  
Senators hearing the name of *Numa*, although they saw well enough, that the Sabins were like to  
prove of great reputation and power, by choosing their King from among them, yet was there none  
of them so audacious, as to prefer either themselves, or any one of their party and faction, nor any  
one Lay, Senator or Citizen, before that man: but at a lingeral with one accord, agreed to con-  
fer the Kingdom upon *Numa Pompilius*, Who being sent for and come: like as *Romulus* at the found-  
ing of the City was inaugurate King, or attained to the Crown by means of Angury: so also he would  
needs, that the will and counsel of God should be sought for, touching his own election. Where-  
G upon he was by the Augur (unto whom for ever after that publick Ministry or Priesthood in regard  
of honor and reverence by patent be'longed) brought unto the Castle hill, and there he set him  
down upon a *Rome*, with his face toward the South. Then the Augur on his left side, with head  
covered, took his place: holding in his right hand a smooth staff without knot or knob, and hood-  
ed towards the top, which they called *lituus*. From whence after that he had with good advice,  
taken a prospect and view towards the City and Country, and made his prayers unto the gods, he  
limited the quarters of the Heav'n, from East to West: and the parts Southward he appointed for  
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The Veientians discomfited by Romulus.

Truce between Romulus and Veientians for an hundred years. The common resolution of Romulus.

Celeres.

Romulus his end.

The speech of Proculus Julius.

## The first Book of T. Livius.

the right hand, and those Northward for the left. And so far as ever he could cast his eye and see it forward, he imagined to himself a mark: then shifting his staff into his left hand, and laying the right hand upon Numa's head, he prayed in this form: O Father Jupiter, if it may be right and lawful, that this Numa Pompilius, whose head I lay my hand upon, shall be King of Rome, shew I beseech thee some certain and manifest signs within that compals and those precincts, that I conceived and set out. Then pronounced he in plain words what tokens by sight or sight of fowls he would have to appear. Which being once seen, Numa was declared King, and so came down from the Temple or place of prospect above said.

In this manner, being inaugurate and invested in the Kingdom, he provideth by good Orders, Laws, and Customs, to re-edify, as it were, that City, which beforetime had been new built by force and arms. Whereunto, he seeing that they might not be brought and framed in time of war, whole hearts were already by continual warfare grown wild and savage: and supposing that this fierce people might be made more gentle and tractable, through disuse of arms, he therefore built the Temple of Janus in the nether end of the street Argiletum. In token both of war and peace: with this invention, that being open it should signify, that the City was in arms: and standing shut, that all the neighbor countries were in peace and quiet. Twice only after the reign of Numa was this Temple shut: once, when T. Manlius was Consul, after the first Carthaginian war was done and ended: and a second time (as God would) in our age for to see, when as the Emperor Caesar Augustus, after the battle of Actium (with Antonius and Cleopatra) had obtained peace both by Land and Sea. Numa then having knit the hearts of the borderers about him in firm league and amity, and thereupon closed up the doors of Janus, secured now from all fear and care of dangers abroad, yet doubting lest through ease and idleness their minds might fall to looseness and riot, whom the dread of enemies and martial discipline had held in awe and good order: devised above all things to strike home fear of God into them, and to plant religion in their hearts: policy no doubt, with the simple multitude (rude in those days and ignorant) most effectual. Which reverence of God, for that it could not sink nor enter well into their heads, and take a deep impression, without some device of a famed miracle, he made semblance, and gave out, that he conversed in the night season, and had, I wot not what, secret conference with the goddess Egeria. By whose counsel and direction forsooth, he ordained such divine service and sacrifices to the gods, as to them was most acceptable: and to every god appointed several Priests for the ministry thereof accordingly. But first above all other things he divided the year, according to the course of the Moon, into twelve months: and for as much as the Moon hath not full thirty days to every month, whereby some days are wanting to make up the just year, after the revolution and circle of the Sun: he, by putting the odd days between every month, so disposed and ordered the year, that in every three and twenty years space the days agreed just to the same point of the Sun from whence they began, and so made up the void spaces, and accomplished fully the term of every year. He appointed likewise law days and days of vacation, called *Festi* and *Ne-festi*, thinking it good, that otherwhiles there should be rest from attendance on the Courts, and no dealing with the people. After this, he set his mind about the creation of Priests, albeit in his own person he performed very many sacrifices, especially those which at this day pertain to the Priest of Jupiter, called *Flamen Dialis*. And supposing that in a City so martial, there should succeed more Kings like to Romulus than Numa, who in proper person would go forth to war: lest haply the divine ministry that belonged to the King, might be neglected, he created a Flamine to Jupiter, for to be a sacrificer continually resident: endued and adorned him with a rich cope or vestment, and with an ivory chair of state upon wheels, called *Sella curulis*. Unto him he adjoined two Flamines more: one for Mars, another for Quirinus. He instituted also a Nunnery, as it were, of religious Vestal Virgins, a Priesthood that had the beginning from Alba, and suted well with the house, from whom the first founder of the City was descended. And to the end they should attend continually about the Church, as resident Chaplains, he allowed them an ordinary fee or pension, at the publick charges of the City: and made them by perpetual vowed virginity and other ceremonies to be revered and accounted holy. Likewise unto Mars *Gravidus* he en-  
*Sali.*  
*Aurili.*  
 leased twelve Priests called *Sali*, and gave unto them a rich purple coat, embroidered for an ornament, and to wear upon that coat a brazen breast-plate, and to bear certain scutcheons or bucklers that fell from heaven, called *Aurilia*: commanding them to run about the City, chanting hymns and songs, with dancing and leaping full solemnly. Moreover, he chose for a Superintendent or high Priest, Numa Martius, the son of Marcus, one of the Senators: and to him he gave in writing set down under his hand and seal, a rule, whereby he might know what beasts should be killed for sacrifice, upon what days, and at which Temples, and how the money should be levied and disbursed for the defraying of all charges. All other sacred rites as well publick as private, he submitted and referred to the discretion and ordering of that high Priest: to this end, that the common people might know unto whom they were to resort for counsel and instruction, and that no part of Gods worship and service should be neglected of the ancient rites and traditions of their own country, he confounded and corrupted by bringing in any strange and forraign superstitions. He ordained besides, that the same Arch-Priest should teach, not only these heavenly ceremonies, but also funeral obsequies, and how the spirits beneath, and ghosts of bodies departed, should be quiered and pacified: and what strange and prodigious tokens, that came by way of lightning, thunder, or any other fearful sight whatsoever, should be expiate and purged by sacrifice accordingly. And for

for to know the truth, portended by these tokens even from the minds of heavenly spirits above, he consecrated unto Jupiter *Elicius* an altar upon the mount *Aventine*. And by the means of Augury, he consulted with that god, what things he was to enterprize and go about. Whilst the whole multitude was thus drawn away, and clean turned from thinking of force and arms, and busied about devining and ordering of these matters, not only their minds were occupied in doing somewhat, but also the continual fear of God now felt in them, (as being perverted that the heavenly power was present in the managing of mens affairs) had possessed now all their hearts with such piety and religious holiness, that faithful promise once made, and the reverence of an oath taken, abandoning all fear of law and punishment, was able to rule and govern the City. And as the people framed and reformed themselves to the fashions and manners of their King, as the only and special pattern to follow: so the nations likewise bordering upon them, who beforetime verily thought that City to be built, and as it were encompassed in the midst of them to the disturbance and disquieting of all their peace, were now become to respect of them, that they thought it an impious and sinful deed, once to offend or offer abuse to that City, so well given, and devoted to the worship and service of God. Furthermore, there was a grove, the midst whereof was watered continually by a spring that issued out of a dark and shadowed cave: into which, because Numa ruled every oft to retire himself alone, without any other, as it were, to have familiar company with Egeria, he dedicated that grove unto the Muses, for that, their assistance also in counsel and advice he desired together with his wife Egeria. And to *Faith* alone he instituted a solemn yearly festival day, and erected a chapel: unto which he commanded the Flamines to ride in an arched or embowed close Chariot, drawn with two horses, and to sacrifice and execute their function, with their hands covered and wrapped close to their fingers ends: signifying thereby, that faith is to be kept and preserved: and that chastet feat was sacred and consecrated even upon the right hands. Many other sacrifices, and places for sacrifice, which the Priests call *Ageres*, did he appoint and dedicate. But of all his acts this was most worthy and memorable, that during the of this reign he had no less regard to preserve peace, than to maintain royal estate and domination. Thus two Kings one after another, taking either of them to a several course by himself, that one by war, this other by peace, mightily promoted the welfare of the City. Romulus reigned one hundred and thirty years, Numa 43. So that now the City became very puissant, as being well and equally tempered both with wars of arms, as also with discipline of peace.

Upon the death of Numa the regiment returned again to an inter-regn. Then the people nominated and elected for their King, with the royal assent of the Senators *Tullus Hostilius*, the Nephew or Grandson of that *Hostilius*, who had at times past fought valiantly against the Sabines, at the foot of the Cattle hill. This man was not only unlike the former King, but also more fierce and hardy than Romulus himself. For besides the heat of youth, and strength of body withal, the glorious remembrance of his Grandfather let him on, and pricked him forward. Supposing therefore that the City through rest and ease began to age, as it were, and to decay, he sought every way to pick quarrels, and to give occasion to make war. It fortuned, that the Peasants about Rome, and those of Alba likewise, preyed upon and spoiled one anothers land. At that time C. Clautus was Lord and King of Alba. From both parts well nigh at one time, were Embassadors addressed to demand restitution of goods, and satisfaction for their harms. *Tullus Hostilius* he had straightly charged his messengers to have no dealing with the Alban Prince, before they had delivered unto him their message. For well he wist, that he would make denial, and yield no amends: and then might he with safe conscience justly proclaim war against him. On the contrary side, the Alban Embassadors followed their business but slackly for being contently invited, and friendly entertained by *Tullus*, and lodged within his palace: they were well content to be feasted by the King, and were his daily guests so long, that the Romans had by this time both challenged their own first, and upon denial made by the Alban King, given defiance and proclaimed open war within thirty days next ensuing. Upon which tidings by them related to *Tullus*, he gave the Alban Embassadors audience, permitting them to declare what their errand was, that they came about. They (simple men) ignorant of all that was done, first spent time in excusing themselves, saying they were very loth & unwilling to speak ought that might displease *Tullus*, but were commanded by authority, they might not so, yet nor chide and reprove them were come to make claim of goods, & amends for wrongs, and if they were not restored and recompence made, they had committed to denounce war against him. Whereunto *Tullus* made answer in this wise, "Tell your King and Master (quoth he) that the Roman King calleth the gods to witness, whether of the two Nations first the Embassadors bring the misery, loss, and calamity of the present war. With this dispatch the Albans returned home. So they made preparation of forces on both sides all that they could, most like in all the world to a civil war between fathers and sons, proceeding both from the Trojan race: considering that by Trojans *Lausinius* was founded: from *Lausinius* came the people of Alba: and from the Alban Kings were the Romans in right line descended. But the final issue and end of this war, made the war it self less woful and lamentable, both because they came not to a far field, and also for that by taking the houses only of the one City, two nations were intermingled & united in one. The Albans first with a mighty power entered the Territory of Rome, and encamped themselves not past five miles from the City, where they strongly entrenched themselves: which place

Egeria Elicius.

Ageres. The Temple of Faith.

Tullus Hostilius.

The Embassadors of the Albans to King Tullus.

Continue his Story  
Marius Sufficit  
Dilectus of the  
Albans.

The Oration of  
Tullius unto Tar-  
tus.

Curiatius  
Mentius.

of the Captains name was called \* *Falsa Clutia*, many years after until both it and the name with-  
al in process of time, decayed clean and came to nothing. In this camp the Alban King *Clutius*  
ended his days, in whole stead the Alban army created *Marius Sufficit* their Dictator. *Tullius*  
the mean time became haughty and proud, especially upon the death of the King, oftentimes giving  
out and saying, that the mighty power of the gods, having thus begun at the very head, would  
likewise take vengeance on the whole body of the Alban Nation, for this their unjust and godlike  
war: and one night above the rest passed secretly by the camp of his enemies, and in warlike man-  
ner invaded the Alban land. This news raised *Marius* out of his standing camp. Who led forth  
his army and marched on as near to his enemies as he could, dispatching aforehand an Herald un-  
to *Tullius*, to notify unto him thus much from him, that it was needful and expedient before they  
joined battel to parle and commune together. If he would vouchsafe to confer, he knew very well,  
as that he should alledge and lay forth such matters, as might concern the Weale of the Romans, as  
well as of the Albans. *Tullius* refused not the offer, albeit they were but vain toies that were pre-  
tended, and therefore set his men in battel aray. The Albans in like manner came forth against him.  
After they were thus ranged and embattled ready to fight, the Generals on both sides, accom-  
panied with a few of their principal Nobles, advance between both armies. Then began the Alban  
Dictator in this wise: "Me thinks (quoth he) I hear already of injury and wrongs done, and how  
such goods as were demanded are not restored again according to the form of the league, as also  
that *Clutius* our King was cause of this war: neither doubt I, O *Tullius*, but even you pretend,  
and are about to alledge as much. But if we was of weought to do, stand upon the truth of  
things: rather then upon I wot not what glosses, and goodly shews of words: it is ambition and  
desire of rule only and nothing else, that putteth on two nations of one blood and near neigh-  
bors to take arms and war one with another: justly or unjustly, I am not able to say. Let him on  
Gods name that first began the quarrel, in conscience see to that. As for me, the Albans indeed  
have made me their General. But this one point *Tullius*, I would have you to remember and  
consider: How strong about us and you especially the *Tulcans* are, you know better, the nearer  
ye are unto them: mighty they are by land, much more by sea. Then wot well this, that when  
ye shall caule the *Trumpet* to sound unto battel, these two armies will be to them a fair mark,  
and spectacle to behold: that they may give an assault to both at once, as well the victors, as  
them that are vanquished, whilst they are wearied and toiled out of heart. For the love of God,  
if there be any spark of grace in us, since we not contented with that liberty which we surely en-  
joy, will needs venture and put in doubtful hazard, which of us shall rule and command, and  
who shall serve and obey the other, let us take some good counsell whereby it may be decided  
without great loss or bloodshed on both sides, whether shall be Lord and Sovereign. The mo-  
tion *Tullius* mistilaked not, albeit both for disposition of nature, and hope of victory, he were the  
haughtier of the twain. And as they fought on both parts what way to take, this means length  
they found, whereunto fortune it self presented fit matter and occasion. For by good hap even  
then, in either host three brethren twins there were born at one birth, and those neither in age  
nor strength unlike. Their names were *Curiatius* and *Horatius*, that is very certain, neither is there  
any thing of ancient record doubtful and error in their names: of whether people the *Curiatii* and the *Ho-  
ratii* were. Writers there be on both sides, but the greater number say, as I find, that *Horatii* were  
the Romans, to whom I rather incline, and my mind giveth me to follow them. With these three  
brethren the Kings went in hand, perswading them to fight for the honor of their country, and  
try the quarrel by dint of sword: shewing them, that on whether side the victory fell, there should  
remain the sovereign dominion. Nothing refused they to do, the time and place both were agreed  
upon and appointed. But before the combat, it was covenanted between the Romans and Al-  
bans, and these conditions drawn: That whole champions in fight should have the better, that  
nation should peaceably command the other. There are of covenants many and sundry Capitu-  
lations far different in matter: but they run all after one manner and form. As for this, it was N  
made, as we have heard in this wise, neither is there extant a more ancient record of any com-  
position whatsoever. The Herald (called *Fecialis*) demandeth of King *Tullius* in this wise: Is it your  
will and commandment my Lord, That I make a covenant and accord with the *Paterpatre* of the  
Alban people? It is (quoth the King.) Then (quoth he) I demand of you sacred herbs. The  
King answered again, Take them pure and clean. The *Fecialis* then reached from the Cattle bill pure  
herbs from among the grais: which done, he thus asked the King: Do you (my Lord) ordain me  
the Messenger Royal of the Commons of the people of Rome? and allow necessary implements,  
all furniture for my self, and my retinue and train? The King answered: I do, so far forth as may  
be, without the harm or detriment of my self, and of the Citizens of the people of Rome. The *Feci-  
al* or Herald for that time, was *Marcus Valerius*, who created *Paterpatre* a King at Arms, *Sp.  
Fufius*, by touching his head and hair with Vervain. Now the *Paterpatre* is for to confirm the  
agreement with an oath, and so he read out the covenant and oath, and that with many words:  
which to rehearse, as they were in a long prescript form pronounced, were very needlesse. After  
this having recited all the Articles and conditions thereof. "Hearken (quoth he) O *Jupiter*, listen  
thou Herald for the Albans, attend also and give ear ye the Alban people, how these conditions  
"from the first to the last, have been read aloud out of those Books or Tables of wax, without  
"civin

A "coven, or frand, and how at this day they are most rightly meant and understood, according to  
"the tenure of the words: from these articles I say, shall not the people of Rome start back first,  
"nor make default: If they shall first go back and fall therein by publick consent, and fraudulent-  
"ly: that day, O *Jupiter*, imite thou the City of Rome, as I to day will strike this Swine: ye, and  
"imite thou home so much more, as thou art more able and powerful then my self. And after he  
had thus said, he smote the swine with a flint stone. The Albans likewise repeated their prescript  
form of words, and the oath, by their Dictator and Priests for the purpose. The complements of  
the covenant and composition thus performed, and all concluded, then those three brethren of  
both sides, as it was before agreed, buckle to arm themselves. And being encouraged on both hands,  
B by their well-willers and friends, that put them in mind of their country gods, their native soile  
and parents, saying, that all their fellow Citizens and country men whatsoever, both at home in  
the City, and abroad in the camp, every one had their eye only upon them, their weapons and  
their hands: the young men being both of themselves by nature forward and lusty, and also em-  
boldened with the comfortable words of their friends, advanced forth between both armies. Now  
were the two hosts set on both sides before their camps, rid of present danger, rather then void of  
care and penitentials. For why? the whole trial of sovereignty and rule, rested in the valour and  
good speed of a few. Whereupon they longing to see the equal and issue, were wholly bent to be-  
hold, and only minded this unpleasant fight and spectacle. At length of *Trumpet* these brave bre-  
thren, three to three like as they had been two set battels and carrying the stomachs verily of two  
C great armies, affronted one another, and with cruel and mortal weapons gave the charge. Neither  
regarded they their own proper peril, but let before their eyes, only the rule of sovereignty of the  
Common-weals if the state of their country from themselves lay wholly upon their good or bad  
success in this action. So soon as they began to cope together and quarrelled again, behold such an  
and weapons once clattered, and their drawn swords shone and glittered again, behold such an  
exceeding fear came upon the beholders, that they trembled and quaked withal: and during the  
time of equal combat, seeing no inclination of victory to the one side or the other, they were fo-  
ramed, that hardly they could well see, or freely take their bodies, and the doubtful  
were come to hand-to-hoaks, and that now not only the stirring of their bodies, and the doubtful  
handling of their weapons and armor, but bloody wounds also were seen, two of the Romans  
D (having fore wounded all the three Albans) lay down one upon the other, and yielded up the  
ghost. At whose fall, the Alban host shouted again for joy: but the Roman legions, albeit they  
were now past hope of victory, yet they were not void of care being amazed, and an estate as it  
were, with very fear what should become of him, who being but one, had three *Curiatii* upon him  
at once. But as good hap was, he as yet was fresh and unwounded. And as he was not able alone  
to make his part good with them altogether, so in single fight, man to man, he thought him self  
good enough for them all, one after another. To single therefore, and to part them in fight, he  
began to flie, thinking thereby they would follow after him, each one as his hurt body would  
give him leave. Now when he was retired a pretty good way from the place where they fought,  
and looking behind him, espied them following far behind, and whilst the host of the Albans cried  
E himself, he turned again upon him with great violence. And whilst the host of the Albans cried  
out to the *Curiatii* to rescue and succour their brother, *Horatius* by that time had slain his foremost  
enemy, and was in hand with the second. Then the Romans with such a shout, as they are wont  
to make, who after a great fight recover themselves and take heart again, encourage their cham-  
pion: and he himself halteneth to finish the combat. And before that the third, who was not far  
off, could get to the other, he had slain the second *Curiatius*. So that now there was but one  
one, left to fight on even hand: and they, neither in hope nor strength equally matched: As for the  
one of them, his body was yet not wounded, and his double victory withal, caused him to attempt  
the third conflict stoutly and courageously. The other faint and feeble of his hurt, tired with run-  
ning, had much ado to come forward, and quite out of his heart, seeing his two brethren lie slain at  
F his feet, offered himself as a prey to his victorious enemy: for surely between them was no fight  
at all to speak of. The Roman he triumphing and crying out for joy, Two brethren already (quoth  
he) have I sent to the Divels, and the third likewise shall I send after them, that a Roman may command  
an Albans: which is the cause of all this war. And therewith he thrust his sword aloft into his  
throat, who had much ado to hold his weapons: so soon as he was down, stript and rifled him,  
"the Romans with great triumph and gratulation, receive *Horatius* rejoicing so much the more,  
"as his fate was more dangerous and well need desperate. Then of both sides address they them-  
selves to bury their champions, and they of the other, Subjects. Their tombs remain yet to be  
seen in the one part were become Lords, and they of the other, Subjects. Their tombs remain yet to be  
seen in the very places where they were each of them slain, two of the Romans entombed together  
G in one place nearer unto *Alba*: the three Albans towards Rome, but distant asunder, like as they  
fought and left their lives. Before they dilogged and departed thence the one from another, *Me-  
tius* according as it was capitulated him to keep his youth ready in arms at an hours warning, for  
that he would employ them in service, in case he should war with the *Veientians*. So were the ar-  
mies dimittid home. And *Horatius* he went forward, baring afore him the threefold spoile of three  
brethren. Whom his Sister a maid affianced before to one of the *Curiatii*, met before *Capena* gate &  
clipping

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The cruel com-  
bat between the  
brothers *Curiatii*  
and *Horatii*.

X X V

Horatius kill-  
eth his sister.

The judgment  
of Horatius.

P. Horatius the  
Father to the  
people.

esp'ing upon her brothers shoulders, the coat of arms of her espoused husband, which she herself had wrought with her own hands; she unbowed her head, let her hair loose, and piteously called upon her dead spouse by name. This lamentable wailing of the sister presently upon victory, and amidst to great and publick joy, moved the proud and haughty young man to wrath, and drawing out his sword therewith, ran the silly damsel through: and with these bitter words rebuketh her also, Get thee hence (quoth he) to thy spouse with thy unseasonable and foolishly love, forgetful as thou art, of thy two brethren dead, and him that is alive: forgetful of thy native country, and the honor thereof: and to with a mischief go he, whatever she be, that shall bewail an enemy of Rome. A cruel and horrible fact this seemed, as well to the Senators, as to the Commons: but his late and fresh desert made it the less treifals: yet for all that was he apprehended, and brought before the King. The King, that he might not seem the author of a judgment so unpleasant and odious unto the people, and consequently of punishment according to the doom, assembled the people together and said: I ordain Duumvirs to sit upon Horatius, in trial of a criminal cause of felony, and to judge him according to the law, in that case provided. The tenor of the law runneth thus, in dreadful kind of form. [The Magistrates called Duumvirs shall judge the party accused in a capital action of felony, if he shall appeal from the Duumvirs, let him traverse his appeal, if they overthrow him, then hoodwink him, or cover his head, hang him upon a cursed Gallow tree by a rope, and strangle him, having whipped and scourged him before, either within the Pomery or without.] By virtue of this law were the Duumvirs created, who by the rigour of that law thought they might not quit so much as a guiltless person: and having once condemned him, then one of them gave sentence and said: I judge thee O Publius Horatius a murderer and an enemy to the state of Rome. Go Licitor therefore, and bind his hands together. Then came the Licitor and flit a cord about his neck. But Horatius, by the advice of Tullus, a gentle and mild interpreter of the Law, I appeal (quoth he.) So upon his appeal was the matter debated, and to be tried before the people: who were not a little troubled in deciding or judging this cause, and most of all in regard of Publius Horatius the Father, crying out and saying, That he deemed his daughter was justly and worthily killed: otherwise he would himself have punished his son by his fatherly authority. Being feeling moreover, that they would not now make him childless, whom erewhile they saw with a goodly company of children about him. And therewithal the old father embracing the young man, and shewing the spoils of the Curia, set up and hanging in that very place which now is called Pila Horatia, i. e. Horatius his Pillar, And can ye indeed (O ye Romans, quoth he) abide to see him bound unto a Gallows, yea, and whipped and tormented, whom a while afore ye beheld to march in great glory and jollity for his achieved victory? So unseemly and foul a sight as which, the Albans themselves can hardly suffer. Go Licitor, go bind those hands fast, which armed a little before, won the people of Rome their dominion: Go I say, and hoodwink his head "who saved and delivered this City from bondage, hang him by the neck, and strangle him upon a cursed tree: scourge him and spare not, either within the circuit of the walls, so it be among those javelins and spoils of the enemies: or without the walls, so it be within the compass of the Christian Sepulchres. For to what place can you lead this young gentleman, where his honorable acts may not save him from so unworthy and shameful punishment? The people could no longer endure, either the tears of the old father, or the constant resolution of the youth his son, who shewed himself still the same, and not to change for any danger! So they quit him, in the honorable regard rather of his prowess and valor, then in the right and equity of his cause. Yet to the end that the murder so manifest and openly known, should be in some sort expiate, and satisfaction made thereof, his father was charged to purge his sons sin, and make amends, at the expenses of the City. Who having performed certain purgatory sacrifices, which afterward belonged to the house and family of the Horatii, put a rafters or beam cross overthwart the street, and caused the young man with his head covered to go under, as under a yoke of gallows: which remaineth yet unto this day, from time to time at the City charges repaired, and they call it *Sororium Tigillum*, i. e. The Sisters beam. And in that very place where Horatius was wounded and fell down, her tomb was erected of four square feet.

But not long continued the Albans in quiet and peace. For the common people finding fault and greatly discontented, that the whole state of the Weale-publick was put into the hands of three fouldiers, infected so, and poisoned the vain and little head of the Dictator: that for as much as plain and upright dealing isped no better, he began to win again the hearts of his Commons by crooked means, and indirect courses. Seeking therefore war in time of peace, as before in time of war he fought peace: and seeing his people had more heart then hand, and their strength not answerable to their stomachs: he stirred up other nations, openly by way of proclamation and defiance to make war, and relieved his own men under a colour of league and confederacy, for to practise treason and falsehood. The Fidenates, a Colony of the Romans, having made the Veientians partakers of their counsel, and combined with the Albans to forsake the Romans, when time came, and turn unto them, brake out and took arms. When Fidene had thus openly revolted, Tullus sent for Metius and his power from Alba, and stretch forward against his enemies: and passing over the river Anio, encamped neer the confluent, where both streams meet together. Between which place and Fidene, the army of the Veientians had crossed the Tiber, who put themselves in the right wing of the battel fast by the river, and the Fidenates in the left,

A left neerer to the mountains. Tullus directly opposeth his own forces against the Veientians, and placeth the Albans to affront the Fidenates. The Alban Captain having as little heart as honesty and truth, neither durst keep his standing, nor openly turn unto the enemy, but by little and little withdrew himself toward the mountains: and when he thought he had gained advantage enough, he mounted up the hill with all his companies, and with a wavering mind to spend the time, displayeth his ranks. His intent and purpose was, on what side fortune seemed to give the better, with them to join and take their part. The Romans that stood next, perceiving their flanks naked by reason of the departure of their friends and allies, at first marvelled much at the matter: but afterwards there galloped an horseman and advertised the King that the Albans were gone away. Tullus in this so fearful and dangerous case, vowed twelve Priests *Salus* and two Temples to *Pavor* and *Favor*, i. e. to Paleness and Fear: and with a loud voice cried out in the hearing of his enemies, commanding the said horseman to return to the battel, laying, There was no cause of all to fear, for that himself had commanded the Alban host to wheel and fetch about, and so to charge the Fidenates on their backs where they lay open. Willing him expressly moreover, to cause the men of arms to hold up their lances on end. By which means, a great part of the footmen could not see the Albans as they departed and went their ways. And those that had seen them, thinking it was a truth which they heard the King to speak, fought so much the more hotly. So the fear turned now from them, and fell upon the enemies: for they heard the King when he spake so loud, and also a great many of the Fidenates being co-habitants with the Romans, understood Latine. For fear therefore, that the Albans should all on a sudden run down from the hills and stop their passage to the towns they turned their backs and fled. Then Tullus prefieth hard upon them, and having discomfited the Fidenates wing, cometh back more fiercely upon the Veientians, being already amazed at the flight of the other. Neither were they able to withstand the brunt. Howbeit the river behind at their backs kept them at first from flying away, but afterwards when their flight bended thitherward: some flinging their weapons shamefully away, like blind men, ran headlong into the water: other lingering still, and itaying on the bank side, doubtful whether to flee, or to stick to it and fight, were trod under foot, and hewne in pieces. Never had the Romans before that day a more cruel battel. Then the Alban army, which beheld and saw all this conflict, descended down into the plain. And Metius, forsooth, rejoiceth much on D Tullus behalf for his victory. Tullus again speaketh Metius fair, and gave order, that the Albans in a good hour should join their camp to the Romans: and against the next day, prepared a purging or Lustral sacrifice. The morrow when it was day, and that all things were in a readines, according to the manner, he commandeth both armies to assemble together to an audience. The Criers, beginning at the farthest part of the camp, summoned the Albans first. Who also for the strangeness of the matter, and desirous to hear the Roman King to make his Oration, pressed forward to stand near. The Roman legion on set purpose, as it was before decreed, stood armed round about, and hemmed them in: and the Centurions had in charge without delay to execute whatsoever they were commanded.

Then began Tullus to speak in this wise, "If ever in any war heretofore had cause, O Romans, to render thanks, first to the immortal gods, and then to your own manhood and valor, certainly it was in yesterdays battel. For ye fought not then with the force of your enemies more than with the treachery and falsehood of your friends and confederates, which is the greater conflict and far more dangerous. For to put you clean out of doubt, and to bear you no longer in hand with a wrong persuasion: The Albans went up toward the hills without my commission, neither was that my commandment, but a policy and countenance only of command: to this end, that ye not knowing how ye were forsaken, might not withdraw your hearts from the fight, and also that your enemies weening they were environed behind, should be afraid and so enforced to flee. Yet are not the Albans all in general to be charged with this fault which I reprove. They did but follow their leader, as ye likewise would have done, if I had willed the march to have turned any whither from thence. It is Metius that was the guide and leader of this journey, Metius is he that is the worker and deviler of this war, Metius I say it is, and none but Metius, the breaker of the Roman and Alban league. But let who that will from henceforth presume hardly to do the like, if I make not him a notable example to all the world. The Centurions stood armed round about Metius, and the King goeth on with the rest of his speech as he began, and said: "That which I pray God may turn to the good prosperity and happiness of the people of Rome, of my self, and you the Albans, I am minded to reduce all the Alban nation to Rome: to endue the Commons with the freedom of the City: to advance their chief Gentlemen to the order of Senators, and to make one uniform City and Common-wealth: that as in times past the Albans state, out of one body was divided into twain, so now it may be united and become one again. At these words the Alban youth unarmed, and beset on every side with armed men, albeit they were distracted in mind, yet were they forced with a general fear to keep silence and hold their peace. "Metius Suffetius (quoth Tullus then) If thou couldst have learned to keep allegiance, promise, and covenants, thou mightest have been taught it at my hands with life. But now since thy froward nature is incurable, teach thou by thy fearful example and death all mankind, to hold and repute those things for sacred and holy, which have by thee been broken and violat. Like as therefore erewhiles thou barest a double heart in doubt-





he set down in writing that law and formal order; by virtue whereof restitution is demanded (which at this day the Fecciales or Herald's oblige) like as he received it from the ancient people *Æqui*.

The Embassador Feccial, coming to their borders, at whose hands the goods are required again, covering his head with a bonnet or vail of woollen yam, saith thus: *Hear O Jupiter, give ear ye limits and confines* (naming them of such and such a Country) *let Justice and Right hearken also to what I shall say: I am the publick messenger of the people of Rome, of a just and religious embassy am I come, and to my words give credit.* After this, rehearseth he all his demands, and then calleth *Jupiter*, to witnesse, saying, *If I unjustly and impiously demand, that such persons should be delivered, or such such goods be rendered unto me, the publick messenger of the people of Rome; then let me never return again to enjoy mine own country.* These words rehearseth he, as he setteth foot, and steps into the confines: the same also he speaketh to him whomsoever he meeteth first: the self same words he pronounceth, as he entrench within the gate of the City: yea, and when he is come into the market place he saith the same, changing and varying in some few tearms, from the prescript form of the demand, and taking the solemn oath. In case then, the persons whom he requirith, be not yielded after 33. days expired (for so many just are usually granted) then proclaimeth he war in this wise. *Hear O Jupiter, and thou Juno, Quirinus thou: ye celestial Saints, all, and terrestrial powers, ye infernal spirits also listen and give ear. I call you all to witnesse, and protest before you, that this nation* (naming them whosoever they be) *is unjust, and doth not according to right and equity. But of these matters will we consult at home in our own country, with our elders, and ask their advice how we may come by our own.* Herewith returneth the messenger unto Rome for counsel, and presently the King would in these or such like words, sitting in Council with his Peers, move them in this manner. *Whereas the Paterpatrat, or Herald, in the behalf of the people of Rome, and their Quirites hath treated with the Paterpatrat, or Herald, in the name of the ancient Latines, and with the folk of the ancient Latines, concerning certain things, differences, suits, and causes thereupon depending: which things they have neither yielded nor paid, nor performed and done; which ought to have been paid, yielded, performed, and done as it is your judgment?* (speaking to him, whose opinion first he asketh in this case. Then (saith he) *My advice is that those things be sought for, and recovered by mere force, by just and lawful war. This do I fully agree unto, this do I determine resolutely.* After him were the other asked in course: and when the greater number of them who were present accord thereunto, L then by general consent, they were wont to proclaim war in this order: That the Fœdral or King at Arms should go with a javelin, having an ironhead, or with a red bloody spear burnt at the end, as far as to their borders or marches: and there in the presence of three witnesses at the least, not under fourteen years of age, should say thus: *Whereas the people of the old Latines, and the old Latine folk, have praised and praised against the people of Rome and the Quirites, and whereas the people of Rome and the Quirites have so determined, consented, and agreed, that war should be made with the ancient Latines; I therefore together with the people of Rome, do denounce and proclaim and make war with the nations of the old Latines, and with the old Latine folk. And when he had thus said, he lanced his spear or javelin within the confines of the enemies. After this manner then, was restitution demanded of the Latines, and war denounced or proclaimed: which order of proceeding, M their posterity by tradition received.*

*Æqui* having committed the charge of divine service and sacrifice unto the Flamens, and the other Priests, levied a new Army, went forth into the field, and by force won *Pæstorium*, a City of the Latines. And following the usual manner of the former Kings his progenitors, who had mightily encresed the Roman State, by admitting their enemies into the number of Citizens, transported the whole multitude from thence to Rome. And because the ancient natural Romans inhabited *Palatium*, the Sabins about the Capitol and rock *Tarpeia*, and the Albans replenished the mount *Calvus*: therefore the hill *Aventine* was allowed this new company to dwell in. Unto whom not long after, there came fresh inhabitants to people it, upon the winning of *Tullens* and *Ficana*. But after this, the Romans were driven to recover by war *Pæstorium* again: for that whilst it stood void and empty, the old Latines had surprised and taken it. Which was the cause, that the Romans destroyed that City quite, that it should not be at all times a receptacle for the enemies. Last of all, when as now the Latines war was driven wholly and brought before *Medullia*, there for a good while was much ado, and doubtful issue of fight, and interchangeble victory: for that the Town was both well fortified with bulwarks, and furnished with a strong garrison of men: and also by reason that the army of the Latines being incamped in plain and open ground, had sundry times with banners displayed, encountered hand to hand with the Romans. At the last *Ænulus* bending his whole power against them, first gave them an overthrow in a set battel: and so having gained rich pillage, returned to Rome. At that time also were many thousands of the Latines received into the City: Who to the end, that the *Aventine* and *Palatium* should meet together, were appointed to seat themselves about the Temple of *Mæria*. The *Janiculum* likewise was adjoined unto the City, not for want of ground, but because it might not be at any time a fortress and hold for the enemies: which was thought good to be united unto the City, not only with a wall, but also for more commodious passage to and fro, with a wooden bridge over *Tyber*. The *Quirites* folks or ditch also, no small defence against the ease access from the plain grounds, was a work of *Ænulus*. Thus the estate being

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A grown to exceeding strength and bigness: when as now in so huge a multitude of people there was much confusion, and no difference of well doing or ill, and thereby many mischiefes and outrages began secretly to be committed: for to restrain therefore with some terror, such boldness increasing daily more and more, there was a goal or common prison built in the heart of the City, even over against the common place of assembly. And in this Kings days not only the circuit of the City was enlarged, but also their Lands and Territories. For by reason that the fortress *Mæria* was conquered from the Veientians, their Signory reached to the Sea: where, in the very mouth of *Tyber* was the town *Æstia* built, and the salt pits made there about, and upon such noble exploits by arms achieved, the Temple of *Jupiter Feretrius*, was in more ample and glorious manner redified.

B In the reign of *Ænulus*, there came to dwell at Rome one *Lucumo*, a pregnant nimble headed man, and a wealthy, upon a desire especially and hope of advancement and honor, which at *Tarquinius* (where he was born, although defended of foreign parentage) he had no means to attain unto. The Son he was of *Demaratus* the Corinthian, who upon civil troubles and dissensions having fled his country, and by chance planting himself in *Tarquinius*, there married a wife and had issue by her two sons, named *Lucumo* and *Aruns*. *Lucumo* survived his father, and became heir of all his goods. *Aruns* died before his father, leaving his wife behind him, conceived with child: neither lived the father *Demaratus* long after his son, who not knowing that his daughter-in-law and sons wife was with child, made no mention at all of his Nephew in his Will, and so departed this world. Whereupon the child after his Grandfathers decease, being born to no part of his goods,

C for his poor condition, was called *Egerius*. But *Lucumo* on the other side, the sole heir and inheritor of all, as he began by his wealth to be haughty enough, and to look aloft, so he grew much more proud for his matching in marriage with *Tanquil*, a dame of a right noble house descended, and who could hardly bear a lower estate and degree than that wherein he was born. When the was once married, and saw the *Tuscan* to disdain *Lucumo*, for that his father was a stranger and banished person, he could not endure that indignity. But forgetting all kind of affection to her native country, so he might see her husband raised to high promotion, the resolved and plotted to leave *Tarquinius* and depart. To which purpose and design, Rome seemed a place most fit and convenient of all others. For thus the projected and disordered; That in a City lately founded, where

D all kind of Nobility suddenly cometh up, and ariseth from virtue and prowess, her husband a valorous and industrious man must needs have place, and be entertained: that King *Tatius* a Sabin born, had raised there: that *Nama* was from *Cures* sent for thither, and called to the Crown: that *Ænulus* also a Sabin by his mothers side, had the only image of *Nama* to shew for his Nobility. Thus the soon periwaded him, as being a man ambitious and desirous of honor, and whose mother only was a *Tarquinius* born, and therefore he was to make less scruple of abandoning the place of his Nativity. Thereupon they removed with all they had to Rome. And it fortuned that to *Janiculum* they came. Where, as *Tarquinius* sat with his wife in the chariot, behold an Eagle came gently flying down from aloft, and took up his bonnet from his head, and soaring over the chariot with a great noise, and clapping of her wings, as if she had been sent from Heaven to do this feat, set it gently and handily on his head again: which done, she mounted on high, and flew away. *Tanquil*, as they lay, embraced this Angury with great joy, being a womanskillful, as

E commonly all the *Tuscan* are, in such prodigious sights and apparitions from heaven: and therewith taking her husband about the neck, wished him to be of good cheer, and to hope for great matters and high preferments: saying, how that bird came from such a quarter of the Heaven, addressed as a messenger from such a god, and shewed a divine token and preiague upon the highest part of man, even the top of the Crown, and lifted up the ornament that stood upon his mortal head, to give it him again immortal, as from God above. In these hopes and cogitations which they entertained by the way, they entered the City: where they took an house, and from thence forth he was commonly called *L. Tarquinius*. Now within a while both his new coming, and his

F wealth withal, made him well known: and himself also besides, set forward his good fortune by courteous and fair speech and affable language to every man, by friendly flattering, and liberal feasting, and by making what friends he could by gifts, favours, and good turns: so far forth, as the fame of him came into the Kings Court: where, by his willing service and singular dexterity, in short time he had not only access to the Kings knowledge, but also entered into familiar acquaintance and friendship with his Highness. Insomuch, that both in private Councils and public consultations, as well at home as abroad, he was always present, and bare a great froak. And having in all kind of offices carried himself with credit, was in the end by the Kings last Will and Testament made Tutor or Protector of his children: Thus reigned *Ænulus* 24. years, for glory and reputation of his sage government, as well in war as in peace, equal to any of the former Kings his predecessors.

G Now were his sons near 14. years of age when he died. *Tarquinius* therefore made the more haste, that the high Court of Parliament should with all speed possibly be summoned for creation of a King, which being against a day proclaimed, he sent away the boys to the chafe a hunting, at the very instant of the said election. He himself (as men say) was the first, that both ambitiously fought for the Crown, and also for to win the hearts of the Commons, derived and framed an eloquent Oration. "Saying, it was no new and strange thing that he stood for: And why he was not

The end of Ænulus.



"the first (that any man should be offended, or make any wonder) but the third alien that in Rome<sup>H</sup> affected and aspired to the Kingdom: that both *Tatius*, not of a foreigner only, but of an enemy, my became King: and *Numa* likewise, a man unacquainted with the City and matters of State, was without any force or seeking of the Romans sent for, & advanced to the crown. As for himself, he alleged and said, that from the time that he was at his own liberty and dispose of himself, he with his wife & all that he had removed and came to Rome: and of that age wherein men are employed in civil affairs, he had spent at home in the City and in war abroad, to the country. Moreover, that he was trained up both at home in the City and in war abroad, to the knowledge of the Roman laws, orders, and customs, and that under no mean person, but an excellent matter, even King *Numa* himself. And finally, for faithful service and diligent attendance about the King, he had endeavored to pass all others: and for liberality and courteousness to all others, he had striven to go beyond the King. These and such like allegations, as he laid forth and pleaded, and that right truly: the people of Rome with exceeding great content elected him their King. Who being a man otherwise of singular parts and of great worth, as he was ambitious in seeking the kingdom, so continued he till, when he wore the crown: and minding no less to establish his own state and throne, than to maintain the good estate of the Commonwealth, advanced one hundred more to the order of Senators, who afterwards were called *Minorum Gentium Patres*, as a man would say, Senators of a later sort, and meaner quality. A fiction, no doubt to take part and side with the King by whole means they had been admitted into the Senate. The first war he made, was with the Latins: from whom by force he won the town *Apulia*: from thence having brought away a greater pillage in proportion than the war imported in brute, he set forth gamings and plays more stately and with greater furniture and provision than the other Kings before him. Now was the plot or compass of ground first set out & appointed for the lulls or theater, his time. \* *Circus maximus* wherein were assigned scaffolds for the Senators, and for the Gentlemen or Knights severally by themselves, called *Fori*, where they might make them places to see the games and their ease and pleasure. And in this manner stood they to behold: namely, upon scaffolds born up twelve foot high from the ground with forked perches or props. The gamings were running of horses, and fighting at fists and buffets: for performance whereof, there were championing of horses, especially out of *Tuscan*. These sports continued afterwards from year to year in great solemnity, and named diversely, either the Roman games, or the great Games. This King moreover assigned certain places about the *Forum* or common place for private men to build in: where the galleries and shops were made. He went in hand likewise to wall the City about with a stone wall, but the Sabin war staid him in the beginning, that he went not forward with that work. This came so suddenly upon him, that the enemies were passed over the river *Anio*, before the power of the Romans could meet them, and make head against them. Whereupon great fear there was at Rome. And at the first a cruel conflict there was, and much blood shed on both parts, but no appearance of victory. But after the enemies were retired once into the camp, and that the Romans had time to gather fresh forces, *Tarquinius* supposing his only want was in his cavalry, determined to join unto the *Rhamneses*, *Tities*, and *Luceretis*, which *Romulus* had ordained, other Centuries or Cornets of horsemen, and them to leave unto the pottery after him, bearing his own name. Which because *Romulus* had done aforetime by the counsel and advice of *Angus*, *Acacius* *Navius* renowned and famous in those days for his skill that way, opposed himself and gave out plainly, that there might be nothing changed or newly ordained in that behalf, unless the birds first approved and allowed the same. Whereat the King was wroth, and in scorn and derision of his art, as they say: Come on Sir Soothsayer (quoth he) I need, and tell me by the flight of your birds, whether that may possibly be done, which I now conceive in my mind. To which demand *Navius*, who had first made proof thereof by his learning, answered resolutely, that it might in very deed be effected. Why then (quoth he) I have imagined in my conceit, that thou shalt cut a whetstone a-sunder with a razor: Here take them to thee, and dispatch that which thy fowls foretell me. And in that done: then as the report goeth, without more ado, he cut the whetstone quite in two. And in that very place where this feat was done, the Statue or Image of *Acacius* was erected, with his head covered, even in the *Comitium*, at the stairs thereof on the left hand of the *Curia* or Council house. It is reported that this whetstone also was set up in the same place, for a memorial to all pottery following, of that miracle. Certainly, both Anguries, and the Priesthood and College of *Augurs* from that time forward was so highly honored, and had in such reverence, that never after was there ought done, either in war abroad, or in peace at home, but by their counsel and advice. Assemblies of people (unmanned were dismissed, armies levied and ready to take the field were discharged, yea, and the greatest affairs of State, were given over and laid aside, when the birds allowed not thereof. Neither did *Tarquinius* for that time alter the Centuries of the horsemen any whit, only he redoubled the number, so that in three Centuries or Cornets there were 1300. horse: and those later sort who were added to the others, bare the names of the former, which at this day, because they are double, are called the six Centuries. *Tarquinius* thus having increased that part of his powers, bade the Sabins battle the second time. And over and besides, that the Romans army was in bade the Sabins battle the second time. And over and besides, that the Romans army was in strength well amended, he devised also privily a subtle stratagem, and set certain men to let on fire a mighty stack of wood, lying upon the bank of *Anio*, and so to cast it into the river: the wood burning still by the help of the wind, and most of it being driven against the piles of the bridge, and

A and there sticking close together with the boats and planks, fired and consumed it clean. This accident both terrified the Sabins in their flight, and when they were discomfited, troubled them much, and hindered their flight: so that many a man having escaped the enemy, yet perished in the very river. Whole armor and weapons floating down the river, were known at Rome, and brought news thither of this victory, in manner before word could be brought thereof by land. In this conflict the horsemen won greatest price and praise. For being placed at the skirts of both the wings, at what time as the main battle of their own footmen, were now at the point to retire, they charged so forcibly upon the enemy (as it is reported) from the flanks where they were marshalled, that they not only stayed the Sabin Legions pressing hard and fiercely upon those that began to shrink and give back, but all at once put them to flight. The Sabins ran amain towards the mountains, but few got thither: for the greater number, as we said before, were by the horsemen driven into the river. *Tarquinius* thinking it good to take the time, and follow hard upon them, while they were frightened, after he had sent to Rome, the booty with the prisoners, and burned on a great heap together (as he had vowed to *Vulcan*) the spoils of the enemies, marched on still forward, and led his army into the Territory of the Sabins: who albeit they had already sustained an overthrow, and could not hope for better success, yet because they had no time to consult and advise with themselves, with such a power as might on a sudden in that strait be raised, met with him. Where they once again were defeated and vanquished, and in the end being in despair to make their part good, they sued for peace. Then was *Collatia*, and all the lands about it taken from the Sabins. *Egerius* the Kings brother (son, was left with a garrison at *Collatia* to keep that place. And as I find upon record) the Collatians were yielded into his hands, and the manner of their surrendering sent from the people of *Collatia* to make (surrender both of your selves and the Collatians? We are (quoth they.) And are the people of *Collatia* in their own power, and at liberty to do what they will? They are (say they.) Do ye also render up your selves, the people of *Collatia* their town, their territory and lands, their waters, their limits, their temples, their household stuff and implements, and all thing else, as well faced as prophane, unto my power and the peoples of Rome. We do yield (say they.) Then (quoth he) do I accept thereof, and receive all into my hands. The Sabin war thus finished, *Tarquinius* returned to Rome in triumph. After this, he warred upon the old Latines, but they never proceeded so far on any side, as to join issue in a general battle, and one field for all. But bringing his power first to one town, and after to another, he made a conquest of the whole nation of the Latins. So as these towns, *Corniculum*, old *Ficulnea*, *Cameria*, *Crostantum*, *Amerola*, *Medullia*, *Nomentum*, were recovered from the old Latines, or from those that had revolted unto them.

After all this ensued peace. Then was he more earnestly bent to go forward with his works, begun in time of peace, then he was before bent in managing of his wars: inasmuch, as he gave the people no more repose at home, then he had in war abroad. For besides that he prepared to compass the City (which as yet he had not fortified) round about with a stone wall, the beginning of which piece of work was by the Sabin war interrupted and broken off: he devised also certain draughts or vaulted finks from aloft into the *Tyber*, whereby he drained and kept dry the base City, or lowest grounds about the market place, and the other vallies between hill and hill, for that out of the plains and flats, they might not easily make riddance and conveyance away of the water. Moreover, he levelled a large court or plot of ground, ready for the foundation of the Temple of *Jupiter* in the Capitol, which he had vowed in the Sabin war, his mind even then giving him, that one day it should be a stately place.

At the same time there hapned in the court a wonderful strange thing, both in present view, and also in consequence. For as the report went, a young lad, whose name was *Servius Tullius*, as he lay asleep in the sight of many persons had his head all on a light fire. And upon an outcry raised at the wondering of so great a matter, the King arose: and when one of the household brought water to quench the flame, he was by the Queen stayed. And after the fire was somewhat appeased, she forbade the boy to be disquieted, until such time as he awoke of himself: and within a while as the sleep departed, the blaze likewise went out, and vanished away. Then *Tarquinius* the Queen taking her husband aside into a secret room. "See you this boy (quoth she) whom we so homely keep, and in so poor and mean estate bring up? Wot well this, and know for certain, that he will one day be a light to direct us in our dangerous troubles and doubtful affairs: he will be the chief pillar and succour of the afflicted state of the Kings house. Let us therefore cherish and foster with all kindness and indulgence the subject matter of so great a public and private ornament. Whereupon they began to make much of the boy, as if he had been one of their own children, and to instruct and train him up in those arts, whereby forward wits are stirred to great enterprises, and to achieve high place of wealth and honor. And soon came the day, which pleased the almighty gods. For he proved a young man indeed princely nature and towards in such sort, that when there should be a son in law sought out to match with *Tarquinius* his daughter in marriage, there was not one of all the young gentlemen of Rome to be found comparable to him in any respect. So as the King affianced his daughter unto him. This so great honor whereunto he was advanced upon whatsoe'er cause or occasion it was, induceth me to think he was not the son of a bond woman, nor that he served whilst he was a little one, as a slave. I am of their mind rather, that report thus: When

The form of her  
residing a City.

Tarquinius the  
Queen unto King  
Tarquinius.

When *Corniculus* was won, the wife of *Servius Tullius*, a great Lord and principal personage of that City, and there slain, was left great with child: and being among other captives known whole wife she was, in regard of her rare nobility only, was by the Queen preserved from servitude, and at *Rome* in *Prigius Targuinus* his house, was delivered of a child upon who special favor, there grew more familiar acquaintance between the two Ladies, the Queen and her self; and the child also brought up of a little one there in Court, was both tenderly beloved, and also highly regarded. But his mothers fortune, whose hap was after her country was lost, to fall into the hands of enemies, caused men commonly to think that he was the Ion of a bond-slave. Now in the 38<sup>th</sup> year almost, after that *Targuinus* began his reign, was this *Servius Tullius* in right great estimation and credit, not only with the King, but also with the nobility and commons. Then the 2. Ions of *Asin*, who as they always before did disdain in the highest degree, that they were by the deceitful practice of their guardian, so unworthily put by the inheritance of their fathers Kingdom, and that a stranger reigned at *Rome*, one they began much more to take to heart and indignation, in case much as of Italian blood: so now they began much more to take to heart and indignation, in case that after *Targuinus*, the Kingdom should not return unto them and their line, but should fill run on end, and headlongwise fall unto such bale varlets: That in the same City, 100. years almost after that *Romulus* the son of a god, and a god himself, reigned therein, (during the time he remained here upon the earth) he very bond-slave and no better, and one born of a bond-woman, should be possessed of the Crown: and that it would be a foul stain and dishonor generally to the name of the Romans, but most especially to their house & family, if whilst the issue Male of *Anaculus*, the Kingdom of *Rome* should lie open, and be exposed, not to strangers alone, but which is more, to very bond-men and slaves. This ignominy therefore, and open wrong, they resolve by meet force to put by and avoid: howbeit, the grievance of this injury done unto them, for their onslaught *Targuinus* himself, rather then *Servius Tullius*: both for that the King if he lived still, would be a more than revenger of the murder, then a private person: and also if they should happen to kill *Servius*, whomsoever besides, the King would vouchsafe for his son in law, him was he like to make their apparent, and inheritor also of the Kingdom. For these considerations they lay wait for to murder the King himself in this manner: There were for the purpose to do this feat, two passing stout and sturdy herdem chosen, who having such ruffian iron tools about them, as they were wont both of them to occupy, and made a great crew of a most tumultuous brawl and fray in the very porch of the Court gate: by which means they drew all the Kings officers, sergeants, and guard about them: then as they called with a loud voice, both the one and the other upon the King, in such wise, as the noise was heard within the palace, they were converted before his Highness. At their first coming they cried out both at once, and interrupted one another in all outrageous manner, for so by a sergeant they were fain to be restrained and commanded to speak by turns, until at length they gave over their confused brawlings. Then one of them on let purpose, as it was before agreed upon, began his tale: and while the King as wholly bent to give ear turned aside towards him, the other lit his Ax aloft, and struck the King on the head, and leaving it sticking there still in the wound, they whipt out both at once, and ran their ways. And whilst they that stood next about *Targuinus*, took him up ready to die, the sergeants made after them that were fled, and apprehended them. Whereupon an outcry arose, & a great concourse of people, wondering what the matter might be, *Targuinus* in this hurlyburly caused the Court gates to be shut, and commanded every one to avoid the place: and at one instant with great diligence provideth things requisite to cure the wound, as if there were some hope of life: and whilst, if that should fail, the prepareth other means and remedies against the worst that might happen. Sending therefore in all speed for *Servius*, when she had shewed him her husband half dead, and already bound in law, she took him by the right hand, and besought him not to suffer, either the death of his father-in-law unrevenge, or his wives mother to be a laughing stock unto the enemies. Thine is the kingdom O *Servius*: by right (quoth the) it should be a man and not theirs, who by the hands of others have committed a most shameful & villainous feat. Take a good heart therefore, and arm thy self, and follow the guidance and direction of the gods, who long since by a divine and heavenly flame burning about thy head, foretold that one day it should be highly advanced. Now let that heavenly blaze rise thee up: now awake in every deed: what man! I also being Targuinus have born the Scepter: confidit with thy self who thou art now, and not from whence thou art descended, And if it so happen an occurrence, thine own wits beafooned, and to seek, then follow my rule, and be advised by my counsel. In this while the noise and violence of the people was so great, that it could not well be suffered. Then *Targuinus* from the upper loft of the house, out at a window that opened into the new street (for the King kept his Court hard by the Temple of *Jupiter Stator*) spake unto the people willing them to be of good cheer, "The King indeed (quoth he) was amazed and swooned at the sudden stroke, howbeit it went nothing deeper now: he is come again to himself, his wound cleansed from blood, and searched: all signs of life, and no danger of death: and I trust in God within a while you shall see him self again. In the mean time his pleasure is, that the people shall be obedient to *Servius Tullius*: he shall minister justice and give laws, he shall execute and perform all the offices of the King. Then came *Servius* abroad in his royal robe, called *Trabea*, attended with the Licitors and sitting in the Kings throne, some causes he dispatched himself, of other some he maketh as though he would consult and confer with the King. Thus

*L. Tarquinius* the  
king killed.

**Tranquil to Service.**

**Tanquil to the  
people.**

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*Servius Tullius*  
takerh the Crown  
upon him.

The sons of *Ancur* at the first, seeing the murderers attached, and hearing that the King was alive, and *Servius* to mighty retired themselves as banished persons to *Suffla Pometia*. And *Servius* now fought means to make himself strong, as well by private helms, as by publicke. And left per adventure the children of *Tarquinius* should another day be as ill affected against him, as the children of *Ancur* were against *Lavininus*, he gave in marriage his two daughters to *Lucius* and *Auruns*, two of the Kings sons late deceased. Yet could not he with all the policy of mans wit stay the fatal necessity, nor stop and divert the course of the delinencies; but that the envy that followeth a Kingdom bred all diuinitie, diloyalty, and malice, even amongst those of his own household, for all their alliance and affinity. Howbeit in very good time, and fildy for the quietnes of the present state, was the war with the *Petentes* (for now was the term of the truce expired) ended, and other Tulkens, taken in hand. In which war, who having did omitted a mighty host of the enemies, as undoubted King in the coniectured judgment as well of the Senators as of the Commons, if their hearts had been founded, returned to Rome.

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peace, And first of those who were rated at an "infantryman's" and all jointly were counted the  
80 Centuries: 40 of the elder lot, and as many of the younger; and all jointly were counted the  
first Classis. The elder were charged to be in readiness at all hours, for defence of the City: the  
younger to follow the wars abroad. Their weapons bound to find harness, for defence of their own  
bodies: an headpiece or morion, a shield, greaves, and corselet: all of brail: and for offence of the  
enemy, a javelin, and a sword. To this Classis were adjoined two Centuries of Carpenters and  
Smiths, or Engineers, who were in wage, and served without pay: and their charge was to  
find the Camp Engines of battery and artillery. The second consisted of those that were valued  
between 10000 and 75000 Acres. And of this sort both young and old were enrolled twenty  
Centuries: who were enjoined to provide for their own use, target or bullet, instead of  
the State.

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E shield; and excepting only a corselet, in all points as the former. The third Century was the first time that the use of those that were deemed worth \* 50000 Affes, and asmany Centuries of them, and with the same distillation of one. Neither concerning their armour was any thing altered: only for their greaves they were dispensed with. In the fourth Classe were those that were situated in the Sub-aridyl book, between 50000 and \* 25000 Affes, and of them were many Centuries. Their armour was changed, having no more butt a spear and a casting dart, with a loop called *Pernum*. The fifth was greater, containing thirty Centuries. These carried with them lings and flutes to fling afar off: among whom were reckoned the beades or criers, together with those that were affidil cornetiers, who were divided into three Centuries. This band flood of them consisted of the multi-tude from 25000 unto \* 110000 Affes. The valuation under this comprised all the rest of the mul-titude, from 110000 unto \* 1000000 Affes.

\*34 lib. 7. fh. 6 d.  
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Funde. Whereof arose one Century, freed and exempted from Warfare. Thus having  
and disposed the forces of the Infantry, he enrolled besides twelve Centuries of horsemen, and  
those out of the principall men of the City: and six other Centuries likewise, to those three that  
*Romulus* instituted, retaining the same name till that they in their first solemn institution had  
These horsemen for to buy their great horses had 100000 Acres out of the chamber of the City  
a peece: and for to find and keep those horses were the first widows let yearly at 20000 Acres  
a peece. Thus were all these charges and burdens shifted from off the poor mens shoulders, and  
laid upon the rich. And therefore afterward was their dignity and honour much the more. For  
in the grand-leets and solemn elections of Magistrates, every man had not prerogative alike, nor  
equal authority, as *Romulus* first ordained, and the other Kings continued, when they gave the  
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by the poll distributed one with another: but there was distinction made, and certain de-  
grees; but so, as neither any one was excluded or shut out, and yet the whole rected and lay in the  
power of the richer sort, and chiefe of the City. For first the horsemen were called: afterward  
the eighty Centuries belonging to the first Classis, of the principall footmen: who if they dis-  
greed, and hapned to be at any difference, then the Centuries of the second Classis were cited  
And never went they likely to lose it to the last of all. Neither ought any man to marvel, that this  
order in these daies, after five and thirty tribes complex, agreeth not with the Centuries of the elder

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<sup>a</sup> = 6 lib. 5 fl. oz.

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Tarquinius &  
against Turnus  
Herdennus.

wrongfully to work his destruction. By means of certain *Aricians* of a contrary faction, he wrought a bondage of *Turnus* with a sum of money, to suffer a number of fwords privily to be conveyed into his Matters Inn or Lodging: which being done in that one night accordingly, *Tarquinius* somewhat before day sent for the chief Lords of the Latines to come unto him: and pretending as though he were frightened by some strange accident, said, "That his long tarrying the day before, (by Gods special providence, as it were, so appointed) was for the safety of him and them." "all, For he was informed that *Turnus* contrived to massacre both him and the heads of their nation, to the end that he alone might reign over the Latines: That he minded yesterday to have put this plot in execution, even in the very assembly; but the deed was deferred, for that himself (the principal author of that meeting) whose life he sought for above all other, was not in place; and hereupon it was (saith he) that he fared so as he did, and railed against him so bitterly the day before in his absence: for that he by his long tarrying had put him by his hope and the effect of his designs: and if all were true that was told him, he nothing doubted but early in the morning at break of the day, so soon as they were set in Council together, he would come armed and well appointed with a crew of his adherents and sworn confederates: for reported it is, "quoth he that a number of fwords & other weapons are brought into his lodging: which whether it be so or no might soon be known. And therewith he desired them to take the pains to go with him thither. And verily, considering the proud nature and haughty spirit of *Turnus*, together with his yesterdaies Oration and the long stay of *Tarquinius* besides, for that the pretended massacre seemed thereby to have been put off and prolonged, the matter became very suspicious and pregnant. Thus go they with minds verily somewhat enclined and disposed to believe all, and yet so, as they would think all the rest but tales and lies, unless they found the fwords aforesaid. Being come to the house, and *Turnus* awakened out of sleep, certain warders were let to keep him on every side: and when they had laid hold upon his servants, who for love of their Lord and Master began to make resistance, the fwords were brought forth out of all the blind corners of the hostelry openly to be seen: then was it a clear case and past all peradventures: and *Turnus* was apprehended and irons clapt upon him. And immediately in all haste the Latines assembled together to council in that great tumult and uproar: Where, upon bringing forth the fwords in sight before them all, they were so incensed and deadly bent against him, that he was not suffered to answer and plead for himself, but was presently at the fource or spring head of the *Ferentine* river plunged down, and a hurdle done aloft upon him, and great stones heaped thereon, and to alter a new kind of death stifled and drowned. *Tarquinius* then, after he had called the Latines again to the place of council, and much commended them for duly executing *Turnus*, who practising thus to alter and trouble the state, was detected of a manifest intended murder, made this speech unto them: "I might quoth he if I would, by virtue of ancient rites alledge and plead, that forasmuch as all the Latines are descended from *Alba*, they are comprised within that confederacy and league, whereby in the reign of *Tullus* the whole Commonweal and State of *Alba*, together with their inhabitants, became incorporate into the Empire of *Rome*. Howbeit, in regard rather of the commodities and weal-publike of all, I judge it requisite, that the league were renewed, and that the Latines might enjoy and be partakers of the prosperity and happy fortune of the people of *Rome*. Much rather than evermore to hazard and suffer the destruction and desolation of their Cities, with the spoiling and wasting of their lands, which first in *Ancus* daies they tasted, and after in my fathers time they had abidden & suffered. The Latines were heretofore perfwaded, And although in that league the preheminance and sovereignty rested in the Romans, yet they saw well enough that both the Heads and Rulers of the Latine Nation stood with the Roman King, and were wrought unto his hands, to side with him: and also *Turnus* unto them was a fresh precedent and example, to teach them what danger might betide every one that should make a part against him and cross his intention. So the alliance was renewed and proclamation made according as it was capitulated, that all the servicable men of the Latines should at a day appointed repair in good number with their armour unto the grove of *Ferentina*. Who when they were there met together from all parts according to the Edict of the Roman King, to the end they should have no Captain of their own to lead them, no privy watchword or regiment by themselves to direct them, nor private ensigns distinct from the rest to keep them together: he thrust off mingled the bands and companies of Latines and Romans one with another, making one of twain, and two of one: and when he had thus doubled the bands, he set Centurions over them. And albeit he was in peace an unjust Prince, yet was he in war no bad Captain: nay, for martial prowess he had been equal to the former Kings, had he not failed and degenerated in other things, and thereby stained and hurt his glory even in that behalf. He was the first that warred upon the *Volscians*, which war after his time lasted more than 200 years: and was from them by force *Subissa Pometia*. Where having made portofile of the pillage, and raised as much gold and silver as amounted to 40 talents, he conceived in his mind to build for himself a Temple of *Jupiter* as might besetm the sovereign King of gods and men, become the noble Empire of *Rome*, and answer the Majesty also of the very place where it was to stand. And for the raising and finishing of this Temple, he laid that money apart, that came of the spoil aforesaid. But presently upon this was he surprized with a war that held longer than he hoped it would. For having made one assault in vain upon *Gabii*, a neighbour City to *Rome*, and despairing also of any good success by beleaguering the town,

Subissa Pometia  
won by the  
Romans,  
1070 B. C.

for that he was valiantly repulsed from the walls, at the last he devised and resolved to get it by wile and deceit: a course that Romans had not usually practised. Formaking as though he had given over and abandoned this war, as being now carnally bent and busily occupied about laying the foundations of the Temple, and following other publicke works in the City: *Sextus* his son, the youngest of three seld on purpose to *Gabii*, complaining of his fathers intolerable rigour and cruelty against him: saying, "That now he had turned his accustomed pride from strangers upon his own blood, and was grown to be weary of so many children: that he had made good hand and clean riddance of his Nobles, and left the Senate desolate, so he might bring it to pass in his own house, to leave behind him no issue nor inheritor of the Kingdom. And for his own person he verily he was escaped from among the pikes and words of his father, and was perfwaded fully, he might no where be sure in safety, but with the capitall enemies of *L. Tarquinius*. For to put them out of doubt, and that they might be no longer abused, the war continued still against them, which seemed in outward shew given over and laid away: and his father would not fail, but whensoever he could spy his vantage and fit opportunity, come upon them at unawares. But in case there were no place of refuge and protection for poor & humble suppliants amongst them, he would wander & travel all over *Latium*, and if he might not rest there, he would from thence go to the *Volscians*, *Equians*, and *Hernicks*, until he came to them that knew how to save the children from the cruelty and inhumane persecution of the fathers. Perhaps he should find means to stir coals and kindle war, yea, and perform himself good service against that most proud King, and that most stout and insolent people. And seeming withall in great anger and discontentment, (if they would not regard his complaints) ready to depart and go his waies, he was kindly entertained and friendly entreated by the *Gabians*: "who willed him to be of good cheer and not to marvel at all, that *Tarquinius* became now at length ill affected against his own children, like as he had tyrannized already upon his subjects and confederates: for he would no doubt in the end exercise his fell stomach even upon himself, for want of other subject matter to work upon. And as to him, right welcome he was to them, assuring themselves that within a while it would come to pass, that if he with them would fet to his helping hand, they should remove the war from the gates of *Gabii* unto the very walls of *Rome*. After this was he admitted to sit with them in common counsell. In which he oftentimes used to say, "That in other matters he gave place, and referred himself to be advised by the ancient *Gabins*, as men more practised and experienced than himself; but for the war, which ever and anon he perfwaded them unto, himself took upon him a special insight and skill therein: as he that knew the strength of both nations, and was fully perfwaded in his conscience, that the Kings pride must needs be odious to his subjects, which his very own children could not brook and endure. Thus whiles by little and little he solicited the principall Citizens to rebel, and went himself daily in person with a crew of the most forward and able young men, foraging, spoiling, and making rodes into the Territory of the Romans, and that now through his words and deeds, which tended to fraud and deceit in the end, they began more and more to give credit unto him that one day would deceive them, he was at last chosen General for the war. And having made certain small skirmishes between *Rome* and *Gabii*, in which for the most part the *Gabins* had the better (whiles the simple people, God wot, saw not his drift and how he carried the matter): then all the *Gabins* from the highest to the lowest, thought verily and in good earnest, that *Sextus Tarquinius* was lent them by special grace even from God above to be their Captain and Protector. But with the soldiers, what with attempting painful enterprises and performing dangerous service, and what with dealing prizes liberally amongst them, it passed how he grew into credit, and how deadly he was beloved: inasmuch as *Tarquinius* the Father was of no greater command at *Rome*, than *Tarquinius* the Son at *Gabii*. Thus when he saw he had gathered strength sufficient, and was fully furnished against all affairs: he dispatched unto his father at *Rome*, one of his trusty servants with credence, to know his will and pleasure, seeing that the gods had done him this grace, that he at *Gabii* was able to do all in all. To this message made the King no answer at all by word of mouth, taking the man belike, as I verily think for one hardly to be trusted. But as one musing with himself and in a deep doubt what answer to shape, he went into a garden on the back side of the house, and his sons messenger followed after. There walked he up and down, and said never a word: only with his rod or walking staff, as it is reported, he knapt off the uttermost heads and tops of the poppies. The messenger weary with calling for an answer, and waiting such attendance, returned to *Gabii* as he came, and without effect of his errand. He reported what he had said and seen, namely, how the King, whether upon anger or hatred, or pride ingrafted by nature, uttered no speech at all. But *Sextus* knowing by this mystical and secret circumstances, his fathers will and direction, made no more ado but slew the chief of the Citizens: some by accusations unto the people, and others by reason of disgrace they were already in, and thereby exposed unto violence, were soon overthrowen. Many of them were openly executed, and some, whom there was little appearance or colour of justice or none at all to accuse, were secretly murdered. Divers of their own accord fled into voluntary exile, or else they were forced unto banishment: whose goods as well as theirs that were put to death, were divided among the people. By sweetness of this largess of spoil, by the profit and wealth that grew to private persons: the publique woe and calamity was nothing felt and seen: until (such time as the *Gabins* whole estate, deploied of counsell, bereft of aid and succour, yielded without dint of sword unto the King of *Rome*.

Sextus Tarquinius  
to the Gabians.

The Gabins to  
Sextus Tarquinius.

Sextus Tarquinius  
to the Senators  
of the Gabins.

The City of  
Gabii surren-  
dered to Tar-  
quinius.





**B**RUTUS took an oath of the people, that they should not suffer any to raise King at Rome. He compelled his fellow Consul<sup>1</sup> Tarrquinus Collatinus, a suspected man to take part with the Tarquins, by reason of the affinity he had with them; to give over the Consulship, and to depart the City. The goods of the King and his son he commanded to be seized upon and rifled. A field of theirs they consecrated to Mars; which was named afterwards Campus Martius<sup>2</sup> or Mars field. He beheaded certain young Gentlemen of the Nobility together with his own and his brothers sons; for conspiring to receive the King and his Complex again into the City. *Umo* the bonds<sup>3</sup> slave Vindictus, that bewrayed the complot, he gave his freedom; of whom Vindicta took the name. Having led an Army against the King who had assembled a power of Veientians and Tarquinians and made war, he died in battell together with Aruns, the son of Superbus<sup>4</sup> a son for his death the damuel of Rome mourned one whole year. P. Valerius the Consul propounded and made a Law concerning Appealing unto the people. The Capitol was dedicated, Porcia King of the Clusians, warring in the arreall of the Tarquins, and being come to the Janiculum, was by the valour of Cocles Horatius, embarked; but he pass'd not the Tyber: who alone tolbeth others hewed down the Subitine bridge, withstood the Tuicans: and where it was broken down, leapt armed as he was into the river, and swam over to his fellows. Another example of manhood is reported of Mutius, who being entered the Camp of the enemies with full intent to kill Potencia, and having slain his principal Secretary, whom he took for the King, was apprehended: and thrusting his hand into the fire of the Altars, whereupon they had burned sacrifices, suffered it there to fry untill it was consumed: and said withall, that there were behind him three hundred more besides, if he had sworn the death of the King himself. Who wondering at their resolution, was driven to offer conditions of peace, and upon taking of himself gave over war: Amongst whom, one virgin *Clutia*, beguiled her keepers, made an escape, and swam over Tyber to her friends: and being vendred again by Potencia, was honourably home; and had her









**The valiant  
resolution of  
C. Manning.**

The commendable deed of Gladys.

self, he made no great account of them: but afterwards, upon further consideration he admired it the enterprise, and plainly said, it surpassed far all the adventures of the *Coclies* and the *Mutii*: so as he pretended that if the maid were not rendered again, he would take the league as broken, and being yielded, he would send her back to her friends, undefiled, and without any abuse or violence done unto her. On both parts was promise faithfully kept: For both the Romans restored the pledge of peace according to covenant, and seen also it was, that virtue was not only secured safe, but also highly regarded and honoured with the *Tuscan* King. For after he had commended and praised the damsel, he promised to give her part of the hostages, chuse whom he would. And when they were all brought forth before her, she made choice (they say) of those young boys that were under 14 years of age: which was not only most befitting her virginity, but also by the accord of the hostages themselves best approved; namely, that that age especially should be delivered out of the enemies hands, which was most subject to injury and taking wrong. The peace thus renewed and confirmed, the Romans rewarded this rare valour in that lex, with as new and strange an honour, for, in remembrance of her, in the top of *Via sacra*, there was erected her statue, *A maiden sitting on horseback*.

There remaineth yet even unto our daies amongst other solemn ceremonies, this one custom received from our ancestors, far differing and disagreeing from this peaceable and friendly departure of the *Tuscan* King from before the City of *Rome*, and this it is: In the portale of goods they use to proclaim first aloud, *The sale of King Porfena his goods*. This ceremonial custom must needs either begin in time of war, and so was not afterwards forgotten in peace: or else arose from some more gracious and gentle occasion at the first, then this title or outward form pretended, of selling goods by way of hostility, and after the manner of enemies. But the likeliest conjecture and nearest to the truth of all those that are given out is this: that *Porfena* dislodging from the *Janicle*, gave freely unto the Romans, (the City at that time being after long siege distressed and in great straits) his rich Camp furnished with victual and provision, and thrust thither out of the plentiful countries of *Hetruria* near adjoining: which goods, for fear there should have been some havock and spoil made thereof in warlike wise, in case the people had been left to the rifling of the tents, were after sold, and called *Porfena* his goods: which title signified rather their thankful acceptance of the gift, and remembrance of the giver, than any open and overt sale of the Kings goods, which were not so much as in the Romans power, nor at their disposition.

This *Porfena* having given over the Roman war, because he would not seem to have brought an host of men into those parts, and performed no exploit, sent his son *Armus* with part of his forces to surprize and assault *Aricia*. At the first this sudden and unexpected enterprise much troubled the *Aricins*, but afterwards when he had gotten aid both from the *Latine* nations & also from *Cumes*, they took such heart again, that they durst enter into the field & bid the enemy battle. In the beginning of the conflict, the *Tuscans* charged them so hotly, that at the very first encounter, they brake the armies of the *Aricins*. But the troops of the *Cumans* setting policy against force, went a little aside, made way and gave some ground, and when the enemies had outstripped them & were safely and disorderly passed beyond them, they turned their ensigns, and set upon their backs: so were the *Tuscans*, being in the very train of their victory, befer round about, and slain in the midst between. Only a small remnant of them after the loss of their Captain, because they had no other place of refuge nearer, were fain to trudge to *Rome* without weapons and disarmed, like suppliants both in deed and shew. Where they were kindly entertained and bestowed in several lodgings. Some of them when they were cured of their wounds repaired home, reporting the hospitality & courteous usage they have found. Many remained still at *Rome* for love of their hosts and the City: who had a place allotted them to dwell in, which after they called *Tuscan vicus*, the *Tuscan street*.

After this, were *P. Lucretius* and *P. Valerius* the third time created Coss. In that year, for a small end, there came Embassadors from *Porfena*, to treat about the restoring of the *Targuins* into their Realm: to whom this answer was returned: that the Senate would send Embassadors to the King himself: whereupon there were immediately addressed unto him in Embasie the most honourable personages of all the Nobility, who in the name of the people of *Rome* delivered this speech: That the chief of their Nobles were sent, rather than any dispatch given by word of mouth unto his Embassadors at *Rome*: not for that they could not have shapen them this short answer, "They would no Kings have: But to this end, that for ever after there should be no suit renewed of that matter, nor in so great mutual benefits, and favours passed between them, some discontent arise on either side, whiles he might be thought to request that which was repugnant and prejudicial to the liberty of *Rome*, and the Romans again, unless they would be executors of their own wrongs, and seek their own mischiefance, to make denial unto him, whom by their good will they would not seem to deny ought for any thing in the world. But as to the substance in the matter, this was the point: namely, that the people of *Rome* were not under the regiment of a King, but were a free state: and fully settled in this purpose. To set open their gates to the enemies, sooner than to Kings: and were all generally of that mind and resolution. That look when they were to entreat him, that if he rendered "City come to an end also. To conclude therefore they were to entreat him, that if he rendered "the weal and safety of *Rome*, he would permit them to be free still and at their own liberty.

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A The King overcome with very modesty, and much abashed in himself, answered thus again: "Since you are so fully minded and stiffly bent (quoth he) neither will I importune you, nor dull your ears with harping still upon this unpleasant string, and do no good: nor bear the *Targuins* any longer in hand, and deceive them of that hope of aid, which nothing at all is in my power to perform. Let them from henceforth seek some other place of exile, either for peace of war, as they shall think more expedient, that there may be nothing to let and hinder the free course of amity, and alliance between me and you. To the good and kind words he joyed better and more friendly deeds. For all the hostages that remained in his hand he sent home: and the *Veientins* lands which by the covenants indentured at *Tusculum*, were taken away, he restored to the *B Romans* again. Thus *Targuin* seeing all hope of return cut off, removed unto *Tusculum* to his son in law *Mamilius Othavins*, where to live and spend the rest of his daies in banishment. So there continued faithfull peace between the Romans and King *Porfena*.

Then were Coss, *M. Valerius* and *P. Posthumius*. In that year the Romans fought with the *Sabins* fortunately, and the Consuls triumphed. But afterwards the *Sabins* made greater preparation of war: to withstand whom, as also for fear of some sudden danger that might arise from *Tusculum*, from whence they suspected war, although none was openly seen, were *P. Valerius* the fourth time, and *T. Lucretius* the second time created Coss. But among the *Sabins* there grew some civil discord between that part that would have war, and the contrary that sought peace: which gained the Romans some strength even from thence. For *Appius Claudius* (who afterwards at *Rome* was surnamed *Appius Claudius*) a periwader himself of quietness and repose, being overmatched and not able to make his part good with the adverse faction that minded and stirred troubles, accompanied with a great power of friends and followers, from *Regillum* fled to *Rome*, who were enfranchised Citizens, and possessed of those lands that lye beyond the river " *Anio*. And from thence came the name of the old trade *Appia*: after that other new Citizens were put unto them, those I mean, that defended of that race, and out of the same territory. This *Appius* was admitted into the number of the Senators, and not long after advanced to be one of the chief men and heads of the City. The Coss. went with a strong power into the *Sabins* land, where after they had first waived the Country, and after in battell abated the strength and puissance of the enemy, so, as for a long time after they needed not to fear any rebellion from thence, they returned D to *Rome* in triumph.

The year following, when *Agrippa Menenius* and *P. Posthumius* were Coss, *P. Valerius* ended his daies in great glory, reputed the only singular man in those times, by all mens judgment, for skill and knowledge as well in martiall feats, as in civil affairs: but so poor was his estate, that he had not wherewith to defray his funeral expenses, and was therefore at the Cities charge right honourably entred. And the Dames of *Rome* mourned for him as they did for *Brutus*.

The same year two Colonies of the *Latines*, *Pometia* and *Cora*, revolted to the *Auruncans*. The Romans first began to war upon the *Auruncans*. And after they had discomfited a great host of them, who met with the Consuls as they entered the borders, and fiercely made head against them, then all the *Auruncan* war was driven and translated wholly to *Pometia*. The slaughter and execution E was no less after the conflict, than during the fight: for whereas there were many more of them slain outright in the place than taken prisoners, those also that were prisoners they spared not, but murdered every where as they went: neither staid the furious rage of war therewith, but even the very hostages whom they had received, to the number of 300, they put to the sword. In this year also was a triumph at *Rome*.

The Consuls *Opiter Virginus*, and *Sp. Cassius*, that followed the next year, assailed *Pometia*, first by meere force to scale the wals, after with pavilions, mantlets, platforms, and other fabrics, raised against it. Upon whom the *Auruncans* sallied forth, rather of a carked and malicious hatred than for any hope or vantage given them of good exploit: the greater part of them furnished better with fire-works than armed with sword and spear, killed and burned all afore them: and having F thus fired their fabrics afore said, hurt and slain a great number of their enemies, one of the Consuls also (but his name precisely is not by any author let down) was fore wounded, & drunken down from his horse, and well-near slain. Whereupon the Romans returned back to *Rome* thus unhappily defeated, leaving the Consul behind them amongst many that were hurt, like to dye. Soon after, and no longer than whilest their wounds might be healed, and a new supply of soldiers made, they came against *Pometia*, in more furious manner than before, and also with a stronger power. And when by making of new mantlets and other warlike instruments of assault, they within proceeded thus forward that the soldiers were ready to scale and get up the wall, then they within yielded: and notwithstanding the Town was thus surrendered up, yet there was no more mercy shewed unto it, than it had been forced by assault. The chief and principal Citizens shamefully G loft their heads, the rest of the inhabitants were sold at the spear in open market like slaves. The Town sackt and razed to the ground, yea, and money made of the lands belonging to it. The Consuls for that they had so wreaked their anger, and sharply revenged themselves, more than for any great war they had finished, obtained triumph.

The year following, were *Posthumius Caninius* and *T. Larginus* Consuls. In this year, during the games and plaies at *Rome*, certain yonkers of the *Sabins*, went about in a wanton jollity to carry away and ravish the *Curtezans* and common Strumpets of the City. Whereupon the people ran together

The Roman  
Embassadors  
to King Por-  
fena.

Appius claudi-  
us.

\* At this day  
Tuscan.  
Tribe Appia.

The poverty  
of P. Valerius, &  
times Consul.

together, and made a riot, grew to words, and from words to brawls, inasmuch, as they went to H  
gether by the ears, and made a fray in manner of a battell: upon which small occasion there was a  
rebellion like to ensue, Over and besides the fear of the Latines war, (for to encrease their troubles  
the more news came, and it was certainly known, that by the soliciting and practise of *Ostius*  
*Mamilius*, there were already thirty nations banded together against the Romans. The City thus  
being perplexed for the event and expectation of the Dictator, nor in what year, nor in what Consuls  
caution and mention made of creating a Dictator, that they should be of the *Tarquinius* faction, and yet that  
time (for that it can hardly be believed, that they should be of the *Tarquinius* faction, and yet that  
also is reported) nor yet who was first created Dictator, is it certainly known: Howbeit, in  
the most ancient writers I find that *T. Lartius* was created the first Dictator, and *Cneius Calpurnius* Gene-  
ral of the horsemen: and Consular men (such as had been Consuls afore) they were that elected  
him: for so the law provided that was enacted, concerning the creation of a Dictator. And this  
induceth me the rather to believe, that *Lartius* an ancient man, and one who had been Consul be-  
fore, was appointed as a Controller and Master over the Consuls, and not *M. Valerius* the son of  
*Marcius*, and grandson of *Volscius*, who as yet had not attained to the Consuls dignity. For if these  
Consular men afore said had been minded to have chosen a Dictator out of that house above all o-  
thers, surely they would have made choice rather of his father *M. Valerius*, a noble personage, of ap-  
proved prowess and valour, and one besides that had been Consul. When the Dictator was once  
chosen at Rome, and the axes were seen borne before him, the Commoners stood in great awe, and  
took better regard to be obedient at every beck and command. For neither could they make ac-  
count of any help (as they might under the Consuls, who were both in commission alike, and of  
equal authority, when they had recourse from the one to the other) nor yet appeal unto the peo-  
ple: for no nor look for succour at all, but in their own double diligence and care of obedience. The  
Sabines likewise were afraid of the Dictator thus created at Rome: and so much the more, because  
they were verily perswaded he was made of purpose for them: and thereupon, they sent Embassa-  
dors to treat for peace, who beseeching the Dictator and the Senate to pardon so small a fault, and  
dost to treat for peace, who beseeching the Dictator and the Senate to pardon so small a fault, and  
being but a trick of youth, received this answer: That youth indeed might well be pardoned, but  
such old babes as they might not, who never refused to low debate, and minister occasion of one  
war after another. Howbeit, they fate in consultation about a peace, and obtained it had been, if  
the Sabines could have found in their hearts and condescended to make good and repay the expenses  
that the Romans had disbursed about the war: for that was the thing demanded at their hands.  
So, defiance was sent and war proclaimed. And yet for that year all was quiet, as it were in time  
of a secret truce: during the Consulship of *Servius Sulpicius*, and *M. Manlius Tullus*, in whole year  
there was nothing done worthy of remembrance.

\* *Castel Jubilee*.  
\* *Palumbus*,  
\* *vil Mami Ro-*  
\* *mand.*  
\* *Pilafina*,  
\* *Ortel*,  
\* *Tubusulo*.

The famous  
battell at the  
Lake Regillus.

After them were *T. Ebutius*, and *C. Virginius*. In their time \* *Fidene* was besieged, \* *Cruameria*  
won, and *Preeste* revolted from the Latines unto the Romans. And the Latine war, which had  
been a breeding and budding for certain years, was no longer delayed, but brake forth. *A. Posthu-*  
*mius* the Dictator and *T. Ebutius* General of the Cavalry, with great power of foot and horse, set  
forward and advanced as far as the Lake *Regillus*, in the Territory of *Tusculum* and there encoun-  
tered the Army of the enemies in their march. And because they heard say that the *Tarquinius* were  
in the host of the Latines, they could not for anger forbear any longer, but presently fell to it, and  
began battell. This field was fought right fiercely, and cost more bloodshed a good deal, than o-  
thers usually before: because the Generals and chief Commanders were there present, not only  
to give direction by their counsel and advice, but also in person themselves hazarded their own  
bodies, and fought bravely in the medley. And not one almost of the principal leaders escaped out  
of the skirmish, either of one side or of the other, save only the Roman Dictator,  
for as *Posthumus* was encouraging his men, and setting them in array in the vanguard, *Tarquinius*  
*Superbus* (albeit he was now very aged and unwieldy, and not able to bestir himself) set upon him, and  
his horse, and ran full butt against him. But having caught a thrust from his horse, and the other wing, *Ebutius* General of N  
that came about him, and retired to a place of safety. And in the other wing, *Ebutius* General of N  
the horsemen, set upon *Ost. Mamilius*: but he the Captain I mean of the *Tusculans*, was well ware  
of him, and espyed him coming, and ran his horse with full career likewise upon him, and to de-  
spersely they beat their Lances one against the other, that *Ebutius* was run quite through the  
arm, and *Mamilius* wounded in the breast, whom the Latines succoured and received him into  
middle ward. As for *Ebutius* not able any longer to bear his staff, with his arm lowe butt, with-  
drew himself out of the battell. The Leader of the Latines nothing dismayed for all his hurt, main-  
drew himself still: and seeing his souldiers somewhat distressed, he tenderly for the Regiment of  
rained fight still: that were under the leading of *L. Tarquinius* his son: who striking more con-  
traguously unto us, for anger that their goods were spoiled, and they driven out of their own coun-  
try, renewed the combat afresh for awhile. And as the Romans from that quarter began to  
recede and give ground, *M. Valerius*, the brother of *Publicola*, espying young *Tarquinius* vaunting  
himself gloriously in the fore-front of the exiles, inflamed also with a desire of dometick glo-  
ry of his house: that the same family which had the praise of expelling the Kings, might like-  
wise win the honour of killing them, spurred his horse, and with deadly spear ran against *Tarquinius*,  
who giving way to his mortal enemy, retired back to his own Regiment. But *Valerius*  
by this time was disbanded from his company, and rashly ridden into the battell of the exiles,  
and

And there a common souldier hapned to charge upon him a flank, and run him through. The horie  
staid not a jot for all the rider was wounded, and so the Roman Knight ready to die, fell to the  
ground with his armour upon his body, and paid nature her debt. *Posthumus* the Dictator, after  
he perceived so valiant a man fall, and the banished man advancing lustily forward with full trot,  
and his own souldiers distressed, and at point to turn their backs gave express commandment un-  
to his own band, which he had about him of chosen tall men for to guard his person, that as many  
of their fellows as they saw flee they should take them for enemies, and kill them in the place. Thus  
by reason of a counter-fear the Romans made head again and renewed the battell. Then began the  
Dictators collect to fight, and coming with fresh bodies and courageous stomachs, charged upon  
B the wearied exiles, and killed them on every side. Whereupon began another combat able between  
the Colonels and Captains of quality and mark. The General of the Latines seeing the battalion  
of the banished well near environed round by the Roman Dictator, speedily taketh with him in-  
to the forefront of the battell certain squadrons of those that were appointed in the rear-guard to  
succour and aid: whom *T. Herminius*, a lieutenant, espyed to come marching in good order, and  
knowing amongst them *Mamilius* by his gorgeous harness, and goodly coat-armour, with far greater  
violence than the General of the hostemen a little before, encountered the Colonel of his ene-  
mies so hotly that both he ran *Mamilius* through his sides, and flue him outright, and also whilst  
he was disarming and rifling his body, he was wounded himself with a short javelin, and being  
brought back with victory into the Camp, and at first dreading yielded to nature and died. Then  
C rode the Dictator apace to the horsemen, and earnestly cried unto them, that seeing the footmen  
were toiled out and wearied, they would alight from their horses, and take the matter into their  
hands. The horsemen soon obeyed, leapt from horseback, and set forward as if they had flown, to  
the forefront, where they exposed their targets in defence of them that fought before the ensigs,  
Whereat presently the Infantry began again to take heart, seeing the principal men of arms, and  
take noble young Gentlemen in the like kind of service, exposed to the same danger, and ready to take  
part with them. Then at the last were the Latines put back, and they mounted on horseback to pur-  
sue their enemies. The footmen likewise followed after. There the Dictator omitting no help of  
God and man, vowed, as men say, a Temple to *Castor*, and openly promised and propoised rewards  
D to that souldier that made either first or second entry into the enemies Camp. Whereupon they  
bestirred themselves so courageously, that the Romans at one brunt both vanquished their ene-  
mies, and also were possessed of their tents. This was the noble field fought at the Lake *Regillus*.  
The Dictator and the General of horsemen returned into the City with triumph. For three years  
after there was neither assured peace between them, nor yet proffered war.

Consuls were *Q. Cloelius*, and *T. Lartius*. After them *A. Sempronius*, and *M. Minutius*. Whiles  
these two were Consuls, the Temple to *Saturn* was dedicated, and the feast called *Saturnalia* insti-  
tuted. After them succeeded *A. Posthumus*, and *T. Virginius*. And in this year and before, I find  
in some authors, that the said battell was stricken near the Lake *Regillus*, and that *A. Posthumus*  
suspecting the fidelity of his brother Consul gave over his place, and so was made Dictator. The  
E account of times doth so vary and is so intricate and confused, whiles writers diversly set down  
the chief Magistrates, that in so great antiquity, not of acts only, but also of authors, a man cannot  
orderly and directly distinguish, according to some writers, who were Consuls, and what was done  
in every year.

Afterwards were *Ap. Claudius*, and *P. Servilius* created Consuls. This year was famous for the  
news of *Tarquinius* his death. He died at *Cambr*, to which place after the defeature of the Latines pow-  
er, he went to *Arifodorus* the Tyrant. At which tidings the hearts of the Nobles were well light-  
ened. The Commons also began to look up. But the joy in the Nobility was above measure too ex-  
cessive and licentious. For why? the great men began now to wrong and wring the community,  
whom until that day they had favoured and pleased to their full power. In the same year the  
F Colony *Signia*, which King *Tarquinius* had created, was now stored again the second time, and  
the number supplied with new inhabitants. And the tribes or wards at Rome were now made up  
21. The temple of *Mercury* was dedicated in the \* *Ides of May*. With the Nation of the *Volcians*  
in the time of the Latine war, neither was there peace nor war: for both the *Volcians* had levied  
a power for aid to send unto the Latines, if the Roman Dictator had not made good speed: and al-  
so the Roman Dictator hastned the more for fear he should in one battell have to deal with *La-*  
*tin*es and *Volcians* both at once. Upon this quarrell, the Consuls led forth their Legions into  
the *Volcians* Country. The *Volcians* fearing no revenge for their designment (that was intended  
only, and never came in action) were much troubled with this sudden and unlooked for occur-  
rent. Notwithstanding therefore to make resistance, and forgetfull of warlike prowess, they delivered  
G 300 of their Noblemen children out of *Corra* and *Pometia* for hostages. Whereupon the Roman  
Legions from thence without any fight were withdrawn. But not long after the *Volcians* being  
somewhat eased and delivered of their fear, came again to their old bias, and returned to their won-  
dered nature, and secretly under-hand made preparation anew for war: joyning with them as con-  
federates in this quarrel the *Hermikes*. They lend also their Embassadors all about to move and so-  
licit *Latin*es. But the *Latines*, for their late overthrow at the Lake *Regillus*, took such a spleen and  
hatred against him whofoever, that should once put into their heads and perswade them to take  
arms,

Temple of *Sat-*  
urn dedicated.  
*Saturnalia*  
instituted.

*Tarquinius Su-*  
*perbus* dieth.

Wards 21.  
\* *Ides of May*.

*Compagna de*  
*Roma*.



arms, that they could not forbear the very Embassadors, but offer them abuse. They apprehended them therefore the Volscians, conveyed them to Rome, and delivered them to the Consuls: where they revealed and gave intelligence, that the Volscians and Hernicks were out in arms; ready to war upon the Romans. Which being reported unto the Senators, they were so well pleased and contented therewith, that they set at liberty 6000 Latines, prisoners, and sent them home. And concerning a league to be concluded with them, which was like before to have been denied for ever, they referred the consultation thereof, unto the new Magistrates that should next enter. And in good sooth pleasant & glad were the Latins then, for that they had done, and the authors of peace were magnified and had in great reputation. They send moreover a Crown of gold into the Capitol, for a present to Jupiter. With these Embassadors and the present, those prisoners which before were set free, came in greater number. Who repaired straight waies to every man his house, where they had been prisoners, yielding them great thanks for their kind usage and friendly entertainment in time of their calamities and miseries, and promised therewith the like courtesy and mutual hospitality. Never were the Latines at any time afore, both publicly and privately, united more nearly to the Roman Empire.

But as the Volscian war was now at hand, so the City was at discord among themselves. The Senators and Commons hated one another at the heart, and all this arose by occasion especially of certain persons that were indebted, and in danger of their creditors: who muttered and gave out in murmuring wile, how that abroad they adventured themselves and fought for the liberty and dominion of the City, and at home by their own neighbours they were held prisoners and oppressed: saying that the freedom of the Commons was more safe in time of war, than of peace, among the enemies rather than their own fellow Citizens. This inward grudge and heart-burning, which of it self still kindled more and more, the notable calamity of one man above all others, set on a light fire. A certain aged person charged to break prison, and with the arms, badges, and ornaments of all his ancestors, ran into the market place. His apparel was all at tattered, foule, and loathsome, but the habit or plight of his body much more livery: so pale, so wan, so lean withall, as if he had been over-pined and starved, his long hide beard and hair of his head so overgrown, that they made his visage and countenance wild and gaitly. Howbeit, for all he was thus disfigured by this deformity, he was a man well known, and as some said, he had done good service in the wars, had been a chief Centurion, and had the charge and leading of bands in the field: and the common people, as pitying his estate, and to move compassion, recounted many worthy exploits of his, to his great credit and singular commendation. Himself likewise shewed the scars of wounds, which in his breast and fore-part of his body in divers places he had received that might testify his valiant service. The people flocking about him as it were in a common assembly to hear a solemn Oration, enquired of him, how he came to be in that taking, so poor, so disfigured and deformed? He answered, that while he served in the Sabine war, he by reason of the continual foraging, and watching of the Territory, not only lost the revenues and increase of his lands, but also his Mannor-house was burnt, all his goods ransacked and spoiled, his cattell driven away: and when a levy and tribute was exacted in a time when he ill might, he was driven to take up money and run in debt: which growing more and more by payment of interest, first he was constrained to sell his land, that his father and grandfather had left him, and to turn himself out of all, by making a clean band of the rest of his goods: untill at length his body also began to winder away in a consumption. Complaining moreover how by his creditor he was not only brought into bondage and thralldom, but also imprisoned, and whipped, and tormented in most cruell and barbarous manner. With that he shewed before them all, his back lately scourged, with the fresh wales of the lashes newly given him. At the sight and hearing hereof, there arose a great outcry of the people, so that anon the uprore kept not within the compass of the market place, but spread over all the City: in such sort, that as well they that were bound, as they that were loofe, came forth from all parts into the open streets calling the *Quirines* and the people pitifully to help. In no corner wanted any companions to take part willingly in this seditious rout, and every where in all the streets they run by companies into the common place. Those Senators who chanced to be abroad, at their no small perill light upon this multitude: and had not the Consuls *P. Servilius*, and *App. Claudius* made the better speed, and come upon them to appease the commotion, there would have been some knocks, for hardly could they have held their hands. At whose coming the multitude turned unto them, shewing their irons and all their other shameful misusage and misery, saying, This is all the good we have gotten for our warfare: upbraiding every man the services they had performed, some in one place, some in another, requiring them in threatening wile, rather than by way of supplication, to call the Senate together, and they the while stood about the *Curia*, as if they would be judges and moderators of their public counsel. Very few of the Senators, such only as by chance came that way, could be brought to repair to the Consuls: as for the rest, they were afraid not only to come into the Council-house, but also to venture abroad into the market place, so that by reason of their small assembly, there could be nothing done nor determined. Then thought the people indeed they were mocked and dallied withall, and driven off with deleries, surmising, that the Senators which were away, absented themselves not by chance, nor for fear, but only to hinder the proceeding of their cause: and that the Consuls themselves did dissemble and shrink, and without all question

A dangerous  
sedition in  
Rome.

A made but a scorn and game at their miseries. This broil so increased, that hardly could the reverence and Majesty of the Consuls restrain the peoples rage. But the Senators (standing in doubtfull terms, whether to tarry behind or to come forward would be more dangerous, at length they resolved to repair into the Senate, and being now at last a full and sufficient house gathered, neither the Lords there assembled, nor yet the Consuls, could well agree amongst themselves what to do in this case. *Appius* a man of a hot spirit, was of opinion to order the matter by Consular authority and commandment; saying, That if one or two of them were laid hold on the rest would be quiet. But *Servilius* more inclined to mild and gentle remedies, thought it more safe and easy course too, rather to bend than to break their angry and fell itomack. But amidst these troubles there happened a greater and more fearful occurrence: For certain *Lutins* on horse-back rode in post, and brought news in halcy and tumultuous manner, that the Volscians were coming with a mighty and cruel army against the City to assault the same. Which news being heard (see how discord had of one City made twain) wrought far other effect in the Nobles, than in the Commons. The comminallity leapt for joy, and said the gods were now come down from Heaven to be revenged of the Senators pride, and encouraged one another not to take prey, nor to enter their names in the Muster-books, saying that they had rather dye at once with all, than perish alone and none but they: "Let the Nobles (quoth they) serve as soldiers: let them take weapon in hand, and abide the brunts and hazards of war, who receive the prizes, the prizes and reward thereof. But contrary-wile the Senate penive and discharged with this twofold fear, as well from citizen as enemy, belonged the Consul *Servilius* (a man by nature more affable and popular) That he would provide for the safety of the Common-wealth, be it as it were round with so fearful perils. Then the Consul dismissed the Senate, and came forth into the assembly of the people, where he shewed what care the LL. of the Senate had for the good of the commons: "But while they were (quoth he) busy in consultation for the greatest part of the commons: "I (consuls) of the City, and yet in truth no more but a part, it fell out so in the mean while, "that of necessity they must see to the whole body of the Common-wealth, whereof they stand in exceeding fear. Seeing therefore the enemies were almost hard at the gates, they could not possibly do or intend any thing before war. Neither (if there should be any respite and leisure granted) were it either for the commons credit and honesty, nor to fight for their Country, unless they had their pay before hand: nor well becoming the Nobles and for their reputation, to look unto and take order hastily, to redress the miseries and calamities of their citizens, upon fear, rather than afterwards with good deliberation, he gave freight commandment: *Imprimis*, that no man should keep bound or in prison, any citizen of Rome, but that the might be enrolled before the Consuls, *Item*, that no person should hold in possession, or sell the goods of any soldier, so long as he abode in the camp, nor arrest his children or childrens children. This edict being once published and proclaimed, not only the enthralled debtors there present, were immediately by name enrolled, but also from all parts of the City, they leapt quickly out of their houses, seeing that now their creditors had no right nor power to detain and arrest them, and ran into the market place for to take a military oath of allegiance, to be true soldiers and faithful to the State. A number there was of these: neither was there any that more manfully behaved and quit themselves or took more pains in the Volscian war. Then the Consul led forth his power against the enemies, and within a little of them incamped himself. The night following, the Volscians presuming upon the variance and discord of the Romans, assailed the tents, if haply in the night season any of them might have been wrought to abandon the camp, and come to them, or to practise any treason. But the Sentinels descried them, and upon alarm given, the whole army arose, and every man made haft to his weapons. Thus came that enterprife of the Volscians to nothing. The rest of the night both parts settled, and were quiet. On the morrow by break of day, the Volscians having filled up the trench, assailed the bulwarks and rampiers. And by that time they had on every side plucked up the fences, palisadoes, and other fortifications, the Consul, who for all he was called unto instantly on every hand, but of the debtors afore-said especially above the rest, to give the signal, and to found the battell, made some stay on purpose to try the courage of his men: and seeing well now their forwardness and their itomacks, at length gave them a token to rush forth, and so let them loose, as eager to fight as might be. So at the very first onset the enemies were presently discomfited and put to flight: the footmen followed hand upon them in chase, and as they could reach, wounded them behind on their backs, and killed them: the horsemen likewise pursued them even to their pavilions, who still feared exceedingly what might become of them: and within a while their very camp also, environed about with the legions, and abandoned of the Volscians themselves for fear, were forced and lifted. The next day following, the legions marched to *Suffa Pomertia*, for thither the enemies were fled: and within few days the Town was won, and put to the sack, and the spoil and pillage given away: whereby the needy soldiers were somewhat refreshed. The Consul in great glory and honour brought back his victorious army to Rome. In his way homeward the Ambassadors of the *Erutian Volscians* disuading their own State, upon the losse of *Pometia*, came unto him. To whom after consultation had with the Senate, and a decree passed, peace was granted: but they were fined to part with their Lands. Immediately upon this, the Sabines also put the

Divers opinions  
in the Senate  
house.

Romans

Romans in a fright, and in every deed it might be called a tumult, rather than a war. For word H was brought in the night (that an army of the Sabines were come in a rode, as far as the river Anio, robbing, spoiling, and burning all the villages and hamlets as they went. Forth with was sent thither the whole power of hories under the conduct of *A. Posthumius*, who in the Latin war had been Dictator. After him followed the Consul *Servilius* with a choien regiment of footmen. Most of the enemies as they ranged abroad a foraging in flattering wile, were by the horsemen surprised and inclosed. And when the Infantry besides marked against the Sabines legion, they were not able to refit: for being tired out, partly with their long journey, and partly with plundering all night long, and many of them having overcharged themselves with meat and wine within the villages, had hardly strength enough to run away. Thus the Sabins war in one night was heard of and ended. The day following, when as now the Romans were in good hope, that they had peace on every side, beheld the *Auruncan* Embassadors came into the Senate, proclaiming war, unless they would forgo the Volscian lands, and restore them to their rightful owners. And even at one time with the Embassadors was the army also of the Auruncans abroad, and had taken the field. The news whereof, and namely, that they were now in fight not far from *Aricia*, raised up the Romans into great a broil and hubbub, that the Senators could neither be consulted with, and deliver their opinions in order, nor yet give a peaceable answer to those that came as it were with weapon in hand, being thus forced to take arms themselves. So to *Aricia* directly in warlike manner they march, and not far from thence they joined battel with the Auruncans. And in one day that war had also an end.

Thus when the Roman souldiers had gotten victory within so few days in so many places, and had now defeated the Auruncans, they looked for the promise of the Consul, and the faithful performance of it by the Senate. At what time *Appius* both upon a proud stomack, and arrogant spirit of his own by nature, and also to discredit and disdain the word of his fellow Consul, in all actions of debt proceeded, and gave judgement with rigor against the debtors. Whereupon, both they that had been before imprisoned, were delivered again into their creditors hands, and other also became prisoners anew. Whereat when as a souldier, whose case it was thus hardly to be dealt withal, called upon the Consul his fellow for help, they ran all at once to *Servilius*, at his hands they claimed a promise: every one upbraided and reproached him with their service in war, with their fars there gotten, requiring that he would propose the matter again unto the Senate, and as a Consul, succour and protect his Citizens: or like a General, maintain his souldiers. These matters no doubt, moved the Consul: but so stood the case that he could neither will nor chuse, but dissemble, deal double, and remporize with them: so fully bent, and wholly wedded to the other part, was not only his colleague, but also the whole faction of the Nobility. Thus by bearing himself as a Neuter, and going as they say, between the bark and the tree, he neither avoided the hatred of the Commons, nor yet was favourable to the Nobles: whilst the Nobles took him for a soft and bale minded Consul, seeking to please all parties, and the Commons for as crafty and false dissembler: in somuch as within a short time it appeared he was as much hated of the people as *Appius*. For, the Consuls happened on a time to strive, whether of them twain should dedicate the Temple of *Mercury*. The Senate put over the deciding of this matter from themselves unto the people: and decreed withal, that to whether of them the dedication of the Temple was by the people election granted, he should over and besides have the charge to purvey corn and victuals, he should erect and institute a College or fellowship of Merchants, and be in head of the high Priest, should undertake the solemn feasts or festival days. Then the people gave the dedication of the Temple to *M. Lætorius*, a principal Centurion of the vanguard, which as it easily appeared, was done not so much to grace the man, as who had an higher office bestowed upon him, then was fit for one of his degree and calling: as to disgrace and deface the Consuls. Hereat one of the Consuls, yea, and the *Patricii* stormed and fumed exceedingly against the Commons. But the Commons took heart unto them more and more, and began to proceed far otherwise, and to take another course then they purposed at the beginning: for despairing of the Consuls and Senate's help, when they saw a debtor sued and brought to the bar, they would run flocking from all parts together, so that the Consuls sentence and decree could not be heard for the noise and clamour. And decree or judge what he would, no man would obey. And so violently they went to work, that in presence of the Consul, the creditors were singled out, evil-treated, and misused of the Commons, being many together. So the whole fear and hazzard of the main chance, even of liberty it self, was now altogether translated from the debtors to the creditors. In the very neck of these troubles, there arose a fear of the Sabins war, and when it was determined, there should be a muster of souldiers, no man would answer to his name and be enrolled: All this while *Appius* raged and took on, "inveing bitterly against the nicety and popularity of his brother Consul, who with his keeping silence for displeasing the people, by his loss of carriage of him self, had betrayed the Weal-publick and over and besides that, he had not minded justice for the loan of money, nor dealt according to law in that behalf, he had brought the matter into pass that he could take no musters by virtue of the decree of the Senate. Howbeit (saith he) the Common-wealth is not wholly forsaken and forsorne, nor yet the Consular authority utterly cast down and trodden under foot: for he would himself alone, if there were no more but he, defend and maintain both his own place, and the Senators dignity. When as the multitude

*Appius* his invective against his fellow Consul.

A multitude therefore stood thus malapertly, as their daily manner was about the bar, he commanded one principal Captain of sedition to be attached and had away; and as he was haled to prison by the Sergeants and Lictors, he appealed. Neither would the Consul have given place to the appeal (for all he knew the people how they were bent, and what their doom would be) had not his obdurate stiffness with much ado been overwayed more through the dissenting advice of authority of the chief nobles & Lords of the Senate, than by the clamorous noise & menaces of the multitude: so resolute was he, and his heart so courageous, to undergo their ill will and heavy displeasure. Thus grew the mischief more & more daily, testified not with open mouth & broad speeches only, but by how much more pernicious and dangerous by conventicles, secret meetings, and conferences, at length these Consuls so odious unto the Commons, went out of their office, to wit, *Appius* a man wondrous well affected of the Nobles, *Servilius* liked neither of them nor the Commons, after whom *A. Virginius*, and *T. Volumnius* entered their Consulship. But then the Commons not knowing what manner of Consuls they should have, began to assemble together by night, some in *Esquilie*, others in the *Acventura* to the end, they might not be unprovided and to seek upon a sudden, what to do in the common place, nor manage their business hand over head, and at a venture. Which the Consuls supposing (as it was indeed) a perilous example and of ill consequence, propounded the matter before the Senators: but when they had proposed it, they could not orderly ask their advice what was to be done: they took it on, and kept such outcry and clamour at it, on all hands fretting and fuming, that the Consuls should lay upon the Senate the burden and heavy load of that, which properly they by virtue of their authority and office should execute and perform themselves, and surely, if there were any Magistrates in the City (say they) there would not be so much suffered in *Rome* any other council but publick: whereas now the State is divided into a thousand Courts and conventicles: whilst some have their meetings and assemblies in *Esquilie*, others in *Acventura*: Affuredly one only man indeed (for that is more than a Consul) such a one as *Appius Claudius* was, would soon dispatch, and in one minute of an hour scatter these their unlawful assemblies. The Consuls upon this rebuke and check, replied again and demanded in this manner: And what would you have us to do (quoth they) for we are resolved to do nothing slackly and coldly, but with as great courage and diligence as shall be well liked of the Senators. Whereupon an order passed, that they should take might and levy souldiers with all rigour and severity, adding moreover, that the Commons with idleness and ease were grown over-malpert and too licentious. And when the Senate was dismissed, the Consuls went into the Tribunal & took their places, and (summoned by name all the younger sort to appear: and none making answer to his name, the multitude standing about as it had been to hear some publick Oration, said plainly, that the Commons from thenceforth would be no longer deluded, and that the Consuls should never get pumch as one souldier, unless they would stand to their word, and make good the promise that pumch before was made, and restore to every man again his liberty, before they caused them to take weapon in hand: to the end they might fight for their country and country-men, and not for their Lordlike Masters. The Consuls saw well what they had in commission from the Senate & that of all those who within the Council house walls spake so stoutly & gave out to great words, there was not one present to take part of this odious malice of the people. And like they were to have a bitter fit and cruel broil with the Commons. They thought good therefore they tried the worst, and dealt by extremity, once again to ask advice of the Senate, and to confer with them. But then all the younger sort of the Senators, approached by multitudes, hard almost to the Consuls seats, willing them to give over their Consulship, and to resign up their rule and authority, to the maintenance whereof they lacked courage. Now when the Consuls had sufficiently weighed and tried both ways, thus at length began they and said, A great sedition and commotion is toward, every LL. To the end therefore that ye pretend not ignorance, and lay another day ye were not foretold of it, there is a great sedition and commotion toward. We require therefore that they who find greatest fault with our remissness and lack of courage, assist us and sit with us while we take

F the multitudes: and since you will needs have it so, we will execute it according to their minds, that are more earnest and severe. Then came they back again unto the Tribunal, and commanded on set purpose, one of them that were there in light to be cited and called by name. But he stood still and held his peace, with a company of men gathered round about to guard him, for fear he should have some harm or violence done unto him. The Consul then sent a Sergeant to attach him, who being repulsed off, then those Nobles which sat there on the bench to assist the Consul, cried out upon the shameful indignity, and said it was intolerable, and so ran down in haft from the Tribunal seat, for to aid the Sergeant. But the violent rage of the multitude, who let the Lictor alone, and only stayed him from laying hold on the man, turned upon the *Patricians*. So that the Consuls, were fain to step between, and then the fray was appeased. In which, there being no stones flying about their ears, nor weapon drawn, there was more clamor, brawling and chaffing than any hurt done. Then was the Senate house called in a great hurry: and with more confusion than they there in Council: whilst they that pretended how they were beaten and misused, required that commissioners should sit upon this riot and make due inquiry: and the stoutest of them gave their determination as much by clamor and noise, as by sentence and opinion grounded upon reason. At last, when the tempest was overblown and their heat allayed, and that the Consuls hit them in the teeth and reproved them, saying there was a little discretion and gravity in their

\* From 17 years of age to 47.

A sedition between the Consuls and the people.







assayed to stop and overthrow the suit commenced; namely, by setting their followers and retainers in sundry places to deal with the Commons severally one by one. & what they could to affright them from meetings and assemblies together. Afterwards, they came all forth at once into the *Forum* or common place. A man that had seen them would have laid they had been the parties themselves in trouble and accused, ready to hold up their hand at the bar: such praying, such a beseeching they made of the Commons, in the behalf of this one citizen, this only Senator; that if they would not in their love acquit him for their sakes, as innocent and ungilty, yet they would give him unto them as an offender and faulty person. In conclusion, when his day came, he made default and appeared not, yet continued they still in their angry mood against him. And being condemned in his absence, for contumacy, departed into banishment to the Volscians, menacing his own country as he went, and carrying even then with him the revenging thimack of an enemy.

of an enemy. The Volscians at his coming received him courteously, and friendly increased him every day more than other, as they perceived his anger more and more toward his country-men, by many complaints he made of them, and threats which said that he oftentimes gave out against them in their hearing. He made his abode and joyned in the house of *Accius Tullius*, who at that time was a mighty great man among the Volscians, and one that ever bare mortal malice unto the Romans. And whiles the one of them was provoked with an old cankred grudge, and the other set on and picked forward upon a fresh quarrel and occasion of anger, they both laid their heads together and plotted to make war upon the Romans. This only thing hold in their way to cross their designs: They thought verily that: Commons would hardly or scarcely at all be brought, to rise and take arms again, which they had to often unphappily attempted: And besides, their courages were well cooled, and their stomacks abated by the loss of their youth in many and sundry wars oftentimes afore, and now at last, by the late pestilence and mortality. They were therefore to go cunningly to work: that for asmuch as the old hatredt against the Romans was grown out and worn away, their hearts upon some new anger might be chafed and galled again. There were by chance at that time in *Rome*, the great Games and Playes in hand, to be set out anew the second time, the occasion whereof was this: A certain householder one morning betimes before the shewes and games began, had beaten with rods a poor slave of his under the fork which he carried on his shoulders, and dri- en him along through the mid of the *Circus* or *Theatre*: and with that began the playes, as if there had been no matter therein of scruple or Religion. But not long after, one *T. Lavinus* a mean Commoner had a dream or vision: In which he thought that *Jupiter* complained and said, that the Dan-er before the playes pleased him never a whit: and unless those games were newly exhibited again, and that very flatly and sumptuously, some great danger should befall the City: willing him withal, to make relation hereof unto the Consuls. The man albeit in truth he was not without some sense and feeling of Religion and the fear of God: yet made he no such great scruple at the matter, but that the reverence he had of the Majesty and countenance of the *Magistrats* unmounted and dashed it clean: for fear lest haply he should become a talking flock in mens mouths, and be mocked for his labour. But this delay and sleeping of the matter, he bought ill dear. For within few dayes his son hapned to dye. And because he should be out of doubt what was the cause of this his losse and suddain misfortune, whiles he was troubled in spirit, with anguish and sorrow, behold, the same vision appeared to him again in his sleep, and seemed to ask him whether he had not yet sufficiently paid for this disobedience and contempt of God? threatening moreover, that in case he made no greater haste to certify the Consuls thereof, there was a greater judgment and plague toward, and that very near. Now was the thing more evident than before, and past all peradventure. Howbeit he neglected and drave it off still, until he was himself overtaken with a grievous disease, and brought to great weakness in all his joints. Then verily the wrath of the Gods taught him to be wiser. And being overwearied with harms past, and in fear of more presently to enue, he conferred with his kinsfolk and friend: to be advised by them. When he had declared unto them N what he had seen and heard; namely, how *Jupiter* had to often appeared unto him in his sleep, what he had seen and heard; and the fearful displeasure and threatnings of the heavenly Gods were shewed plainly by sundry mischances fallen upon him: by the full consent of all them that were about him, he was brought in a litter to the Consuls, into the *Forum* or common place, from whence by the Consuls commandment he was carried into the Comm-ell house. Where, when he had made report unto the Senators of the selfe same things, to the ex-ceeding wonder and admiration of them all, see another strange miracle: He that was brought into the Senate house a lame creeple of all his limbs, after he had once delivered his errand, returned home to his house (as it is recorded) found upon his feet. Hereupon the Senate decreed, That the Games should be set out as magnificently as could be devised.

To these / enemies reformed, by the motion and perswasion of *Accius Tullius*, a great number of Volscians. But before they were begun, *Tullus* according to the complot between him and *Marius* at home, made a sloop or errand unto the Consuls at *Rome*, saying, that he would willingly commune and treat with them apart, of important affairs concerning the State, when the room was clear, and every man gone, he began in this wise: "Loth I am; quoth he, if otherwise I could chuse, to speak ought but well of my country-men and fellow citizens. Yet come I

*Arctus Tullius*  
to the Roman  
Consuls.

A "not to complain of any action of theirs already passed, but to give a caveat, and provide that  
"nothing be practised hereafter. The nature and disposition (I may tell you) of our people, is  
"too too unconformant and untam'd, more I know than I would they were, a great deal: that have  
"we found and felt to our great cost and manifold damage, we lay who verily at this day by your  
"long interference, and not by good desert of us, do stand in good terms and peace of safety,  
"There is now here a great multitude of Volicians, the Playes and Games ready to be represented  
"and celebrate. Your City will be wholly amused in the beholding thereof: I remember upon  
"the like occasion, what sometimes enterprised and wrought in this City by the youth of the  
"Sabins; and my heart doth tremble and quake for fear, lest some inconsiderate, rash and foolish  
"part be play'd by ours: thus much, O ye Consuls, I thought good in our behalf and yours both,  
"to give you notice of beforehand. As for me, I am minded presently to go from hence home,  
"left to being here seen, might be thought in some word or deed accessory unto them, and so cul-  
"pable. Having made this speech he departed. When the Consuls had declared in the Senate that  
"the credit of the Roman (as commonly it is seen) rather than the likelihood of the matter, caus'd  
"them to be wery and circumsp'ct, yet, although there was no such need or cause at all. Where-  
"to the Senate made an Aft, that the Volicians should be jogging out of the City. And divers  
"cryers or Bedes were sent out sundry ways, to command them to avoid and be packing before  
"night. At the first, the Volicians were only much affrighted, and ran every man to and fro into  
"his Inne to fetch away his things. But afterwards in the way homeward, they began to think  
"more and more of it, and to grow melancholy: thinking it a great indignity, that like polluted and  
"profned persons, they should be driven from the Games, on festival holidays, discarded (as a  
"man would say) and communicate out of the company both of God and man. Thus as they  
"went along all on a row, as it were in one continued and joyn't train, *Tullius* (who was gone alone  
"received the formost and chief of them, as every one came, and en-  
"tained them with complaints and words of indignation, and drew both them who willingly  
"gave ear to his words so fitly framed and tending to stir more coles, and also by their means the  
"rest of the multitude into a plain field, lying hard under the high way side. Unto whom assembled  
"together as it were to hear a sermon, he thus began to speak: 'Admir (quoth he) you could for-  
"get the old wrongs and abuses offered you by the people of Rome, the losses and overthrowes of  
"the Volician Nation; yea, and all the other quarrels whatsoever: how can ye put up this dayes  
"impig'ful reproach and dishonor received at their hands? who to our great disgrace and shame  
"have begun their solem'n Games? Perceived you not how they have triumphed over you to dayes  
"how as ye departed, ye were a spectacle and pageant to all men, Citizens and strangers, and to  
"many neighbour nations adjoining? how your wives and children were brought as it were in  
"threw to make them sport, and to laugh at what conceit was in their heads (think ye) that hearse-  
"the voyce of the Bede? what thought they that beheld you as you dislodged? what imagined  
"they that happened to meet this ignominious rout as they marched? Even this & no other, that  
"there was some wicked sin among us, not to be named, whereby we should as malefactors, have  
"flayed and polluted their games if we had been present at the sight of them, & have committed  
"some heinous act, that would require by some satisfaction of sacrifice to be purged; and for that  
"cause were driven from having any conversation, fellowship and society of good and godly men  
"Over and besides, how can you chole but think of this. That we enjoy our lives still, only be-  
"cause we halted our remove, if this may be called a remove, and not rather a plain raking of  
"flight and running away. And yet you reckon this no enemy City, where, if ye had stayed but  
"one day longer, you had dyed for it every one. Defence is given already, and w<sup>r</sup> denounced  
"gainst you; but if ye be men indeed of courage, to their great cost and mischiefe that have de-  
"nounced it, Thus being of themselves kindled enough with indignation, and by these words ex-  
"flamed and set on fire, they went every man his way from thence home: and to effectually sollicite  
"each one the people where he dwelt that in fine the whole nation of the Volicians revolted and  
"rebelled. To manage this war, were chosen General commanders by one consent of all the Cities  
"*Accius Tullius* and *Cn. Marcius* the banished Roman: in whom of the twain they reposed greater  
"hope and this their hope failed them not. So as it soon appeared that the puissance of the state  
"Rome, consisted more in the dexterity of good Captains, than in strong armies of soldiers. For  
"first he went to \* *Circivios*, from whence he expelled the Roman Colonies, called *Volci*, and  
"clear and free into the Volicians. Then by croys ways he passed into the Latin street, called *Ca-*  
"*Latina*, and regained from the Romans, these their Towns newly gotten afore, *Sarricum*, *Lug-*  
"*Labina*, and *Coridi*. After this he wan *Luvetionis* again, and so forward he forced \* *Corbi-*  
"*Vitidia*, *Trebis*, *Labinos*, and *Pedum*. And last of all from *Pedum*, he marched on toward the City  
"of Rome, and at *Cludia* *Esassa*, five miles off, he encamped from spoiling and doing harm in  
"ding with the forrangers certain guides, to keep them from spoiling to the Commons, or that thereby for  
"Noblemens Lands: were it that he were more impig'ful to the Senators: which doubtles had for-  
"diftord might arise, between the Commonality and the Senators: which doubtles had for-  
"grown (so mightily had the Tribuns already by their complaints and accusations, provoked  
"the Commons forward. (who of themselves were shrewd enough) against the heads and Ma-  
"strates of the City, but, that the fear of forrain dangers, the greatest bond of civil com-

Accine Tullia  
to his Coun-  
try-men,

ty \* Monte Cir-  
cello.

ty *vina vique,*

ed *Coriolanus be-*  
siegeth Rome.



The disobedience of soldiers to their Captain,

A he maisters for a while. And when the Senators were herewith disquieted again, then *Appian* the praetor of *Appian* *Claudius* arose up and said, "That the year before, the Tribunes power was overmatched, and the *praetor of Appian* *Claudius* neck of it broken in laide, only for that present, but in example for ever hereafter: forasmuch as it was well seen then by experience, that it fell even among their own selves it fell species: and never will there want any time one good Tribune or other, that would be glad to see the the flart and victory of his fellow-yea, and the favour alio of the better part, for to purchase the the flart of the weal-publike. And that there would be more Tribunes, if more were needfull, good to assit the Consuls: and if there were but one, even that, one were sufficient to stand against al the rest. So that the Consuls and LL. of the Council would but do their endeavour to against al the State and Senate, some certain of the Tribunes, if they might not compais al the Senators being thus schooled and taught their lessons by *Appian*, both al ingeneral would countenously flatter, and friendly intreat the Tribunes, and alio in particular as many of them as had been Consuls, according to that interest that each man had in any one of them privately, partly by favour and friendship and partly by countenance and authority: prevailed lo with them, that they were willing and well content to employ the Tribunes authority to the good and safety of the Common-weale. So by the help of foure Tribunes, against one that hindered the good of al, the Consuls took murther of the soldiours. Then set they forward on their voyage to war with the Veientians: unto whom from all parts of *Harrinia* they came to aid and succour; not lo much for any love that they bare to the Veientians, as in hope that the puffsance of *Rome* through intestine and civil diffention, would decay and come to nought. For in all the Diets and Assemblies of the States of *Harvaria*, the Princes and Peers gave it out and laide, that the power and greatness of the Romans was everlastig, if through mutual discord they warred not lo among themselves: which hath been found the only bane of wealtly and flourishing Cities, where y mighty Empires have come mortall and subject to a final end. Which mischief (say they) this long time hath been prevented and delayed, partly through the sage advice and prudent government of the Senate, partly by the patience and long sufferance of the Commons: but now they are come to a great extremity. Divided they are, and of one City become twain: each part have their severall Magistrates and laws by themselves. At the first, however they were wont to be at odds, and to fall out at the mustering of soldiours; yet in their way they would hold together, and obey their Captains. Howsoever they fared at home in the City, they were the State never lo far out of order, yet lo long as martiall discipline was on foot and took place, they might be reclaimed; and all troubles staid. But now, the former use and cuttome of disobeying Magistrates within the City, is taken up by the Roman soldiours in the very Camp. For no longer since than the last war of al, in the time of battell and conflict, their whole Army agreed of their own accord, not forced by any extremity that they were put unto, for to give the Veientians as much as in them lay, even after they had lost the field, the entire victory and honour of the day. For they abandoned unto the Camp. And surely, if they hold on still this course, against his will, retired themselves into the Camp. There needs no more to do, but to proclaim *Rome* may be won by means of her own soldiours: there needs no more to do, but to proclaim and make a shew of war: For even the very detinies and gods themselves would perforce all the rest. Upon these hopes and deep persuasions, the Tuicans, who afore were wont otherwhiles to have the better, and sometimes to take the worse in their wars, put themselves in arms, The Roman Consuls likewise were in feare of nothing els lo much, as of their own power, their own force and weapons: being affrighted at the remembrance of that foul and shameful example, and that lewd part plaide in the last war: lest peradventure they should put it upon this point of hazard, as to be in danger of two battels at once. And therefore in lo doubtful and perilous a case, they held off fight, and kept themselves within their Camp, if haply time and space would assuage their anger, bring them into the right way again, and reclaim them to good and reasonable order. The enemies hererat, as well Veientians as the other Tuicans, made the greater hate, and were more sharp fier, and the gates thereof, braving and challenging them forth, at the down before their Camp, hard at the gates thereof, and raising one while upon the Consuls themselves, and another while upon the whole Army, in these and such like terms: "A gay matter indeed, and a proper device to save their cowardice, and under a colour of civil diffention to cloak their fearfulness: and the Consuls forsooth misfrust more the faithfulness and loyalty of their soldiours in service, than they doubted their valour and sufficiency of service. Mary, here is indeed a new kind of murther. What? Armed men to hold their peace, and sit still? Hitting them in their teeth besides, with their new flart-up rising and late sprung base beginning, letting fly: giunt them lies and truths, one with another, and spured not. For all this foule flir they kept, flouting and reviling them under their very trench: and hard at their gates, the Consuls themselves were not one jot troubled. But the foolish and ignorant multitude what with anger, and what for shame of these reproachfull terms, was much diffempered: and one whiles wholly gave over to regard and think upon home troubles and diffentions, and had rather than their lives be revenged of their enemies: Anon again, they would not in any case gratie the enemies without, and the Consuls within strove good success. Thus the hatred both against the enemies without, and the Consuls within strove together in their hearts: untill at length forrain occasions got the mastery over them: so proudly,

so insolently the enemy scorned and made a game of them. Whereupon they came thick by troops H to the Generals pavilion, calling upon them for to fight, requiring to put forth the banner and signal of battell. The Consuls laid their heads together, and as taking good adviement, conferred on the matter a good while. To fight they were most willing and desirous: but this desire was to be kept back and diffembled, and thereby argmented: to the end, that by holding off, by opposing themselves, and making some stay, they might let the souldiers on, and being once set on it, they might make them follow more eagerly at once. In conclusion, this answer was returned unto them: That they made too much haste: it was not yet full ripe, nor the time come to give battell: they must hold themselves contented, and keep within their tents: proclaiming moreover, that no man be so hardy as to fight: and whoeuer attempted it, without their warrant and commission, they I would proceed against him with all rigour, as a professed enemy. Thus were they dismissed. And the le's willing they thought the Consuls were, the more eager were they, and let upon a battell. The enemies besides, when they had intelligence, that the Consuls were not disposed to fight, and had taken order to the contrary, were inkinded and inflamed to much the more. For now they supposed they might brave it, and insult upon them safely without danger. For why? The Consuls durst not trust the souldiers with weapon in hand: "now were their mutinies cometo, the height and to break forth in extremities: now and never before the Roman Empire and Dominion was at an end, Presuming confidently upon this ground, they run together unto the gates, redoubting a thousand villanous and opprobrious terms, and much ado they had to forbear all, faulting the camp. Now could the Romans on the other side hold no longer. S. endure this contumely and indignity, but came running from all parts of the camp unto the Consuls. And now not leniently as before, make they request, and by mediation of their chief centurions, but all at once on every side piled them with outcries and clamours. Now was the matter come to ripeness, yet slow were the Consuls and hold off. Then *Fabius* seeing the tumult increased & that for fear of a mutiny his brother Consul had yielded already, advised them to be made by sound of trumpet and thus he spake: "I know full well O *Manlius*, that these fellows are able to win the victory: but that they will do I know not, and they themselves have caused me to doubt. I have therefore let down my rest, and fully resolved not to give the signal of battell, unless they sweat to return out of the field with victory. Once did the souldiers in battell deceive a Consul of Rome: but the gods in heaven shall they never deceive. Then *M. Flaccidius* a Centurion, one of the foremost that called for battell to instantly, "Return will I (quoth he) O *M. Fabius*, victor out of the field: and if I fail, then I beseech father *Jupiter*, *Mars* *Genius* and other gods to make me a fearful example: and shew their wrathfull displeasure upon me. The same oath after him took the whole army, every man against himself. Thus when they had sworn the trumpet sounded. Then buckle they themselves toward battell, full of anger, full of hope. Now they bid the *Tuscan* revile and rail their spite: now being at all points armed, they wished they had afore them man to man their enemies, those that were so lively and lusty with their tongues. Right valiantly bate themselves that day, as well the Commons as the Nobles. But the name of the *Fabii*, the *Fabii* I say, passed all the rest and won the spurs. Who in this piece of service purposed to gain again the hearts of the Commons, which in many civil contentions were set against them. And so they embattelled themselves. The M enemies likewise both the *Veientians* and also the *Tuscan* legions were nothing behind, as making almost sure reckoning that they should be fought withall no more than the *Æquians* had been. Nay they were in hope of some greater disorder amongst them, and that, considering they were so malevolent, and the occasion to doubtless they would play a more shamefull part, and shew their leaders a healy cast. But it fell out far otherwise. For never in any other war afore, gave the Romans a hotter charge upon the enemies: so much had they of the one side with spitefull taunts and reproaches needed them, and the Consuls on the other side with their long delays when they on. Scarce had the *Tuscan* any time to put themselves in battell array, but at the very first encounter and shoving, calling their javelins carelessly from them (I know not how) rather, than levelling and charging them against the enemy, they came presently pell-mell to hand-strokes, and to deal with N their swords, which is the cruellest fight of all other. The *Fabii* among the foremost in the forefront fought valiantly, shewing their countenance a brave fight, and a noble example to follow. Where *Q. Fabius* who had been Consul the third year before, the leader and forwardest of them all, whilst he advanced himself and rushed amongst the thick knot of the *Veientians* and suffused with many of them together, was not aware of his deadly enemy so near: but beheld a certain *Tuscan*, a mighty man of strength and skillful at his weapon, ran him through the breast with his sword. Which was not so soon drawn to the of his body, but *Fabius* fell down headlong upon his wound and died. Both armies felt the fall of that one man: and therewith the Romans retired. With that *M. Fabius* the Consul stepped over his body as it lay along, and holding forth his target between: "Why, souldiers (quoth he) is the oath ye took to run away and retire thus in to the camp? And are ye more afraid indeed, of these most dildardy enemies, than of *Jupiter* and *Mars*, by whom ye swore? But I, who was not sworn at all, will either make return with victory, or else O *Q. Fabius*, fighting here by thee. I will live and die by thy side. To whom, *C. Fabius*, who the year afore was Consul, replied again: "Think you brother, with these words to make them to fight? Nay, the gods are they that must do it, by whom they have sworn. And let us like noble Knights, and for the honour of the *Fabian* house, "fit

The speech of  
Fabius to his  
brother Con-  
sul.

A "fit up and animate our souldiers by fighting rather than by exhorting. Thus rode the two *Fabii* with lance in rest into the forefront, and drew the whole battell with them. The fight of one side being thus renewed, *C. Manlius* the Consul in the other wing belirred himself, and did for his part as valiantly: Where hapned almost the like fortune. For as in the one wing the souldiers followed *Q. Fabius*, so in this they cheerfully went with the Consul himself *Manlius*, chasing the enemies afore him as discomfited. And when he was fore wounded, and thereupon gone out of the battell, his men supposing him to be slain, drew back, and had indeed lost ground and given way to the enemy, but that the other Consul with certain Cornets of horsemen, galloped again into that quarters, and cried aloud that his fellow Consul was living: and that himself who had defeated the other point, was ready with victory to assist them, and so uphe'd the middle of the Army, that now began to shrink. *Manlius* also, to encourage his men, shewed himself in open fight. Thus the knowledge and presence of the two Consuls made the souldiers take heart afresh. Herewithall besides, were the enemies battallions the thinner and weaker, because they trusting upon their exceeding number, had drawn out those that were to serve for succour and supply, and sent them away to assaile the Camp. In the surprising whereof, finding no great ado, and small resistance, whilst they had more mind to rife for pillage, than to fight for the victory, they lost time. In the mean space the Roman *Triarii*, who were not able to hold out the first assault and entrance, having dispatched to the Consuls certain messengers, to give knowledge in what terms they stood, cast themselves round in a ring, and retired themselves to the *Prætorium* or Generals lodging, and of themselves alone, made head and renewed the fight. Likewise *Manlius* the Consul being ridden back to the Camp, at every gate let certain souldiers in guard: and so enclosed them within, that they could not get forth. The *Tuscan* being in this desperate case, fared more like mad men than hardy souldiers. For when as they ran here and there every way, according as they had any hope to find issue and to escape, and had made sundry offers and attempts in vain: behold one troop of tall fellows in a body, made no more ado, but knowing the Consul, who by reason of brave and goodly armour was a fair mark, charged upon his own person. The first volley of their shot was received by those that stood about him, but their violence afterwards could not be endured. The Consul himself was wounded to death and fell down in the place, and all the rest were discomfited. Whereupon D the *Tuscan* took more heart unto them, but the Romans were so distressed, that they ran all about the Camp in great fear. And in extrem jeopardy had they been, but that the Lieutenants caught up the Consul's body, and made passage at one gate for the enemy. Through which they rushed forth, and dimarched disorderly, until they light upon the other Consul presently after his victory: where they either fell again upon the edge of the sword, or were scattered and put to flight. This brave Victory thus achieved, was heavy yet and sorrowful for the death of two so noble personages. And therefore when the Senate had decreed a Triumph, the Consul returned this answer: "That willingly he could allow thereof in regard of the passing good service performed in that war, in case an Army might triumph without a General. But as for himself, seeing that his house grieved and mourned for the death of his brother *Q. Fabius*, and that ac- F "Common-wealth was half fatherless as it were, for the loss of a Consul, he would not accept the Lawrel so deformed and foully blemished, both with publicke and private sorrow. This Triumph thus by him refused, was more honourable than all the Triumphs in the world. By which we may see that glory despised in due time returneth otherwhiles in greater measure. Then solemnized he with great honour the obsequies one after another, first of his fellow Consul, and then of his own brother. And he himself made the funeral Oration for them both. But so as in yielding unto them their due commendations, he went himself away with the greater part. And not unmindful of that rule which he had learned in the beginning of the Consulship, namely, to win again the hearts and love of the Commons, he divided the cure of his hurt and wounded souldiers among the Senators. With most of them the *Fabii* were charged, and of none were they better tended and looked unto, than of them. Whereupon the *Fabii* now waxed popular, and that, for no other policy and intent, but only to do the Common-wealth good: and therefore with the favour and good will of the Commons, as well as of the Nobles, *C. Fabius* was created Consul, with *T. Virginianus*. Whole principal care above all was this, even before war, before matters, before all things else, that seeing now in some measure there was good hope of concord begun already, the hearts of the Commons might be perfectly linked and united together with the Nobles, and that, with all speed possible. In the beginning therefore of this year, before that any Tribune of the Commons should prefer the law *Agroaria*, he thought good and gave his advice, that the Nobles should prevent all, and go in hand first themselves to perform their part, and shew their bounty: namely, in parting the lands gotten by conquest, and freely bestowing the G same as equally as might be among the Commons. For it was meet and requisite that they should be possessed thereof, whose sweat of brows, nay, whose blood had paid for the purchase. But the Senators could not hear of that ear, but milked of the motion: yea, and some of them complained and said, that the lively spirit, and courageous disposition of *C. Fabius*, which sometimes he had, was now by reason of excessive glory, grown to be coyish and full of vanities. And there an end of civil factions for a time.

But the Latines were much troubled with the incursions and inroads of the *Æquians*. Thither



was *Cæso* with an Army sent, who invaded and overran the very country of the *Æquians*, foraging and spoiling as he went. The *Æquians* thereupon retired, & put themselves into their towns, and kept close within the walls, whereby there was no memorable field fought. But at their enemies the *Veiencians* hand, they received an overthrow, and that through the rashness of the other Consul: and had not *Cæso Fabius* come to the rescue in good time, the whole Army had been utterly lost. From that time there was neither war nor peace with the *Veiencians*: but their dealing was much what after the manner of robbing. For when the Roman Legions were abroad, they would leave the field & take to their Cities: when they perceived the Legions were removed and gone they would make excursions and waste the country. Thus plaid they mock holiday; and dallied with them, shifting off war with quietness, and quietness again with war, & so as the Romans could neither all wholly rest careles and secure for them, nor yet go through slitch, & make an end once for all with them. Besides, other wars were either presently at hand, to wit, from the *Æquians* and the *Volcians*, who could no longer sit still, than until their fresh grief, and pain of the last defeat was over-past: or else the *Sabins*, never other but enemies, yea, and all *Hetruria*, were like all shortly to rise and take arms. But the *Veiencian* a continual enemy, rather than dangerous provoked them to anger with reproachful taunts, often than with any great peril or hurt. And yet as little as it was, it might no time be neglected, nor gave them leave to be employed in the mean while elsewhere. Then came the whole house and kindred of the *Fabii* unto the Senat, in the name of them allspake the Consul in this wise: "My Lords of the Senat, the *Veiencian* war had need rather of a resident garrison, as ye know well enough, to keep the

*Cæso Fabius* the Consul, to the Lords of the Senat.

The lineage of the *Fabii* offer to maintain war with the *Veiencians* in their own persons, and at their proper charges.

"frontiers, than great forces for expedition. As for you, see ye to other wars. Let the *Fabii* alone to deal as private enemies with the *Veiencians*. We dare undertake and warrant, that the State of *Rome* shall receive no dishonour nor danger there. We are fully minded and resolved at our own proper cost and charges, to maintain and manage that war, as appropriate and peculiar to our name and family: the City shall be charged neither with men nor money there. Great thanks were given them for this their forwardness. The Consul being come out of the Senat house, was attended home with the whole generation of the *Fabii* who stood at the porch of the Comitium, expecting the Senat's decree. And being commanded to be ready in armor well appointed the next day, and to give attendance at the Consuls door, they departed from thence home to their own houses. The bruit hereof spread all over the City. All men extoll the *Fabii* up to the skie, saying, "That one family had taken upon them the whole burden of the City. The *Veiencian* war now is become (say they) a private charge, and requirith the power and force only that private persons could make. O that there were two such families more in *Rome* of that stomack and valour: that one of them might take the *Volcians* in hand, and another the *Æquians*. Surely all the nations bordering hereabout might soon be subdued, and the people of *Rome* sit still the while and rest in peace. The day following, the *Fabii* armed themselves, mounted on horseback, and repaired to the *Rendezvous* aforesaid, as they were commanded. Then came the Consul forth, clad in a rich coat of arms, and standing in his porch, beheld his whole blood and lineage armed and marshalled in order, and being received in the midst of them, caused the guidons and Cornets to be advanced. Never marched three along the City an Army either less in number or more renowned for their fame and the admiration of men. Three hundred men of arms they were and six, all nobly defended, of one stock, of one race and name all. And of all them there was not one that a sage and prudent Senat would have refused at any time as insufficient to be a Leader and Commander in the field. Thus furnished with the force and strength that one only family could make, they advanced forward, threatening and menacing the ruin and destruction of the *Veiencians*. There followed a number and multitude of Citizens: one private company by themselves of kinsfolk, allies, friends, and fellows, casting in their minds no mean matters, neither of hope nor fear, but all exceeding measure and surpassing: another of the common people, moved with a careful regard, and astonished again in a favourable applause and admiration of their enterprise, crying with one voice, Hold on right valiant Knights. March on a Gods name in happy hour: God grant lucky speed, answerable to your magnanimous attempts and designments: and look for, at our hands from henceforth, Consulships, triumphs all rewards and honourable dignities whatsoever. And all the way as they passed along the Capitol, the Castle and other Temples they befought the gods, as many as were preferred to their eye: as many as they could conceive in their minds, to vouchsafe that squadron to be attended upon with good success and fortunate felicity, and soon to return home again in safety to their native country and loving parents. But, alas the while, in vain were all these prayers made. Then set they forward on their journey, leaving *Janus* Church on their right hand, taking the ungracious and unlucky way, from the gate *Cæmentalis*, until at length they came to the river \* *Cremera*. That was thought a convenient place to fortifie in and there to plant a garrison. After this were *L. Æmilius* and *C. Servilius* made Consuls. And so long as they adventured no farther than foraging the Country, the *Fabii* were good enough, not only to defend their hold and fort: but all their frontier parts and marches where the *Tuscan* Territory adjoyneth to the Roman they sooured and traveled, between the one confine and the other, that they kept all their own in safety, and mightily endangered the enemies. Then feared they a while, but it was not long, from wasting and spoiling. By which time both the *Veiencians* had gathered

A power out of *Hetruria*, and assaulted the fort of *Cremera*, and also the Roman Legions, under the conduct of the Consul *L. Æmilius*, encountered the *Tuscans* in open field. And yet the *Veiencians* had hardly time enough to put themselves in order of battle: so suddenly at the very first skirmish, whilst the files were entering into array under their colours in the vanguard, and the incursions and supplies a placing and disposing in the rearward, a Corner of Roman horse charged them so hotly on the flank, that they had not room and space, either to begin fight, or to keep their standing fire. Thus were they discomfited, and chased back as far as *Sava rubra*, i.e. Red rocks (for there they were encamped) where they humbly craved peace. Which when they had obtained (see their inbred inconstancy so naturally engrained) they were weary of it, and repented thereof, before the Roman garrison could be withdrawn from *Cremera*. And so the *Fabii* once again skirmished with the *Veiencian* Nation, without preparation of greater war. Neither made they incursions only, and sudden violent incursions into the Territories but sundry times they encountered with banners displayed, and joined battell in plain field. And that one house and kindred of the Roman people carried oftentimes the victory away from that most mighty and rich City (in those daies) of all the *Tuscans*. This took the *Veiencians* at the first for a foul disgrace and indignity. But afterwards they devised to lay trains as occasion should serve, and entrap their fierce and hardy enemy: and well paid they were and rejoiced, that the *Fabii* upon the good success that still followed them, were become more bold and venturesome. And therefore divers times when the Romans were abroad a plundering, they would drive cattle in their way, but yet so, as they might seem to light upon them by chance. The rusticall peasants made them as if they fled out of the Country, and left the fields waste: yea, and the companies of soldiers lent out to restrain and stay their spoiling, made shew of running away, pretending often they were afraid than they had cause indeed. So as now the *Fabii* by this time let to light by their enemies, and thought so well of themselves, that they beleaved verily their power was invincible, and might not be withstood in any ground, or at any time whatsoever. This conceit and hope of theirs let them so afloat, and made them so bold, that espousing upon a time cattle far from *Cremera*, (for there was a large plain between) although here and there they might delcay armed soldiers of their enemies, yet from their fort they ran down, with bridle in their horse neck. And when unadvisedly without foresight, they were past the ambush, which was laid covertly about the very way that they were to pass, and were stragling here and there disorderly, driving the cattle away, which gadded in and out, as their manner is when they be scared and affrighted, then suddenly flart the enemies all at once out of the ambushment: so as both before and behind, and on every side they were beset and environed with enemies. At the first the very shouting and outcry they made round about terrified them: afterwards flew their shot from all sides, and as the *Tuscans* gathered themselves together, the *Fabii* were soon hemmed within a round battallion of enemies, standing armed thick and close one to another: and the nearer the enemies approached about them in so much less room they were enforced also to cast themselves into a ring. Which, considering their arraires were thrust so thick together in so straight a compass, made their small number appear the less, and the multitude of the *Tuscans* to carry a greater shew. Then forbearing to fight as they first intended, E on every hand alike, and with all at once, they made head to one only place. Thither they endeavour with might and main, body and armour: and with a pointed paterl wedgewise pierced through and made themselves passage. And they took the way that led to a little hill, rising up with an easy ascent. From whence at first they made resistance only and kept their ground: but soon after, when by reason of the vantage of the hill, they had some time to breath themselves, and to take heart again after so great a fight, they forced the enemies also to give back that were mounting up the hill. And as few in number as they were, yet by the benefit of the ground they had gotten the better if the *Veiencians* had not set a compass about the hill side, and gained the very top and pitch thereof. Thus became the enemy again to have the upper hand. And so were the *Fabii* slain every man, and not one of them escaped, yea, and their fort overthrowen and rased. Three hundred and six there were that died, as all writers do agree. One only of the name was left behind at home, well near fourteen years of age, for to renew and encreate, as out of a stock, the name of the *Fabii*, and to prove in time to come the greatest prop and pillar that the people of *Rome* should have in their dangers and extremities many a time both at home and abroad.

The *Fabii* all slain.

But ere this heavy loss and overthrow hapned, *C. Horatius* and *T. Menenius* were Consuls. *Meneius* was sent forth with against the *Tuscans*, pushed now up with pride for this victory: with whom then also he fought unfortunately and sped but ill. For the enemies surprised and got the *Janiculum*, and the City had fully been besieged, (considering that besides war they were greatly distressed for want of victuals, for the *Tuscans* were passed over the *Tyber*) but that *Horatius* the Consul was called home from the *Volcians*. And so near approached the enemies in this war and pressed to the very walls, that first there was a skirmish on even hand at the Temple of *Spes*: and another again at the gate *Collina*. Where albeit the Romans got but very small odds of the enemy, yet did that conflict upon a little recovery of wonted courage prepare the soldiers to better service in the battels ensuing.

Now were *A. Virginus* and *Sp. Servilius* created Consuls. The *Veiencians* after this late defeat, came no more into the field, yet they robbed and wasted still. And from the *Janiculum* as from

\* At this day *Fossa Veientis*.

\* Hope.

from a fortress and place of safe retreat, they would make excursions out into the Territory of *H. Rome* all about, and neither cattle nor country people could any where be in safety for them. But afterwards, they were overtaken themselves in the same way that they had caught the *Fabii* with. For as they followed after certain cattle, which were driven forth here and there of purpose to draw and train them abroad, they were plunged themselves headlong into an Ambuscado laid for them. And the more they were, the greater was their slaughter. Upon this foil, their cruel and fell anger gave the occasion and overture of a greater overthrow. For having crossed the *Tyber* in the night sea on, they gave the attempt to make an assault upon the Camp of the Consul *Servilius*. But being discovered, and many of them slain the rest retired themselves from thence, and with much ado recovered the *Janicle*. Straight after this, the Consul also passed over *Tyber*, and encamped himself strongly under the *Janiculum*. The morrow morning by Sun rising, so venturous he was by reason of his fortunate fight the day before, and more for the scarcity of corn and victuals, which drove him to take he cared not how rash and dangerous courses, so they tended to more quick and speedy expedition ) full fondly he advanced forward, and marched up the steep hill of the *Janicle*, and charged the enemies hold : but being set back himself from thence more shamefully than he had the day before repelled the enemies : yet by occasion that his fellow Consul came in the while to rescue, he and his Army both were saved : and the Tuscans enclosed between both hosts, were forced to turn their backs, both to one and the other, and were killed every mothers son. Thus by a rash enterprise (which as good luck was) sped well, the Veientian war came to an end. The City then, as it enjoyed peace, so it came again to be better stored of corn and victual : both for that there was some grain brought out of *Campania*, and also because the old store that was hoarded up came abroad, by reason that no man now stood in fear of dearth to ensue.

Afterwards upon plenty and ease they began to be busie again, and their heads to work, seeking to broach old troubles at home, since they had none to occupy them abroad. The Tribunes they fell to sollicite and infect the Commons, with their venom and poyson, the Law *Agraria* : inciting them against the Nobles that gainfaid it : not in general terms only, but also by touching particular persons. For *Q. Confidius* and *T. Geminus*, who were for the Law *Agraria*, framed an indictment, and sued *T. Menenius*. And this was laid to his charge, to wit, the loss of the fort and garrison at *Cremera* : for that, he being Consul lay encamped not far from thence. But of this danger he soon flopped the course, both because the Nobles laboured and took his part, no less than they had done afore for *Coriolanus* : and also the affection and favour that men bare to his father *Agrippa*, was not worn out, and clean forgot. The Tribunes used moderation therefore in the penalty, for having commenced a capital action against him, and convicted him thereof, they set a fine on his head of 20000 Assees. Howbeit this cost him his life : for he grew, men say, in to such a melancholick fit for shame of this disgrace, that he fell thereupon from grief of heart unto a pining sickness which followed him to his dying day. Then was there another accused and brought into trouble, to wit, *Sp. Servilius*, so soon as he was out of his Consulship at what time as *C. Nautius*, and *P. Valerius* were Consuls. In the beginning of whose year the Tribunes *L. Cadius* and *T. Statius*, called him straightwaies to his answer. Who sustained the violence of the Tribunes, not as *Menenius* did, by his own intreaty and the prayers of the Nobles, but bare himself confidently upon his own innocency, and the good grace wherein he stood. Blamed he was likewise, and charged for the battel with the Tuscans at *Janiculum*. But being a man of an hot spirit and stout courage, as he carried himself before in the publicke danger, so now in his own private peril, by refusing in a bold and stout speech that he made, not only the Tribunes, but also the Commonality, and casting in their teeth and reproving them, for the condemnation and death of *T. Menenius*, by whose fathers means the Commons being in times past restored, had obtained first those very Magistrats and Laws, whereby at this day they exercise such rigour : he went through all his troubles, and with much boldness avoided the present jeopardy he stood in. The testimony of his Colleague *Virginus* stood him in great stead, who produced forth as a witness, N made him partner with himself in all his worthy acts. But that process of judgment which passed against *Menenius* (so altered were they now, and repented therefore) did him much more good, and struck it dead iure.

When this broil and contention was ended at home, the Veientians war began abroad : to whom the Sabins also had joyned their power. Whereupon the Consul *P. Valerius*, with the aid of the Latines and Hernicks, was sent out with an Army to *Veii* : and incontinently he set upon the tents of the Sabins, as they lay encamped under the walls of their confederates, and put such a rout amongst them, that whiles they ran forth scattering by bands and companies, some at one gate came to another, to repell the violent assault of the enemies, it hapned that the gate which he first advanced his engines against, was won. And within the trench small fight there was, but more man-slaughter. The tumult and noise hereof was heard from out of the Camp into the City. And the Veientians in great fear ran hastily to their weapons, as if *Veii* had been surprised. Some made speed to succour the Sabins : others do what they can to assail the Romans, who were wholly busied about the pillage of the Camp. For a pretty while they were put to some trouble, disorderd and withdrawn from their purpose : but afterwards they themselves advanced their banners, and made head against the one side and the other. The horsemen withall, sent in by the Cons,

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Whiles these exploits were performed about *Veii*, the Volcians and Equians had encamped themselves in the Country of *Latium*, and harried the marches thereof. Whom the Latines of themselves, with the help only of the Hernicks, and without any Leader or aid at all from the Romans, forced to abandon their tents : and besides the recovery of their own goods again, atchieved a great and rich booty. Notwithstanding all this, the Consul *Nautius* was sent from *Rome* against the Volcians. They were not well pleased, I believe, with the manner of it, that their allies should wage war at all with their own power and direction, without the Army and conduct of the Romans. He feared not to work all the mischief he could, all abuse and might possible against the Volcians : yet could not they be brought to fight a set field. Then succeeded *L. Virginius*, and *C. Maenius*, Consuls. To *Maenius* fell the charge of the Veientian Province, Howbeit, was there was none at all. But at their own suite, a truce was granted unto them of forty years. And they were enjoyed to find corn and souldiers pay. Peace was not so soon procured abroad, but presently ensued discord at home. For at the intigation of the Tribunes, by occasion of the Law *Agraria*, the Commons were set a madding. But the Consuls skared neither with the condemnation of *Menenius*, nor yet with the peril wherein *Servilius* stood, resisted all they could. And when the Consuls were once out of their Office, *Geminus* a Tribune laid hold upon them, and arrested them : and *L. Emilius* with *Opiter Virginus* enter their Consulship. In some Annals or yearly records I find *Pop. Julius* Consul instead of *Virginus*. But in this year, whosoever then were Consuls, *Eurinus* and *Maenius* being indicted before the people, went about arraigned in vile apparel and

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C mournful weed to the younger sort of Senators, as well as the Commons perswading, advising, and warning them to forbear and refuse all dignities and offices of state, yea, and all charge of Common-weal, And as for the Consuls rods borne afore them, their purified robes with purple, and chair of state, they should esteem no otherwise of them than of the pageants carried in a funeral pomp. And that with these gorgeous ornaments and ensigns they were but defiled to death : much like to beafts adorned with faced white ribbands and labels, appointed to sacrifice. But if the sweetness of a Consulship were such let them consider now withall, and perswade themselves, as it is become private and overlaid with the power of the Tribunes : and that the Consul, as if he were the Tribunes lieutenant, must do all at his beck and command. For if he

D quetched never so little, if he seemed to regard the Senators, or make account of any thing, he lie in the whole State but of the Commonalty, let him set before his eyes the exile of *C. M. Marius*, the judgement and death of *Menenius*. The Nobles incited with these speeches, from thenceforth began to consule and confer together, not openly and in publicke council, but privately, and apart from the privacy of many. And when they were resolved once upon this point, that those accused parties now in trouble should be enlarged one way or other, by hook or crook : then the cruellest advice, and hardest course that could be delivered best pleased them : and for to put in execution the most audacious designments whatsoever, there wanted not one or other to give counsel. Well the law day of trial came, and when as the Commons gave attendance devoutly in the

E Forum, in great expectations of the sequel and issue, they began at first to marvel much, that the Tribunes *Geminus* came not down in place : and suspecting somewhat because of his long tarrying & delay they imagined that he durst not for the great men and chief Magistrats of the City : and so they complained that the common cause was forsaken and betrayed. At the last, they that kept about the door & porch of the Tribune his house, brought word that he was found at home stark dead. Which news being once noised through the assembly, mark how an Army is dispersed and scattered when their General is slain, even so in all the world the Commons slipped aside every one, some one way some another. But above all others the Tribunes were in bodily fear, being thus by their fellow-townsmen taught how little help or none at all, their sacred and redoubted Laws afforded. The Nobles could not dissemble this their joy, nor use it with moderation but shewed it exceedingly : so little repented any one of them of the fact committed, that they avowed it, and took it upon them, and would not seem culpable in the action : but gave it out in plain terms, that the Tribunes by foul means were to be tamed & their wings clipped in a mischief. Upon this their victory, so shameful a precedent in times to come there went out an edit for the publishing of a murder : and whiles the Tribunes were in this feared damned the Consuls without any contradiction, went through with it clear. But then were the Commons much more offended at their Tribunes slackness and fitting ill then at the Consuls rule and imperious government : saying, Farewell freedom

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Tribune of the  
Common people,  
murdered in  
his house by  
the practice of  
the Patricians.

F now farewell liberties and all : now is the old world come again, and the Tribunes authority is both dead and buried together with *Geminus*. Now they were to go in hand and bethink themselves of some other course, how they might withstand the Senators proceedings : and seeing they were destitute of all other help to rely themselves upon, the only way was for the Commons to trust to themselves, & stand upon their own guard. Whereas therefore, there gave attendance upon the Consuls 24 *Liberes* or *Vergers*, Commoners all and no better, none more contemptible and base minded if they met with those that would set them at naught : they might thank themselves only, and their own timorous conceits & imaginations, that such things were so dread and terrible. Thus having animated & provoked one another with these speeches there was a Sergeant sent from the Consuls to one *Valerius Publilius* a Commoner, who because he had

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been a Leader in the field of certain bands, pleaded his immunity for being a common soldier - a gain. *Volero* calleth for help to the Tribunes; but there being no man to relieve him, the Consuls commanded the man to be stript out of his cloaths, and the rods to be made ready for to scourge him. Then quoth *Volero*, "I appeal unto the people, seeing the Tribunes had rather have a Citizen and freeman of *Rome* beaten with rods in their presence, than be murdered themselves by you in their beds. But the more fiercely he cried on fill, the more cruelly fell the Lictor to cut and flice his apparel for to uncase him. Then *Volero* being himself the stronger man, and al-fitted withall by some whom he called unto him, thrust the Sergeant from him: and wherehe perceived the mainest out-cry and loudest noise of his adherents, that turned and chafed in his behalf, thither retired he, to shroud himself among the thickest, crying: "I appeal and beseech the Commons of their protection and succour. Help Citizens, help fellow-souldiers. Never stay and wait for the Tribunes, until they come, who have themselves need of your assistance. Here-at folk were raised and gathered together, and addressed themselves as to a Battel. A foul piece of work was toward, full of exceeding danger, and like it was, that no man would have had regard either of common law or private honesty. When the Consuls in this so great a broil and storm of outrage came in, to prevent further mischief, they knew soon by experience how seldnely guarded against danger, the Majesty of Rulers is, where forces waning. For their Lictors were beaten, misused, and ill treated, their rods broken all a peeces, themselves driven out of the Common place, and forced to take the Senat house, doubting how far forth *Volero* would proceed in the train of his victory. But when the riot was well appeased, they assembled the Senators together, and complained there of their injuries received, the violence of the Commons, and the audacious preumption of *Volero*. After many opinions and sharp censures delivered among them, the Ancients and Elders prevailed at length, who thought it not good to let the anger of the Nobles against the head-strong rashness of the Commons. And the Commons so highly favoured and embraced *Volero*, that in their next election they made him their Tribune for that year, wherein *L. Pinarius* and *P. Furius* were Consuls. Who contrary to all mens expectation, that thought verily he would have exercised his Tribuneship in molesting and vexing the Consuls of the former year, preferred the publicke cause before his own private grievance, and gave not the Consuls so much as one foul word. Only he preferred a Law unto the people, That the Magistrats of the Commonality might be created in a ward-Leet, or Assembly of the Tribes

A Law proposed that Magistrates of the Commons should be chosen in a Tribellect, or ward-Assembly, called, *Tributa comitia*.

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condeth the  
preferring of  
**Publius** his  
**Law.**

A Officer to the Conuil: the Conuil likewise, a Licitor to the Tribune, crying often aloud, that he was but a private person without command, without Magistraty, And doubtes the Tribune had been hardly used; but that both the assembly role up in a rage, and took part with the Tribune against the Conuil: and also there was a concourse of the multitude, raised out of all parts of the City into the Common Hall. *Appius* notwithstanding looed it safely to lie still, and abide the brunt of this tumultuous storm: neither had this broile laid without some bloodied, in case *Quintus* the other Conuil, had not set some of the Aldermen that had been Consuls, to get his brother Conuil by force (if otherwise it might not be) out of the Hall, whiles himself was in hand, one while with the Commons, to appeale their iury, by way of intreaty and with fair words, "other whiles besought the Tribunes to break up the assembly, perfwading with them to take more leisure in this their heat and anger: for that time and space would abridge nothing of their power, but would joyne counsell and advice thereto: concluding withal, that both Nobles thought they were abused by the people, and the Conuil ordered by the Nobles. Hardly and with much ado were the Commons quietted by *Quintus*, but far more trouble had the Nobles to fill the other Conuil. At the length, when the assembly of the people was dismissed, the Consuls called the Senat together, Whiles after much variety of opinions, proceeding from fear and anger according as the one or the other (waied among them: look how much longer time they had to reclaime their mind from violent conies, and eagerly with deliberation to consider of the matter: fo much the more their hearts went against all contention, and farther thirte: infomuch, as they yielded *Quintus* hearty thanks, that by his travel between parties, the discord was well allayed, And to *Appius* they were petitioners, "That he would be content, that the majesty of the Coniuill might be no greater than would stand with the unity and concord of the Citizens. For whiles the Tribunes feared their part would needs have all, and the Conuil on the other side draw all to them: between this "this plucking and haling there was no strength left in the midit: and to conclude, the Commonwealth was rent, roun, and diembrebed between the rulers thereof: who strove rather for the managing rule, than for the safety and preservation of the State. Against whom *Appius* replied "with a solemn protestation before God and man, and said, "That the weal public was abandoned, forsorn, and betrayed by nothing else but foolish fear: that the Senat wanted not a Consul, but the Conuil wanted Senators: who now yielded to harder conditions than they had been faine, but the Conuil wanted Sacre, Howbeit overweighed at length by the general consent and accord of fore time in mount *Sacer*. And so to the law passed quietly, was by royall consent authorized. Then the Nobles, he was content: and so to the law passed quietly, was by royall consent authorized. Then the Nobles, he was content: and so to the law passed quietly, was by royall consent authorized.

D E. *Piso* writeth, that there were three more made to the other as if there had been but twain before. *Cicero*, and he nameth also the Tribunes, to wit *C. Sestius*, *L. Numitorius*, *M. Duellius*, *S. Iulius*, & *L. Mucius*; Then had the Volicians and Equians, between the civil edition of the Romans, & the beginning of war harried & wasted the country: that in cafe the Commons had made an infurecti- on, they might have retired to them as to a sure place of recet & refuge. But when all was hufht & matters compounded between the Nobles and Commons, they removed their camp backward.

E. *Appius Claudius* was sent against the Volicians: and to *Q. Intius* fell the Province of the Equians. The fame rigorous severity continued *Appius* still in warfare, that he used at home in the City: but to much more freely, for that he was not checked nor held by the Tribunes. The Commons hated more than his father had done afore, seeing he was overpowered, yet mauge his foil at their hands: and being the only Conuil, opposed against the Tribunes power, yet mauge his foil at their hands: and being the only Conuil, opposed against the Tribunes power, yet mauge his foil at their hands: and being the only Conuil, opposed against the Tribunes power, yet mauge his foil at their hands:

F. They had spoiled and marred the Army, termed them Tribunes of the Commons. and others whiles in taunting-wife nicknaming them *Vulturni*. All these doings were the Volicians aware of, and therefore were they more eager and forward, hoping thus to fy truth they were more crooked and unruly with *Appius* than with *Fabius* a great deal. And to say truth they were willing to have the victory as *Fabius* his Army was, but also desirous to lose the victory and overcome. Being brought forth and fet in barrel array, they shamefully rook their heel, and fled into their tents: and never made head and resistance, before they saw the Volicians with banners displayed, advancing against the munitions of their Camp, and a foul laughter committed upon the tail of their rereward. Then were they driven perforce to fight for very necessity

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that the enemy thus far forth Victor, might be kept from the Wall and Trench: and yet so, as it H was very apparent, that the soldiers passed for nothing else, but only to save the Camp for being won: for some of them rejoiced at their own loss and defeature, Whereat, the stout stomach of Appius was nothing daunted nor his heart broken: but he minded to deal cruelly with them, and thereupon summoned a general assembly. Then the Lieutenants, Marshals, and Colonels, came running unto him advertising him in no case to try matters, and to enforce his authority. The very ground and strength whereof resteth wholly in the accord of obedient people: adding moreover, that the soldiers commonly gave out, that they would not go to the assembly: but rather they might be heard every where, calling upon them aloud, to dislodge and remove out of the territory of the Volscians: moreover, that the enemy now Master of the field, was but a while since advanced to the gates and rampier, and well near possessed of them: whereby, they were not only to suspect, but might evidently see before their eyes some great matter toward of dangerous consequence. Whereupon at last he was over-ruled, and (so far as much as his soldiers thereby should gain nothing but delay of their punishment) remitted the assembly for that time: and after proclamation made to set forward in their journey the next day, and to depart in the morning very early, he caused the trumpet to sound the remove, and to march away. The Army being gone out of the Camp, and ready to be set in order of a march at length, the Volscians who were gotten up by the same sound of the trumpet, plaid upon the tail of the rearward: the noise whereof passed from thence to the vanguard, & so disordered the ensigns, so troubled the ranks by reason of that fright, that neither could the direction and commandment of the Captains be heard, nor the Army brought into battel array. No man minded any thing at all but to run away: and disorder in great numbers, they fled back over the dead carcases and armors that lay on heaps, and so escaped: and never stay they their flight, until the enemy gave over the chase. At the last, the Consul having called his soldiers together that were run away to scattering, (for with all the speed that he made after to call them back, he could not reclaim them) encamped without his enemies ground in a place of security. Then he called them all together to an assembly, and inveighed bitterly, and not without just cause, against the whole Army, as having betrayed the discipline of war, and forsaken their colours: asking every one of them what was become of their banners? And what they had done with their weapons? And as many soldiers as were unarmed, as many enemy-banners as had not their ensigns, the Centurions also, and those that received double allowance, and forsook their L bands and companies, he caused to be scourged with rods, & to lose their heads. The whole number besides, were by lashed, and every tenth man as it fell out, executed. But contrariwise, in the expedition against the Æquians, the Consul and his soldiers, strove to exceed one another in censure and kindness. Quintus was by nature mild and cheerful, and the cruelty of his brother Consul, that never sped well, made him take more joy in that his gentle disposition. Whiles the General and his Army comforted thus together, the Æquians durst not comfort them; but suffered their enemies to range all abroad and to rage the country: so as in no former wars got they greater booty: from thence, and all was bestowed among the soldiers. Over and besides their gratuities, they had their due praises and so many commendations, wherein soldiers take no less delight than in rewards and gifts. So that Army returned home better affected to their General, M and also to the Nobles for their Generals sake: reporting that the Senate had given to them a loving father, but to the other Army a lordly master. This year thus spent with variable fortune abroad in war: with grievous discord as well at home as abroad, was above all most memorable and famous for the Tribe-List. A matter of no more note, in respect of their victory that entered into the action, than of consequence, in regard of commodity that grew thereof. For the very List it self lost more credit by excluding the Nobles out of that assembly, than either the Commons got strength, or the Nobles did forgo thereby. But more troublesome was the year following, whiles L Valerius & T. Æmilius were Consuls both for the variance of the three States about the Law Agraria: and also for the arraignment of Appius Claudius, Whom, being a most bitter adversary of that law, and a great maintainer and upholder of those that possessed and held the common N lands, as if he had been ever a third Consul, M, Duellius and C. Scævius arrested and ended, Never before that day came to the bar, a petition to be tried before the people, so odious unto the Commons: charged with so many wrongs done of his own to many of his fathers afore him, in regard whereof they were highly displeased and offended with him. The Nobles likewise had not lightly laboured so earnestly to strain themselves so much for any one as for him. Who being the patron and protector of the Senat the maintainer and upholder of their port and dignity, a man ever opposed against all the troublesome broils of Tribunes & Commons, was now delivered as a prey to the Commons in their anger and only for that he had over-shot, and passed himself in heat of contention. But of all the Senators that ever were, Appius Claudius of himself alone was he that cared not a rush, either for Tribune or Commoner nor yet for his own arraignment. No mending there was of the Commons no earnest prayers of the Senators could once make him, I say, not to change his apparel and in humble manner to seek and crouch unto men for to be good unto him: no nor so much, as when he came to answer for himself before the people, one while to mo life and let fall (as it were) that rough and sharp kind of speech that he was wont ordinarily to use. He kept the same sower countenance still, the very same frowardness and crabbedness of visage, the same spirit of boldness in his apology and defence. Inasmuch, as many of the Com-

Florus faith, they had the Battalion, wide Carol. Sig. de panu.

Quintus beloved of his soldiers.

Appius Claudius arraigned at the bar.

A Commons were no less afraid of Appius standing prisoner, there arraigned at the bar, than they had been of him, sitting as Consul in his ivory chair of estate. In pleading of his cause, he spoke briefly and at once to the point, with the same accusatory spirit that he had ever used in all his pleas and actions. With his boldness and resolute contivance, he so amazed both Tribunes and Commons, that they themselves deferred the day of giving sentence, and suffered afterward the suit to hang and depend still undetermined. But not long after, even before the Law day appointed to hang and depend, he died, Whole funeral praises when as the Tribunes went about to hinder, Ap. Claudius dieth, the Commons would not suffer, that the death of so worthy a man, should be defrauded of the due honour and solemn obsequies, and gave audience as quietly and attentively to the commendation of the man now dead, as they did afore to his accusation while he was alive: and with a goodly train attended his corps to the grave.

The same year Valerius the Consul made a voiage with an army against the Æquians, and seeing he could not train the enemy forth to fight, he made a bravado to assail the Camp: but there fell such a terrible storm and tempest from heaven, with hail and thunder-claps that he was disappointed of his enterprise. And that which made it more strange and wonderful, he had no sooner founded the retreat, but the weather proved so fair and calm again that he made some scruple and matter of conscience, to give a second assault unto the trench, as if it had been defended by the special power and providence of God. So all the heat of war turned to the waiting only of the Country. The other Consul Æmilius warred with the Sabines, and on these also, because C the enemies kept within their walled towns, the Territories were spoiled. But afterwards, the Sabines raised with the hiring, not only of their villages and hamlets, but also of the good towns and boroughs, whereof in those parts there were many, and thence well peopled, encountered the foragers: and after a doubtfull skirmish, they departed alinder, and the morrow after raised their Camp, and retired themselves back into a place of more security, while the Consul taking for a sufficient argument and proof, that the enemies were defeated, left them to, and disloded likewise without any end of the war.

During these wars, and whiles discord continued in the City at home, were T. Numitius Priscus and A. Virginius created Consuls. Now seemed it that the Commons would no longer abide the deferring of the Law Agraria. And as they were about to put it to a venture and to try the uttermost by extremity they took knowledge partly by the smoke and flame of the villages on fire, and D most by the running away of the villagers, that the Volscians were near at hand. Which occurrence repelled and kept down the sedition which was now come to ripeness, and ready to break forth. For the Consuls forced by the Senate immediately to the war, by taking the servicable youth with them out of the City, reduced the rest of the Commons to more quietness. And the enemies in a verily made no further attempt, but after they had given a false alarm, and let the Romans in a foolish fear, dismarched away as speedily as they could. Then Numitius went to Antium against the Volscians, and Virginius against the Æquians: where having well-near received a great loss and defeat by a train laid for him: such was the prowess and manhood of the soldiers, that they recovered all again, which by the negligence of the Consul had like to be lost. But better was E the conduct and government of the Army against the Volscians. For there, at the first skirmish the enemies were disarranged, put to flight, and chased as far as to Antium, a City (for that time) of right great puissance and importance. The Consul durst not assault it, but went from the Antiates Cenon, another town, but nothing so wealthy. Whiles the Æquians and Volscians thus amused the Roman Armies and kept them occupied, the Sabines were come robbing and spoiling to the gates of the City of Rome. But within few daies after, they themselves received more damage than they brought, by occasion that both Consuls with two armies were entered in great anger into their Confines. In the end of the year some peace there was, but disquieted, as at a time before, with the variance between the Nobles and Commons. The Commons in a peevish and angry fit, would not be at the Election of the Consuls. So by the Senators only and their followers, F there were elected Consuls, T. Quintius and Q. Servilius. The like year to the former these Consuls had seditions and trouble some in the beginning: but afterwards upon certain war quiet and still. For the Sabines with a running Camp having passed over the plains of Cressaminum, and put all to fire and sword about the river Anio, were chased back, well near from the gate Collina and the walls: wherby they drove away with them exceeding great booties both of people and cattell. Whom the Consul Servilius followed hard with a power ready to be battell: but could not overtake their main army in any even ground meet to pitch a field in. Howbeit he foraged and waited the Country all about, so as he left no corner clear that felt not his fingers, and returned with purchase of many rich prizes of all sorts.

Likewise among the Volscians they sped well and had lucky hand by the good demeanour both G of captain and soldier. First they joined battell upon a plain, and fought with very great slaughter, and exceeding much bloodshed on both sides. And the Romans (who for their small number were more apt to feel the loss) had lost ground and dismarched, if that the Consul by making a lie for a vantage, and crying that the enemies fled from the other wing, had not encouraged and renewed the battell afresh. And so by giving a new charge, whies they thought they had the better, they got the better in very deed. The Consul fearing again, by pressing too hard upon the Army, to enforce them to turn and make head, founded the retreat. Few daies passed between

The Arraigner of the Consul Quintus.

between, wherein they rested quiet, as though there had been a secret truce agreed between them. H In which mean space, a great sort of people from all parts of the Volscians and Æquians repaired to the Camp, thinking verily, that if the Romans were aware of them, they would depart in the night season. Whereupon, at the third watch they came to make an assault upon their Camp. Quintus after he had quieted the tumult, which upon this sudden alarm arose, and given commandment that the soldiers should keep themselves within their pavilions, brought forth a company of Hericks to guard the gates, and caused certain cornettiers and trumpetters on horseback to wind and sound before the trench and counterscarpe, and so to hold the enemy in suspense and expectation until day-light. The rest of the night all was so quiet within the Camp, that the Romans had time enough and good opportunity to take their repose and sleep. I This shew of footmen in their harness, whom the Volscians imagined to be more than they were, and all Romans: the neighing besides, and noise that the horses made by reason of their strange riders that they were not used unto, and the sound also of their trumpets and horns that made them to let up their ears, and to stamp and fume outrageous, amused the enemies waiting ever when they would charge upon them. When it was day, the Romans being in heart and flesh, as having slept their fill, came forth and embattelled themselves, and at the first shock discombed the Volscians, wearied with long standing and overwatched withall. And yet the enemies rather gave ground and retired themselves, than seemed to be driven from their Handings, because they had at their backs certain hills, whereunto they might retire behind the *Principia*, and not break their ranks, and to save themselves. The Consul seeing he was come to a place of disadvantage, K made a stand. The footmen hardly would be fatted, calling and crying to the Consul to follow upon them seeing they were discomfited. The horsemen were more eager, riding all about the Consul, and with open mouth cried out, that they would advance before the ensigns. Whiles the Consul held off, in a mammering what to do, for as he was assured of the valour of his soldiers, so he little trusted the ground: they all at once let up a shout, that they would let forward, come what would: and as they cried, so did they in good earnest. And pitching their javelins fast in the ground, that they might more nimbly get up the steep place, they took their full career, and ran up the hill. The Volscians having in their first brunt spent all their darts, and other shot which they had let flie, and made no spare, took up stones that lay under their feet, let drive at the Romans as they climbed up, and so thick and threefold they bestowed them, that they annoyed them L fore and beat them down the hill. Thus the left wing of the Romans was well-near over-charged. had not the Consul at the point, when as they were ready to retreat, blamed them first for their rashness. and then for their cowardice, and made them for very shame to shake off all fear. First, they stood to it stoutly, and kept their ground, and after, as their strength served them, considering the vantage of the place which the enemies had gotten, they adventured to set foot forward, and won ground with a fresh shout and outcry. And taking their career again the second time, they strain all they can, and at length overcame the disadvantage of the place. Now when they were almost at the point to win the very pitch and ridge of the hill, the enemies turned back. Whiles they ran on heaps in dilaray, both they that fled, and they that followed, hapned both at once in one company into the enemies Camp, which in that fright was won. The Volscians, as M many of them as could escape, ran as fast as their legs would carry them to *Antium*. And to *Antium* likewise was the Roman army conducted: and after a few daies siege, was furnished upon no fresh and new force of assault but for that presently upon their unfortunate conflict and loils of the Camp their heart were done, and utterly failed.

### The Third Book

Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation N  
of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the third Book.

S Editions about the Laws Agraria. The Capitoll taken and held by banished persons and slaves. They were slain, and it recovered. A slavery and Censment was taken twice. In the former there were found of Roman Citizens: 124214, besides orphan children, and such as had no children at all, as well men as women. In the other following there were 124419. Upon a great overthrow recovered in the war against the Æquians, L. Quintus Cincinnatus was made Dictator: and being in the country at his farme busie about his husbandry, was sent for to the conduct of that war. He vanquished and subdued the enemies. The number of the Tribunes of the Commons, arose to ten thirty six years after their first institution. The laws of Athens were set from thence by Embassadors, sent for that purpose to the establishing and publishing whereof there were ten personages elected in the room of Consuls, which were called Decemvirs: without any other Magistrates: and thus hapned in the three hundred and second year

A year after the foundation of Rome. And as the Government of the state was translated from Kings to Consuls: so was it now from the Consuls to the Decemvirs. They having proposed ten tables of laws, and burnt themselves modestly in that high dignity, were therefore by the consent of the people, permitted to remain still in the office the second year. But after they had committed many insolent parts: they would not give over their room of Magistracy, but held it still the third year: until such time as their obstinate and insolent rule came to an end, occasioned by the filthy lust of Appius Claudius: who being inamoured upon a Virgin, suborned one to make claim unto her as his bondswoman: whereupon her father Virginius was driven of necessity to catch up a knife from a butchers stall next by, and to kill his daughter: as having no other means to save her from the hands of him that purposed to abuse her body unlawfully. The Commons upon this foul example of filthy leachery, made an insurrection, and took the mount Aventine for their hold, and compelled the Decemvirs to leave their place, and give over their government. Of whom, Appius and one of his Collegues (which two had principally deserved punishment) were committed to prison, and there kept: the rest were driven into banishment. This book containeth besides: the victorious wars against the Sabines, Volscians, and Æquians. And the dishonest arbitrement or award of the people of Rome, who being chosen Arbitrators between the Ardeans and the Aricins, awarded to themselves the Land whereabout the strife and controversy was.

### The third Book of T. Livius.

C After the winning of *Antium*, T. *Æmilius* and Q. *Fabius* were created Consuls. This was that *Fabius* that only remained alive of all the name that perished at *Cremera*. Now had *Æmilius* in his former Consulship perished to distribute certain Lands among the Commons. And therefore in this second like wife, both the favorers of the law *Aggraria* were in good hope of the foresaid law: and also the Tribuns supposing verily that now by the help of a Consul, that might be brought about and obtained, which oftentimes had been enterprised against the pleasure of the Consuls: took the matter in hand and gave the attempt: and withal, the Consul still continued in the same mind. But the great landed men and many of the Nobles, finding themselves grieved, and complaining that the chief and head Magistrat of the City busied D himself, with the Tribunes, and was by large giving away of other mens possessions, become popular and gracious with the people, turned the whole burthen and odious heavy load of this action from the Tribuns upon the Consul his head. And a cruel broil was toward, had not *Fabius*, by a device and policy to neither party offensive, made an end of the matter with expedition. For whereas there were certain Lands gotten by conquest from the Volscians the year afore under the conduct of T. *Quintius*: "There might (said he) a colony be brought to *Antium*, a City near ad-joining, very commodious, and seated by the Sea side: so should the Commons without any grudging or complaints of the possessors or Land-lords, be seized of the Commons, and the City rest in quiet and Unity. This opinion of his was accepted of all hands. And they created three epeical officers or Triumvirs for the division of the said lands, to wit, T. *Quintius*, *Aul. Virginius*, and E P. *Furius*. Then proclamation was made, That whosoever would hold any of the Land, should give up their names in writing. But plenty, as the manner is, soon caused lothing: for there were so few that presented themselves, that to make up the full number of the inhabitants, they were faine to adjoin unto them certain Volscians. The rest of the multitude had rather (as it seemed) to keep a calling for Land at Rome, than be possessed of Land elsewhere. The Æquians craved peace of Q. *Fabius*, who was come against them with an army: and they themselves by making a sodain inroad into the territories of *Latium*, cancelled the same and made it void. But the year next following, Q. *Servilius* (for he was Consul with Sp. *Posthumius*) being sent against the Æquians, kept a standing camp in the Country about *Latium*. But by the reason of a contagious disease or a plague, that rained in his army, they were of necessity forced to keep quiet within their tents. So their war was deferred unto the third year, when as Q. *Fabius* and T. *Quintius* were Consuls. And forasmuch as Q. *Fabius* had upon his victory before granted peace to the Æquians, he had an extraordinary commission directed unto him for the rule of that Province. Who being thither gone with full assured hope, that the very fame of him, and noise of his army, would quiet the Æquians, sent Embassadors to the Council of that Nation, with this message: "Q. *Fabius* the Consul, saith, that as he carried before peace from the Æquians unto Rome, so he bringeth now war to the Æquians from Rome: having now his sword in the very same hand, which he gave unto them before in friendly manner unarmed. Whole treachery it is and perjury, that is the cause of this, his Gods can witness now, and in some measure will revenge hereafter. Nevertheless, he for his part, how ever the case standeth, desireth that the Æquians would yet bethink themselves of their own accord and repent, rather than stand to the extremity and abide those calamities and miseries that follow wars. If they would come in therefore and be sorry for that they have done, their submission should be received and they taken into the safe protection of his clemency, whereof already they had experience. But in case they persist still in their disloyalty, and take pleasure in being forsworn: be they well assured, that they should have the ire and wrath of the Gods more than their enemies to fight against them. These words so little or nothing at all moved any men there, that the very Embassadors had like to have been very hardly used and evil entreated, yea, and





The Oration  
of C. Fabius  
against the  
Tribun of the  
Commons.

“ selves at their own liberty and unbridled, turned the edge of all freight and dreadful Laws: yea, H  
“ and the rigor of all punishment, against the Commons. But lest this their licentiousness should  
“ continue for ever, he was minded to prefer and publish a Law, by virtue whereof there should  
“ be five men created, who should set down certain conditions, to limit and gage the authority  
“ of the Consuls: and look what authority and commission the people granted out over them, the  
“ same should the Consuls exercise, and no more, and not rule of themselves, and use their own  
“ will and licentious lust in stead of Law. This act being once published, and the Nobles fearing,  
“ left whiles the Consuls were away, they should be taken down and yoked. *Quint. Fabius* Presi-  
“ dent of the City, assembled the Senate, who so bitterly and sharply inveighed against the Law and  
“ the Law-giver himself, that if both the Consuls themselves had stood about the Tribune of purpose  
“ to contradict and cross his proceedings, there had been no threats nor terrible menaces left for  
“ them, to have thundred out. “ For he laid fore unto his charge, that he had lye in wait, and now  
“ having spied the time to fit his purpose, had given the venture to assail the C.W. and the State,  
“ And in case the Gods in their wrathful displeasure had sent among them such a Tribune as he the  
“ year before, together with war and pestilence, there had been no remedy then, but he must have  
“ had his way, and then they had been all undone. For when the Consuls both were dead, and  
“ the City lay bed-ridden as it were, in a miserable confusion of all things, he would have made laws  
“ then indeed, to the utter abolishing of the Consuls authority out of the Common-wealth, and  
“ been a ring-leader to Volcians and Equians both, for to have assaulted the City. For what  
“ might not he have lawfully done by virtue of his place? If the Consuls had either proudly or  
“ cruelly proceeded against any one Citizen, he might have entered an Action against them, and  
“ consented them forthwith before those very Judges, of whom peradventure some one had been  
“ by them hardly dealt withal. This would have been the course and end of it. And he that thus  
“ did, should not cause the Consuls authority and rule, but the Tribunes power to become odious  
“ and intolerable: which having been of late well quieted and reconciled unto the Nobles, began  
“ now after to come unto the old bias, and to be troublesome again, Neither intreated he him  
“ not to go on still as he had begun. But ye my Masters (quoth *Fabius*) that are the rest of the  
“ Tribunes, we would request you to consider well this one point especially: That this power you  
“ have, was brought in for the succour and relief of every particular person, and not to the general  
“ prejudice and undoing of all. Again, that ye are created Tribunes of the Commons, not enemies  
“ of the Nobles. A heavy and lamentable case it is to us, odious and hateful unto you, and will  
“ breed you much ill will and displeasure, in case the C.W. now forlorn, should thus be invaded  
“ and assailed. Ye shall lose nothing of your own right, I assure you, nay, you shall avoid much  
“ mislike and hatred of men, in case ye be in hand and deal with your brother Tribune, to put off  
“ this matter and defer it wholly unto the Consuls coming. Why, the very Equians and Volci-  
“ themselves the last year, when both our Consuls were dead of the plague, pressed not hardly up-  
“ on us, to prosecute any proud and cruel war against us. So, the Tribunes commended and persua-  
“ ded with *Terentillus*: and this his commended suit or action being adjourned in outward show,  
“ but in very truth let fall quite and dismantled, the Consuls forthwith were sent for home. *Lucer-  
“ tius* returned enriched with a right great booty, but with far greater honor and renown. Who at M  
“ his very first coming won himself more glory, by laying abroad in *Mars* field all the prizes, that  
“ every man for three dayes space might know his own and have it away. All the rest, that had no  
“ owners to come forth and make claim, was fold in port-sale. By all means consent, the Consul  
“ was thought worthy of triumph: howbeit that matter was put off by reason that the Tribune had  
“ not yet done with his law: which was the thing that the Consul thought meet should be first re-  
“ garded. The matter was debated and treated for certain dayes, both in the Senate and also before  
“ the people. At last the Tribune yielded to the Majesty of the Consul, and gave it over. Then was  
“ due honor rendred both to the General and also to the army accordingly. He triumphed over the  
“ Volcians and Equians: and in his triumph his own legions followed after him. To the other  
“ Consul granted it was that he should in a kind of triumph called *Ovatio*, ride into the City, but N  
“ without his soldiers. The year next ensuing, the Law *Terentilla* was by the whole College or  
“ fellowship of the Tribunes revived and propounded again: which put the new Consuls *P. Volu-  
“ minus* and *Ser. Sulpicius* to some trouble. And in the time year the skie seemed to be on a light fire,  
“ and there was an exceeding earthquake. And that which the year afore was no credit given unto,  
“ was now for truth believed, to wit, That a Cow did speak. Among other strange wonders it  
“ rained fish: during which shewre, a huge number of fowls flew among, and were reported to  
“ have snatched it and carried it away as it was in falling. But that which fell down and escaped their  
“ talions, lay scattered here and there for certain dayes in such sort, as the fencelanced not at all,  
“ nor the fesh one jot taken and corrupted. Then the books (of *Sibylla*) were perused by the Du-  
“ umvirs deputed over matters of Religion: who fore-told of some dangers to ensue by a Company O  
“ of strangers, and gave warning to look lest haply some assault should be made upon the highest  
“ places of the City, and thereof a slaughter and massacre ensue. Amongst the rest, warning was given  
“ to abstain from civil discord and mutinies: which the Tribunes found fault with, as a devised  
“ matter to hinder the law. Whereupon great debate and contention was like presently to grow.  
“ But behold (that the revolution and course of troubles might turn about every year to the same  
“ point,) The Herniks bring news that the Volcians had Equians for all their wings were well-  
“ ped,

Prodigious  
signs.

The Tribunes  
uppose them-  
selves against  
the Nobility.

A ped, and their forces greatly decayed, began together and levy new armies: *Item*, That in *Anti-*  
“ am lay the whole weight and importance of the affairs, and all depended upon it: That the An-  
“ tiat coloners held their councils and had their meetings in open show, at *Ecetra*, but *Antius*  
“ was the principal seat of the war, and from thence came all preparations and forces whatsoever.  
“ As soon as these news were reported in the Senate, order was given to muster soldiers: and that  
“ the Consuls should part between them the administration and managing of his way, so as the one  
“ should have the charge against the Volcians, and the other against the Equians. But the Tribu-  
“ nes rung it out openly in the common Hall before the people, “ That this was but a made mar-  
“ ter of the Volcian war, and a tale devised by the Herniks, who were informed and framed to  
“ play their parts in the Pageant, and to serve the turn of the Nobles. And that now verily the  
“ freedom of the people of *Rome* was not oppressed or endangered by plain powers & vertue,  
“ but finely shifted off and dallied cunningly withal, by lye and crafty inventions. And for almost  
“ as now it was an unlikely thing and incredible, that the Volcians and Equians after so great  
“ slaughter committed upon them, whereby they were all in a manner killed up, should be able of  
“ themselves to wage war, there were, forsooth, new enemies sought out: A faithfull Colony near  
“ adjoining, was now flattered and defamed: war was pretended for a shew against the gulleis  
“ and innocent Antiats, but in truth, intended with the very Commons of *Rome*, whom they  
“ meant to drive out of the City in all haste headlong, furnished with heavy armor, and to (by  
“ turning out their poor fellow-citizens into banishment, and sending them away, God knows  
“ C whither) to be avenged at length of the Tribunes. And thus the Law (say the Tribunes, for they  
“ must think their drift is to this end and to none other) should be troden under foot, unless  
“ whiles all is entire and whole, and nothing done, whiles they remain at home in their houses,  
“ whiles they be in their gowns, they take heed and look well about them, that they be not dis-  
“ possessed of the City, and take the yoke of servitude upon their necks: assuring them that if  
“ their hearts only served, they should want for no help: and that all the Tribunes agreed and were  
“ of one mind, that there was no cause of fear abroad, no forrign war to trouble them: last of all,  
“ that the very providence of the Gods the year before assured them, that their liberty might with  
“ safety be defended. These and such like Remonstrances gave the Tribunes out. On the other  
“ part, the Consuls causing their chairs of estate to be set, even in their light and presence, began to  
“ D muster. Thither ran the Tribunes down in all haste, and drew the whole assembly of people with  
“ them. And, to make as it were a proof and trial, some few by name were called, and straight-  
“ ways began a stir. For whomsoever the Sergeant by the Consul his commandment arrested, the  
“ Tribunes charged again that he should be let go. And neither side contained within the limits and  
“ compass of their commission and rightful authority: but presumed of their might and strong  
“ hand, to attain unto their desired purpose. For even as the Tribunes had demeaned themselves in  
“ forbidding the muster, semblably the Senators beset themselves to stop the law for going for-  
“ ward: which was propounded every Court day, and when the people might assemble. And ever-  
“ more the brawl began, when the Tribunes commanded the people to avoid the Hall: for that the  
“ *Patritij* would not endure thus to be let out and excluded. Few or none of the ancients would  
“ E be present at these troublesome stirr, being such as were not to be managed and ordered by sage  
“ Council, but wholly left to the rashness and boldness of young and green heads. The Consuls also  
“ were much absent, and forbore to be in place, for fear lest in such a confused hurlyburly their Ma-  
“ jesty and dignity, might have been subject to some shameful contumely and disgrace. But there  
“ was among them one *Ces. Quintinius*, a lusty young Gentleman and a stout, in regard both of his  
“ noble parentage, as also of the goodly tall personage and strength of his body. Besides these good  
“ parts that God had bestowed upon him, he had won himself many ornaments by sundry exploits  
“ achieved in wars: He had withal an eloquent speech and a good grace at the bar, so as, in one  
“ word, throughout the whole City, there was no one thought to be more ready in tongue, or  
“ taller of his hands. This *Ces* standing in the midst of the Nobles, higher to be seen above all the  
“ F rest, as one that in his speech and strength, carried afore him the countenance and authority of all  
“ Dictators and Consuls, was the only man that bare off the brunts of Tribunes, and of forms of the  
“ common people. Many a time were the Tribunes driven out of common Hall, the Commonalty  
“ defeated and put to flight by the conduct of this Captain. Whosoever came within his reach,  
“ was sure to go away thoroughly beaten, and clean stripped. So as it evidently appeared, if this  
“ consil might have been allowed, the law had soon been checked and overthrown. Now when all  
“ the other Tribunes besides were herewith dismayed and welnear daunted, *Antius Virginius* alone,  
“ being one of their fellowship, was so bold, as to enter an action against *Ces*, of a capital crime.  
“ By which deed of his, he rather fired, than feared his hot and furious nature. For so much the  
“ more eagerly withstood he the Law, counselled and troubled the Commons, and persecuted the Tri-  
“ bunes as it were with open war. The plainciffe in the mean time, suffered the defendant to run on  
“ still, and with many outrages to kindle more coals of ill will, and hatred upon his own head, and  
“ to minister further matter of crimes to be charged with. And all the while he ceased not to prefer  
“ the Law afore said, not so much of any hope to bring it to pass, as to provoke and set on work the  
“ giddy head and humorous vein of *Ces*. Whereby it came to pass, that many follies offences  
“ were committed both in word and deed, by the younger sort: and evermore the blame light upon  
“ poor *Ces*: he alone was always charged, because he had been once suspected. But nevertheless  
“ he

*Ces* *Quintinius*  
a bitter adver-  
sary of the law  
*Terentilla*.

hee gainfayed and crofied the Law, And *Anlus Virginus* ever and anon would entertain the Com-  
mons with thefe and fuch like fpeeches, "See ye not already (quoth he) *O Quirites*, that ye may  
not now have *Cafio* your Citizen, and the law which ye desire both together. But what mean  
"to fpeak of your Law? It is your liberty that he infringeth and fetterh himfelf againft, and in  
"pride and arrogancy he exceedeth all the *Terginius* that ever were. But wait, ye were beft, until  
"he be made a Conful or Dictator, whom ye fee already, being but a private perfon, to bear him-  
"felf fo greatly of his ftrength and boldnefs, as to Lord it over you, and rule as a King. Many foote-  
"d the Tribune and faid the like, adding moreover, how they had been well knocked and bea-  
"ten at his hands: and were forward enough of themfelves to fet the Tribune on, to proceed in  
his commenced action againft him.

*Cafio* recom-  
mended by  
many of the  
Nobility.

Now was the law day of judicial trial come: and it feemed abroad, that all men verily thought  
that the very foundation of their liberty confifted in the condemnation of *Cafio*. In conclusion,  
driven he was with much indignity and fhame, to creep and crouch unto every man, fubmiffively  
craving their favor one after another. There feconded him his kinfolk and neereft friends, the belt  
men of the City, *Titus Quintus Capitolinus*, who had been thrice Conful, fpake in his behalf: and  
after he had reckoned up many honors and dignities, both of his own, and fo of his family, affir-  
med, that neither in the houfe and race of *Quintus*, nor yet throughout the City of *Rome*, was ever  
feen fo great towardsnefs, no fuch ftead and likelihood of ripe and perfeft virtue and prowess as  
in *Cafio*: laying, that he had been firft his fouldier, and ferved under him, and that with his own  
eyes he had feen him oftentimes fight valiantly hand to hand with his enemies in the field. Again *K*  
*Sp. Fufius* made this good report of him, That upon a time, when himfelf was in great diftreffes  
and extremity, *Cafio* was lent unto him from *Quintus Capitolinus*, to help at a pinch: and that there  
was no one man, by whole good fervice, as he thought, the Weal-publick at that time was more  
relieved and reftored, then by his, *L. Lucergius* the Conful laft year before, glittering in his bright  
glory fo frefh and new, joined with the reft, avowing *Cafio* partaker with him in his praife-worthy  
acts: he recounted his brave combats, rehearfed his noble exploits, both in his robes and voia-  
ges, and alfo in the pight field, advifing & counfelling them, that in any hand they would retain him fill  
for to be a Citizen of their own City, rather then of any others, this excellent young gentleman,  
furnifhed with all good gifts of nature and fortune, like to prove a fingular ftay of the publick af-  
fairs, into what City and State foever he fhould come. As for that heat and haftinefs (quoth he) *L*  
which was in him milked and offensive, age and time would daily diminifh, and bereave him  
of it: grave and fage counfel, which now was wanting, would come on fpace every day more  
then other. Seeing therefore his faults waxed old and faded, his virtues now were in their growth,  
flourifhed, and grew ripe unto perfeftion: they fhould permit fo brave, fo rare a perfon, to live  
fill among them, and be a good old man in this City. His father among the reft, *L. Quintus*,  
furnamed *Cincinatus*, went another way to work: who not by iterating fill his praifes, for fear  
of heaping more matter of envy and repine, but craving pardon for his wildnefs and youthful  
demeanor: befought them for his fake at leaft wife, to give the fon as a prelent to his father, who  
neither in word nor deed had ever offended any perfon. Some took no heed and gave a deaf ear  
to his prayers, either for modefty and reverence, or for fear. Others complaining how they and *M*  
theirs had been beaten and hardly ufed at his hands, bewtraid and fhewed plainly by their fhrewd  
and churlifh answers what their judgment was. Befides, the common milke and malice concei-  
ved againft the defendant, there was one perilous matter and crime above all, that touched him  
very neer. And that was this: *M. Volfcus Fictor*, who certain years before had been Tribune of  
the Commons, came in againft him as a witnefs, and depofed, how that not long after the plague  
was in the City, he hapned upon a company of youths as they made a riot and robbery in the  
*Sulmura*: where there arole a brawland fray, in which his elder brother, a man well in years, and  
not thoroughly recovered of his ficknefs, was with a buffet with *Cafio* his fit fell'd to the ground,  
and lay there for dead: fo as he was fain to be had home between mens arms: and as he deemed,  
of that blow he died: yet might not he as hainous as the faft was, bring his action and profecution  
the law, for fear of the Confuls of thefe laft years. As *Volfcus* thus informed, the whole court was  
moved therewith, in fo much that *Cafio* efaped hardly, from being murdered, in that rage and fu-  
ry of the people. Then *Virginus* commanded to lay hold on the man, and to have him away to  
prison. The *Parvius* again by force refifted force, *T. Quintus* cried out, That he who was under  
arrest for to make his appearance, and anfwer at a day for his life, and who fhould fhould come  
to hiftril and be judged, ought not before fentence of condemnation, and before he had plea-  
ded for himfelf, thus violently be mifufed. The Tribune replied again, That his meaning was not  
to punifh him before he were condemned: howbeit, by his leave he would be fo bold as keep  
him fift in prifon, to be forth-coming at the law day: that he who had killed a man, might fuf-  
fer thereto according as the people of *Rome* fhould award. Then were the Tribunes called un-  
to for their help, who by the means of an indifferent deeree then made, fhewed their lawful fa-  
vours with fpeed. By vertue whereof they forbade exprefly, that he fhould not be imprifoned, but  
pronounced that it was their will and pleasure, that the defendant fhould perfonally appear, and  
a piece of money be promifed unto the people, in cafe that he made default and failed of his ap-  
pearance. Much queftion there was what fume of money fhould be thought reasonable to be pro-  
mited. And the matter was put over to the Senate to be decided: and whilst the Senators fate  
there-

A thereupon the defendant was kept fill in ward within the common Hall. At length they thought  
good and fet it down, that he fhould put in fureties. And they bound each furety in 3000 \* Afles.  
But how many of thefe fhould put in band, was left to the will and difcretion of the Tribunes, who  
affigned and determined ten and no more. With fo many fureties the plaintiff bound the defend-  
ant perfonally and temperarily to appear at his day. This man was the firft Roman that went  
under fpecial bail, and put in good pledges to make his publick anfwer. Thus being enlarged out  
of the common Hall and difmiffed, the next night following, unawares to the Conful, he departed  
to the Tufcans into exile. When the day of this judgement was come, and that it was alled-  
ged for his excufe, That he was out of the town, and gone into banifhment: yet nevertheless  
B *Virginus* afsembled the people about this matter: but his fellow Tribunes being called unto for  
their help, difmiffed the Court and licenced every man to depart. But the forefaid man was cru-  
elly exacted at his fathers hands, fo that he was driven to fell up all that ever he had, and for a  
long time to live apart as a perfon confined, on the other fide of Tyber, in a poor blind cottage  
out of the way. This procefs of judgement, and the preferring of the law abovefaid together, bu-  
fied the City and kept it occupied. Quiet they were for any wars abroad. At what time the Tri-  
bunes like Conquerors, feeing the Nobles appalled at the banifhment of *Cafio*, fuppofed now  
their law was in manner fully eftablifhed and enacted. And for as much as the more ancient Sen-  
ators had difpoffeffed themfelves, as it were, of the Common-Weal, and medled nor for their  
own parts with the State: the younger fort, and fuch efpecially as were of *Cafio* his true and ac-  
quaintance, were kindled the more againft the Commons, and abated not their courage: mar-  
ty, this good thereby was done upon them, that in fome meafure they tempered and ruled their  
furious affections and violent outrage. The firft time after the exile of *Cafio*, that the law began a-  
gain to be propoled, they being well appointed and banded together, backed alfo with a mighty  
company of their friends and favorites, fet upon the Tribunes: taking the occafion when they  
charged them, to depart out of the hall, in fuch manner, that no one of them above his fellows was  
fingular, or carried home with him any fpecial praife or blame more then another: but the Com-  
mons complained that for one *Cafio*, there were now ftart up a thoufand. All the days between,  
wherein the Tribunes medled not with their law, none more quiet, none more peaceable then  
they themfelves, Courteoufly they would fature and fpeak unto the Commons, at all other times  
D they would invite them home to their houfes and make them good cheer, affit them and be pre-  
fent with them in the common Hall, fuffer the Tribunes themfelves without any interruption or  
impeachment to keep their courts and hold their afsemblies whatever: fhewing themfelves at  
no time to any of them either publicly or privately fierce and cruel, but only when they went in  
hand with the law, for otherwife the young Gentlemen were popular enough. And not only in  
other caufes made the Tribunes good difpatch, and went quietly through all their bufinefs: but  
alfo the fame men were chofen again for the next year following without any foul or crofs word:  
fo far were they from being offered any forcible violence: and thus by foit handling and gentle  
dealing, they had now by little and little won the Commons, and made them as it were cometo  
hand. And fo by thefe fine fetches and devices, for one whole year the law was lifted off, and  
E prettily advanced: The City being now in more quiet ftate, *C. Claudius* the fon of *Appius* and *P. Va-*  
*lerius Poplicola*, came to be Confuls. And no news this new year: for the fame care fill, either a-  
bout preferring or admitting the law, held the City occupied. As much as the puny Nobles in-  
fatuated themfelves more into the favour and familiarity of the Commons: fo much more eagerly  
again on the other fide, did the Tribunes labour and endeavor with complaints and flanders, to  
bring them into fufpition and jealousie with the Commons: Saying, that there was a confpiracy  
intended and contrived: that *Cafio* was in *Rome*: that there were plots laid to murder the Tribunes,  
and to maflace the Commons: that they were fet on work by fome great opes, even the Anci-  
ents of the Nobles, utterly to abolifh the Tribunes authority out of the C. W. and to bring and  
reduce the City to the fame pafs again, as it had been before the taking and keeping hold in the  
F Mount *Sacer*. Befides all this, war was feared from the Volcians and *Aequians* (fo ordinary it  
was, and fo daily once every year it came about: yea and with all, another mifchief newly fprung,  
and unlooked for,

A table of banifhed perfons, Outlaws and Bondflaves, to the number of 4500 having to their  
Captain one *Ap. Herdonius* a Sabin, fuprised in the night the Capitol and Caffle, and were ma-  
fatters thereof. Who immediately killed in the caffle as many as would not be of their confpiracy &  
take arms with them. The reft, amid this hubbub ran headlong down into the Market place for  
fear. The alarm was given on all hands: and no cry heard but *Arme, Arme*, the enemies are  
in town. The Confuls were afraid to put the Commons in arms, and they doubted alfo to let them  
be unarmed, not knowing what fudden occurrent this fhould be, that thus had entred and poffef-  
G fied the city: whether it were forraign or domeftical, arifing from the malice and hatred of the  
people, or from the treachery and falshood of their fervants: Yet they deviced to appeale the up-  
rour: and as they were bufie to repress it, the more other while they ftirred up new: for the  
frighted and amazed multitude, could not be ordered by any commandment. Howbeit at length  
they relolved to fuffer them to take arms, and not all in general, but only (for that they knew not  
what their enemies were) to have a fufficient and trufthy guard about them, ready at all affayes  
and dangers whatsoever. In this careful fufpence and doubt, who were their enemies, and what  
their

The Capitol  
fuprised by  
Slaves and  
Outlaws.





The Oration  
of *L. Quinctius*  
*Cincinnatus*, re-  
proving the  
Senate and  
Commons of  
*Rome*.

[illegible]

A purpose, but rather attempted and fained their lives and demeanour thereunto. The Tribunes therefore, seeing no hope to hinder the thing, began themselves to treat about letting forward the army: and the rather, because there ran a rumour abroad, that the Angurs were commanded to attend at the lake *Regillus*: and that by them a place should be hallowed and consecrate there, wherein the Consuls might duly commane and confer with the people, concerning all matters, according to the flight of birds: to the end that whatsoever at *Rome* had passed under a law, excoꝛted by the violent force of the Tribunes; the same might there in a lawfull assembly and general Session, beabrogated & made void by the suffrages of the soldiours, who without doubt would accord to that, which should laund with the Consuls pleasure. For by reason that there was no appeal in force without the city, above one mile, the Tribunes themselves also, if they came thither, should be subject as well as the multitude besides of the people, to the commandment of the Consuls. These matters feared them indeed and put them in a bodily fear, but the greatest thing above all the rest that diquieted their hearts was this, that *Quintus* oftentimes had given out and said, that he would not call an assembly of the people for the election of Consul: for that the city was grown so far out of frame and temper, that it might not be reformed and cured with ordinary and usual remedies: but that the Common-wealth had more need of a Dictator, that whosoever went about to trouble the state of the city, might well know that there was an absolute Dictatorship, that checked all appeals. The Senat was assembled at that time in the Capitoll; thither came the Tribunes with their Commons greatly diquieted and troubled. The multitude cried out and beought one while the Consuls of their favour, another while the LL. of the Senat of their protection; but could not once remove the Consul from his opinion (which a pitch had be taken) where the Tribunes gave their word and faithfull promise, that they would be wholly ruled and ordered by the Senators. Then the Consul prounounced the demands and petitions of the Tribunes and Commons, and the Senat enacted thele orders and decrees. First, that neither the Tribunes should that year prefer their law nor the Consuls lead out of the city any army. Item, from thence forth, the Senat deemed it not to stand with the weal publick, that Magistrates should continue still in place from year to year, and that the same persons should be more then once chosen Tribunes. The Consuls for their part, were overruled and ordered by the Senators. But, say and ginsay what the Consuls would, that same Tribunes were chosen anew: and the Nobles also because they would not be one age behind hand with the Commons, would needs choise *L. Quintus*: likewise for their Consul again. But all the year through was not the Consul more earnest and vehement in any action and speech whatsoever then in this. Should I marvel my Lords of the Councell (quoth he) that you bear no stroke with the Commonalty, and your authority is so little worth among? Why, you, even your own selves let light thereby: seeing, forsooth, the Commons take the ordinance of the Senat, touching the continuities of Magistrates, yea also, because ye would not seem to yield one inch in rashnesse and folly to the multitude, are as ready and willing to infringe the same as: who would say, this were to have more rule and authority in a city, namely, to set afoꝛe levitie, inconstancie, and licentiousnesse. For it is a point of much more signally, and vanity, I assure you, for men to disannul the acts and decrees of their own making, then of others. Ye that be Senators and Fathers of the C.W. imitate, and spare not, the ignorant, lewd and inconsiderat multitude: ye that should give good examples to others, sin ye hardly your selves, and do amiss by the precedent of others; neither then let others by your example do well: so long as, for my part, take not after the Tribunes, nor suffer my selfe to be declared Cō. against an expels act of the Senat. As to you, *O Claudius*, I would exhort you, that both your self would restrain the people of *Rome* of this their licentiousness, that thus they have not their desire, and all that you would perwade your self thus much of me, that so far off will I be from thinking my honour by you impaired, that rather I will take my glory to be increased by the depising and refusing of a dignitie, and the ill will and envy abated and diminished, that might grow upon the continuation thereof: Whereupon both the Consuls jointly together made an edict and proclamation, that no man should (by his voice) nominate *Quintus*, Consul: and if any man did, they would not allow of his election. So there were created Consuls, *Q. Fabius Vibulanus* the third time, and *L. Cornelius Maluginensis*.

In this year was held a calling and numbering of the citizens, but touching the *Lustrum*, there was some dispute of conference, because the Capitol had been taken, and the Consul slain. When *Q. Fabius* and *Lucius Cornelius* were thus Consuls, suddenly in the very beginning of their year great troubles for the Tribunes on the one side, and for their guilds, as the Commons saw: the Latines and Hernicks on the other side, fell word of great wars from the Volcians & Aequians: That the Volcian legions were already at *Antium*, and the Colonie it self greatly suspected to rebel. Yet hardly could the Tribunes be brought to agree, that preparation should be made aforesaid to prevent this war. But upon these news, the Consuls parted between themselves the charge of all affairs. *Fabius* was appointed to lead forth an army to *Antium*; and *Cornelius* to abide at *Rome* for the defence of the city, for fear lest some part of their enemies, as the Aequians manner was, should in running camp make roads and forge the territories about. The Hernicks and Latines, were by virtue of the league, charged with the finding of certaine souldiers, so as the whole army should consist of iij. parts of confederates and one third of citizens. When, at the day appointed the Allies were come, the Consul pitched down his tents without the gate *Capena*: from whence when he had taken a generall muster and purged his armie, he marched towards *Antium*

The oration of  
*L. Quintius*  
*Cincinnatus* a-  
gainst the Se-  
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\* Lago de Pras-  
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vera.



L. Quintus  
renowned  
Dictator,  
found digging  
his ground  
with his own  
hands.

might restore again the distressed state of the C. W. And L. Quintus Cincinnatus by content of all  
men was nominated. Now a world and wonder it is to hear them speak, that in regard of riches  
despite all things else, and suppose there can be no great honour and virtue, but where wealth and  
riches do flow in excess. This L. Quintus, the only hope of the Romans, the man who was  
to let upright their Empire now distressed, occupied then a piece of ground, to the quantity of  
four acres, called at this day *Quintia prati*, Quintus his meadows, on the other side of Tyber,  
over against that very place, where now the Arsenal and Shipyards are, and there was he found  
digging a ditch, and bearing hard on his spade, or else a plowing the ground, I wot not whe-  
ther, but busie and earnest about some useful work, no doubt he was; and after salutations passed  
thence, on both sides, between him and the Embassadors that were sent, he was requested by them, that  
he would put on his bell greyn, and (that which might turn to the good of himself and the com-  
monwealth) hear a message from the Senat. First, he marvelled what the matter should be, & very of-  
fended asking of them if all were well; the will of his wife *Racilia* (but first he brushed off the dust, and  
straightway, out of his little cottage which he put on his back (but first he brushed off the dust, and  
wiped away his sweat, and made himself somewhat manly) and then came forth unto them;  
who in joyous manner, by way of congratulation, stilled him by the name of Dictator: calling hard  
upon him to repair unto the city, and declaring in how doubtful terms the armie stood. Then  
was there baire provided ready for Quintus, at the cities cost: and being ferried over the river,  
his three lions met him and received him first, then others of his kinsfolk and friends, and after  
them the more part of the Senators. Thus attended with this frequent company, and with the  
Sergeants going before, was he brought to his house. Great concourse there was also of the Com-  
mons: but nothing so joyous were they, to see Quintus, supposing that government of his over-  
great and absolute, and himself a man in time of his rule, too imperious. And for that night virile,  
nothing was done, but a good standing watch kept in the city. The morning after, the Dictator  
being come into the common place of assembly before day-light, appointed Generall of the  
horle, *L. Tarquinius*, of Noble blood descended: a man who for mere poverty had ever served on  
foot, but of all the flower of Rome was reputed and taken to be a brave servitor, and an excellent  
foulsider. Then Quintus with the Generall of horlemen, mounteth into the pulpit aloft: pro-  
claimeth a publicke vacation or Lawfeed: commandeth all shop windows through the city  
to be shut, and that no man should follow any privat buisness of his own. Then as man-  
ly as were of age to fight, were willed to show them selves in their armour, before the sun set, in  
their night, every one with a victuals dressed for five daies, and with twelve forked stakes a peece  
for to pitch in the rampart. And that whosoever were above that age, and were unwieldy, and  
not meet for service should dress and provide victuals for the next souldier unto him, whilst he  
himself made ready his armour, and fought for stakes aforesaid. Thus ran the young able men  
and fire, to furnish themselves with stakes, and took whatsoever they could find, and whatsoever  
was next hand: no man was forbidden, and so they were all ready with heart and good will, ac-  
cording to the Dictator's proclamation. Then went the Dictator forth with the legions of foot-  
men, the Master of the horle likewise with his men of arms, in such good order and array, as might  
not only serve for a speedy march to the ground, but also for a set battell if occasion served. "In  
both regi-  
ments they spared not to encourage and exhort their souldiers, according as the present  
time required: willing them to let foot forward, to mend their pace and make speed, that by  
night time they might reach to their enemies: & not say they, before there was great need: for  
that the Romans Consul and army were besieged, and had now three daies already been pent  
up fast included: and what might happen in one day or one night, no man knew: for oftentimes  
in the twinkling of an eye, and in the very turning of an hand, here fall out accidents of right  
great moment and importance. On aforesaid, Ensigne crieth one: follow souldier said a-  
nother. Thus went they also lustily forward, and all to pleasure and gratifie their captains. So  
that by midnight they were come into *Algidum*: and so soon as they perceived their enemies  
to be near at hand, they pitched down their ensignes. Then the Dictator rode about as far forth  
as he could see in the dark, and having viewed well the situation, coasting and fashion of the  
camp, commanded the Marshalls and Colonels to give direction, That all the carriage and bag-  
gage, should be laid up together in one place, and that the souldiers with their armour and stakes  
only, should come again into their ranks. What he commanded was soon done. Then in the  
same order that he marched, he drew out his host in length, and compasseth the camp of  
his enemies, and commandeth them all upon a signall or watchword given to let up a shout,  
and presently upon the shout to cast a trench, & every man stuck down his pale in the rampier. Hav-  
ing given this charge, straightway his signall followed. The souldiers do that which they  
were willed: the shout was heard over all the camp of the enemies, yea, and into the Consul  
his camp: causing in the one great fear, in the other exceeding joy. The Romans rejoicing one  
with another to hear the shout of their fellow-citizens and countreymen, with a conceit of their  
coming to release, begin of themselves from their sentinels and *Corps de guard*, to threaten  
and terrifie their enemies. The Consul let them forward and said, there was now no staying  
for the matter, nor delays to be made: for that it appeared by their alarm, that not only their  
friends were come with succours, but also had begun to skirmish: and that it was all to nothing,  
that their enemies camp, was already on the outward side assaulted. Whereupon, he commandeth  
his souldiers to arm, and to follow hard after him. Thus in the night began the skirmish,  
and

A and the legions of a Dictator by their outcry and shouting made signification that the enemies on  
that side also were driven to their shifts and in great hazard. By this time the *Æquians* had ad-  
dressed themselves to impeach them in their trenching and making of their rampire, to the end that  
they might not be compassed about: but the alarm was given and the skirmish already begun by  
their enemies within: fearing therefore, lest they would break through the midst of their camp,  
they turned from the piones and workmen without, to them that fought within, and thereby  
gave the other leave to pile their work and labour all the night long at their pleasure: and so  
they maintained skirmish with the Consul until day light. Now by the break of day they were en-  
trenched on every side by the Dictator, and were scarce able to hold out battell with one of the ar-  
mies. Then the host of *Quintus*, which presently upon the finishing of the trench returned to their  
weapons, entering of the mires and rampires of the enemies, here began a fresh conflict again, and  
yet the former nothing abated. The enemies then seeing themselves thus distressed and so hard-  
ly driven on every side, left fighting and fell to intreating: they besought the Consul on one side  
and the Dictator on the other, that they would not get the victory by effusion of blood and cruel mas-  
sacre, but would permit them to go their waies naked without their weapons. The Consul  
consented without their shame and ignominy besides. But commanded that *Clautus* their generall  
with other Colonels and Captains should be brought bound unto him. Item, he enjoyed them to  
abandon & quit the town of *Corbin*: as for the *Æquians* blood, he fought not for it, he had no need  
thereof: they might depart with their lives. Howbeit, because he would have it now at  
length, among their heads, confessed, that the nation was vanquished and subdued, his will and  
pleasure was, they should passe all under the yoke or gallows: the manner whereof is this. They took  
three spears or javelins, and set two of them pitched in the ground endlong, and their over-  
thwart fastned unto the other. Under this kind of gallows the Dictator compelled the *Æquians*  
to go. Thus having gotten the tents of the enemies full of all kind of store (for naked he sent them  
under the yoke) the whole pillage he bestowed upon his own souldiers only: and rebuking sharply  
the Consuls army and the Consul himself, Ye shall (quoth he) souldiers go without your part of booty  
won of the enemy, whole booty ye had like your selves to have been. And as for thee, O *L. Mi-  
nucius*, until thou begin to have the heart and courage becoming a Consul, thou shalt be a Lieute-  
nant only over these legions. So *Minucius* being discharged of the Consulship, remained till  
D as he was commanded, with the army. But so well were men content in those daies, willingly  
to yield obedience to them that better could command, that this army in remembrance hereof  
as of a favour received, rather than of a disgrace offered, both ordained for the Dictator a corone  
of gold of one pound weight: and also when he went homeward, saluted him by the name of  
their Patron. At Rome the Senat being assembled together by *Q. Fabius* Provost of the citie, de-  
clared that *Quintus* should enter the city in triumph with his army marching in battell array as he  
came. Before his chariot was led the commanders of his enemies: the ensignes are carried a-  
fore, then followed the army laden with spoil and pillage. Great cheer and banquets were set  
out, men lay upon tables at every mans door. Thus making merry, they followed the chariot with  
songs of triumph, with sports and merry conceits, as they are wont to do at their great and solemn  
feasts. The same day *L. Mamilius* the Tusculan, with the approbation and good liking of all men,  
was enfranchised citizen of Rome. And forthwith would the Dictator have resigned up his office, but  
that the Court, held for the trial of *M. Volscius*, ended of bearing false witness, staid him: and  
in truth, the Tribunes would have hindered the judicial proceeding against him, if they had not  
stood in awe of the Dictator. But *Volscius* was convicted and had sentence, and departed to *La-  
navium* in exile. And *Quintus* having taken the Dictatorship for six months, gave over the six-  
teenth day after he entered into it. About the same time the Consul *Nautius* fought valiantly with  
the Sabines at *Breum*: who besides the wasting of the fields, had an overthrow on fight. *Fabius*  
was sent into *Algidum*, to succeed in the room of *Minucius*. In the end of the year, the Tribunes  
began to stir about their law: but because the two armies were absent, the Senatour prevailed so  
much at that time, that no bills were propounded unto the people. The Commons likewise obtain-  
ed, that they might create the self-same Tribunes, now the fifth time. The report goeth, that there  
were seen in the Capitol, wolves chased away by hounds: for which strange sight the Capitol was  
purged. And these were the acts of that year. Then followed Consuls *Q. Minucius* & *M. Horatius  
Pulvilius*.

In the beginning of which year, whilst all was quiet abroad, the same Tribunes and the same  
law caused dissension and sedition at home: which would have grown to a further mischief, if  
such heans men were, had not word been brought, as it were of less purpose, that the garison at  
*Corbin* was surprized in the night by the *Æquians* and put to the sword: whereupon the Consuls  
called the Senat together: and order was given, that they should lead a Sabitary army  
and with a running camp invade *Algidum*. Then was the strife about the law laid aside clean, and  
a new contention arose about the matters. But the Consuls with all their authority, were over-  
towed of the Commons, by the help and assistance of the Tribunes. At what time a new trouble  
put them in fear for intelligence came, that a power of Sabines were come down already into the  
territories of *Rome* for to fetch booties and make spoil: and from thence advanced against the city.  
Upon which fear, the Tribunes were content that souldiers should be prest, yet not without this  
covenant indentured: That for as much as they had now themselves these five years been troubled off  
and

36. lib. angel  
gold.  
L. Quintus  
triumpheth.

**Ten** Magistrates called Decemvirs, instituted for the making of laws.

That is the 27<sup>th</sup> day following.

through such offices, being now come in question, and submitted to the choice and judgement of others, pricked on *Ap. Claudius*, and set him forwards. So as a man could hardly know whether to reckon him among the Decemvirs, or those that stood to be Decemvirs again. For otherwise he was more like one that sued for an office, than him that presently bare office: blaming pretences of best quality in the City, and laying head to their charge: but extolling the valour & valour of the Competitors. Himself in person sorting among the *Dailij* and *Teitij*, and such like as favoured the Tribunes, went swinging and squaring in the common place, using them as instruments to vendrate himself forth to the common people. So long, as at length his very brethren in office, who until that time had been singularly addicted and affectionated unto him, cast their eyes upon him, and began to mark, & marvel much what his meaning was reasoning thus among themselves: Surely there is no soundness nor goodness here, but all meer dissimulation and hypocrisy. Certainly, it is not for nought, that in such pride of his, there should appear so much courtesy. What? to force his own nature too much within compass: to debate himself, and suffer private men to be his fellows, was a sign of one, that made not so much haste to forgo a dignity and promotion, as sought means to keep it still. Openly they durst not presume to check and withstand his ambitious desire, but assayed by pleasing and soothing him up, to repress and bridle his foolish affection. And seeing he was the younger of his company, they all with one accord laid upon him the charge, to hold the high court for the Election of Decemvirs. Their drift and policy was, that he should not Elect his own self: a thing, which unless it were the Tribunes again, and that was a most dangerous precedent and example, he would be president of that honourable Court and Session, and prayed to the gods that he might perform it for the benefit of the well-publick. And to took the vantage of that opportunity, to let forward his own design, which they meant should have flopped and crossed the same. And after he had by secret packing and conversing with the other competitors, and given the repulse unto the two *Quintus Caputinus*, and *Cucumatius* and put beside the Cushion his own Uncle by the fathers side (*C. Claudius*, a most stout & valiant champion of the Nobility) with other citizens of like mark and quality: he crested Decemvirs, such as were not for worth, port, and behaviour, to them comparable and his own sweet self with the first. Which as there was no man thought he ever would have done, so all good men misliked when it was done. With him were elected *M. Cornelius Maluginus*, *M. Sergius*, *L. A. Minius*, *Q. Fabius Vibulanus*, *Q. Petilius*, *T. Antonius Merenda*, *C. Sulpicius*, *Sp. Oppius Cornutus*, *M. Rabulius*. And there's an end of *Appius* playing another mans part. Off went his mask and visor now, and to from thenceforth, he began to shew himself in his own likeness, and to live in his kind: yea, and to frame his companions to the bent of his bow, even before they were entred into office. Day by day had they their secret meetings by themselves apart from all other: and being once hereby furnished with ungracious and proud designments, which they had closely plotted together, they could no longer hold & dissemble their pride. Few might have access unto them: seldom would they be spoken with, leaving themselves strange, surly, & churlish to those that came unto them. Thus drew they the time on, unto the \* Ides of May, which was the usual and solemn day then of entering into offices of government. In the very beginning whereof they made the first day of their magistracy noted by an intimation and evident shew of exceeding terror. For whereas the Decemvirs their predecessors had observed this order, That one alone should have the rods of State born before him, and that this regal ornaments should passe round through them all in course one after another: Behold, these came all of them abroad, and each of them had his xij. bundles of rods carried before him. So that these Lictors, 120 in number, with their rods and axes too, fanned within the rods, took up and filled the whole Forum or common place as they went. And for as much as they were created absolutely, and their commission ran without all appeal, men made this exposition, that to go with their axes or without was all one, & made no matter at all. Thus was there a shew & representation of ten Kings. And this terror grew more and more, not with the meanest and basest sort only, but also with the chief and best of the Patritians: supposing that they fought to pick a quarrell, and minister occasion and overtone to some mischief: that if any man should offer either in the Senat or among the people to speak one word concerning liberty, forthwith there should be exemplary whipping and heading, to the terror of all other. For, besides that, from the people there was no remedy and succour to be had, by reason that the appeal unto them was quite dissuallied and taken away: the Decemvirs themselves drew so all in one line together and were so combined and linked, that there was no hope at all, that one would thwart and cross that which another did: whereas the former Decemvirs could well abide, that their judgements and sentences should be censured and corrected, by the appellations or appeal to one of their brethren in commission: yea, and in some cases put off some matters from themselves to be decided by the people, which seemed proper to belong unto their own jurisdiction. For a while, the fear was to all indifferent: but by little and little the Commons only began to feel the smart. The Nobles were forborn and escaped clear and secure: the meaner persons went to the walls, and with them they dealt according to their lust and pleasure right cruelly. The person wholly they regarded, and never respected the cause, as with whom favour and friendship prevailed as much as equity and right should have done. At home in their houses, they determined of matters how they should passe: and in open place they pronounced sentence accordingly. If a man had appealed to one of their benches, from him

A unto whom he fled for relief, he went his waies again by weeping crosses, repenting that he stood not to the order and injunction awarded by the former. It was thought and spoken abroad, but the first author would not be known. That they had conspired together, not for the present time only to do wrong and injurie, but also were confederat between themselves privily yea, and had bound it with an oath, to call no assembly at all for the electing of new magistrats: but being now once invested in the sovereign rule, to hold the possession of the Decemvirship for ever. The Commons then began to look about them, to behold and advise well the countenances of the Nobles, to see if they could from them catch some good gale of wind, some hope again of liberty, at whose hands they fearing bondage, had brought the common-wealth to this hard passie. B The L.L. of the Senat hated the Decemvirs, they hated also the Commons. They liked not of things as they went, and yet were persuaded that the Commons were well enough served, and delivered no better: who gaping greedily after liberty were now fallen and plunged into servitude and thralldome. Help they would not with the least of their fingers, but rather heap more wrongs upon them: that having a wearisome and tedious loathing of the present state, they might fall to a longing desire after two Consuls, and with the old world were come again. By this time now was the better part of the year gone and past: and the two tables of laws were annexed to the other ten of the former year: which if they might be once confirmed and ratified by a Parliament of the Centuries, there remained nothing behind, for which the common-wealth should need their magistrats: but expected it was certainly, that the assembly for Election of Consuls should out of hand be published and proclaimed. Marry, there was one thing hammered in the Commons heads, by what means they might revive again the Tribunes authority, the very grand bulwark of their freedom, and the thing that now had discontinued and lien dead. But all this while there was not a word of the new Election. And the Decemvirs, who at the first presented usually unto the Commons fight, a crew of those that favoured the Tribunes, for to attend upon their persons (a thing right plausible and pleasing unto the people): were guarded now, with certain tall pensioners of their Nobility: whole troops of them stood about their Tribunal seats and places of judgment. There made havoc and spoil of the Commons and their goods: and look what the mind of a mighty man stood unto and lusted after, it was his hap to have it whatsoever. Nay, there was no spare now made of their backs and sides: some were scourged with rods, some lost their heads by the ax. And because this cruelty should not go unrewarded, lightly there was none executed, if he were worth any thing, but his goods went after and were begged or given away. The youth of the Nobility, by this kind of hire well fleshed: not only oppoled not themselves to withstand these wrongful dealings & hard courses, but carried it afore them, openly proficling & avowing that they would rather their own licentiousness, than the liberty of all. The \* Ides of May were now come to lay, and no new magistrats elected in the others room. Forth come the Decemvirs (who to say a truth and to give them their right, were no other than private persons) neither with minds abated for the exercising of their imperious rule, nor with fewer regal ensignes, to set out and shew their honour & dignity. When the people saw that, they made no other reckoning by this was plain usurping of the kings government, and no better: And now farewell freedom for ever and a day. For neither had they presently, nor hereafter were they like to have any man to recover it again. So that now, not only they lost all their hearts and were discouraged in themselves, but also grew to be contemptible in the eyes of their neighbour-nations: who didained highly, that they should have sovereignty of rule, who were not free themselves, nor enjoyed their own liberty. For the Sabines with a strong power invaded the Territories of Rome: and when they had foraged far and near, and driven away booties both of people and of cattell, without impeachment, they gather their army together again, that had banded here and there up and down, and entred unto *Ardea*, where they encamp themselves saying this for a ground, and building their hope upon their discord at Rome, that it would stay their murthering. Not only the news that came hereof, but the flying of the country peasants, put the whole city in great fear. F The Decemvirs fall to consulting what were best to do. And while they were to seek what course to take, and between the hatred of the Nobles and the Commons utterly forlorn and destitute, there hapned also another fearful trouble in the tail of the former. The Equians from another side were encamped in *Algidum*. And from *Tusculum* Embassadors brought tidings that their country was wasted with excursions from thence, whereupon they craved their help and aid. These fearful occurrences troubled and perplexed the Decemvirs, that considering the city was now beset at once with wars from two places, their stomacks were come down to consult with the Senat. They commanded therefore the Senators to be summoned to the *Curia*. And well they wist, what a great fit and storm of anger, displeasure and blame was towards: namely, that they would burden them & lay to their charge, how they were the only cause both of the country waited already, and G of the perils like presently to ensue: looking for no other, but that there would be given an attempt and shrewd push, to abolish utterly their government, unless they stuck closely together to it, and by extending their authority sharply upon some few of the stoutest, quail and crush the attempts of others. After the voice of the Bedell was heard in the Forum or common place, citing the Senators to repair into the Council house to the Decemvirs: the novelty and strangeness of the matter, (because they had laid down for a long time the manner of calling them to Council) caused the Commons to marvel and muse what was befallen, that they should after such discontinuance, take up a thing so obsolete and out of use. And thus they conceived of it,

Two tables, more added, to the former ten.

\* 15 day of May.

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that they were much beholding to their enemies, and might thank war for this, that any ancient H of guile and custom of a free city was come up and in use again. They looked about on every side of the Forum, to see if they might spy a Senator; but few or none could they hear of, any where. Then looked they into the *Curia*, and behold, none at all appeared about the *Decemvirs*. Whereof their own selves, even the *Decemvirs* could gather no otherwise, but that in the concept, & content of all men, their government was become odious; & the Commons also thus grieved and interpreted, that the Senators met not together, because privat men (such as the *Decemvirs* and indeed) had no authority to assemble a *Senat*. And now said they, is the way and entrance made to recover their liberty again, if so be the Commons would join with the *Senat*: and as the Nobles being called, meet not together in counsel, so the Commons likewise would refuse to be mulctured. In this wise muttered and whispered the Commons. And in truth scarcely was there any one of the Senators about the common place, and but few within the city: for very griefe and indignity to see that things went as they did, they had withdrawn themselves into the countrie to their lands: and forgetting the state of the common-weal, they became careful of their own privat affairs: thinking themselves so far forth freed from oppression and wrong, as they were remote and sequestered from the society, meeting and conference, with so Lordly & imperious rulers. When they would not assemble at their summons, the officers were sent unto their houses, both for to streine and take away lives for their contumacie and disobedience, and also to enquire and learn, whether they refused to come at their commandment, or for set purpose or no. And word they bring back, that the Senators were in the country. The *Decemvirs* were better apaid to hear that, than if answer had come that they were at home and refused to obey. They they gave commandment that they should be sent for: and they warned a *Senat* house against the next day following: where they assembled more in number then they looked for. Whereupon the Commons supposed that their liberty was bought and sold and utterly betrayed by the Nobles, for that the *Senat* had yielded obedience to them (that now by right were out of their office) as if they had given lawful summons, who being privat men had no power at all so to do. But they shewed more obedience and submission, as we have heard say, in coming to the Councell house, than any disposition to deliver their minds and opinions there, to the liking and pleasures of the *Decemvirs*. First, *L. Valerius Potitus*, as it recorded, after that *Appius Claudius* had propoed unto them the L. of their meeting, before they were required their advice in order and course, claimed the privilege of the house, to speak in the behalfe of the common-weal. But when as the *Decemvirs* denied it flatly, yea, and forbid him with threats, upon pain of their high displeasure, he inferred again and menaced, that he would go forth unto the commons, and so began a broil and tumult. *M. Horatius Barbatus* likewise took part with him, and was nothing behind in stoutness to maintain the quarrell, terming them ten *Tarquins*: "and are ye aware (quoth he) how the Kings were in times past expelled by the the *Valerii* and *Horatii*? And yet the name it was not of Kings, that men were so weary of and loathed in those daies. For why? it was right lawful to call *Jupiter* by that name: whereby *Romulus* also the founder of this City, and other Princes his successors have been called: yea, and the name hath been used and is retained still as a solemn title, in the sacred rites of holy Kirk. Nay, it was the pride and oppression of the King, that then M. was odious, and nothing els, which enomities, if they were in those daies in the King himself, as a lawful prince, or in the King his son intolerable, who can abide and endure the same in so many privat persons? I advise you therefore to take heed how you debar men of their liberty of speech in the Councell House, lest ye drive them thereby to speak their mind and complain without the Councell House. Neither see I any reason at all, why it were not as lawful for me as a privat man, to assemble the people to an audience, as for you to call the *Senat* together to a Councell. Make triall whensoever ye will, ye shall find how much more forcible our just griefe will be, in recovering our libertie again, than this greedy desire of yours, holding and upholding (fill your usurped, unlawful, and tyrannical rule. You have pronounced here unto us, forsooth, concerning the Sabines war: as who would say, the people of *Rome* can be at greater war with N. than any with those, who having been created Magistrates only for the publishing and enacting of certain laws, have left now neither law nor justice at all within the city. Who have taken away their *Comitia*, i. Courts and Leets of Election, their yearly Magistrates, the successive change and course of bearing rule, the only thing that maketh *Isonomy*, and equality of freedom. Who being but private men, are possessed both of regal ornaments, and also of roial government. After the expulsion of the Kings, the Magistrates that succeeded were of the Nobility: in procelle of time, upon the rising of the Commons and their departure, there were officers chosen out of the Commonalty. I demand of you, and I would gladly know, of whether state or body are ye? Are ye, I pray you, popular, and of the Common people? What have ye ever done with advice and approbation of the people? Are ye Nobles and Peers? who now for a whole yeers space O almost, have held no Councell of Senators. And now that ye have assembled them, you refrain them from speaking for the Weal-publick. Well presume not too much, neither bear your selves upon the timorousness of others. For, trust me truly, the indignities that men already suffer, seem more irksome and unupportable, than whatsoever els they can doubt and fear hereafter. As *Horatius* spake these words aloud, and the *Decemvirs* could not bethink themselves of some indifferent & mean course, either in anger to be revenged, or in lenity to pardon and put up, nor will whereto this matter might tend and proceed in the end: then *C. Claudius*, uncle to *Appius*, the Decem-

*M. Orationis Barbatum*  
the *Decemvirs*

A King Sacrifice influenced  
in the free  
state.

*C. Claudius*  
different & mean course,  
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virs.

A *Decemvir*, began to speak, rather by way of prayer and intreatie, then in checking and reproving "wife, and besought *Appius* for his brothers soul sake, who was his own father, to remember "and regard more that civil societie wherein he was born, then this ungracious and wicked confederacie, contracted with his fellow *Decemvirs*. As this request I make (quoth he) tendering your privat estate more then the Commonweal. As for her, if the might not by fair means "and with their good wils, obtain her own due and right, he would by foul waies, and in spite "of their hearts recover it in the end. And for as much as of much debate and strife there ensue "commonly heats of anger and cankered rancour, I am in dread & horror what the sequel and issue will be of these jars. Now when as the *Decemvirs* would not permit the rest to speak, but only to the point propoed and occasion of their meeting, yet they were abashed to interrupt the speech of *Claudius* and to cut him off: but suffered him to go on until he made an end. And in conclusion his opinion and sentence was, that he would not (to abide by it) agree, that any act of the *Senat* should for that time passe in that behalf. And all that were present took his words to, as if *Claudius* deemed no otherwise of the *Decemvirs*, then of private men. Many of them also, such especially as had been Consuls, were of his mind. And said as much. Another opinion there was, more rough and sharp in outward shew, but far lesse forcible and effectual in deed: advising and willing the Nobles, to make no more ado, but to go together and chuse an Interregent. For this man seemed yet, to account and judge them Magistrates; (bad thought they were) that had called C a *Senat*, and held them in Councell: whereas the former, that would not abide any act to passe, reckoned them but for privat persons. Thus when the *Decemvirs* cause began to shrink and go downwards, *L. Cornelius Mancinus*, brother to *Cornelius* the *Decemvir*, being relieved of purpose to give his opinion in the last place of all the Consular Senators, such as had been Consuls, pretending a care that they had of the war, took part with his brother and his Collegues, saying, that he marvelled much by what misfortune or delictine it hapned, that the *Decemvirs* should be challenged and oppugned, especially by those that had stood for the *Decemvirship*, or by their friends and associates: and how it came about, that in so many months space, whilst the city was at rest and without fear of war, no man made question or doubt, whether they that were in place, and governed the state, were lawful Magistrates or no: and now at last, when the enemies are in a manner at the gates, they should flow civil dissention, unless this were the meaning of it, that in a troubled state it would not be so clearly seen and perceived, what they went about. But no man is able (quoth he) to set down a true doom, & alledge a ruled case in so great a matter as this is: so men, whose minds are busied and wholly possessed of a greater care. And therefore my opinion is that concerning that point which *Valerius* and *Horatius* charged the *Decemvirs* with, namely, That before the Ides of May their government was determined, and they out of office: the *Senat* should discuss and debate, when as the wars now at hand were dispatched, and the Commonweal brought once again to quietness. And that *Appius Claudius* should make this reckoning even now at hand, and know that he is to render a reason of that high court of Parliament, which for the election of *Decemvirs* he called and held, being a *Decemvir* himself: namely, Whether they were created for one year only, or to continue still, until the other laws which yet are wanting, were raised and confirmed. As for the present time, he thought good that all other matters should surcease, and be passed over, save the war only: the rumour whereof, it they thought to be false, and that they were but tales that not only the messengers, but also the Embassadors of the *Tuiculus* reported, then his advice was to send out espials, who upon their discovery might bring more certain tidings. But in case they gave credence to messengers and Embassadors both, then with all speed possible to mulster, and the *Decemvirs* to have the conduct of the armies, and to lead them whither they thought meet: and that nothing els should be thought upon before this. Which opinion of his, that it might prevail and take effect, the ponic Senators by importunate convassing, obtained. Then *Valerius* and *Horatius* both rose up the second time more fierce and eager than before, calling upon them aloud, that they might be permitted to speak concerning the Commonweal: and in case they might not be suffered by reason of the faction, to have the liberty of speech in the Councell House, they would speak their mind without, before the people. For neither could privat men (as they were) debar them in *Senat* House, nor in open assembly, & to give place unto their imaginary, and pretended imperial ensignes, they would never be brought. Then *Appius* supposing the matter well-neer come to this passe, that unless the violence were resisted with like boldness, their rule was at an end, and their authority conquered: Ye were not best (quoth he) to speak but to the matter, wherupon we sit in Consultation. And when *Valerius* replied again and said plainly, that he would not hold his tongue for a privat mans commandment: *Appius* sent a Sergeant unto him. Whereupon *Valerius* cried for help to the *Quirites*, from the porch of the Councell House. Then *L. Cornelius* clapping G *Appius* about the middle, without regard to content him whole good he pretended, flayed the strife. So by the mediation of *Cornelius*, leave was granted to *Valerius* for to say his mind at his own pleasure. But, for as much as his libertie proceeded no farther, then to some few words, the *Decemvirs* held on their purpose still, and had their desire. The Nobles also, such as had been Consuls, and the ancients, upon an old cankered hatred that they bore still against the *Triuns* authority, whereupon they supposed the Commons were much more devoted and affected, then unto the government of the Consuls, were rather inclined and willing that the *Decemvirs* of their own accord should themselves afterwards forgo their office, than that upon hatred and malice received against

*L. Cornelius* his  
Speech in the  
*Senat*.



Replies his  
speech to App-  
Clandius.

*Appius*, had passed an order and decree already, and put *Leilius* back: who cried out aloud (for to H manifest and horrib a wrong had been enough to have moved a very Saint, and set on fire a right mild natured person.) *Nay, Appius* (quoth he) thou hadst more need to let me back with force of arms: if thou wouldst get clear away, and not be spoken to, for that which thou wouldst do in hucker mucker. This maid, I tell thee, I mean shal go with me: I purpose to have her to my selfe, in an honest and pure virgin, and enjoy her in lawfull marriage, as my wedded wife: call therefore unto thee all the Lictors besides (thou were best) that belong unto thy companions: cause both rods and axes to be made ready: I tell thee, *Leilius* his espoused wife, shall not abide in any place without her fathers house. What? although ye have taken from the Commons of *Rome* the Tribuns assistance and protection, and the privilege of Appeal, two principal bulwarks for defence of their liberty: yet are not therefore allowed to rule and tyrannize, and to fulfill your lust upon our children and wives too. Exercise your rigour and cruelty and spare not, upon our backs and sides in scourging us, yea, upon our necks and heads also, in taking them from our shoulders: so ye forbear to assaile our chastity and honesty. Whereunto, if any violence shall be offered, I will for my part, call for the help of the Quirites here present, in the behalfe of my spouse: and *Virginius* for himself will call to the soldiers, in regard of this only daughter we will cry for help of God and man: and cost it shall our lives before thou go away with this decree, and put it in execution. I require and charge thee, O *Appius* therefore, to be well advised, and look how far thou dost proceed. Let *Virginius* when he is come, see to his daughter, how he dealeth about her: and let him know thus much for certain, that if she give place to this plaintiffs assertion, and forgo the present possession of her, he shall go seek his estate and propriety that he hath in his daughter. As for me, in this quarrel of maintaining the freedom of my spouse, I will loose my life, before I fail in my faithful promise to her made. Hereat the whole multitude was moved, and like it was, that some mutiny and fray would presently have ensued. For the Lictors had hemmed in *Leilius* on every side. Howbeit they proceeded no farther then to big words and high threats: whiles *Appius* laid hard to *Leilius*, "That he did not see this so much in the behalfe and defence of *Virginius*, as, (being himselfe unruly person, and even already breathing forth a Tribuns spirit) sought means, and picked occasion of an uproar and sedition. Howbeit for his part he would not that day minister unto him any matter thereof, And in re- gard of the absence of *Virginius*, and for the name of a father, and the tender respect of freedom, he would not that day sit to hear and determin the matter, nor award a definitive judgment in that case: but would request *Mar. Claudius*, to suspend his action, and to forbear and yield so much of his own right, as to suffer the maid to be bailed and go under securities, to be at her liberty until the next day. But in case her father appeared not in Court the morrow after, he gave *Leilius*, and such as he was, to wit and understand, that neither the law should want the patronage of the maker, nor the Decemvir fall in courage and resolution: neither would he call together his fellow officers and sergeants, for to keep under such seditious and turbulent spirits as he was: but would content himself with his own Lictors, and do well enough. The time now of effecting this injury, being thus deferred, and the maids Advocates gone aside, they agreed first of all upon this point, that a brother of *Leilius*, and a son of *Numitorius*, two lusty and nimble young men, should be dispatched straight from thence to the gate: and that with all speed possible *Virginius* should be sent for home from the camp: for that it stood the maid upon as much as her whole estate and life was worth: that he would be present and ready in due time the day following, to preserve her from this hard course, and wrongful proceeding. According as they were bidding, they set forward, and spared no horseflesh, until they brought tidings hereof to her father, and put in securities. And he again made answer, That he went about it as fast as he could, and did nothing else: but indeed trisling out the time on purposes, until the messengers that were sent to the camp, were got afore they offered themselves every one unto *Leilius* ready to be held up their hands, in token that they offered into tears for tender heart, Gramercy (quoth he) my masters all, to morrow I will use your helping hand: for this time I am sped of securities enough. So was *Virginius* let at liberty, and bailed by the suretyship of her kinsfolk. Then *Appius*, after he had stayed a while, because he would not seem to have fat for that matter alone, when he saw all other suits and causes omitted, in regard they had to it, and no man coming to him for justice, he arose, gat him home to his house, and wrote unto his brethren Decemvirs into the camp, that they should not give *Virginius* his passport: cost what it should. For *Virginius* already had got his discharge, and was departed forward on his journey, in the evening by the setting of the first watch. And very early in the morning came the letters for to stay him, but all in vain. For *Virginius* by break of day was arrived: by which time the whole City resorted into the common place, standing and waiting earnestly for his coming. And thither he himself being in soiled and simple array, brought his daughter in her old worn cloaths, accompanied by some one man to another, and to labour Advocates and friends: Then and there began he to go from one man to another, and also required them hard: and not only besought their assistance by way of intreaty and prayer, but also required it as due and delivered: saying, that he stood dayly in field ready to fight in defence of their wives

A wives and children : neither could there be reported of any man more hardy exploits and valiant pieces of service in war, then of him self. But what booteth or availeth all this (quoth he) to save the City from enemies, in case our children be forced to abide the utmost extremities that befall unto Cities threatened by the enemies ? thus went he about preaching, as it were, from one man to another. Likewise *Iulius* cait forth and redoubled his speeches freely and spared not. But the train of women, with their fill and silent weeping, moved men more then any words uttered. All this notwithstanding, *Appius* in his obdurate mind (so disquieted was he and wholly possessed with a forcible spirit of unwomanly madnes rather then of amorous passion) ended up his plea at the tribunal. Where, as the plaintiff first of himself was framing some short complaint, that by reason of partial favour and making of great friends, he could not have law and justice the day past : before that either he had made an end of his demand, or given leave to *Virginius* for to put in his answer accordingly : *Appius* interrupted the speech, and began himself. What preamble it was that he made before his decree, peradventure some ancient writers have for truth recorded. But for as much as I cannot any where find, in so shameful a decree, that which carrieth but a shew and foundeth like a truth : therefore, that only which is so all agreed upon, I thought best to let down, even the sentence barely without any preface at all : namely, *That he judged her in the behalfe of the Plaintiff to be his bond-servant.* First, all men there, wondered at this unworthy and foul act, and being brucken therewith astonished, for a good while after, stood fill and held their peace. But afterwards, when as *M. Cl. Andronicus*, went to lay hold on the maid, amongst the dames present. But afterwards, and was received with a piteous lamentation, and cry of the women : Then *Virginius* beckning with his hands and shaking them at *Appius* : *To Iulius* (quoth he) have I betrothed my daughter, and not to thee O *Appius* : brought her up I have for honest and chaste wedlock, and not for uncleane and filthy whordom : to be a wife another day, and not an harlot. Is this the manner of it, like bruit and wild beasts without all regard, to leap and run upon you care not whom, and to fulfil your filthy lust ? How else that be here will suffer such pranks, I know not : but they that are in camp with sword in hand, I hope, will never put them up. Now when as he that challenged the maid was in a knot of Women and Advocates that stood about her repelled back, then proclaimed the Bedle and commanded silence, And the Decemvir having his head intoxicated, and altogether carried away with unbidded lust, brake forth againe having his head intoxicated, and altogether carried away with unbidded lust, brake forth againe and said, That he had certan intelligence and was informed of a truth, by manifest and assured evidences, (and not induced and led thereto by the reviling taunts of *Iulius* yesterday, and the violent proceedings of *Virginius*, whereof he had the people of Rome to bear witness, and which might give some light and presumptions) That the night past, there were meetings and conventions in the City, and all to raise a mutiny and insurrection : and therefore, he not ignorant of such a broil and riot raised, was come down into the common place with a guard of armed men : not minding to hurt any one that would keep the peace, but only by vertue of the majesty of government and authority, to repress such as troubled the peaceable state of the City : therefore it were best for them to be fill and quiet. Go Sergeant (quoth he) cause the people to avoid the place, and make room for the matter to lay hand upon his bond-slave : and after he had thundered out these words full of ire and wrath, the multitude of themselves gave back and made way : so the poor filly wench stood all forlorn and left as a prey to their injurious clutches. Then *Virginius* seeing all past help and no other remedy : Well *Appius* (quoth he) pardon me first I beseech thee, if upon a fatherly affection and grief of heart, I have let fall some shrewd and curst words against thee more then was becoming : Then give me leave here before the virgin, to enquire of her nurse the truth of this matter, that if I have fathered her untruly, I may go hence better payed and iustified in my mind. Leave being granted, he led his daughter and the nurse apart from the rest, near to the Church of *Venus Cloacina*, hard at the shops, called at this day *Nova Tabernacula*, i.e. the new shops or handings : and there having caught a knife from a butcher, he then spake : My sweet daughter, no other means have I but this only to free thee free : and so he struck the damel to the heart : and looking presently to the judgement seat, Here with this blood I sacrifice thee *Appius*, and thy head to the Devil. *Appius* with the cry that arose upon so horrible a fact, being much troubled, commanded *Virginius* to be apprehended : but he with bloody blade in hand, made way where he went, until with a number that followed him space to bear him company, he recovered the gate. *Iulius* and *Numitorius* took up the bloodie corps, and held it aloft to the people, blaming and cursing the wickednes of *Appius* : pitying the unhappy and unfortunate beauty of the damel : and bewailing the hard exgient and extremity of the father. The Matrons followed after and cried : Is this the ordination and fortune allotted unto parents for gesting and begetting children ? Is this the hire and reward of chastity and virginity : unto other like practices, which in such a case, women in their grief of mind fite to utter : whose sorrow as it is more heavy, proceeding from weak and tender hearts, lo! yeeldeth and affordeth more pitiful and lamentable words, as they make their plaints and dolorous moans. But the men and *Iulius* above the rest, had no other talk but of the Tribunes authority, and the appeal unto the body of the people, how they were taken away from them, and of the publick indignities and common discontents. The whole multitude partly upon the mainfulness of this wicked act, and partly for hope by this occasion to recover again their liberties, were all up on a time upstart. *Appius* one while commanded *Iulius* to be called, another while for his disobedience and contumacy to be attached, and conveyed before him. At the length, feeing no way made unto the Apparitors, for

Virginus his  
words to Appi-

filled by  
er *Vir.*

more

elected *Marcus Oppius*, and *Sexus Manilius*.  
 The Senators being in great care for the Common-weal, fat in Councel every day: where they spent time often in wrangling and jarring, then in sage advice and politick counsell. The murdering of *Sicius*, the wanton lust and loose life of *Appius*, the shameful digresses received in the wars, were laid in the Decemvirs dish. At length they concluded, that *Valerius* and *Horatius* should go to the *Aventine*. But they refused and would not go, but upon condition that the Decemvirs would give up the Ensigns and Ornaments of that Magistracy and government, which by right they should have forgoen and departed from, a full year before. The Decemvirs were grieved and complained, thus to be set down & made no better then private men and laid flatly they would not be deposed from their place of rule, before those laws were fully enacted and confirmed: for which at first time they were created. The Commons having intelligence by *Dulcius* (who had been a Tribune of the Commons) that by reason of continual debate and contention in the Senat house, there was nothing done and agreed upon, removed from the *Aventine* into mount *Sacer*. For *Dulcius* ceased not to tuggett, and plainly affirm unto them, that the Senators and Ancients of the City would never finally think upon any care and provision to be made, until they saw the City abandoned and desolate: moreover, That the mount *Sacer* would put them in mind of the constant resolution of the Commons; and that they should well know, that matters would never be settled and brought to concord, without they reformed unto their power and authority again. So they take their way by *Noneswana Via*, which at that time was named *Ficulenſis*, and encamped themselves in the mountain *Sacer*; doing no harm to any creature as they passed along: following therein the modesty of their forefathers. The whole Commonwealth followed after the host: there was not one who for age was able to travel on foot, that drew back and tarried behind. Their children and wives bare them company. in piteous wise mourning themselves, and asking them: whereto they would leave them behind in that City, where neither their honest chastity might be guarded, nor yet their liberty secured and kept alive. When as now, by reason of his uncouth and strange delolation, all seemed at *Rome* waste and void,

The remon-  
strances of  
Horatius and  
Valerius, with  
others in the  
Senate, against  
the Decemvirs

and none to be seene in the pulc place, besides a :w of aged men when the Senators were H  
called into the Senate house, the common place appeared empty, naked and forlorn: then they  
were more besides *Horatius* and *Valerius* that cried out and said, What look you for fill my LL of  
the Councel? What? and if the Decemvirs will make no end of their peevish frowardness, will  
ye let things run at six and seven, until all come tumbling down, or be of a light fire? And what  
goodly dominion is this, that you embrace fo in your arms, that you clip and hold so fast? Will  
ye miniliter justice and give laws to empty houses and bare walls? Are ye not abashed and a-  
shamed, that there should be seene in the Place, a greater number well neer of your Lictors and  
Officers, then of gowned Citizens, and of all other men whatsoever? How and if the enemies  
should come against the City, what would ye do? Nay, what if shortly the Commons should I  
march in arms, seeing we weigh their infreccion and departure so lightly? Will ye, together  
with the ruin and downfall of the City, end your rule, and not afore? Well, to be plain, ye must  
either have no Commons at all, or else allow them to have their Tribuns again: there is no  
mean, there is no other remedy. Sooner shall we want our Magistrates of the Nobility, then  
they will be without their Patrons and Officers of the Commonalty. They wring and wrested  
from our forefathers that power and authority fire new, and whereof they had as then, no  
proof and experience: how think ye then, that having talled now the sweetness of it, they  
will endure the want thereof? especially seeing, that we our own selves are not of so tempe-  
rate carriage in our government and command over them, but that they have need of some suc-  
coud and relief. And when these and such like reasons were on all hands often alleged and laid K  
abroad, the Decemvirs overweighed with the general consent and unity of the house, promised:  
That seeing it was to thought good, they would be wholly ordered and ruled by the Senators.  
This only they beought at their hands, and admonished them of, by way of a proviso, that they  
would take order for the safety and security of their persons: and not by shedding their blood, to  
flesh the Commons, and to train them up, and acquaint them with exercising cruelty upon the no-  
bles and Senators. Then were *Valerius* and *Horatius* sent with commission to reclaim and call  
home the Commons, upon such condicions and capitulations, as they should think convenient:  
yea, and to let all things in good order and make a final composition, with a special charge to pro-  
vide for the safeguard of the Decemvirs, against the raging ire, and violence of the multitude.  
These mediators took their journey, and were received into the camp with exceeding joy of the L  
Commons, as being doubters, their very laivours and redeemers, approved both in the beginning  
of their troubles, and now also at the very end and upshot of all. In regard whereof, they were  
welcomed with thanksgiving. *Julius* was the mouth of the multitude, and their prolocutor. Who  
when they came to debate and reason about the articles of covenants, and that these Delegates and  
Committees, required of the Commons, What the demands and points were that they stood up-  
on? Being already provided aforehand of purpose what to say, demanded such condicions, as it  
was well seene, that they reposed more hope, and relied themselves rather in equity, and indiffer-  
ency, than in force of arms. For they require, *Imprimis*, to have the Tribuns power on foot again,  
and the appealing unto the people revived: which before the creation of the Decemvirs had been  
the only help and succour of the Commons. *Item*, that no man should be called in question, nor M  
any way touched in life, limb, or goods for gathering the souldiers or Commons together by way  
of commorion, for recovering again their liberties and franchises. Only, their demand concern-  
ing the punishment to be inflicted upon the Decemvirs, favoured of cruelty. For they deemed it  
meet and reason, that they should be yielded into their hands, and then they threatened to burn  
them quick with fire. To these Articles the Committees pake in this wile, "As for those capitu-  
lations, which upon counsel and deliberate advice ye have articulated, they are so reasonable and  
indifferent, that without your suit, they ought to have been offered unto you frankly and free-  
ly: for ye request to enjoy such things as concern the defence of your liberty and freedom, and  
maintain not your licentiousness, to the offence and hurt of others. But as to your ire and wrath,  
it is to be pardoned, rather then to be followed and yielded unto: as who, under colour of N  
hatred and detestation of cruelty, run headlong into cruelty: and before, in a manner, that ye be  
set free your selves, ye will be Rulers and Lords over your Adversaries. Alas the while, and will  
our City never be at rest, and cease from punishing: but that either the Nobles will scourge the  
Commons of Rome, or the Commons whip the Nobles? As for you, ye had more need of a shield  
[I was then a sword, Humbled he is enough, and too much humbled, who liveth in a City on given  
hand, and equal with others, under the same laws, neither doing nor taking wrong. And if e-  
ver at any time you mean to shew your selves dread and to be feared, when you have once re-  
covered your Magistrates and Ordinances again, when ye have the law in your own hands, to  
censure and judge according to your own discretion, then may ye give your doom of four lives  
and goods, as each cause requireth. Now for this time it sufficeth, that ye claim and have your O  
freedom again. Hereupon they all submitted themselves to the deputed Delegates, permitting  
them to do what they would. Who seeing they had brought all matters to go good a conclusion,  
promised to return with all speed. So they took their leave. And when they had declared to the  
Senators the demands of the Commons, all the rest of the Decemvirs, perceiving no mention  
at all made of their punishment (a thing more then they looked or hoped for) denied no one point  
thereof. But *Appius*, a man of a fell and cruel nature, and who above all the other was most odi-  
ous, and lay open to the malice of the people, and measuring the hatred of others toward him-  
self,

**The demands  
of the Com-  
mons in mount  
Sacer.**

The answer of  
*Valerius* and  
*Horatius* to the  
Commons.

A self by his own spleen that he bare against other men: "I wot well (quoth he) what ill fortune will  
betide me shortly; and I see plainly, that our adversaries hold off to wrangle and contend with  
us no longer than until they have weapons given in their hands. To satisfy their malice  
and hatred, we must part with our blood : nothing else will content them. For mine own part  
to renounce my Decemvirship I weigh not : neither pass I how long I do it. Then was an Act  
made by the Senat, that the Decemvirs out of hand should surrender their place : and that Q<sup>a</sup>*Fur-  
rius* the Arch-Bishop or High Priest, should create Tribuns of the Commons: should provide away  
expressly, that the mutiny of the soldiers, and insurrection of the Commons should turn no more  
to displeasure and harm. These Acts being passed, and the exceeding joy of all men, they resigned  
**B**road into the open place of assemblies, and there to the exceeding joy to the commons by the mediators  
up all their power and authority. Tidings hereof were carried to the commons by the mediators so  
accomplished : and look what peoplesoever remained behind in the City, went now forth to accom-  
pany them. As this multitude passed along forward, they were encountered upon the way, with aris-  
ping them as this company from out of the camp. Who rejoiced mutually one in the behalf of the o-  
ther joyful company from out of the city again. Then the mediators in the  
their, that both freedom and concord were restored to the City again. Then the mediators in the  
general assembly of them all spake and said : "To the great good, happiness and felicity of you and  
of the C. W. be it spoken, Return in Gods name into your own country, to your houses, wives  
and children : but see, that as ye have demeaned yourselves modestly in your way hither, hur-  
ting and spoiling no mans lands and possessions, notwithstanding the need ye were driven unto  
C of so many things, that ye carry the same moderation and stay of your selves homeward into the  
City. Go into the *Aventine* from whence ye came : and there for good luck like, where ye laid  
the first foundation & ground-work of your liberty, create ye shal your Tribuns of the commons;  
there, will the high Priest be ready and give attendance, to call an assembly for the grand Ele-  
ction. Great was the accord, alacrity and cheerfulness, that they shewed in approving all that  
was propounded. So from thence they turn their standards and ensigns, and as they march'd to  
Romę, they strove with all they met on the way, who could hear most joy and gladness : they  
came through the City armed as they were, yet peaceably and without noise, until they came  
into the *Aventine*. Where the chief Priest immediately held the \* Comices, in which they created  
for T<sup>r</sup> of the C. first and foremost L. *Virginius*, next after him, L. *Icelius*, and P. *Namitori*; Uncle  
by the mothers side of *Virginia*: all authors of their insurrection and departure : then C. *Sicinius*,  
D descended from him in right line who was the first Trib. of Comm. created in mount *Sacra*, (as  
we find in records) and M. *Dullius*, who before the chusing of Decemvirs, had right worthily,  
and notably born the Tribunship, and in all combats and commotions with the Decemvirs, stuck  
close to the Commonalty and never failed them. After these were elected, morrifee how then a  
former deierit, M. *Tittinius*, M. *Pomponius*, C. *Apronius*, Ap. *Juluus*, C. *Coppio*. Then C. *Ici-  
nius* immediately in the very entrance into the Tribunship, preferred a bill unto the Commons:  
and the Commons enacted it. That the departure and injuretion of the common people against  
the Decemvirs should not be laied to any mans charge, nor bring him into trouble. Then without  
farther delay M. *Dullius* went through with an act of his own, to wit, That there should be Con-  
E suls created, with reservation of liberty to appeal unto the people. All theie things passed in the  
Comices of Commons, assembled in the meddows named *Flaminia*, which now they call *Circus  
Flaminius*.

Decemvirs resign up their government.

Tribuns of the Commons created again.  
\* A general assembly for election of Magistrates.

Consuls elec-  
ed again.

*Flaminii*,  
Then, by an Inter-regent were Consuls created, *L. Valerius* and *M. Horatius*, who presently began their government. Whole popular Consulship, as it was without wrong doing to the Senators and Nobles, so it was not without some offence committed of their part: For whatsoever was provided for the liberties of the Commons, they suppoled it abridged somewhat of their power and authority. And first and foremost, whereas it was a question and controvertise not well cleared in law, Whether the Nobles were bound to stand to the Acts of the Commons, they made a law now in a general Session by the suffrages of the Centuries, That what ordinance soever the Commons (being parted by Tribes) had by their voices granted, it should comprise and bind the whole body of the people. By which law, the Tribuns also were armed with a most sharp and keen weapon to strike withal. Moreover, The other Consular law concerning Appeal, the only sort and strength of liberty, which by the Decemvirs absolute power had been overthrowen, they not only revive again, but also forthie the same for the time to come, by making a new law, forbidding exprelly that no man should create any magistrat absolutely without the liberty of appealing; and whosoever should create any such, he might rightfully and lawfully be killed, and that murder should not be counted a capital crime. And when they had sufficiently strengthened the Commons, on the one side with the benefit of appealing, and on the other side with the Tribuns power in favour of the Tribuns themselves, that they also might seem sacrosanct and inviolable, a thing now almost grown out of remembrance) they renewed that high privilege, with certain solemn ceremonies which having been of long time laid aside & neglected, were now brought up again and put in use. And they ordained them to be inviolate as well in a reverent regard of religion and scruple of conscience, as also by a special law in that behalf provided: namely, that whosoever hurt either Tribuns of the Commons, Editors, Judges, or Decemvirs, his head should be accused and devoted to *Jupiter* and his family sold in port-sale at the Church of *Ceres, Liber, & Libera*. By virtue of this Act, the great Exploiters of the law deny that any man is sacrosanct or inviolable: but (say they) it is enacted only, That whosoever hurt any of them, shall be accused. And

\* Proserpina,  
secundum Ar-  
nob. & Cic.



And therefore, an *Ædile* may be attached and led away to prison by superior Magistrates. Which H although it be not warranted by law (for he is hurt, who by this law ought not to be hurt) yet it is a good argument to prove, that an *Ædile* is not inviolable. Marry, as for the Tribuns, they were indeed by virtue of an ancient oath of the Commons, at what times they first created that power and authority, inviolable: as they would seem to expound and make construction of the law. Others have been, that thus open and interpret the law. That in this self same Act of *Horatius*, the Consuls also, yea, and Pretors too, because they are created by the same auspices or bird-signs that the Consuls be) were comprised, and had the benefit thereof. For a Consul is called by the name of a Judge. But that exposition is confused, for that in those days it was not the manner to commit a Consul a Judge, but the Pretor only. And thus much concerning the Consular Laws. I

The same Consuls also brought up this order and custom, that all the Acts of the Senat should be brought into the Church of *Ceres*, and presented unto the *Ædiles* of the Commons: which aforesome time were suppressed and smothered, yea, and corrupted or perverted at the will and pleasure of the Consuls. After all this, *M. Duilius* a Tribune of the Commons, propounded unto the Commons a Law, and they let it pass and granted it, That whosoever should leave the Commonalty destitute of their Tribuns, or create any Magistrate absolute without Appeal, should be scourged, and lose his head for it. All these Acts, as they passed against the wills and minds of the Nobles: so they went clean without their contradiction: for that, all this while hitherto, there was no rigour and severity that seemed to extend and reach to any one particular person among them. But afterwards, when as both the Tribuns power, and also the Commons freedom, were once K well and surely grounded: Then the Tribuns, supposing now it was full time, that they might safely and without peril give the oner upon them, severally one by one, made choice of *Virginius* to be the first accuser or plaintiff, and *Appius Claudius* the first defendant. And *Virginius* had not so soon arrested *Appius* to answer at a day, and *Appius* came down into the Common place, guarded with a company of tall young gentlemen of the Nobility: but presently upon the sight of him and his guard about him, the remembrance of that most cruel and detestable tyranny was refreshed and renewed. Then *Virginius*: "Speeches (quoth he) and Orations were devised for doubtful

*Virginius his accusation of Appius.*

"causes: and therefore will I neither spend time in accusing him before you, from whose cruelty ye have by force of arms delivered your selves: nor suffer this wretch, over and besides his other wicked pranks, to shew in the defence of himself his audacious impudence. Therefore, as touching all other lawful parts of time and wicked designments, O *Appius*, which thou hast for these two years ungraciously and impiously enterprized and practised one on the neck of another, I will do thee some favour, and pardon thee: but for one crime only, unless thou canst acquit thy selfe the better, namely, that thou being the Judge, against all order of Law, didst not grant unto the party defendant, the benefit of liberty to go at large, during the time of the suit depending, until he might bring proofs of her freedom: for this, I say, I command thee to prison. Now had *Appius* no hope at all, either in the Tribuns helping hand, or in the doom and judgement of the people. Howbeit he both called upon the Tribuns for succour: and also seeing himself tugged and haled away by the officer, and no man to stay his hand: I appeal (quoth he) unto the people. This one word in maintenance of freedom, being heard to come out of that mouth, that lately had given sentence on his side that impeached the freedom of one, and challenged the party for bond, caused silence. And when every man to himself secretly muttered in this wise: "I see well (when all is done) there are Gods in Heaven, and such Gods as neglect not the affairs of mortall men. Pride and cruelty (although it be long first) at length will surely have a fall, and thoroughly be punished. Lo, how he is now faine to appeal, who aforesome abolished and took away all appeal: he humbly craveth relief of the people, who heretofore trod under foot all rights and franchises of the people: and see how he is carried to prison, destitute and deprived of the benefit of liberty, who awarded and adjudged a free body to bondage and servitude. Amidst these words, I say, that might be overheard in that confused humming of the assembly, *Appius* also was perceived to call unto the people of *Rome* for relief and mercy. He reckoned N up, withal, the defects of his ancestors in the behalf of the C. W., both at home in the City, and abroad in the wars: he alleged his own unhappy affection (when time was) to the Commonalty of *Rome*, and partaking with them: and namely how with the exceeding displeasure of the Nobility, he reigned up his Consulship, and all for to bring in and establish equal and indifferent laws to both parties. Here he rehearsed moreover his own laws, which notwithstanding they remained still in force and strength, he, the law-giver himself, was going to prison. But concerning his own private parts and defects good or bad, he would then make trial thereof (he said) when he should be permitted judicially to make his defences for the present time, he pleaded the common benefit of the City, to wit, that being a Citizen, he might at the appointed day, speak for himself & stand to the doom of the people: neither feared he the hatred & malice of men so much O as to repose no hope at all in the equity and mercy of his neighbors and fellow Citizens. But and if he were cast into prison and not suffered to come unto his answer, then he would once again call upon the Tribuns of the Commons for their help, and admonish them, not to follow and imitate them, whom they would seem to hate. And in case the Tribuns will be known and avow that they are linked in the same bond and covenant: to abolish and take away the benefit of calling unto any one of them by way of mediation against which they have charged & blamed the

*Appius moveth the people in his own behalf.*

"Decemvirs for complotting & agreeing together: then he said, that he appealed unto the people, and

A "and had recourse for succour unto the laws concerning appeal, made as well by Consuls as Tribunes, that present year and no longer ago. For who may ever hereafter (quoth he) have benefit of appeal, if it be not lawful for me, who stand yet not condemned, nor attained, and have not pleaded formerly self? what Commoner, what mean person may find relief by those laws, if *Appius Claudius* may not? It will be seen in me, and my example shall be a precedent and proof to others. Whether by these new statutes, lordly rule, or equal liberty be established: whether the calling for help by way of mediation & intercession, or by plain appealing against the wrongful proceedings of Magistrates, be granted in every deed, or but only pretended in bare show, under vain colourable pretences and foolish Letters Patents. Against all this, *Virginius* made his rejoinder and said, That *Appius* was the man alone exempt out of all benefit of laws, and excluded from all civil and humane society. "Let men but look back toward the tribunal seat, the very well-head, as it were, and receptacle, the fortress and hold of all wickedness: whereon that perpetual Decemvir practising his cruelty upon the goods, the bodies and lives of free citizens, menacing whipping and executing hangmans work unto all persons: a contemner both of God and man, guarded with crue of executioners and butcherly tormentors, rather then Sergeants, proceeding on from spoil and bloodshed to let his hate on leachery & carnal lust, plucked a maid by birth free, from out of the very arms of her father, as if he had been taken captive in war: and that, in the sight of the people of *Rome*, and gave her away to one of his followers, even to a groom of his bed-chamber. Where, by a cruel decree of his, and detestable sentence, adjudging C her bond, he caused the father to lay violent hands upon his own daughter: where he commanded, the eipoused Husband and Uncle of the Virgin (that took up her body half dead) to be had away to the Gaol, as being more displeased with them, for disappointing and putting him beside his purpose of abusing and spoiling her, then for the murder upon her by them committed. Adding moreover and besides, That he had built a prison, which he used to tearm, The habitations on and dwelling house of the Commons of *Rome*. And therefore, plead he ever and anon, and as oft as he wil, his appeal, I will not give over (quoth *Virginius*) but as oft tender a judge between, and be able to prove, that he gave no sentence, and pronounced her free, but bond: but in case he will not abide to be censured by a competent judge, then I command him to be carried to prison, as attaint and convicted. Thus was he committed to ward: and as there D was none milked of this proceeding, so every man was greatly troubled in spirit, to see so great a personage punished, and the very Commons themselves thought their liberty too large & excessive. The Tribuns let him down a day (before hand) to plead for himself and make his answer.

The replication of *Virginius* upon *Appius*.

Amid these affairs, there came to *Rome* Embassadors from the Latins and Hernicks, to congratulate, and to shew their joy and great contentment, for the unity and concord between the Nobles and the Commons: in token whereof, they brought as a present unto *Jup. Opt. Max.* a crown of gold, not very massive in weight, but according to their ability, which was not much, yet answerable to their devotion: which men performed rather with religion and zeal in those days, than in portly show and magnificence. By relation and intelligence from them they were certified also that the *Æquians* and *Volscians* prepared war with all the power they could make. E Whereupon, the Consuls were commanded to part their provinces between them, To *Horatius* befall the Sabins, and to *Valerius* the *Æquians* and *Volscians*. And when they had proclaimed musters against these wars, such was the forward affection and favour of the Commons, that not only the younger folk, but also a great sort of these that by law were dispensed with, and discharged from warfare, and lived of their pensions, offered their voluntary service, and were ready to enter their names into the muster-Masters book: whereby the army was not only in number greater, but also for the goodness of men, more plentiful, as having the old, beaten, and experienced soldiers among them. But before they went out of the City, the Decemviral laws (which now are known by the name of the twelve Tables,) they set up openly to be seen, engraven in brais. Some writers have delivered, that the *Ædiles* performed this office, as they had it in charge from the Tribuns. C. *Claudius*, who upon a detestation and deep hatred of the Decemvirs levied wicked enormities, but especially above all others, of the insolent pride of his brothers son, which he could no longer abide, had removed and departed to *Regillus*, his old native country. He being now a very aged man, returned to sue and intreat for his deliverance out of danger, whose vices he abhorred: and in fullied weed and poor array, accompanied with those of his lineage, and other his followers and vassals, went through the common place, and laboured every man one by one, "Beseeching them not to set that brand of iniquity, and bring such a stain upon the house and name of the *Claudius*, as that they should be thought worthy of imprisonment and irons: nor suffer a man of most honourable quality, a singular pattern of Nobility to his posterity in time to come, the Law-maker and founder of the Roman laws, to lie in chains among fellows, night-thieves and robbers by the highway side: but to turn away their minds a while from anger and wrath, and incline to a due regard and consideration of matters: and rather at the suit and earnest petitions of so many of the *Claudius*, to forgive them one man, than for the hatred of one man to reject the prayers of so many suppliants. As for himself, he protested that he did thus much for kindred and names sake. Neither was he reconciled unto him and they made friends again: yet could he wish, that his adverse fortune and poor condition were relieved. Concluding with this in the end, that as their liberty was recovered again, by virtue & prowess, so the concord of all degrees & estates might be established sure by clemency, Some

*Appius com-  
mitted to pri-  
son.*

The Laws called the twelve Tables.

C. *Claudius* his petition in the behalf of *Appius Claudius*.





*Apdus* killeth  
himself.

*Oppius* dieth in  
prison.

Some there were whom he moved, more in regard of his own kindness and love, than in any respect of him for whom he spoke. But *Virginia* prayed them, "To take pity and compassion rather, of him and his daughter; and to give ear to the prayers and supplications, not of the *Claudians*, who have had the day, and tyrannized over the Commons but to the merest friends of *Virginia*, the three Tribunes, who being created for the aid and succour of the Commons; do now themselves implore and beseech the help and assistance of the Commons. And verily their tears were thought more reasonable, and like to speed. Thus when *Appius* laid all means of hope cut off, before the foretold day appointed was come, killed his own self. Soon after this, *Sp. Oppius*, who of all the rest next unto *Appius*, was most hated: for that he was in the City at the very time when this unjust doom and sentence of his Collegue hapned to be pronounced, was attacked by *P. Numitorius*, But *Oppius* was the worse thought of and more prejudiced, by occasion of an injury by him self done, then for not stopping the wrong intended by *Appius* to *Virginia*. For a wretchedness was produced to depole against him, one, who having served in the wars seven and twenty years, had been rewarded and honoured extraordinarily eight times. This valiant survivor, thus adorned with thole gifts and marks of valour, in the view and sight of the people of *Rome* rent his garments, and shewed his back and sides, and the skin all broken with scourging: beseeching no other favour, but if *Oppius* the party accused, could justly charge him with any trefpases and offence by him committed, he should not spare him, but now a private person as he was, exercise and redouble his cruelty upon him once again. Well, *Oppius* likewise was had to prison and there before the law day, ended his life. The goods of *Appius* and *Oppius* both, the Tribuns did confiscate. Their com-partners and fellow Deceitfulls their country and were, banished, and all their goods also were forfeit & confiscate. And not so much as *M. Claudius* the party that laid claim unto *Virginia* escaped, but he was arrested to answer at a certain day, and was condemned. Howbeit *Virginia* of himself released him his life, and would not take the extremity, so he was sent away and confined to *Tybur*, as it were into banishment. Thus the poor spirit and ghost of *Virginia* more happy after her death, than fortunate during her life, having wandered abroad, and haunted so many houses for due revenge of her adventures: at last, when there was not one guilty person of them left unpunished, gave over her walking, and rested quiet.

Now were the nobles in exceeding fear, beholding the same countenance already in the Tribunes, which they had observed in the Decemvirs. But then *M. Duellius*, a Tribune of the Commons, wisely and politically restraining and keeping within a mean this excessive power of theirs: "We have enough (quoth he) both of our own liberty, and also of revenge of our enemies: and therefore I will not suffer for this year, any man more to be arrested or imprisoned. For I do not like that old faults done and paid, and now as it were cancelled and raised out, should be revived again, and brought in question, since that by the punishment of the Decemvirs, satisfaction hath been made for the new; and the continual care and diligence of the Consuls both twin for the maintenance of your freedom assureth me, that nothing will be committed hereafter, that may require and need the power of the Tribunes. This moderation at the first hand of the Tribune, put the Nobles out of their fear: but made the Consuls to be thought the worse of; for that they had been so addicted, wholly to the commonality in that a Magistrate of the Commons had more regard of the safety and liberty of the Nobles, than the proper Magistrate of the Nobility: and because the adverse part had their iud of revenge and punishment of the Nobles, before it did appear that the Consuls would endeavour to stop the course and stream of their licentiousness. And many there were who gave it out, that the Consuls bare themselves too remiss and slack in the matter, and little respected the good and credit of the Nobles, in that they had approved & confirmed the Acts that were propoled by the Tribunes. And no question, troubled as the state was then of the C. W. they were forced to give place, and do according to the necessity of the time.

When the Confuls had fet all things in good order within the City, and furely grounded the flate of the Commonalty, they went ether of them into their own Province, *Valerius* againft the armies of the *Æquians* and *Volſcians*, which now had joined together in *Algidum*: where full politically he held off, and flood upon his defence only: for if out of hand he had put it to the hazard of a battel, I cannot tell, but I greatly doubt, confidering how the hearts of Romans and enemies both, were affected precifely upon the unfortunat conduct of the *Decemvirs* it would have turned to their great lofs, and coft them an overthrow. He therefore having encamped a mile off from the enemies kept his foldiours within the camp. The enemies ranged in battel array took up the whole ground between both camps, & when they made bravado's, and challenged them to come forth and fight, nor one Roman would anfwer them again. At length the *Volſcians* and *Æquians*, weary with long ftanding fill, and in vain expecting battel, thinking verily that the honor was in manner yielded unto them, departed: fome into the country of the *Hernicks*, other fome to the territories of the *Latins*, for to raiſe booties and make ſpoil: leaving behind them rather a competent guard for defence of the camp, than a fufficient power to maintain a field fight. Which when the Conful perceived, he paid them again with the like meafure of fear, as they before had from them received: and with his army rarely embattelled, bid them battel: who being prickt to themſelves what forces were wanting, forbore to fight: whereupon the Romans preſently took a better heart unto them, and made account that their enemies were overcome, being in ſuch a fear within their rampart. When they had flood thus a whole day ready to fight, they retired back in the evening and gave place to the night. And the Romans full of good hope, reſrefhed

A their bodies and made much of themselves , but the enemies nothing so hearty and courageous, send out messengers every way in fearful haste , to call again the foragers . Such as were near at hand came running back into the camp : those that were farther off , could not be found nor met withal : Now when it was once day light , the Romans issued forth of the campingintende to give an assault upon the Rampier , unluckily they could come forth and fight . But when it was far forth day and the enemies stirred not at all , the Consul commanded to advance with their engines . The Aquians and Volscians seeing their battell coming forward , began to chafe and take foul disdain , for very shame that their rampier and valour defend them in plain and open field ; and were earnest compaigner than their weapons and trench should protect victorious armies within this

Bilkewise themselves with their Generals for their high rank, and every man coming orderly into his file and rank. By which time, the Roman Cosl, being the baire of the enemies flood surely furnished with their full strength, came on till mane and that came abroad, being a multitude, waving (as it were) to and fro every way for fear, and looking about themselves, and to their fellows: (as it amuze their troubled heads the more, he affails them with a great shout and main violence. As affitt the enemies gave back: but after they had gathered their spirits together, and were come again to themselves, and that their Captains on every sidered them, and asked them whether they were ready to fight again: the fight began again to be redoubled.

they would yield unto them, whom before they had overcome; the night following he said thus was the first mued, "The Consul on the other part, willed the Romans to remember, that this was the first day, wherein they being newly set free, were to fight likewise as the freed City of Rome: and therefore they were to win a victory for themselves, and not after victory gotten, to be a prize for any more Decemvirs to prey upon. For they thought now under the conduct and command of Appius, but of the Consul Valerius: who as he was descended from the deliverers of Rome, so he was one of them himself: exhorting them to shew now, that in former battels of late days it was long since he led leaders and not of theouldiers, that they achieved no victories: saying, it were a shame for them, to have had more Romack against their own neighbours and citizens, than heart against their enemies; and to have food more in fear, than love abroad. As for Virginia, she was but one, whose honesty

D<sup>o</sup> of servitude at home, than of bondage abroad. As *tuus* *regnum* was really, and none but he, that in  
and chastity was in time of peace hazarded: and *Appius* it was really, and none but he, that in  
regard of his unbridled and discoloured lust, was the dangerous citizen. But if the fortune of war  
should fail on our side, and go against us, then shall our children all be in jeopardy, to be aban-  
ded and spoiled at the hands of many thousands of enemies. Unwilling I am (quoth he) to  
preface such miseries and to prognosticate to the City those calamities, which both *Jupiter*  
and our Rock-father *Mars*, forbid and hinder to light upon it, founded upon so lucky signs and  
happy foretokens, at the first beginning: I put you in mind rather of the *Aventine* Hill, and  
Mount *Sacer*: that where within these few months you recovered your freedom, thither ye  
may carry back again your Empire, life and found, unfeignedly after the banishing of the De-

E may feather Roman soldiers are as forward and nobly mimed after the valiant  
 5 cenvirs, as they were before their creation: and that by the bringing in of equal and indiffe-  
 10 rent Laws, the manhood and prowess of the people of *Rome*, is no whir decayed nor dimi-  
 15 nished. Having uttered these words among the ensigns of the foemen, he made speed to the  
 20 corners of the Fortlemen. Go ro, brave gallants: (quoth he) excel the foemen in valour and  
 25 and chivalry; like as ye exceed them in honor and degree. At the very first shock and en-  
 30 counter, the foemen forced the enemy to retreat: and being now retired to your hand, fer-  
 35 spurs to, gallop after them apace, and chale them out of the plain field: they will never abide  
 40 your violent charge: for even already they are at a bay, and hand their arms at a stay, than make  
 45 any resistance. Hereupon they gird out lightly, and run their hories among the enemies, dif-

Ordered already, and in dismay by the service of the footmen, And having broken through them in ranks, and passed forth even to the rearward: certain of them cast about in the void and open ground, and when the enemies were about on all sides to fly, they turned most of them away from their camp, and overriding them, they got between them and home, and scared them wholly from thence. The footmen and the Consul himself, with the whole strength of the main battell made forward to the camp, assailed the tents, won them, and besides a great slaughter, obtained booty inoreater.

When news of this battle was brought, not only into the City, but also to the other army into the Sabins country, it was received in the City with joy only and solemnity: but in the camps it let the soldiers hearts on edge, and enkindled them to strive for the like honor and renown. Now had *Horatius* already proving by sending his soldiers forth, to make incursions and outrages and partly by training and proving them in light skirmishes, endured and acquainted them to trust to themselves, and have confidence in their own good service; rather than to remember the shameful disgrace and foil, received under the leading of the Decemvirs. And even those small bickerings had done them much good already against they should venture upon a field, and hearted them up assured hope to win the victory. The Sabins again for their part, still lusty upon their good success the year before, caused not to provoke and urge their enemies: very oft asking them what they meant after the guise of robbers, to run in and out in small companies, so to trifle on

The Oration  
of *Valerius* the  
Consul to his  
soldiers.

Hurting the  
Consul to his  
soldiers.

the time, and thus by peace meal to make of one entire battel many petty and small skirmishes? Why rather fought they not one field for all, and without more ado, hazzard all upon a cast and commit the whole to the trial of fortune, to see unto what side the will incline. Then the Romans, besides that of themselves they had gathered heart and courage enough, were with the indignity of this challenge also set on fire: considering, that when the other army was at the point now, with victory to return into the City, their enemies began to insult and crow over them with reproachful terms: and if now they were not meet and even with them, when should they ever be able to make their parts good? So soon as the Consul perceived the soldiers thus to murmur and mumble within the camp, he assembled them all together, and thus he spake: "Sirs (quoth he) what successe hath been, and how the service hath sped in *Algidum*, I suppose you have all ready heard, namely, such as befecmed the army of alrestate and people. By the policy of my fellow Consul, and the manhood of his soldiers together, achieved the victory. As for my self, that couric will I take, and that resolute mind will I carry, which you my soldiers shall afford unto me. The war may be drawn out in length profitably: it may be also dispatched and ended speedily: If protracted it shall be, look how I have begun already to train you, with the same discipline till I will exercise you, and bring to pass, that your hope and prowes may encrease every day more then other. If your hearts now serve you wel, and that you like to fight it out, Go on in the name of God, and in token of your willing heart and valorous prowes, now let up such a cry and shout, as you will make when you first join battel, and give the charge. After that they had with exceeding cheerfulness shouted aloud: God bleis us all (quoth he) I will fulfil your desire, and bring you forth to morrow into the field for to fight. So the rest of that day was bestowed in making their harness and weapons ready. When the morrow was come, the Sabins so soon as they perceived the Romans ranged in battel array, came forth also themselves, as ready and desirous of fight, as they. Here was a battel struck, such as might becom two armies, that trusted on both sides in their own valour, and made full account of that days honour. The one eager and greedy to recover their ancient glory, wanted evermore to have the upper hand, the other proudly bearing themselves upon a new victory lately achieved. The Sabins besides, mended their strength wel with a stratagem, for when they had equally divided their battalions every way, they relieved two thousand drawn out of the rest, extraordinary without the ranks apart. Who in the very time of the conflict, should hotly charge the left point of the Romans: L they advancing overhew them with their ensignes, & flanking them on the one side, pressed shrewdly upon that one point, and overcharged it, for asbath they were, that horsemen should be put to double service in both kinds of fight, on horse and on foot: and professed footmen not able to countervail the horsemen, who had taken them to their feet. So they advance forward to the battel, which on their part was abandoned, and make haste to recover the ground which they M had lost. And in a trice, at one instant, not only the fight was renewed, but also a battalion of the Sabins began to shrink. The horsemen closely among the ranks and files of the footmen, gat again to their horses, and from thence rod speedily unto the other side, reporting to their fellows the victory: and withal, sharply charged the enemies, who now were affrighted, because the stronger wing of their side was discomfited: neither were there any in this battel also, that were seen to perform better service then they. The Consul, as an overseer, beheld all the manner of it, praising those that stood to it manfully, and rebuking where they fought but faintly. They were not so soon chafited and reproved, but presently they bare themselves like hardy men, and did right good service: and look how much that praise excited some, so much shame stirred up others. Then with a fresh shout and outcry, they bent their whole force on all sides, and compelled the ene N mies to turn their backs: who were not able after this, to abide the violence of the Romans. The Sabins scattered here and there all over the fields, left their tents for a spoil to their enemies: where the Romans recovered again not the goods of their Allies as before in *Algidum*, but their very own, which they had lost by the foraging and spoiling of their lands.

For this two-fold victory achieved in two sundry battels, the Senat right sparingly (such was their misery) decreed in the name and behalf of the Consuls, one days thanksgiving and procession, and no more. But the people, the second day likewise, without order and warrant from authority, solemnized the same in great numbers. And this popular procession, disorderly as it was, and without formality, was with more good will and better affection of men celebrated, then the other. The Consuls of set purpose (as it was agreed afore) came within the compass of those two O days into the City: and summoned the Senat to assemble in *Mars* field: where, as they were about to make some speech of their exploits and worthy acts, the chief and principal Lords of the Senat, complained and shewed themselves grieved, that the Senat was assembled on purpose, among the soldiers, to strike a terror into them. Whereupon the Consuls, because they would give no occasion of quarrel and fault-finding, called away the Senat from thence into *Prata Flaminia*, where now the Temple of *Apollo* stands, a place which even then they called *Circus Apollinaris*: where they being denied triumph with one voice and general consent of the nobles, L. *Acilius* a Tribune

A a Tribune of the Commons, propounded unto the people, to know what they thought of the Consuls triumph. And among many that stepped forth to cross and disswade the bill, C. *Claudius* above all others cried out aloud, that the Consil, intended to triumph over the Nobles, and not over their enemies: and that they sought a thank by way of recompence for a private favour done to the Tribune, and not for an honorable reward, for any virtue and worthy act. For never (quoth he) aforetime, was there held any treaty of triumph before the people: but evermore it was referred to the Senate, to consider and determine of that honor. Neither had the Kings at any time, impaired the Majesty of that highest Court and degree: what should the Tribunes then meddle so much, and have their hand in all matters by virtue of their authority, as to suffer no publick B council at all to remain in force? For a City can never be counted free, nor Laws equal and indifferent, but when each degree and estate retaineth till their own privilege, and hold their proper pre-eminence. When the rest of the principal Senators had spoken much to the same effect all the Tribes notwithstanding in general, allowed by their suffrages that which the Tribune had propounded. This was the first time that ever any triumph was granted by the voyces of the people, without the authority and assent of the Senators. But this victory of the Tribunes and the commonalty had like to have turned to a dangerous surfeit of licentious liberty: reason that the Tribunes conspired together and were fully agreed, to be chosen Tribunes again: and to the end that their own ambition should be less seen above others, they alleged to the Consil, for a sufficient reason (that they likewise should continue still in place of government) the agreement and consent of C the Senators: through whose holding together and drawing in one line the liberties of the Commons, to the great disgrace and reproach of the Consuls, were mingled and indamaged. For what would come of it, say they, if before the late Laws were fully established the (new) Consuls with their factious banding, should set upon the new Tribunes: for we must not look to have always such as the *Horatij* and *Valerij*, to be Consuls: men that would not regard their own weal before the freedom of the commonalty. As it hapned very well for that time, it fell to *M. Duilius* his lot especially, to be chief President of the Comices and Election: who like a prudent and wise man, forcing the heart-burning and hatred, like presently to ensue, upon the continuance of the same Magistrates still in place, said flatly, that of the old Tribunes he would not propound any one: and when his brethren in office laboured earnestly with him, to permit the Tribes to go to a free D scrutiny or else yeeld up the charge to him allotted, of holding the assembly, unto his brethren, who would keep the same and manage the matter, according to Law rather than to the will and pleasure of the Nobles: *Duilius* then, seeing their earnest contention, caused the Consuls to be called into their own pines and seats, and demanded their minds concerning the Election of the Consuls: and when they answered that they would create new, he having once got them to be the authors of a popular sentence, and not popular themselves, went forth together with them into the assembly of the people. Now when the Consuls were brought out into their preference, and were asked the question, what they would do, in case the people of *Rome* should elect them Consuls the second time, and that, in remembrance of their liberty received and recovered by their means, and for their good service in war, and worthy acts by them performed: he finding them constant in the E same mind still, and nothing altered from their resolution: after he had commended the Consuls, for their steadfast perseverance unto the last (as altogether unlike to the Decemvirs) went presently to the new Election. And when he had created five Tribunes only, seeing there were notorious competitors enough to reach unto sufficient voyces of the Tribes, in comparison of the other nine Tribunes his colleagues, who openly stood to be chosen again: he brake up the assembly, and from that time forward called no more about any Election. For he said, that he had fulfilled the Law in that behalf, which without setting down any precise and definite number of Tribunes, so that there were some left behind, and rooms void, gave authority to those that were created, to chuse and take unto them more colleagues, to make up the number. And therewith he recited the words of the Law, which ran in this form, If I shall propound ten Tribunes of the Commons to be F created, and they shall this present day make fewer than ten: they by virtue of this Law, shall be accounted Tribunes, whom those elected shall chuse and take unto them for their fellows, and as lawful shall they be held, as those whom this day ye shall elect Tribunes of the Commons. Thus when *Duilius* persisted still resolute unto the end, saying, That in any case the state might bear five and twenty Tribunes, and having thus conquered the greedy ambition of his colleagues: with great favor and the good liking as well of the Nobility as the Commonalty, he gave up his room. The new Tribunes now in the electing and making choice of their companions, offered favour with the Senators, and framed themselves to their will and pleasure, in chusing to them two of the Nobility, and those that had been Consuls, to wit, *Sp. Tarpeius* and *An. Aternus*, and Consuls there were created, *Sp. Herminius* and *Titus Virginius* *Calinianus*. Who bearing themselves in a mean between Commons and Nobles, and not greatly inclining to one side or other, had peace as well at home as abroad. *Lu. Trebonius*, a Tribune of the Commons, being highly offended with the Senators, and spitefully bent against them, and saying withal, that in the cooption of the rest of the Tribunes he had been cunningly over-raught by them, and betrayed by his colleagues, proposed a Law, That whosoever hereafter propounded unto the Commons any Tribunes to be elected, should not give over; but still propound, until he made up the full number of ten. Thus continued he all his Tribunship in persecuting and molesting the Nobles, never letting them to be quiet: whereupon he was surnamed \* *Asper*.

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After this, *M. Geganius Macrinus*, and *C. Julius*, being created Consuls, appeared the contentious Orations of the Tribunes, which were begun and raised against the young Gentlemen of the Nobility, so as without any bitter invectives against that authority of the Tribunes, they preferred still the sovereign Majesty of the Nobles: and by means of decreeing mutters against the wars of the Volscians and *Æquians*, stayed the Commons, and kept the City from all sedition and discord: saying, That by civil unity, all would be at quiet abroad: whereas through discord of citizens, forainers took heart. The care likewise of outward peace, was the cause of inward and intestine concord. But evermore the one state disquieted the moderation of the other: for whilst the Commons were still and in good temper, the pious Senators began to offer them wrong and hard measure. And when the Tribunes would have assisted the weaker side, at first it booted little, and small good they did: but afterwards they themselves escaped not without abuse and hurt: and especially in their latter monthes, when as they received injuries, both by reason of the meetings and packing together of the mightier sort, and also for that toward the end of the year, the edge and vigor commonly of all authority waxeth dull and groweth feeble and weak. So that now the Commons had little or no confidence at all in the Tribuneship, unless they might have such as *Julius* to be Tribunes: and as for these two years last past, they had them but in bare name, and not to any effect and purpose. The elders and ancient fathers of the Senate on the other side, as they believed verily that their youth were too forward and lusty: so they were of this mind, That if there needs must be trepals and excess, they had rather those of their own degree and coat should exceed measure, and have greater stomach, than their adversaries. So ticklish and dangerous a thing it is to keep a mean in maintenance of liberty: whilst under a colour of withholding and desiring equality, every man advanceth and lifteth up himself so, as that he thrusteth and beareth down another: and in pretending a care and regard that men should not stand in awe and fear of them, they make themselves dread and fearful to others, and so the wrong that we put off and turn from our selves, we impose upon others. As if there were no remedy, but that we must either do, or suffer injury.

Then were made Consuls, *T. Quintius Capitolinus* the fourth time, and *Agrippa Furinus* who found neither sedition within, nor war without. But yet both the one and the other was near at hand. For now could no longer the dissention of the citizens be held in, but needs it must break out. And both Tribunes and Commons rose against the Nobles. For in all the assemblies and meetings of the people, one or other ways of the Nobles and Senators were served with procel: whereupon grew fresh troubles and new contentions. At the first noise whereof, as if the signal of battle had been given, and the alarm stricken upon the *Æquians* and Volscians took arms and withal, their Leaders and Captains (such as gaped greedily after spoil and pillage) had born them in hand and persuaded them to believe, That for these two years past, they could not go through with their musters proclaimed: for that the Commons refused to obey, and brake their allegiance: which was the only cause that there were no forces sent out against them. Besides say they, The use and manner of their warfare, is now with their licentious looseness, discontinued and clean decayed: *Rome* was now no more a common-wealth and country to her citizens: For, all their anger, quarrels and malice, that they bare aforetime against foreign nations, was now turned upon their own selves: so that at that time they had fit occasion and good opportunity to surprize them, blinded as wolves with mutual rage and fury one against another. Hereupon they joyed their whole power, and first wasted the country of *Latium*: and afterwards seeing none to encounter them and make defence (to the exceeding joy of those that were the authors of this war) they came foraging and spoiling all the way to the very walls of *Rome*, even before the gate *Æsquiline*, there braving and vaunting in reproachful and scornful terms before the whole City, telling them how they had laid their fields and territories waste. From whence they retired themselves without revenge and loss, driving their booties afore them and marched along to *Corbio*. *Quintius* the Consul seeing this, assembled the people, and there (as I have heard) he made to them a speech in this wise. "Albeit I am not privy to my self, and my conscience accuseth me not of any fault. O *Quirites*, yet am I exceedingly abashed and ashamed to come forth into this assembly of yours: that ever you should know, or the posterity hereafter understand, how the *Æquians* & Volscians (who of late dyes were hardly comparable to the Herennicks) came when *T. Quintius* was the fourth time Consul, in warlike manner with banner displayed to the walls of the City of *Rome*, & went their ways again clear and without any hurt by them received. This shameful dishonor, if I had known it, would have light, so just in this year (and yet for this good while the world hath so gone, and such hath been the course of our life and conversation, that my mind ever gave me there was no goodness toward) I would have avoided this place of dignity, either by banishment or death, if there had been no other way to escape it. And might indeed have *Rome* been taken in the time of my Consulship, if those weapons which were under our gates had been in the hands of valorous men? Then had I indeed enjoyed sufficient honor already, then had I lived long enough, and a little too long, and might have dyed well when I was but the third time Consul. But who were they. I pray you, whom these most bale and cowardly enemies of ours, despised and set so light by? Were we they that are your Consuls, or you (*Quirites*) the people of *Rome*? If we were, in the fault, take from us an insufficient & unworthy persons our rule and government, and if that be not enough, let us over and besides be well punished and abide the smart. But if the blame be in you *Quirites*, let neither God nor man chastise your trepals and offence, only do you repent

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The Oration  
of *Quintius*  
the Consul, to  
the people of  
*Rome*.

A "your selves, and be sory therefore. It was not your cowardlie that they scorned and despised, neither was it their own valour wherein they trusted. For why? they having been so often decreed and driven out of the camp and the field, fined with forfeiture of Lands, forced to go under the gallows, and brought into servitude. Knew very well both themselves and you also. No, no, the variance and discord between our own states and degrees, is the only bane, and nothing else, of this City: the jarrs and debates, I say, between the Nobles and the Commons. Whiles neither we have any gage or stay of rule and command, nor you know mean of freedom and liberty: while you are weary of Noble men rulers, and we likewise of the Commoners Magistrates, they gave gotten heart, and wax bold. Now, (Gods will) what mean you to do, and what would you have? Tribunes of the Commons yelonged and fought after: for quietness and concord sake, we let you have your longing, Decemvirs you had a great misel of, and them you desired: we granted and permitted them to be created. Weary you were anone, and all too weary of Decemvirs: we forced them to forgo their office. And when your anger continued still against them, being become private persons again, we suffered to be put to death, and to be exiled, most noble and right honorable men, when you would needs elect anew your Tribunes of the Commons, you chose them at your pleasure. To create Consuls from out of your own faction, although we knew it hurtful and prejudicial to the Nobles, yet have we seen that dignity proper to Nobility given away as it were, and made common with the Commonalty. The assistance of Tribunes, the appealing to the people, the Laws and Acts devised by the Commons, to be tendered and imposed upon the Nobles, to bind them there to: and that under the pretence and colour of *Isomni*, or equal and indifferent Laws, our own rights and privileges should be overthrown, we have abidden, and do still endure. When will there be an end once of discord and dissention? Shall we never have one City of it? Shall we never have this to be the common Country of us all? We can be content much better to be at quiet, when we are vanquished, than whiles we are victors. And is it not enough for you, that you are dread and feared of us? but still you seek for more? Against us it was, that you took the Mount *Aventine*, against us it was that you held and kept the Mountain *Sacer*. For when the gate *Æsquiline*, was well-near surprised by the enemy, and when the Volscians our enemies were ready to climb our trench and banks, and to scale our walls, none of you there was to be seen, for to remove and let them farther off. Against us ye play the men against us ye can be armed. Well then go to: When ye have here before the Senate-house, taken up the market place and common Hall with soldiery, filled the goal with Noblemen, and those of the chieftest and best quality, then with like courage and stoutness of heart, sally forth of the gate *Æsquiline*. Or, if you dare not venture so much, behold and view all afore you from the walls, discover your Lands and territories with fire and sword wasted & consumed, your goods and cattel had and driven away as booties and prizes, your farms and houses burning and smoking in every quarter. But all this time the Commonweal only (you think) by this means is in worse plight and poorer case, the villages fired, the City besieged, and the enemy goeth his way with the honor of the war, And in what taking, I pray you, is your own private estate the while? Tidings will come anon to every man particularly, from out of his own livings and possessions, of his proper losses and what have you at home (if a man may ask) to make supply again? Will the Tribunes make you restitution, and amends for all your damages? You shall have words of them your fill. They will not stick to speak to rail, and let fly slanders freely before you against the heads of the City. Laws upon Laws you shall have heaped thick and threefold. Assemblies, convocations, and seditious invectives good store. But from the their assemblies, never came there any of you home to his house, richer of one gray goat or single denier, nor in better state to live than before. Was there ever any one carried ought from thence to his wife & children, but hatred and malice, displeasure and rancour, grudges and heart-burnings, both publick and private? From which at all times ye have been shielded and defended if not with your own vertue and innocency, yet by the help and aid of others. But certainly, when ye served in wars served I say in camp, and not in the Hall and commonplace when in battle your enemies quaked to hear you shout and not in your assemblies, the Romans were in dread of your arms and outcries: then you won prizes, and conquered Lands from your enemies, then you returned home with triumph to your houses, full of riches and wealth full of honor and renown as well publick as private. Whereas now, you suffer your enemies to depart, fraught and laden with your goods. Stick to your Ward-Lectes, as if you were nailed and fast pinned to them: dwell still in your Hall, and lead your lives continually there: yet must you needs war when all is done, fly from it as fast as you can. Grieved it you indeed, and thought you it a trouble and painful thing, to take an expedition so far as into the Volscians and *Æquians* country? Lo, the War is come even unto your gates: if it be not put from thence, it will anon be within the walls, it will cal the Castle and Capitol. It will follow you, even into your houses. Two years ago, the Senate gave order and commanded that there should be soldiery mustered, and an army conducted into *Agger*. But we sit still at home & do nothing, but chide & scold (as it were) one at another like curst and froward women, contenting our selves, and joying in a present peace, and little seeing, that of that rest, there will come sundry wars again, and that right shortly. I know full well, there are speeches more pleasing & plausible than these. But to speak the plain-truth for your good rather than to flatter and looth for your pleasure, if mine own nature and disposition did not teach and









"We shall have then the *Canulians* and *Scilians* to be our Coss. But *Jupiter* (that great good God) forbid, that ever the Royal and Imperial Majesty, should come to that low ebb or de-  
 "perate pail: dye they would a thousand deaths rather, than suffer so great a shame and indigni-  
 "ty: knowing this assuredly, that their ancestors also, if they had once suspected or foreseen,  
 "that by granting the commonalty every thing as they desired, they would not have proved  
 "more lovely and cheerful towards them, but rather more churlish and untractable: and when  
 "they had obtained their first suits, to proceed still to demand worse and worse, one thing after  
 "another: they would sooner have endured at the first, any contending and debate whatsoever,  
 "than suffered those hard conditions to be imposed, and put upon them: and because they had  
 "once relented, that Tribuns should be created, therefore to grant them again the second time.  
 "So that as now, there is no quietness with them, nor end of quarrels will be none, so long as  
 "one and the self same City, Tribuns and Senators remain together. Nay verily, either this state  
 "must be put down, or that office utterly abolished. And better late than never, to withhold  
 "and meet with their rash and desperate boldness. What? shall they without controulment, first  
 "sow discord at home, and then stir up foreign wars abroad? and afterwards, against those wars  
 "which themselves have raised, debar and hinder the City, for to take arms and defend it self?  
 "and when as they have as good as sent for the enemies to come to their doors, then, nor suffer an  
 "army to be levied against them. But let *Canulius* (if he dare) speak these words out in the Se-  
 "nate. That unless the Nobles suffer his laws, as if he were a Conqueror to be admitted and re-  
 "ceived, he will stay the multering? For what else is that, but to threaten that he will sell and  
 "betray his country, and suffer it to be assailed and lost? What encouragement will such a word  
 "give as that, I say not, to the commonalty of *Rome*, but to the *Volkians*, *Aequians* and *Veien-*  
 "tians? Will not they hope, under the conduct of *Canulius*, to be able to scale the Capitol and  
 "the Castle, if so be the Tribuns shall take from the Nobility their courageous hearts, as they have  
 "bereaved them already of their right, their honor and dignity? Let him know therefore, that  
 "the Consuls are ready, first to shew themselves to be Captains and Leaders, against the mischie-  
 "vous practices of their own citizens, before they will make head against the armed forces of  
 "their enemies? Whiles these matters were debated of with great contention and heat in the  
 "Senate house, *Canulius* for the maintenance of his laws, and to cross the Consuls, made this O-  
 "ration unto the people. How greatly the Nobles have defiled you, O Quirites, how unworthy  
 "they have ever thought you, to live among them within the walls of one City, me thinks I have,  
 "as often heretofore, so now especially and most of all perceived: in that they have risen up alto-  
 "gether so fiercely to check and withstand our proposed laws. "Wherein, what pretend we else,  
 "but to tell them and put them in mind, That we are, as well as they, citizens: and although we  
 "are not of the same wealth, yet we inhabit the same country with them? In the one, we request  
 "marriage: a thing to borderers, yea, and to forraign nations usually granted: and to speak of our  
 "selves, we also have afforded even to our conquered enemies, the benefit of our City, which is  
 "far more than marriage. In the other, we move no new matter, but only claim again and chal-  
 "lenge that, which is the peoples right, to wit, that the people of *Rome* may bestow their offices  
 "and dignities, upon whom they please. What reason have they then, I pray you, to set all on an  
 "uprove, as if Heaven and Earth should go together? and what is the cause, that erewhile I had  
 "like to have had violence offered unto me in the Senate? What moved them to break out and  
 "say, they could not forbear nor keep their hands from me, and threaten to abuse and violate the  
 "sacred authority of the Tribuns? Set case that the people of *Rome* may have their free voices  
 "and suffrages, to elect the Consuls whom they will, and that no Commoner be denied, so he be  
 "worthy of the highest place, for to obtain the sovereign dignity. How then? cannot this City  
 "possibly stand any longer? and is our Empire come to an end for ever? And all one is (be like)  
 "and importune as much, to disable a Commoner, for being made Consul, as if a man inferred, that  
 "a bondman or a freed libertine should become Consul. Per give you not yet (my Masters) in  
 "what contempt you live? They would, if they might, bereave you in some measure of this day  
 "light: that ye breath and speak, that ye have the shapes of men, they think much, they repine,  
 "and it goes to their heart. And what else? They give it out flatly and say (if God will) it is un-  
 "lawful, that a Commoner should be a Consul. I beseech you hear me a little. If we may not be  
 "allowed to read the Chronicles, nor to peruse the High-priests records and registers, know we  
 "not those things then, that even all strangers know? namely, That Consuls entered in place of  
 "Kings, and succeeded them, and have no other right, prebeminence or dignity at all, than Kings  
 "had before? Think ye that men have never heard, that *Numa Pompilius* a man not so much as  
 "a citizen of *Rome*, much less then, a Patritian and Nobly descended among them, was sent for  
 "out of the Sabines country, and by the peoples voices, and the assent of the Nobles, created  
 "King of *Rome*? Also afterwards, how *L. T. Tarquinius*, who was no Roman born, nor, not yet so  
 "much as an Italian, but the son of *Demaratus* the Corinthian, a stranger inhabitant at *Tarquinius*,  
 "and from thence removing, albeit King *Anclus* his sons were living, attained likewise to the  
 "crown? Moreover how *Servius Tullius* after him, the son of a captive woman of *Corniculum*,  
 "whose father was unknown, whose mother a bondwoman, through wit and vertue, obtained  
 "and held the Kingdom? For what should I speak of *T. Tatius* the Sabine, whom *Romulus* him-  
 "self, the father and founder of this City, admitted to reign together with him? Well, so long as  
 "no stock was disdained, no race rejected, wherein appeared sparks of vertue, the Romans Em-  
 "pire

The Oration  
 of Canulius to  
 the Com mons,  
 against the No-  
 bility.

A "pire became mighty, and flourished. Scorn ye then at this day, a Consul out of the Commo-  
 "nalty, when our forefathers despised nor Kings that were aliens and strangers? No, nor when  
 "the Kings were expelled, was this City denied and shut against forreiners, that were valorous, and  
 "men of action. The kindred and whole name (I am sure) of the *Claudis*, after the Kings were  
 "exiled, we not only admitted into our City, from out of the Sabins, but also received into the  
 "number of the Patritians and Noble men. And may a meer forraigner indeed become a Noble  
 "man, and to a Consul? And shall a Citizen of *Rome*, if he be of the Commonalty, be wholly dia-  
 "bled and out of all hope for ever of being Consul? Tell me I pray you, Think ye it not possible,  
 "that a valiant and hardy man, approved both in war and peace, being one of the Commons,  
 "may prove like to *Numa*, *L. Tarquinius*, or *Servius Tullius*? and if he do, whether shall we suffer  
 "him to govern the Common-wealth, or no? And whether will ye have our Consuls, such rather  
 "as the *Decemvirs* (the most wretched and wicked persons under the sun, who, by your leave,  
 "were at that time of the Nobility) than strangers and new-comers, which of all the Kings  
 "were simply the very best? But forsooth, presently after the KK, were deposed and expelled,  
 "there was not one of the Com, a Consul, What of that? ought no new thing to be ordained,  
 "and which hath not been already taken up afore? For many things have not yet been practised,  
 "(as in a state newly incorporate) ought not such then to be put in use, if they be thought expen-  
 "dient? While *Romulus* reigned, there were no Bishops nor Augurs: by *Numa Pompilius* they  
 "were created. There was no Sessing of the people at all in the City, no description of Hundreds  
 "and Claffes, By *S. Tullius* they were instituted, Coss, were never heard of before: when the KK,  
 "were driven out, they were elected. The time was, when neither the absolute rule nor yet the  
 "name of a Dictator was known. In our fathers dayes it first began, Tribuns, *Ediles*, *Questors*  
 "there have been none: it was ordained they should be made. Within this ten years, we have  
 "both created and also abolished out of the common-wealth, *Decemvirs* for the making and pen-  
 "ning of our laws. And who doubteth, but in a City founded for ever to endure, and increasing  
 "still infinitely, there will be brought in new Governments, new Priest-hoods and sacerdotal  
 "dignities, new privileges both of kindreds and private persons? And even this one thing in  
 "question, to wit, that the Com, and Nobles might not joy in marriage, were not the *Decem-*  
 "virs they that first within these few years made that Edict? A most shameful enflame and pre-  
 "cedent in a free state, and tending to the manifest wrong of the Commons. Can there be any  
 "greater or more notorious injury, than that there should be in a City one part and member, as  
 "desiled and polluted, thought unworthy of the bond of marriage? What else is this, but to suffer  
 "exile and confining within the same walls, when they debar us that we should not be either al-  
 "lied in affinity or knit in kindred? They provide (forsooth) and take order that blood should  
 "not be mixed, nor families confused. How then? If this do pollute this great gentry of yours,  
 "which most of you descended from the Sabins and Albans, have not by night line from the Pa-  
 "tricians, but by cooption and election into the number of the Nobles, as being chosen either by  
 "the favour and grace of the Kings, or else by the peoples voices after the KK, were expelled:  
 "could not your wifedom have kept your blood uncorrupt by some private means and provi-  
 "sion, namely, by taking heed neither to espouse wives from among the Commons, nor to suffer  
 "your daughters and sisters to be married to any other than Nobles? No commoner (ye might  
 "be sure) would have forced a daughter of any noble house: no, these infolencies of lascivious  
 "lust are appropriate to Gentlemen only of the Nobility: none of us would have compelled any of  
 "you against his will, to make covenant and contract of matrimony. But I wot, that by an ex-  
 "press law it should be forbidden, and that marriage between Nobles and Commons should be  
 "condemned, that is it, which to the commonalty is a plain contumely and open injury. And  
 "why confer ye not and lay your heads together, that the rich may not marry with poor? That,  
 "which at all times and in all places, hath been a matter left unto particular policy and confide-  
 "ration; namely, That into what house soever a woman call a liking and fancy, there she might  
 "be married: and into what family a man obliged himself by word, promise and covenant, from  
 "thence he might take a wife: even that, restrain ye within the bonds of a most proud and tyrannical  
 "law: whereby ye might break in (under all civil society, and of one City make twain. Why  
 "forbid ye not by a positive Law, that a commoner should not dwell by a Noble-man, or go the  
 "same way that he doth, or frequent the same feast, or converse in the same market or common  
 "place of assembly? For in effect what difference is there, if a Gentleman marry a commoners  
 "daughter, or a commoner espouse a Gentlewoman? What right I pray you or condition of state  
 "is thereby changed? surely the children still take after the father. Neither seek we for any thing  
 "else by matching with you, but only this, that we may be reckoned in the number of men and of  
 "citizens. Neither is there any cause, why you should so contend and stand upon it (unless it do  
 "G "you good to cross and take a pleasure to exercise your selves in working us disgrace and shame.)  
 "Finally I would gladly know whether the sovereign government of the state resteth in you or in  
 "the people of *Rome*? When the Kings were driven out, got you thereby to your selves Lordly  
 "soverignty, or purchased all men equal liberty? It must needs be granted, that the people of  
 "*Rome* may at their pleasure publish and ordain a law. And will ye then as soon as any law what-  
 "soever, is by them proposed, appoint a multer presently for their punishment? and as soon as I  
 "that am Tribun, shall begin to call the wards to give their voices, shall you that are Consuls, by  
 "and by swear all the younger sort, prels them to warfare, lead them forth into the field, and  
 "menace

"menace the Commons: menace I say the Tribuns also? What? If ye had not twice already good experience, how little these goodly threats of yours prevailed against the Commons, when they agreed and fluck together, it were somewhat. Will ye say, that ye forbore to strive, ye rendered our good, and for pity spared us? Nay rather, to say a truth, was not this the cause that no fray was made. For that their longer side was also the more cool and modelder of the twain: Neither (O *Quintus*) will there now, I warrant you, be any combat, nor blows dealt: they will all ways ally and found, what stomacks and hearts ye have, but never will they feel your fits, and try how keen your words be. Therefore to these wars (be they falsely pretended, or truly indeed reported) O ye Consuls, the Commons are ready prett to follow you: provided always, that by granting them liberty of mutual marriage, ye will make at length this City one: that they may be linked, joynd and united unto you, by private alliance and affinity: that hardy and valiant men may have hope and possibility, to honors and dignities: that they may be allowed fellowship and society in the Common-weal: Finally, that (which is due unto equal liberty) they may one with another in alternative course, obey annual Magistrates, and be obeyed again in their turns. If any of you shall gain say and with stand these conditions, prate fill and talk at your pleasure of wars: multiply and make them as many and as great as ye will: There is not one shall give his name, nor one shall take arms, nor one shall fight for those proud Lords, whom they can have neither fellowship of dignity in the Common-weal, nor alliance of marriage in private estate. Now when as the Consuls also were come forth into the open assembly of the people, and that they fell on all hands from continued and long Orations, to short dispute and altercation: the Tribuns demanded why a commoner might not attain to a Consulship? Unto whom the Consul returned an answer, as to the substance perhaps truly, so for the present contention not very wisely and to the purpose: Namely, because that no commoner had the Auspices: which was the cause why the Decemvirs ordained distinct marriages, left upon a doubtful issue, there should follow a troubled confusion of the Auspices. But heretofore, the Commons stormed and stamped most of all: that as odious men unto the immortal Gods, they were flatly denied and deemed unworthy to observe the flight and singing of birds. And never gave they over their heats of clamorous debate (whiles the Commons had gotten unto them a most sharp Tribun to set them a work and were themselves in obduracy no whit behind him) until at length the Nobles were overcome and driven to grant, that the Law as touching marriage should pass: supposing by that means especially, that the other Tribuns would either clean give over their suit for making commoners Consuls, or at least wise put it off, until the war were ended: and that the Commons in the mean while being well pleased and contented with marriage among the Nobles, would be willing and ready to levy a mutter. *Claudius* for this his victory over the Nobles, and for the favours he gat among the Commons, became a great and mighty man. Whereupon, the other Tribuns were kindled to the like combat: and for the proceeding of their Law also, endeavour'd with all their might and main. And albeit the rumour of the war encreased daily more and more, yet they hinder the levy of souldiers. The Consuls seeing now that no decree and order could pass the Senate-house, by reason that the Tribuns interpoled their negative voice: took counsell together with the chief of the Nobility at home in their private houses. And well they saw that they must yield either the victory to their enemies, or the buckler to their own citizens. Of all the Senators that had been Consuls, only *Valerius* and *Horatius* were not present at these counsels. *C. Claudius* his opinion was, That the Consuls should put themselves in arms against the Tribuns: But the two *Quintus*, *Cincinnatus* and *Capitolinus*, abhorred all bloodshed and violent proceedings against those, whom by a solemn covenant made with the Commons, they had received and accepted for to be as sacrosanct and unviolable. But in these counsels they grew to this point in the end, that they suffered military Tribuns of equal power with the Consuls, to be created indifferently from out of the Commons and Nobles: provided always, that as touching creation of the Consuls, there should be no alteration from the old manner aforetime. And herewith were both Tribuns and Commons well satisfied and contented. A general assembly therefore was proclaimed for the choosing of three Tribuns in Consuls authority, which being once published: forthwith as many as had spoken or done ought tending to sedition, and above all others those that had been Tribuns of the people, began in their whited robes to take hold of men and run to and fro about the common place labouring for this dignity. At the first, the Nobles partly in despair of obtaining the place (seeing the Commons so set a store) partly for disdain and indignation to bear any honourable office jointly with them of so base condition, were scared and affrighted from standing therefore: at the last (but they were forced thereto first by the heads and the chief Lords of the Senate) they were content to be competitors and suiters for the dignity: lest they might seem to be fully excluded forth of the possession of the Common-weal, and leave it entirely for the Commons. The event and effect of this Court, shewed plainly, that mens minds are otherwise affected in contending about liberty and dignity, than presently after such contentions laid away, they are in weighing and judging aright without passion and affection. For the people satisfied herewith, that there was some account made of the Commons, and that they were not shut out, elected military Tribuns all of the Nobles. This modelly, this equity, this noble mind where shall a man now advance find in one person. which then was to be seen in the whole people? In the three hundredth and tenth year after the City of Rome was founded, were the first military Tribuns created, that bare office in the room of the

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A Consuls, to wit, *A. Sempronius Atratinus*, *L. Atilius*, and *C. Caelius*: in whose government, concord at home caused also peace abroad. There be writers, who affirm, That upon occasion of the Veientian war, and the rebellion of the Ardeates, because two Consuls were not able to manage so many wars at once, therefore were three military Tribuns chosen: without making any mention of the Law published, concerning election of Consuls of the Commons: and that they were in, elected both in the jurisdiction, and also in the ornaments of the Consuls. However, the exercise of that government, stood not fast and sure, nor continued long. For within three months after that they entered, they forewent their office, by a decree of the Augurs, as if there had been some error in their creation. It was alleged that *C. Curiatius*, who was President of that Court of Election, had taken his quarters amidst for the observation of the lucky signs by flight of birds, and not according to the Augurs skill.

There came from the Ardeates to Rome, Embassadors, complaining of wrong received, in these terms: That if it might be redressed, and amends made, and their grounds restored, they seemed willing to abide still in league and amity. Answer was made them by the Senate, that the judgment of the people, already passed, could not be reversed by the Senate, if it were so: nothing else but for concord sake and agreement of the States: besides, they had neither any precedent to lead them thereto, nor Law and authority to warrant them. Marry, if the Ardeates would wait their times, and put to the Senates arbitrement and direction, the redress and easement of their injury pretended, it would come to pass, that in process of time they should not repent of governing their passions, and bridling their choler: and should well know, that the Nobles had a good regard, that there should no wrong be offered unto their friends, as they were careful, that if any were offered, it should not long continue. Thus the Embassadors, promising, to make a true report unto their citizens of the matter, wholly as it was: were friendly dismissed, and had their discharge.

The Senators seeing now the Commonweal, without any foreigner Magistrate of the chair and of State, went together, and made an Interregent: and whiles they strove whether Consuls or Tribuns should be created, the Interregent continued many days. The Interregent and the Senate laboured, that there should be an Election of Consuls: the Tribuns on the other side, and their Commonalty, were for the Tribuns Consul. But the Senators prevailed, because both the people seeing they were to confer the one office or the other, upon the Nobles, refused to strive any more: and also the chief of the Commons, chose rather to have that Election, wherein they should not be once propounded, than wherein they were sure to take the repulse, as unworthy. The Tribuns also gave over to contend any longer to this purpose, and without effect, seeming thereby somewhat to gratify and please the LL. of the Senate. So *T. Quintus Barbatus* the Interregent, chose for Consuls *L. Papirius Mugilanus*, and *L. Sempronius Atratinus*. Whiles these were Consuls, the league with the Ardeates was renewed. And this is the only evidence and proof, that they were Consuls that year, for that neither in the ancient yearly records, nor in the Calendars of the Magistrates, they are found at all. I take it, because the military Tribuns were created in the beginning of that year: and therefore, although these Consuls were in their stead chosen, yet their names were left out, as if the other had remained in office the whole year.

E *Licinius Macer* affirmeth, that they are mentioned both in the composition with the Ardeates, and also in the linen books or registers in the Church of *Juno Moneta*. Albeit there had been so many terrors and bravados, threatened from the borderers, yet both abroad and at home, all was quiet. And whether Tribuns only, or Consuls also chosen in the room of Tribuns governed in this year: certain it is, that the next following, had Consuls *M. Geganius Macerinus* the second time, and *T. Quintus Capitolinus* the fifth time. This was the very year when the Censors office came up fifth. A thing that rose of a small beginning: which notwithstanding afterwards, increased to that height, that it had government of the manners and discipline of the Romans: and under the jurisdiction thereof, the Senate and Centuries of the order of knights, the distinction of worship and shameful disgrace, were reduced. Likewise, the survey of publick and private Edifices, Fyres, and the tributes, revenues and subsidies of the people of Rome were at the disposition, ordering, and direction of that office. The beginning of which thing arose upon this occasion: For that the people in many years space had not been assailed and numbered, and seeing the Censle could be deferred no longer, nor the Consuls (by reason of wars, from so many nations imminent) had leisure to go about and accomplish that business: the Senate therefore made a motion, that the charge being painful, and not for the Majesty of Consuls to busy themselves in, required a special Magistrate, and a peculiar officer by it self. Under whom should attend the Secretaries and Clerks: who likewise should have the keeping and charge of the rolls and publick records: and at whose discretion should pass the seditious and instruments of all Assessments. The Senators therefore accepted gladly of this overture, although it were but a trifling matter: yet because there should be the more Magistrates of the Nobility. Supposing (I ween) it would come to pass, as (it proved indeed) that shortly the power and wealth of those, who bare the office, should win more authority and credit unto the thing. Yea, and the Tribuns also made no great ado, but suffered it to pass, being an office (as it was in truth, no other at that time) rather of necessity and attendance, than of show, port, or honor: because they would not seem to be cross and peevish in every small matter. When as therefore this dignity was of the principal of the City required, the people by their voices chose to that Office, *Papirius* and *Sempronius*, of whose Consulship there was some doubt: to the end, that by that office they might supply and make up the

Military Tribuns first created, without Consuls authority.

Consuls chosen again.

Censors first created,

the defect and misis of a Consulship. And of the exercise and function it self, Censors were they called.

While these things were a doing at Rome, there came Embassadors from *Ardea*, craving as well in regard of their most ancient amity, as also of the late league renewed, their helping hand for their City, which was undone and overthrow. For, peace (which wisely and by right good advice they had kept and maintained with the people of Rome) they might not enjoy at home; by reason of insward debate and domestical quarrels. The cause and beginning whereof, as it is reported, arose from siding and factions, which have been and will be to most States more pernicious, than forrain wars, than famine or plague, or other adversities, which men attribute to the anger and wrath of God, as the extremity of all publick calamities whatsoever. There was a maid, a Commoners daughter and no better, by birth, but for her rare beauty of singular note and passing renown: whom two young men were suiters unto. The one of the same condition or estate that the maid was of, and who relied upon her guardians and tutors, who also were of that degree and calling: the other a Gentleman, enamoured on her, only for her beauty. As for him, he had the good wills of the best in the City, by whose means the strife of partaking, entred even into the house of the Damofel. For the Gentleman in the Mothers judgment, was the more welcome and better liked of, whose desire was, that the maid should be preferred by marriage, and be most worshipfully beloved. The Guardians also banded themselves, and laboured for their party. But when as the matter might not be ended within doores, it came to suit in Law. And when the zealous and allegations were heard, both of the Mother, and also of the Guardians, the Judges pronounced sentence of marriage to be at the disposition of the Mother. But might prevailed more than right. For the Tutors aforesaid, openly in the market place of the City, having amongst those of their party and faction, complained of that injurious award, with a troupe of men by force, let the maid out of the Mothers house. Against whom arose a stronger power of the gentry, and following the young Gentleman, who was incensed and set on fire upon this injury offered. Whereupon ensued a cruel fray. The Commons being defeated, went forth (far unlike to the Commons of Rome) armed as they were out of the City, and took for their hold a Hill, and invaded the Lands of the Nobles with fire and sword: and having gathered to them a multitude of Artificers and handicrafts men, whom in hope of spoil they had called forth, they purpose and prepare to besiege the City also, which aforesaid had been altogether unacquainted with the like storms. In such sort, as no kind of calamity that followeth war, was wanting: as if the poor City had been tainted, infected, and poisoned: with the furious madness of two brain-sick young men, seeking a wofull and deadly marriage, with the utter ruin and destruction of their native Country. And neither part thought it enough to war and fight at home among themselves. For the Nobles solicited the Romans for to rescue their besieged City: the Commons stirred up the Volscians, to help to force and sack the City. The Volscians under the conduct of *Equus Cluilus* came first to *Ardea*, and against the walls of their enemies, raised a countermure, and cast a trench, and blockaded the Town round about. Which tidings being brought to Rome, forthwith *M. Geganius* Consul, went forth with an army, and incamped himself three miles from the enemies: and the day being now far spent and drawing toward night, he commandeth his souldiers to refresh and make much of themselves, and take their rest: and afterwards as the relief of the fourth watch, he brought forth his ensigns, set his men to work, and sped his business once begun, so that by the sun-rising, the Volscians might see themselves invetted more streightly by the Romans, then the City beleaguered by them. And on another side the Consul had joynd a force to the wall of *Ardea*, by which way his souldiers might go and come in safety. The Captain of the Volscians, who had to that day prepared no viuals, but sustained his army only with the corn which he had for the present from day to day robbed by foraging the Country, seeing himself intrenched, and of a sudden to be destitute of all things, called the Consul forth to emparle, saying, That if the Romans coming was to raise the siege, he would remove and dislodge from thence. To which again the Consul made this reply, That vanquished men were to take, and not to make Articles of Conditions: neither should they, as they were come at their pleasure to assault the allies of the Romans, so depart again when they list to *Volsci*. He commandeth therefore to yeeld their General, to lay down their weapons, confessing themselves overcome, and to be at his devotion. Otherwise he would be a bitter and mortal enemy unto them, whether they departed or tarried still, and carry home to Rome the victory of the Volscians, rather than their faithles peace. The Volscians, when they had assayed that small hope they had in their weapons (for all hope else was cut off) besides all other things that were cros unto them, encountered in a place of great disadvantage for fight, but worse for flight: and seeing themselves on every side beaten down and slain, turned from fighting to intreating, delivered up their Captain, yeilded their weapons, were driven under the Gallows, and in their single doubler and hose with great shame and calamity, were led up and sent away. And sitting them down to rest themselves, not far from the Town *Tuscanum*, the Tusculans upon an old grudge and hatred against them, set upon them thus disarmed and naked as they were at unawares, and were to meet with them, that scarcely there remained any one to carry news of their ill day and unfortunate overthrow. Then the Roman Col, appealed the troubles at *Ardea*: beheaded the chief Captains of that commotion, and confiscated their goods to the common chest and Chamber of the Ardeats, And so, by this great favour and benefit of the people of Rome, they supped the injury of the former arbitrement was done away and recompensed: But yet the

A the Senat of Rome, thought somewhat behind still for the cancelling of the memorial of publick avarice. The Consul returned, triumphing into the City, leading *Cluilus* the Captain of the Volscians before his chariot, with the spoil born afore him of the enemies, whom he had disarmed, and brought under the yoke. *Quintus* the Consul again for his part, in his long robe and gown of peace, countervailed (a thing not usually seen) the glory of his Colleague in his bright armor: who had so great regard at home to entertain concord and peace among the Citizens, by ministering justice indifferently, as well to the highest as to the lowest, that the Senators reputed him a severe Consul, and the Commons accounted him as meek and gentle a person. And more he won at the Tribuns hands by countenance and reputation, than by contention and debate. His five Consulships wherein he carried himself after one and the self same manner and order: the course of his whole life, ever Consul-like, caused his perion to be in a manner more revered than his honourable place. By this means, whiles these were Consuls, no words were made of military Tribuns. Then created they for Consuls *M. Fabius Vibullanus*, and *Posthumius Ebutius Cornicen*. These Consuls, by how much greater and more glorious the acts both at home and abroad, were achieved by those, whom they saw they were to succeed (and surely that year was right memorable among the borderers, as well allies as enemies, and namely, because the Ardeats in so hard distress, were by them succoured so much the more earnestly endeavored for their part, to raise out of mens minds the infamy of that judgement aforesaid, and made an Act and Decree of the Senat in this form, That for as much as the City of the Ardeats, by reason of Civil troubles, was dispeopled and brought to a small number of Citizens, there should be enrolled certain inhabitants to be sent thither for a Garrison, and defence against the Volscians. This was openly ingrossed in publick Tables, and Instrumments, for a policy, that their secret intent and purpose of reverting and disannulling the arbitrement, might not be perceived by the Tribuns and the Commons. But they closely complotted, that when they had enrolled a far greater number of Rutilians than of Romans, for to inhabit *Ardea*, neither should any other lands be divided, but those which by that infamous and unhoneft award were intercepted: nor that one foot or clod of ground should be assigned to any other Roman, before the whole lands were parted among all the Rutilians. Thus the domain that had been in question, returned again to the Ardeats. The *Triumvirs* for the conveying of a Colony to *Ardea*, were created these, *Agrippa Menenius*, *T. Claius Sicius*, and *M. Ebutius Helus*. Who, besides that, they offended the Commons by their dirty service and nothing popular, in regard, that they assigned and let out to their allies, that land which the people of Rome judged their own, were not well thought of neither, by the chief of the Nobility: because in the execution of their charge, they did nothing of affection, and for favour. Howbeit they avoided all troubles and dangers that were toward them (albeit they were accused by the Tribuns before the people.) For when they had registred and placed the Coloners, they remained ill themselves in the same Colony, which they had as witnesses of their innocency, and just dealing.

In this year, and the year following, when *Caius Furius Pacilius* and *Marcus Papirius Crassus* were Consuls, there was peace at home and abroad. The plays which had been vowed by the Decemvirs, according to the Senats decree, during the time of the Commons insurrection and departure from the Nobles, were this year set forth. *Petilius* fought for some occasion of sedition, but in vain. Who being made Tribune the second time, albeit he harped still upon one string and threatened the self same things that he had before, yet he could not bring about, that the Consuls should propole unto the Senat, concerning the division of lands among the Commons: and when as with great ado he had obtained thus much, that the Senators should be moved and their opinions asked, whether they would have an election of Consuls or Tribuns (Consular) determined it was at length, that Consuls should be chosen. So, that the menaces of the Tribune, that he would hinder the matter, was a ridiculous matter of game: seeing that when the borderers were at quiet, there was no need either of war or preparation for war. After this great quietness of the State, followed a year (wherein *Proculus Geganius Macerinus*, and *L. Menenius Lanatus* were Consuls) forundry calamities and perils memorable: namely, Seditions, Famine, and hazard of receiving upon their necks the yoke of Kings rule again and that, by the sweetness of a Largess. There wanted only forraign war: wherewith if the Common-weal had been afflicted too, hardly could the help of all the gods above, have recovered the State. These calamities began with hunger. But whether it were, for that the year was unseasonable for corn, or that they were so in love with the plausible and feditious Orations, and of the City it self, that they slighted and neglected the Tillage of their ground, it is uncertain. For both the one and the other is reported. The Lords of the Senat blamed the idleness of the Commons: and the Tribuns of the Commons laid the weight, one while upon the fraud and naughtiness, another while upon the negligence and remissions of the Consuls. At the last the commons enforced and drove the people (but not against the will of the Senate) to chuse *L. Minucius* Master of the provision or principal purveyor of corn and viuals: a man who in that office proved more lucky to preserve the liberty of the City then happy in the exercise or ministry of his charge: albeit at the latter end, he deserved and had, both praise and thanks, for bringing down the price of Corn. Who, notwithstanding many Embassages sent both by sea and land, to the neighbor nations round about, and all to little purpose (ut that our of *Hetruria* there was brought some little sprinkling of Corn) nothing eased and mended the Market: and therefore he turned again to the dispensing or dealing the present dearth indifferently

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indifferently among all, by forcing every man to confesse what corn he had, to open his garnets, H to bring it forth, to vent and sell that, which he had more then would serve a month. But when by this practise, and by defrauding servants a portion of their daily food, and by accusing the corn-mungers and exposing them to the furious ire of the people, he had with all his hard courtes and sharp inquisitions rather laid open then eased the present need and necessity: many of the common people despairing of all hope, rather then they would live thus miserably tormented, pining and wearing away in hunger, covered their heads, and threw themselves headlong into Tyber. Then Sp. *Melius* by calling a Knight or Gentleman of *Rome*, a man (as in those days) exceeding rich, entertained a thing, commodious I must needs say, but a dishonest precedent of dangerous consequence, and proceeding of a worse mind and intent of his. For having with his own money bought up the corn out of *Herraria* by the means of his friends and vassals, whose ministry he used: which thing (I believe verily) was an hindrance that all the publick care and providence, took small effect, and nothing helped the general want and scarcity, he devised to bring up a free dole and distribution of corn: and to the end that when he had once by this benefit and liberality won the hearts of the Commons, then he might, what way soever he went carrying a port and majesty with him above the degree of a private person, draw after him a train of the people, promising him by their favour of support, undoubted and assured hope of a Consulship. But himself (as mans nature is unfatiable) not content herewith, aspired to higher matters then fortune promised him, and those unlawful, and beyond his reach. And for as much as even the very Consulship was to be wrested from the Nobles against their wills, he plotted to make himself a King, and thought that, the only guerdon due for so deep reaches and designs, and worthy that great contention and strife which he was to abide with much toil and sweat of brows. Now drew the Election on apace for Consuls, which thing prevented him afore he had brought his devices to full ripeness and perfection. Consul was created L. *Quintius Capitolinus* the sixth time, a man most unfit for his turn, that should go about innovations and to change the state and with him was joined *Agrippa Menenius*, surnamed *Launus*. And L. *Munius*, was either made again the master victualler, or else created he was at first without limitation of time, to continue so long as the case should require. For there is no certainty thereof, but only the name of Corn-master, recorded both years in the linnen Books or Registers among other Magistrates. This *Munius* was vigilant and as careful for the Common-weal, as *Melius* for his private wealth: and upon occasion that men of the same quality to wit, the Commons, were converiant in both houses, namely, in his own and in the house of *Melius*, he came to the knowledge by their means, of *Melius* his treason: and declared unto the Senat the whole complor. Namely, That there was armor and weapons good store, carried into the house of *Melius*: that he kept conventicles there, and made seditious Orations, and that it was past all peradventure that he practised to be King. As for the time of working the feat and to put it into action, as yet it was not determined and certainly known: all other things were already agreed upon, *Item*, that the Tribuns were bribed and hired to sell and betray the liberty of the City: That to certain Captains of the multitude divers charges were appointed, And herewithal, he excused himself (and said) That because he would not be reputed the author of any uncertain or vain intelligence, he uttered these matters somewhat M with the latest, and later well-neer, then might stand with the common safety of the Weal-publick. Which news after they were heard, and that on every side the chief Senators had given both the Coss, of the former year a check, for that they had suffered those Largesses of corn, and tolerated meetings of the Commons in a private house: and rebuked the new Consuls also, for that they had stayed so long and waited till a matter of so great importance was by the corn-master detected and declared unto the Senate, which required a Coss, to be not only the informer, but also the reformer: Then T. *Quintius* answered, That the Consuls were blamed without just cause, who being bridled with the laws of appealing, tending to the great prejudice and disamulling of their sovereign government, had not commission sufficient by virtue of their place, to punish the thing according to the hainouinesse and quality thereof, as they had courage and heart thereto: N and that there was need now, not only of a valiant and stout man, but also of one that was freed from all bonds of laws and tied to none. And therefore he would name L. *Quintius* for Dictator: in whom there was courage answerable to that absolute authority. When all men liked well thereof, *Quintius* himself at the first refused: demanding what they meant, to object and expose him, an unwelky man: so far steep in years, to so great trouble, and manifest danger. Afterwards, when as they replied on all hands, and alledged how in that heart of his for all his age there was more valour, and in his head more policy then in all men besides: heaping on him right due and deserved praises, and commendations: and whiles the Consul also importuned him still and gave not over: then *Cincinatus*, after he had prayed to the gods in honor of the Common-wealth, was by O the Consul pronounced Dictator. And he forthwith nominated C. *Servilius* *Hala* General of the horsemen. The morrow after when he had fed and disposed certain guards, in divers places of the City, and was come down into the common place: the common people wondering at the strangeness of the matter, had their eyes upon him: and the adherents and complices of *Melius*, and he himself their Captain, saw well that the force and power of this so great a magistrate was bent against them. But they that were not acquainted with those plots and designs that tended to the setting up of a King, asked one another, what tumult or sudden war, should require either a Dictators

A Dictators majesty, or that *Quintius* after fourscore years of age, should be the only Ruler of the City. With that, *Servilius* the General of the horsemen was by the Dictator sent to *Melius*: Who said unto him, The Dictator calleth thee. Whereat he being afraid, asked again, What he would? and *Servilius* said, That he was to make his answer and purgation, of a crime that *Munius* had informed against him, before the Senat. Then *Melius* began to retire himselfe back into the rout of his followers, and looking about at the first, shrunk only away from him, and retired to obey. At the last the Apparitor at the general of the horsemen commandment, began to force him to go with him: but he being rescued by the standers by, found his feet and began to fly, and be sought the aid of the Commonalty of *Rome*: saying, That the faction of the Nobles conspired his overthrow, and persecuted him for the good he had done unto the Commons, and for his liberality bestowed upon them: beseeching them to help him in that extremity, and not to suffer him to be murdered afore their face and in their very sight. As he spake these words, *Hala* *Servilius* overtook him, and killed him out-right: and being sprinkled with his blood thus slain, and guarded with a company of tall Gentlemen of the Nobility, he bringeth word to the Dictator, how *Melius* being cited to come unto him, put back the Apparitor, and raised the multitude: and now had suffered due punishments for his delicts. Then (quoth the Dictator) On forth in this valor and vertue of thine, O C. *Servilius*, thou deservest great praise, and hast delivered the Common-wealth this day from tyranny. Then as the multitude murmured and made a stir upon some doubt, what they should think of the fact, and what might be the occasion thereof: he commanded them to assemble together, and openly avowed the deed, and pronounced that *Melius* was justly slain: yea, albeit he had been cleer from seeking to be King: for that being summoned and convented before the Dictator, and that by the General of the horsemen, he refused and came not: "for my self" (quoth he) was set judicially to examine and enquire of the cause: and upon the trial thereof, *Melius* should have sped no worse then his cause deserved: but because he went about by violence to withdraw himself from judgment, by violence therefore was he restrained. Neither was he to be proceeded against as a Citizen, who being born in a free state, where justice and law were in force: and in that City, where-out he was not ignorant that the KK, were sometimes expelled: and where in one of the same year, *Calpurnius* sitters sons, and the sons of that Coss, that was deliverer of his Country, detected of a complot and conspiracy of receiving again into the City the KK, blood, were by their own father beheaded: out of which City, *Tarquinius Collatinus* Coss, for the detestation only of the name, being commanded to give up his office, suffered exile: in which City, many years after Sp. *Cassius* for practising and plotting only to be King, suffered condigne punishment: wherein also of late time, the Decemvirs, for a tyrannical pride, where deprived of their goods, banished their country, and bereft of their lives. That in the same City (I say) Sp. *Melius* should conceive any hope of reaching to a Kingdom? And a man (I pray you) of what quality and condition? And yet, no gentility of birth, no dignities nor deserts were sufficient to make way to any for lordly rule and tyranny. Howbeit, the *Claudius* and *Cassius*, by reason of the Consulships and Decemvirships of their own, by reason of the honourable estate and reputation of their ancestors, and the worship and glory of their lineage, took upon them, became haughty and proud, and aspired to that, wherein no Sp. *Melius* had no such means to induce him: who might have fit him down, well enough, and rather wished and prayed to God, then hoped once for so much, as a Tribuneship of the Commons. And supposed he, being but a rich corn-master, that with a quart (or measure) of corn of two soulds he had bought the freedom of his fellow Citizens? or thought he by casting moriels of bread and victuals afore the common sort, that the victorious people, conquerors of all nations about them, might be allured into thraldom? and whom the City could hardly brook to be a Senator, him they should endure their King, to have the regal ensignes and the government of *Romulus*, the first founder of the City, descended first from the gods, and to them ascended up again: why, it was a thing not so wicked as monstrous. Neither was this act sufficiently satisfied for, with the shedding of his blood, unless the house and walls, within which his horrible madnes was conceived and forged, were cast down and razed: and unless the gods, which were tainted and infected with the prices and hire that should have purchased the Kingdom, were forfeit and confiscate. He commanded therefore the Questors, to sell those goods: and to bring the money into the common Treasury. And then he caused forthwith his dwelling house to be overthrown and made even with the ground, that the plot or floor thereof might be a monument of a wicked attempt, smothered and stifled in the very hope and hatching thereof. This is the place which was called afterwards *Aequum*. As for L. *Munius* he had an Ox with gilded horns given him for an honour and reward without the gate *Trigemum*. The Commons therewith were not miscontented, for that to them he divided *Melius* his corn, at the price of one *As* a *Modius*. Among some authors, I find

The Oration of *Quintius* the Dictator, to the people of *Rome*.

\* Sol. Apoll.

Three things Engl. *Melius* a Roman measure, containing a peck within a pint, or the fourth part of a bushell, or somewhat more.

I find, that this *Minutius* forsook the Nobles and went to the Commons, and was taken H in to be the eleventh Tribune of the Commons, and appeased the mutiny that arose upon *Melius* his death. But it was not like that the Senators suffered the number of the Tribunes to be encreased: and especially, that such an example should be given and taken up by a man of their coat: or that the commonalty would not keep it still, if it had been once allowed, or at leastwise attempt it again. But above all, this confuteeth and reproveth the false title of *Tribune* set upon his image, for that a few years before, it was by a statute expressly provided, That Tribunes might not chuse and take unto them a Colleague in office, *Q. Cecilius*, and *Q. Junius*, and *Sextus Titinius* were the only men of all the Colledge of Tribunes that propounded not the Law for the honour of *Minutius*, but rather accused unto the Commons, both *Minutius* and *Servilius*, and ceased not to make complaint of the cruel and unworthy death of *Melius*: and in fine prevailed so much, that there should be an election for military Tribunes rather then for Consuls: nothing doubting, but if six were chosen (for so many at that time might be created) some of the Commons also, by promising to revenge the death of *Melius*, might step in and be elected. The Commons for all they were toiled that year with many and sundry troubles, chose no more then three Tribunes with Consuls authority: and among them, *L. Quintius* the son of *Cincinatus*: Upon the hard conceit and hatred of whose Dictatorship past, they thought to pick some occasion of quarrel and tumult: and *Mamercus Emilius*, a man of great credit and reputation, was by voices preferred afore *Quintius*, and obtained the first place. And *L. Julius* they created for the third.

Whiles these bare sovereign rule, *Fidene* the Colony of the Romans, revolted to *Lars Tolumnius*, the King of the Veientians, and to the State of the Veientians. And besides their revolting, a more horrible fact they committed. For at the commandment of *Tolumnius*, they slew *C. Fulcinius*, and *C. Julius*, *Sp. Nannius*, and *L. Roscius* the Roman Embassadors, who came to demand the cause of this their change and sudden alteration. Some here do excuse and elevate the act of the King, saying that upon a lucky cast of dice he uttered a doubtful speech, which was by the Fidenatians so taken, as though he seemed to bid the Embassadors to be killed, and that (forsooth) was the occasion of murdering the Embassadors (a thing incredible, that at the coming in of the Fidenatians, his new allies, who were to consult with him and ask his advice, about a murder that should break the law of Nations, his mind should not be turned away from earnest studying about his game) and so this heinous fact proved to be but an error. More credible it is; that he had a further meaning and deeper reach: namely, that the people of the Fidenatians should be bound unto him, and only rely upon him, being attaint with the guiltiness of so foul a murder, and not to look and hope for any mercy or favour at the Romans hands. The statues of these Embassadors which were at *Fidene* murdered, were set up openly at the charges of the City in the *Rostra*. [A publick cross (as it were) or pulpit in Rome, out of which the Magistrates made Orations to the people, beautified with the beak heads of ships and their brazen pikes called *Rostra*.] Thus was there like to be a cruel conflict with the Veientians, and Fidenates. M Who besides that they were people confining on their frontiers, had also in the beginning of their war given so wicked and horrible a cause of quarrel. Therefore when as the common people and their Tribunes, in regard of the care for the publick State, were at quiet; there was no question, but that *M. Geganius Macerinus* the third time, and *L. Sergius Fidenas* (nam'd (I suppose) so, upon the war which afterwards under his conduct was fought) should be created Consuls. For this manifestly encountered with the King of the Veientians on this side *Anio*, and gat the victory: but not without much bloodshed of the Romans. So that the grief was greater for the loss of his own souldiers, then the joy for the disclosure of his enemies. And the Senate, as in all fearful times and dangerous occurrences, ordained *Mamercus Emilius* to be created Dictator. Who, out of the brotherhood of N Tribunes military in Consuls authority, the year before, named for the General of his horsemen, *L. Quintius Cincinatus*, who had been a Tribune with him, a toward young Gentleman, and a worthy son of so worthy a father. To those souldiers that were by the Consul mustered and levied, were the old Centurions, experienced and skilful warriors, adjoined: and the number of those, which in that last battel were slain, was supplied. The Dictator commanded to follow him as Lieutenants, *Quintius Capitolinus*, and *M. Fabius Vibulanus*. This greater power and authority, and the man likewise nothing thereto inferior, drove the enemies out of the Roman ground, and set them farther off, even beyond *Anio*. Who removing their camp still backward, seized upon the hills between *Fidene* and *Anio*: neither durst they come down from thence into the open plains, before that the Legions of the *Falisci* came to succour. Then at length, the Tuicans encamped themselves under the walls of *Fidene*. And the Roman Dictator likewise rested and abode upon the banks of the Confluent (where both rivers run into one) and flanked himself thereby. And when he had cast up a trench and rampart afront, reaching across from the one river to the other, the morrow after he brought his power forth, and set them in order of battel. The enemies

*Tolumnius*  
murdereth the  
Roman Em-  
bassadors.

\* A river now  
called *Tecorano*.

amies were of sundry minds. The *Faliscians*, who hardly could away long with military service farr from home, and trusting withal in their own selves, that they were good enough, required battel. The *Veientians* and *Fidenates* had more hope in drawing out the war on length. *Tolumnius*, albeit the advice of his own men liked him better, yet because the *Faliscians* should not endure lingering warfare, sendeth a trumpet, and proclameth battel against the morrow. The Dictator and the Romans, for that the enemies for the present shifed off fight, took more heart unto them: and on the next morning, when as now the souldiers gave out brave words, and menaced, That unless they might have battel, they would assault both the Camp and the Town: the armies of both parts came forth B into the middle of the plain, between the two Camps. The *Veientians*, as being more in number and having to spare, sent covertly out certain companies to fetch a compals behind the Hills, who in the time of the conflict should set upon the Roman Camp. And in this order flood the main Army of three Nations together embattelled. The *Veientians* kept the right point, the *Faliscians* the left, and the *Fidenates* the middle of the battel. The Dictator in the right point advanced his standard against the *Faliscians*, and on the left *Capitellus Quintus* charged the *Veientians*: and against the main battel between both, marched the Colonel of the Cavalry, with his Cornets of horse. Thus as they flood arranged in battel array, for a pretty while was there silence on either side, and all quiet. For neither would the Tuicans begin first, unless they were urged: And the Dictator looked ever and anon backward toward the Capitol of Rome, that the *Augurs* should set up a signal aloft (as it was agreed between them) so soon as the sight of fowls gave approbation accordingly: which he no sooner espied, but he put out presently the men of arms, with a great shout against the enemies. The army of the footmen followed hard after in the tail, and seconded them with a lusty charge. But on no hand were the Tuican legions able to abide the force of the Romans. The Cavalry flood hardest to it, and made head still. For the King himselfe, the best horseman and most valiant of them all, when as on every side his enemies charged and pressed fore upon him, rode afront them, held out and maintained fight. There chanced then to be among the Roman horsemen, a Tribune or Marshal, one *A. Cornelius Celsus*, a goodly tall man of body, and as valiant and strong withal, who let before his eyes the noble horse from whence he was defended, and carried this mind, as it was right honourable already by his ancestors left him, so to recommend the same to his posterity more glorious and renowned. This man seeing the troops of Romans waining to and fro, for fear of the violence of *Tolumnius*, which way soever he bent and turned; and knowing him by his rich and royal furniture, wherein he bare himself like a brave Knight, riding all over the battel. "Is this (quoth he) the forsworn breaker of humane league, is this he that hath violated the laws of arms, and of nations? Now will I presently, if it be Gods will that any thing in the world should remain wholly and inviolate, be his Priest, I will sacrifice and betake him to the gholls of our Embassadors deceased. Herewith, setting spurs to his horse, with bent spear in rest, he rode full against that one enemy, singled from the rest; smote him, and dismounted him from his horse. Then bearing upon his staff, alight presently on foot, and as the King was getting up again, he overthrew him backward with the bolts of his target, and laid him stretching long & after many wounds given him, at length fastened him with his spear to the very ground. And when as he was once dead, he disarmed and dispoiled him, and struck off his head: and carrying it aloft on his lance, presented a fearful spectacle to the enemies of their King slain, and so discomfited them. Thus was the strength of the horsemen defeated also, which only had made the battel doubtful. The Dictator having put likewise the legions of footmen to flight, pursued them still, and drove them to their foot, killing them all the way in the chase. Many of the Fidenates which knew the coasts of the Country, fled into the mountains, and escaped. *Cossus* with his horsemen passed over *Tyber*, and brought home into the City a great booty out of the country of the *Veientians*. As this battel was in fighting, there was a skirmish also in the Roman camp, with that part of the forces, which (as it is aforesaid) was sent by *Tolumnius* to surprise it. *Fabius Vibulanus* first defended the rampart; ordering his men all within in compals like a garland: and while the enemies were wholly bent about the assault, he with the *Triarii* or souldiers of the reerward, suddenly issued forth at the gate, called *Prinsepalis*, on the right hand, and gave at hot charge upon them: Upon which they were affrighted, but there ensued the less slaughter, because the number was smaller. Howbeit, they fled no less in disarray, than those in the very battel. Thus the Dictator having prosperous success every where, returned with triumph into the City, by the decree of the Senat, and grant of the people. In which triumphs the greatest shew and goodliest sight of all, was *Cossus*, bearing the rich & royal spoils of the King, slain by his own hand. For of him the souldiers chanted divers rude ballads without rime and metre, comparing him in their songs with *Romulus*. Which spoils with a solemn manner of dedication, he bestowed and hung up in the Temple of *Jupiter Feretrius*, neer unto those of *Romulus*, which were



\* 36. lib. sterl.  
in angel gold.

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When *Marcus Cornelius Maluginensis* and *Papirius Crassus* were Consuls, the Armies were led forth: the one into the Veientians Country, and the other into the Faliscians, and booties both of people and cattel were from thence driven and carried away. As for the enemies themselves, no where in the Country were they to be seen, nor any battel was fought: and yet for all that, the towns were not assailed, because the people at home died of the pestilence. And within the City, *Sp. Melius* Tribune of the Commons sought occasions and pretences to move seditions, but without effect. Who supposing by the popular favour of his name to prevail and raise some mutiny, both arrested *Minutius* to make his answer, and also put up a bill for the confiscation of the goods of *Servilius* Hala: laying hard to *Minutius* his charge, that *Melius* was falsely accused and circumvented by him: and burdening *Servilius* with the murdering of a Citizen uncondemned. All these humours and with the people of less credit and importance, than the author himselfe. But the violence of the sickness fill increasing more and more, troubled them: besides the fearful and strange prodigious tokens: but especially, the fresh news that divers houses in the Country were by many earthquakes cast down. Whereupon the people went in solemn procession and made their supplications, whilst the *Dumvir* going afore pronounced the prayers, and the people said after him word for word. But the year following, when *C. Julius* the second time, and *L. Virginius* were Consuls, was more contagious by reason of the plague, and caused both in Town and Country, so great a fear of utter delolation, that not only there were none set forth in any roads without the territory of *Rome* to raise booties, whilst the Nobility and Commons had no mind of making war: but the Fidenates also of their own accord, who before time had kept themselves either within their Towns, or the Mountains, or Fortresses, entred now into the lands about *Rome*, and forraged all the Country. After this, having gotten also unto them a power of the Veientians (for the Faliscians could not be induced either by the calamity of the Romans, or prayers of their confederates, to take arms again) these two Nations passed over *Anio*, and not far from the gate *Collina* displayed their ensignes. So the fear was no less within the City than in the Country. Then *Julius* the Consul bringeth the forces abroad, and placeth them upon the rampart and the

A the walls : whiles *Virginus* assembled the Senate in the Temple of *Quirinus*, for to ask their opinion. Where agreed it was, to create for Dictator, *A. Servilius* (turnamed (as some say) *Priscus*, or as other, *Strutius*, *Virginus* making no longer stay until he had conferred with his Colleague, by his permission deposed the Dictator in the night season. And he nominated for his General of the Cavalry, *Polthomus Ebutius Helna*. The Dictator commanded every man to be ready without the gate *Collina*, by the break of day : and so many as were able to bear arms were in a readinesse. The Standards and Ensigns were taken forth of the treasury or chamber of the City and brought to the Dictator. Whiles these things were in doing, the enemies were retired and withdrawn to the higher grounds and places of advantage ; and thither marched the Dictator with his army in order of battle. And encountering with them not far from *Nomentum*, he discomited the legions of the *Tulcians*, and drave them into the town of *Fidens*, and cast a trench about it. But neither could the town be scaled for the high fire thereof and the strong walls about it : and to lay siege unto it might not avail : for that they had corn not only to suffice the ordinary need of men besieged, but also plenty to spare, of their old store and provision gathered aforehand. Thus the Dictator being without all hope both of winning it by assault, and also of forcing them to yeeld by composition, purposed in certain places for the necresse, to him well known, at the backside of the City which was slenderly guarded, most neglected, and for the natural situation the forest, to undermin unto the Castle. And he himself in places farthest off from thence, approached close under the walls, with his army divided into four parts, to succede one another by turns in order : and so, by continual skirmishing day and night, he kept the enemies at a bay and withdrew them from all per. cirving and intelligence of the work under ground : until such time as by digging through the hill from the Camp, there was a way and passage made straight up into the Castle. And when as the *Tulcians* were wholly amused upon the vain threatnings, and bravado's of their enemies before them, nothing minding the present danger wherein they stood : behold, the alarm of their enemies even over their heads, made an out-cry, that the town was taken. In this year *Cn. Enrius Pacilius* and *M. Geganius Maecinius*, Consuls, appointed and dedicated the Large Hall, named *Villa Publica* in *Mars* field : and there first by them was held the Sessing, and numbering of the people. I find in *Maecius Licinius*, that in the year following, the same Consuls were made again, namely, *Julius* the third time, and *Virginus* the second time. But *Valerius Annius* and *Q. Faberius*, do name *M. Manlius* and *L. Sulpitius* for the Consuls that year. Howbeit in so different report, both *Tulcius* and *Maecius* profess that they followed the lienen Records : and neither of them both conceal, that which the ancient writers have set down, namely, That the same year were Tribuns military, in Consuls authority. *Licinius* without doubt is added to those lienen Registers, and *Tulcius* is uncertain of the truth, But among other antiquities, not known by reason of long time, this also is left in doubt and not cleared.

*Fidene* won by a Stralagem.

*Villa Publica.*

And after the winning of *Fidene*, great was the fear in *Hetrurnia*: whilst not only the *Veintians* were feared, fearing the like destruction: but the *Falisci* also, remembering the war began first with them, albeit they were not assistants in their rebellion. When as therefore these two States had sent their Embassadours abroad to the twelve Cities about them, and obtained a Diet or General Parliament of all *Hetruria* should be assembled at the Temple of *Voturna*: the Senat, as if more great troubles were like thereof presently to ensue, thought good that *Marcus Emilius*, should be created Dictator the second time. By whom, *A. Posthumius Tuberus* was named General of the horsemen. And with lo much greater endeavor made they preparation of arms than in the last war afore, by how much more danger there was from all *Hetruria* banded together, than had been from two nations combined and no more. But this business was much more quiet than all men looked for. When as therefore news came by Merchants, that the *Veintians* were Italy desired help, and bidden to aid that war by their own means and forces, which they had begun on their own heads: not seek to embark them in the allocation of their misery and adversity, unto whom they had not impaired their mind & hope in their upright state, and when they were in their height: then the Dictator, to the end he should not seem to be created in vain, seeing all matter of aspiring renowned by war was cut off, desirous yet in time of peace, to do some notable piece of work for a monument, set forth in hand to abate and diminish the Censorship: either supposing it to be too high an office, or else offended not so much with the greatness of the honour, as with the continuance and length thereof. Having therefore assembled all the people together: "For as much as the immortal Gods (quoth he) have undertaken to govern the Common-Weale abroad, and performed all fate and cure: I for my part concerning that which is to be done at home within the walls, will take order and provide for the freedom of the people of *Rome*. The greatest preservation, and defence whereof resteth in this, when offices of great command are not long enduring: but when they be limited by term of time which may not be refrained or gaged in jurisdiction. As

A General Di-  
ct of all Tus-  
canic at *Fanum*  
*Volumna*,  
\* *Viterbo* at  
this day, as it  
is thought.  
*Ortel.*

The Oration  
of *Mamercus*  
*Aemilius*, to the  
people.



The office of Censors reduced from the term of five years, to one and an half.

Mamercus Aemilius disfranchised and made *Struon*.

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Tribuns Military in Consuls room, chosen again.

“for other magistracies they are from year to year: but this of the Censors continuing five years, is very heavy and grievous. And hard it is for men to live so many years; even a great part of their life, in danger of the same Rulers still. Minded therefore I am, to propose a law. That the Censorship continue no longer than one year and six months. With great applaus and consent of the people, the next day after, he both published the law and enacted it. And now that ye may (quoth he) O *Quirites*, know in very deed, how I mislike of these long lasting offices; here presently I render up my Dictatorship. Thus having given over his own place, let a limitation to the rule of others, and absolutely ended one, with exceeding congratulation and favour of the people he was brought home to his house. The Censors taking it grievously that *Mamercus* had abridged an office of the people of *Rome*, displaced him from his own Tribe, laying on him an eightfold tax in the lubbidly Book, disfranchised and disabled him from giving his voice, and made him no better than a Tributary. Which disgrace (they say) he took with a noble stomach, looking rather to the cause of this shameful note, than to the ignominy it self. Moreover, the Lords of the Senate, albeit they were willing enough that the Censorship nails should be pared and their power taken down, were offended yet, with this example of the rigour and severity of those in place: for as much as they all saw plainly, that they should be both longer time and often under Censors, then Censors themselves. But so great an indignation of the people (by report) grew hereof, that by the authority of no man but of *Mamercus* himself, could they be restrained from offering violence to the very persons of the Censors. And the Tribuns of the Commons, with their continual Orations and Remonstrances, prohibited the Election of Consuls. When as the matter was well near brought to the point of an Inter- election, they obtained at length with much strife and contention, that there should be military Tribuns chosen, with Consular authority. But reward of this their victory, wherat they shot, could they get none: namely, that a Commoner might be chosen for one. They were all of the Nobility that were created, to wit, *M. Fabius Vibulanus*, *M. Folvius*, and *L. Sergius Fidenas*.

The plague that year was the occasion of quietness from all other troubles. A Temple then was vowed to *Apollo* for the health of the people. Howbeit great lofs was there both in town and country, by the mortality of men and murrain of cattle, one with another indifferently. And fearing lest the husbandmen of the country should be famished, they sent for corn into *Hetruria* and the country of *Pompinium*, to *Cumes*, and at last even into *Sicily*. And not a word all this while about the election of Consuls. So there were military Tribuns elected, with Consuls authority, all again of the *Patritii*, namely, *L. Pinaris Mamercus*, *L. Furius Medullinus*, and *Sp. Posthumius Albus*. That year the violence of the sickness abated: neither was there any danger or fear of scarcity of Corn, because they had made provision aforehand. Great sitting and consultation there was in the general Diets of the Volscians and Equians, and in *Hetruria* at the aforesaid Temple of *Votumnia* about making war. There, the matter was put off for one whole year: and by an Act or Decree it was provided, that no Assembly or Parliament during that time should be held: notwithstanding the people of the *Veientians* complained but all in vain, that the same fortune was like to happen unto *Veii*, which had fallen already upon *Fidene*; even the utter subversion of the State: In this mean season, at *Rome* the chiefe heads of the Commons having aspired and gaped now a long time, but still in vain, after higher place of dignity and honour, took their vantage whiles all was quiet abroad, and began to have their convocations and meetings in the houses of the Tribunes, and there entertained secret Counsels. Some complained that they were much despised of the common people: for whereas in so many years, There were Tribunes Military created with Consuls authority, yet never was there any one of the Commonalty advanced to that Dignity. Our forefathers (say they) of great wisdom and deep forecast, have done well to take order, that none of the Nobility at any time should have access to any office of the Commonalty: for if that were not, the Commons should have had ere this some of the *Patritii* for their Tribuns: so odious are we become to those of our own coat, and are as little set by of the Commons as of the Nobles. Others excused the people, and laid the fault upon the Senators: by whose ambition, by whose crafty fetches and subtil policies it came to passe, that the Commons were stopped from the highway to advancement and promotion. But if the Commons might have any respite or breathing time; and not be solicited and tempted by their prayers interlaced with threats: they would remember themselves and those of their own calling, in giving of their voices: and having once gotten assistance unto them, would also win the highest pitch and sovereign type of authority. For the abolishing therefore of this ambitious seeking and standing for offices, they agree and resolve, that the Tribuns should prefer and publish a Law, that no man might wear white more then ordinary, or refresh the bright hue of his upper garment. while he sued for any dignity. A small matter now adays, and may seem scarcely worth the debating in serious counsel, and not

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But to the end that they might not have their full scope and put it in practice, an Act of the Senate was, that there should be held an Election of Consuls. The occasion thereof, was a tumult or commotion: which, as the Latins and Hernicks advertised them, arose from the Equians and Volscians. *T. Quintius Cincinnatus*, the son of *Lucius* (surnamed *Jo Pennus*) and *C. Julius Mento* were elected Consuls. Neither was this fearful news of war entertained any longer. For the enemies having by a sacred law (which amongst them was of greatest force to levy an army) mulctured their powers, set forth two mighty armies from both parts, into *Algidum*, and there met. Where the Equians and Volscians, severally by themselves encamped strongly, and more earnestly studied the Captains to fortifie their camps, and to train and exercise their souldiers, than at any time afore. Whereupon, the news was more fearful that the messengers brought to *Rome*. So the Senate agreed to create a Dictator. For, although those nations oftentimes had been vanquished by them, yet now they rebelled in more forcible manner, and with preparation, than at any time before. Also, by reason of the late sickness, the youth and flower of the Romans was sore diminished. But above all, the private discord of the Consuls one with another, and the debate and difference in all their counsel terrified them most. There be that write, how these Consuls had but unlucky fortune, and lost a field in *Algidum*: and that it should be the cause of making a Dictator. But this one thing is certain, that howsoever else the Consuls disagreed, yet they jumped in one to croise the wills of the D Senators, in that they would not nominate a Dictator until such time as after news brought, still worse and worse, and yet the Consuls would not be ruled by the Senators: one *Quintus Servilius Priscus*, a man, who right worthy and honourably had born the highest offices, made this speech: “My Masters, ye that are Tribuns of the Commons (quoth he) in this exigent and desperate case, the Senate calleth for your assistance, that in so great hazzard of the Common-weal, ye by vertue of your authority, would force the Consuls peremptorily to make a Dictator. Which speech being once heard: the Tribuns supposing now they had good occasion offered, to stretch and extend their power to the full, departed aside: and in the name of their Colledge or society, pronounced, That it was their pleasure and will, that the Consuls should be obedient unto the Senat: and in case they proceeded to E go farther, then the consent of that most honourable House would bear them out, they would command them to ward. The Consuls chose rather to be over-ruled of them than of the Senat: saying yet withal, that the prerogative of the highest government was by the Senators betrayed, and the Consulship made thrall and subject to the Tribuns power, if to be the Consuls might be compelled to do ought by vigour of the Tribuns authority, and (than which, a private person could fear no more) be sent also to ward, or committed to prison. The lot fell to *T. Quintius* (for in this also they could not agree between themselves) to nominate the Dictator: who named *A. Posthumius Tubertus*, his wives father, a grim Sir, and a man of most severe and stern government. By whom was *L. Julius* nominated for General of the Cavalry: Herewithal was proclaimed a vacation or law-need, and that throughout the whole City they should go in hand with nothing but war. The taking knowledge of such as pretended to be freed and exempt from souldiery, was put off until the war was ended. So that they that were before doubtful, suffered themselves to be enrolled: and souldiers were levied out from the Hernicks and Latins, who from both places obeyed the Dictator to their uttermost. All these things were dispatched with exceeding expedition. Then the Dictator having left *C. Julius* the Consul, for the defence of the City, & *L. Julius* the General of the horsemen for all sudden occasions incident unto wars, that they might not be to seek for any thing whereof they had need in the camp, took with him *Anulus Cornelius* the High Priest, & laying after him certain prayers, word for word, he vowed great and stately playes, in regard of this tumultuous and troublesome war: and thus departing from the City, and dividing his whole G army between himself and *Quintius* the Col, at length he approached the enemies. And like as they had discovered the two camps of their enemies, a little space distant one from another, so they also, about a mile from the enemy, intrenched themselves: the Dictator near to *Tusculum*, and the Consul to *Lanuvium*. So these four Armies, and as many fortified camps, had a spacious and large plain in the middle, sufficient not only for small excursions to skirmish in, but also to display their armies of both sides. And all the time that they lay encamped

The speech of Q. Servilius Priscus

encamped one against another, they ceased not to make light skirmishes: for the Dictator it was well content, that his men by making proof, and comparing their strength and puillance with their enemies, and assaying by little and little to try the event of these skirmishes, should conceive beforehand some hope of the entire and general victory.

The enemies therefore having no hope left, to speed well in a set field and pight battle, assailed by night the Consuls camp, and put all to the hazard of a doubtful issue. The sudden cry and alarm, awakened not only the Consuls, Sentinels, his *corps de guard*, and so his whole army, but the Dictator also out of their sleep. And where need was of present help, there failed not the Consul, either in courage or counsel. Some souldiers ward and defend the gates, others compals the trench, ranged in a round array. In the other camp of the Dictator, look how much less fit there was, so much more leisure had they, and studied what was most needful to be done. Forthwith aid was sent unto the Consul his camp, under the leading of *Sp. Posthumius Albus*, a Lieutenant. The Dictator himself in person, with part of his power, fetching a small compass about, gained a place most apart from all noise and tumult, and from whence at unawares he might charge upon the back of the enemies. And leaveth as Vicegerent in the leguer *Q. Sulpitius*: and to *M. Fabius* a Lieutenant, he committeth the conduct of the horsemen, commanding him not before day to stir with his horie, as being unruly and hard to be managed in tumults and troubles of the night. And all things else, that a provident and industrious Captain in such a case might command and do, that commanded he, and did orderly. But for one thing above the rest, he shewed singular proof of policy and courage, and worthy no mean praise: in that he sent out first *M. Geganus* with certain chosen Squadrons to assail that camp of the enemies, from whence he knew by his espials there was departed a greater part of the forces. Who after that he surprised the enemies there, amused wholly upon the event of other mens danger, careless and secure for their own selves, and therefore neglecting their scouts and guards; wan their hold, in manner before the enemies knew well it was assailed. From whence the Dictator having decried a smook (which was the signal agreed between them) crieth aloud, that the enemies camp was won, and commandeth news thereof to be carried every way. Now it was broad day light, and all was clearly to be seen: by which time both *Fabius* with the horsemen, had given the charge, and the Consul also had made a rally out of the camp, up on the enemies that now already were scared. But the Dictator on the other side, charging upon the rewarard and the middle batle, came on every side with his footmen, and horsemen in train of victory against the enemies: who were forced to turn round and fight every way, according to the dissonant cries, and sudden alarms. Thus being environed round about, they had in the midst died for it every one, and suffered punishment due for their rebellion, had not *Petius Messius*, one of the Volscians, a man more renowned for his valiant acts, then noble by his parentage, rebuked with a loud voice his fellows, being ready now to cast themselves into rings, and said: "What will ye here without making your defence, without revenge, offer your selves to be devoured of the enemies sword? What do you with your armour and weapons? Why began ye war first? Are you trouble-M "some and unruly in peace, and cowards in war: What hope have ye in standing still? "Do you look for some good from Heaven to protect and deliver you? You must make "way by dint of sword. Goto then, and stick to it like men, and that way whereas ye "shall see me go afore, follow ye after, as many of you as mind to see again your home, "your parents, your wives and children. It is neither wall, nor rampart and trench, but "armed men that must withstand armed men. In valour ye are their matches, but in respect "of necessity (which is the last and strongest engin of all other) ye are the better. When he had these words spoken, and done accordingly, with a fresh shout they followed after, and made head to that quarter whereas *Posthumius Albus* had placed against them his cohorts: and compelled the victors to lose ground, until such time as the Dictator came to succour his men thus distressed, and now ready to retreat: and so he bent thither all the force of the whole batle. In one only man, *Messius*, rested all the hope and fortune of the enemies. Many a man was there hurt on both parts, and many a one slain outright, and left dead in the place. So as now the very Roman Commanders, fought not without bloodshed. Only *Posthumius* being smitten with a stone, which had broken and bruised his head, went out of the throng: for neither the Dictator, wounded as he was in the shoulder, nor yet *Fabius*, albeit his thigh was almost nailed to his horie, nor the Consul, for all his arm was quite cut off, once retired or departed out of that dangerous combat. But *Messius* amidst the enemies that there lay dead on the earth, with a guard about him of most hardy & tall men passed through in forcible manner, and escaped clear to the Volscians leaguer, which as yet was not lost: and so the whole batle in lined thither. The Consul, after he had chafed them, scattered in parties here and there, even as far as to the trench, assaileth the very camp and the rampart. Thither also bringeth the Dictator his power to another side. Neither was the assault less hot there then the fight was there afore. It is said moreover, that the Consul threw an ensign within the rampart, to animate the souldiers, that they might more eagerly get up after it: and

The speech of  
Petius Messius  
to his re-  
lief souldiers.

The valour of  
Petius Mes-  
sius a Volsci-  
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A and so by recovering the banner again, was the first breach and entrance made. Thus the Dictator having broken through the mure, came to close fight and hand-strokes even within the camp. Then began the enemies every where to fling from them their weapons, and to yield themselves prisoners. So being themselves and their pavilions taken, they were all fold, but those of Senators calling. Part of the pillage was restored to the Latins and Hernicks, namely, to as many as knew their own goods: part thereof the Dictator fold in port-fale. And leaving to the Consul the charge of the camp, rode himself triumphing into the City, and gave over his office. Of which his noble and famous Dictatorship, they blissh the memorial, who write, that *A. Posthumius* (the Dictator his son, for that upon advantage offered of a fortunate service, he departed without leave from his quarter and guard) was after his victory achieved, by his fathers Commandment beheaded. But I list not to believe it. And lawful it is for me so to do, among so divers opinions: and a good proof it is on my side, that such imperious and rigorous proceedings were called *Imperia Manduciana*, and not *Posthumiana*. For like it is, that he who had given the first example of such cruelty, should have gotten afore all others, that noted title of cruelty. Besides, *Manlius* it was, that was named *Imperius*: But *Posthumius* is not marked with any odious note at all.

*Imperia Man-  
liana.*

C *Julius* Consul, in the absence of his Colleague, without any casting of lots, dedicated the Temple of *Ap. Quirinus* having discharged his army, when he was returned into the City, took not that well. But it was no boot to complain in the Senat house. Moreover, in this notable year, so full of brave and worthy acts, there is recorded one thing, that was thought in those days nothing pertinent to the State of Rome, namely, that the Carthaginians (so great and mortal enemies in time to come) passed the seas then first: and (upon the occasion of civil dissention and discord among the Sicilians) with a power landed in Sicily, for to take part with a side and faction. In the City of Rome the Tribuns of the Commons laboured, that Military Tribuns might be with Consuls authority chosen: but it could not be obtained. Consuls were made, *Lu. Papirius Crassus*, and *L. Julius*. The Equians Embassadors suing to the Senat for a league, and for that league, pretending very often to yield themselves, and be in subjection, obtained a truce only for 8. years. The Volscians after their overthrow in *Algidum* fell to continual debate and contention, while some perswaded peace, and others war so long, until at length they grew to brawls and mutinies. So on every side the Romans were at rest. The Consuls understanding that the Tribuns of the Commons were plottored (for one false brother among them bewrayed and detected all) to put up a bill, and make a law, concerning the estimation of fines and penalties (a thing right pleasing and acceptable to the people) they themselves prevented them, and preferred it. Then were Consuls, *L. Sergius Fidenas*, the second time, and *Hostius Lucretius Tricipitinus*. In whole year nothing was there done worthy of rehearsal. After them succeeded Consuls, *A. Cornelius Cossus*, and *Titus Quintus Pennus* the second time. The Veientians made rodes into the lands of the Romans. And a rumor went, that some of the Fidenatian youths were accessory unto them, and had their hands therein. For which were appointed as Commissioners to make inquisition, *L. Sergius*, *Quintus Servulius*, and *Mamercus Emilius*. Some of them were confined to *Hostius*, for that they could make no found excuse, and justify their absence for certain days out of *Fidene*. For the number of the inhabitants there, was encreased; and their lands, who were slain in the wars, assigned unto them.

An act for  
fines and pe-  
nalties.

In that year hapned an exceeding great drouth. For not only there wanted rain water from above, but also the very earth lacking her natural moisture, scarcely sufficed to maintain the running stream in main rivers. The scarcity of water besides about springs that were dried up, and the small rivulets and brooks caused a great death and mortality of cattel for default of drink: whereof some died of the scab: by contagion whereof the people also were diseased generally. The malady first began among the rustical sort, the bond-slaves and hinds: and afterwards spread into every corner of the City. Neither were men only tainted and diseased with this infection: but their minds also were troubled and possessed with sundry sorts of superstitious religious, and for those for the most part strange and forrain: while upon vain and foolish prophecies, they brought new rites and ceremonies of sacrificing into mens houses: and made good gain of such as were given to superstitions devotion, and made conscience of every little thing: until such time as now it grew to a publick offence, and the chief of the City were ashamed to see in every street and chappel, strange and unaccustomed purgatory sacrifices and expiations, for to procure the favour and mercy of the gods. Whereupon the *Ediles* had in charge and commission, to look straightly to this disorder: and that no other gods were worshipped, then those of the Romans: nor after any other manner than had been usual in their native country. So their anger against the Veientians, and desire of revenge, was put off unto the next year following, when *C. Servilius Hala*, and *L. Papirius Mamilianus* were Consuls. And even then, they made some scruple to proclaim. G. war immediately, or to make out any power against them: but they thought good to send their Heralds afore, to make claim for their own and challenge restitution. For whereas of late years there had been a field fought with the Veientians before *Nomennum* and *Fidene*: whereupon there followed no peace but only a truce concluded: both the time was now expired, and also before the day they had rebelled. Yet were there Heralds sent unto them. And when they had demanded amends by a solemn oath and other ceremonies according to the ancient manner, they might have no audience, neither were their words regarded. After this there arose some question, whether the war should be proclaimed with the peoples allowance & suffrages.

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Consular au-  
thority.

or the Senates decree were alone sufficient. The Tribuns by giving out and threatening that they would stop the mutters, obtained in the end, that *Quintus* the Consul should propound this matter concerning the war unto the people. And it passed clear through all the Centuries. Herein aliter had the Commonalty the better of it, for that they prevailed that there should be no Consuls chosen the year following. So there were four Tribuns military created with Consuls authority. *T. Quintus Pennus* immediately for his Consulship. *C. Furius*, *M. Posthumus*, and *Cornelius*. Of which *Cossus* had the charge and government of the City. The other three after they had mustered, took a journey to *Vei*, and made good proof how hurtful in war is the rule of many Commanders. For whiles every man was inclined to his own counsel and advice, and took divers courses one from another, they made way for the enemies and gave them advantage. For the Veientians taking their opportunity and time, entred upon the army thus distracted, whiles some commanded to found a retreat, others the alarm and to strike up the batrel. Whereupon they were disordered and put to flight. But for as much as the camp was neer at hand, thither they retired themselves in safety: so, as the shame they gat was more then the harm in this defeat. The City was penive and hereupon followed, as not used to take foiles and overthrowes. The Tribuns they hated, and required a Dictator: in whom rested ever the whole hope and stay of the City. And when as even in that behalf, they made a matter of conscience, because there might not be any Dictator nominated, but by a Consul, the Angurs were consulted withal: who resolved them of that doubt and rid them of their scruple. So *A. Cornelius* (a consular Tribun) nominated *Mamercus Emilius* Dictator: by whom he was himself also pronounced Grand Master of the horsemen. At such defeat was the City then, of right valour and true vertue, that notwithstanding the prejudice by the Censors, yet there was no remedy, but the whole government of the State should rest upon that family, which had been wrongfully disgraced and unworthily noted by the Censors.

The Veientians proud of their late good success, albeit they sent their Embassadors about all the nations of *Hærrania*, boasting and vaunting that in one batrel they had discomfited three Roman Generals, yet could not they with all their sollicitings, persuade any to be seen to take part with them in publick action: but they procured divers from all parts for hope of spoil, voluntarily to aid and assist them. The people of *Fidene* only agreed to rebel. And as though it had been in no wife lawful, to begin any war but with some wicked, heinous and execrable fact: like as before they had embrewed their hands, and bathed their words in blood of Embassadors, so then, they began with murdering their new received Coloners: and so banded themselves with the Veientians. Then consulted the Princes and States of those two nations, whether they should make *Vei* or *Fidene* the seat town of the war. *Fidene* was supposed the siter and more commodious. So the Veientians passed over the *Tyber*, and translated the war to *Fidene*. Great fear was there at *Rome* to see the army of their enemies removed from *Vei*, and implanted at *Fidene*. And being shrewdly danted by their late overthrow besides, they encamped even before the gate *Colina*. On the walls were armed souldiers placed, vacation in all courts of law was ordained, shop windows thus up, and all more like a Leaguer then a City. Then sent the Dictator the Criers about into all streets and lanes, to summon the Citizens thus terrified, to a general assembly. Where he rebuked them for carrying such wavering and doubtful hearts upon so small accidents and events of fortune, having received but a slight loss and small foil: and that, not through the manhood of the enemy, or cowardise of the Roman army, but only through the disagreement and difference of the Leaders. "Alfo for that they were afraid of the Veientian enemy, whom five or six times afore they had put to the worst and vanquished, and especially of *Fidene*, which had been oftner in a manner won, then assaulted. As for the Romans and their enemies (saith he) they are even the same still that always for so many hundred years, they had been: bearing the same minds, the same bodily strength, and the same armor: and even my self am the same *Mamercus Emilius*, and no other, who heretofore discomfited at *Numentum*, the Veientians and Fidenatians, with the *Faliscians* power also adjoined unto them. And as for *A. Cornelius*, he will no doubt be the same General of horsemen in this batrel, as in the former war he was: at what time he being a Knight Marshal, slew *Lars Tolumnius* the King of the Veientians, in the fight of two armies: and brought into the Temple of *Jupiter Feretrius*, the rich armor of him despoiled. Wherefore ye ought to remember this, that we have on our side triumphs, spoils and victory: whereas with the enemies remaineth the wicked and detestable fact of killing the Embassadors, against the law of all nations: also the massacre of the Fidenatian inhabitants, in time of peace: the breaking of truce, and their revolting now seven times to their ruin and overthrow. Take weapon therefore in hand like men: for I trust assuredly that so soon as we shall join our camps together, and encounter these most wicked enemies, they shall have no long joy of the shameful discomfigure of the Roman army. And the people of *Rome* shall understand, how much better they have deferred of the Common-weal, who made me Dictator now the third time, than those, who for clipping the Censors wings and abridging them of their kingly rule, had disdained and disgraced my second Dictatorship with the shameful blot of ignominy and reproach. After this speech, when he had made his vows accordingly: he encamped a mile and an half on this side *Fidene*, flunked on the right hand with the hills, and on the left with the river *Tyber*. And commanded *T. Quintus Pennus* his Lieutenant, to gain the hills afore, and be possessed secretly of that cape or hill, which was on the back part of the enemies. Himself the next morrow

This Oration  
of Mamercus  
Emilius Di-  
cator to the  
Citizens of  
Rome.

A when as the *Tulcans*, (full of pride and stomack for the prosperous success of former dayes, which was much better than their service in fight) came forth into the field: after he had stayed a while, until the Scouts and spies brought word, that *Quintus* was gotten safely unto the Hill top near adjoining to the Camp or fort of the Fidenatians. He advanceth forth his standards: and with his footmen ranged in battel array, marched against his enemies with full pace: commanding his General of the Horsemen not to charge without his warrant: for that he himself, as need should require, would give the signal for the aid of his cavalry to come in, willing him then, to quit himself like a brave Knight in remembrance of his glorious combat with a King: of his rich present and oblation: and of *Romulus* and *Jupiter Feretrius*. Thus the legions assailed one another and encounter right hardly. The Romans kindled and enflamed with rage and malice, termed the Fidenatians, wicked and godless wretches: the Veientians, Robbers and Thieves: truce-breakers both, polluted with the abominable murder of Embassadors: slayed with the execrable massacre of their cohabitants: faithles and treacherous allies, cowardly and dastardly enemies: thus both in word and deed they satisfied their hatred to the foil: And at the very first shock forced their enemies to shrink. At which instant all at once, there issued out of the open gates of *Fidene* a strange army, not heard of nor usual, before that day: A mighty number armed with fireworks; and shining all over with burning lights, after a fanatical and mad manner, ran as if they were carried with spirits, upon their enemies: and with the uncouth sight of this kind of fight, amazed the Romans a pretty while. Then the Dictator busy in fight, having sent both for the General of the Cavalry with his troops of Horsemen, and also for *Quintus* from the mountains, hastened himself to the left point: which being terrified with a scarefire more like than a batrel, had given place unto the flame, and lepped back. Where with a loud voyce he thus spake: "What will ye be overcome with smoke like a swarm of Bees, and lose your ground, and retreat from your naked and unarmed enemies: will ye not put out this fire with redoubled stroke of brandishing swords? And will ye not every man for his part, if we must needs fight with fire, and not with weapons, pull from their torches and firebrands, and sling them again at their own heads? Go to, I say, like hardy men, mindful of the renown of *Romans*, remembering the prowess of your Fathers, and your own selves, Turn this fire upon your enemies City, and consume *Fidene* into ashes with her own flames: this disloyal *Fidene* which by no favors and good turns of yours, ye were ever able to win and pacify. The blood of your Embassadors, the blood of your Coloners thither sent to people their City, your Frontiers and Borders by them wasted, put you in mind of no meane revenge. At the Dictators commandment, the whole battallion was moved and encouraged. Some catch the firebrands as they flew; others by force snatch them from them, so that now both batrels were armed with fire. The General of Horsemen for his part, reneweth the Horse service: commanding them to pluck the bits out of their Horses mouths; and was the first himself, that setting spurs to, rode with bridle in Horneck, into the midst of the fire: and the other Horses also being pricked forward, and eased of their bridles, carried the riders with full career against the enemy. The dust rising together with the smoke, took the light from mens eyes, and Horses both. And that fight which had terrified the soldiers, nothing at all affrighted the Horses. Wherefore therefore the men of arms rode they bare down all afore them as if some Horses had come tumbling upon their heads. Herewith happened a new alarm to be heard, which having caused both armies to wonder and listen thereunto, the Dictator cryeth out aloud, That *Quintus* the Lieutenant and his Regiment, came upon the back of the enemies: and himself reinforcing the shout, advanceth his ensigns forward more freshly. When as now two armies, and two divers batrels, pressed fore upon the *Tulcans*, and environed them both before and behind: and that the enemies could neither flye back to their camp, nor yet retire or withdraw themselves unto the mountains, from whence a fresh supply of enemies, made head, and affronted them: and that the horses being unbridled, carried the riders every way higher and thither the most part of the Veientians ran scattering in disorder, and highing F them space, toward the *Tyber*: and the Fidenatians that remained to the City *Fidene*. But in that fearful flight they ran upon their own dead. Some were killed on the banks of the River, others were driven into the water, and the stream and whirlpools carried them away. And even they that were cunning swimmers, what with weariness, and what with faintness of their wounds and with fright, sunk and were drowned: so that few of many swam out in safety. The other army fled through their camp into the City. The flame way also the Romans followed forrily after: and *Quintus* especially, together with them who erstwhile came down from the mountains, and were the freshest souldiers for fight (as who came last into the batrel) and so afterwards entered pell-mell among their enemies into the gate, climbed upon the walls, and from the walls set up a banner to their fellows, in token that they had won the Town. Which as soon as the Dictator perceived, (for now by this time had he made an entrance into the foriorn, and abandoned camp of his enemies) he brought the souldiers, upon desire to run to a spoil, and hoping of a greater sacrifice in the City, straight unto the gate. And being gotten within the walls, marcheth directly forward to the Castle, whereinto he beheld the multitude to flye for refuge and safety. The execution in the City was no less than in the field: which continued until they threw away their weapons, and craving nothing but life yielded themselves to the Dictator. So both City and camp was spoiled and sacked. The morrow after, the Dictator disposed of his prisoners thus: he drew them by lot, and gave to every Horseman and Centurion one, and to as many as had done more valiantly

The words of  
the Dictator  
Mamercus Emilius  
to his  
souldiers.

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offers: they could not break forth to their fellows, gat up unto a certain little Hill, and cast themselves into a ring and stood to their defence, not without doing some mischief to their enemies: neither gave they over fighting until night. The Consul also maintained the battle so long as he could see, and kept the enemy play. So the night parted them asunder, and uncertain it was who had the upper hand, And for that the event was unknown, who sped the better, so great a terror came upon both parts in their camps, that leaving the wounded and a great part of their carriages behind, both armies as taking themselves losers, recovered the mountains that were next unto them. Howbeit the Hill or bank aforesaid, continued till befet round about: they went next unto them when word was brought thither to the Asilarians, how that their camp was abandoned: they thinking their fellows vanquished, were also for their part affrighted, and made shift and fled in the dark as well as they could. *Tempanius*, fearing an ambushment, kept his men there together until day light. Then went he down with a few to discover the coasts: and finding by enquiry made of the wounded enemies, that the tents of the Volcians were left and forsaken: he was full glad thereat, and called down his souldiers from the mount, and entrench into the Roman camp. Where seeing all void and forlorn, and finding the same desolation which was amongst the enemies: before that the Volcians upon knowledge of their error should return again, he took with him those hurt souldiers that he could: and not knowing to what quarters the Consul was gone, marcheth forward the next way to the City of *Rome*. And thither already the bruit of this unlucky fight, and of abandoning the tents, was arrived. But above all the rest, those Horsemen were bewailed, and great moan and lamentation was made for them as well in private as in public. Like. The Cof. *Fabius*, seeing the City also terrified with this news, kept ward before the gates: by which time, they might discover the Horsemen aforesaid afar off: but not without some fear of their parts, doubting who they were. But being soon known, they caused so great contentment after former fear, that in most joyful manner, the noise went through the City, how the Horsemen were returned safe with victory. And out of those mourning and sorrowful houses, which a while afore had bid adieu to their friends and kinsfolk, and bewailed their death, they ran into the streets and high ways by heaps. The fearful dames also and wives, forgetting, for joy all decent and womanly modesty, went out to meet the army, fell every one with open arms upon their own husbands and sons, took them about the neck, clipped and kissed them, and with all their hand and heart received them: yea, and for exceeding joy were almost past themselves.

The Interrogatories tendered unto *Tempanius* by *C. Julius* a Tribune of the Commons.

The modest answer of *Tempanius*, to the former Interrogatories.

The Tribunes of the Commons, who had challenged and accused *M. Posthumius* and *T. Quintus*, for that by their default, there was an unlucky fight before *Veij*: seemed to have good occasion and opportunity offered now, by bringing the Consul *Sempronius* into fresh and new hatred and disgrace, for to renew the conceived displeasure and malice of the people against them. Having assembled therefore the people together, with open mouth they declared, that the Commonwealth was betrayed first, at *Veij* by the leaders, and afterwards, because they went clear away withal, and unpunished, therefore the army in *Volsi* was likewise lost by the Consul: and that a troop of most valiant knights were thus cast away and given to be murdered, and the camp shamefully left and forsaken. Then *C. Julius*, one of the Tribunes, commanded *Tempanius* the Horsemans to be called, and before them all said, "I would know of thee O *Sextus Tempanius*, whether thou M think that *C. Sempronius* the Consul, either began battle in good time, or strengthened his battalions with good succors and supplies? or whether thou thy self, when as the Roman legions and footmen were discomfited, of thine own head and policy, causedst the Horsemans to alight on foot, and thereby reinforced the fight? Afterwards, when thou and thy men of arms were shut out from our battle, whether either the Consul himself came to rescue, or sent any succor unto thee? Last of all, whether the morrow after, thou hadst any aid or rescue at all? Whether thou and thy troop of Horsemans brake through into the camp by your own hardiness and valor? And whether ye found in the camp any Consul or army, or rather the pavilions abandoned, and the souldiers left behind, hurt and wounded? To these premises and points, he said thou to speak this day upon thy virtue, and the faith of a souldier: by which only, in this N war-service the Commonwealth hath stood preserved. Finally, where *C. Sempronius*, and where our legions be? Whether thou wert forsaken thy self, or whether thou forlookest the Consul and the army? And to conclude, whether we have lost or won the field? To these demands, *Tempanius* made (as they say) no fine Oration, but a grave pithy speech like a souldier: not full of self-praises, nor shewing any gladness for the fault of another, and answered in this wise: How great skill (quoth he) of martial feats, and what sufficiency is in *C. Sempronius*, it is not for me a souldier to judge, nor yet to make any estimate of my General: but it was for the people of *Rome* to determine thereof, at what time as by their suffrages and voices, in a solemn Election, they chose him Consul. "And therefore ye are not to enquire of me, and to be informed, either of the policies of a General Captain, or virtues and duties of a Consul: deep points to be examined, O "weighed, and discomfured by great wits, reaching heads, and high minds. But for that which I "with mine eye saw, I am able to make report and testify: namely, That before himself was excluded out of the battle, I beheld the Consul fighting manfully in the vanguard, encouraging his men earnestly, and even amongst the Roman Standards, and Pikes of the enemies, busily employed. After which I was carried from the sight of my fellows, howbeit by the stir, noise and shouting, I well perceived, that the conflict continued until night. Neither was it possible (as I thought) for them to break through unto the Hill which I kept, by reason of the multitude "of

A "of enemies between. As for the army, what is become of it, I know not: But I suppose, that "as I myself in an extremity and fearful case, defended my self and mymen, by advantage of the ground: so the Consul for to save the army, took some more safe place to encamp in. Neither "think I verily, that the Volcians stood in better terms than the Romans fortune was. And the "darkness of the night (no doubt) caused error and confusion on every side, and in all places. After which speech when as he behought them, not to hold him any longer wearied with travel, and faint of his wounds: he was with exceeding praise both of his valiant service and also of his modest speech, licenced to depart.

While these things thus passed, the Consul by that time, had marched by the way of *Lavinium* B as far as to the Temple of *Quir*: thither were wains, draught-beasts and jumper Horses sent from the City, to receive and ease the army, toiled out with fight, and tired by journeying all night. Within a while after, the Cof. entered into the City: who endeavoured not more, to put the fault from himself, than to extol *Tempanius*, and give him his due deserved praises. Now whiles the City was sad and heavy for this hard hap, and angry also with the Captains: behold, *M. Posthumius*, who before had been accused, was now presented unto the people, for to wreak their choler and malice upon. He had been a Tribune Military in place of a Cof, at *Veij*, and now was condemned, & a fine set on his head of ten thousand Asles of brass. But as for *Titus Quintus*, his fellow in government, because that among the Volcians he had served fortunately as Consul, under the conduct of *Posthumius Tiberius* the Dictator: and likewise at *Fidene*, as Lieutenant of the other Dictator *Manerius Aemilius*, and laid the whole fault of that other time from himself: upon his colleague before condemned: he was found unguilty and acquit by all the Tribes. It is said that the fresh remembrance of his father *Cincinnatus*, late a right worshipful citizen, helped him much: Yea, and *Capitulinus Quintus* a very aged man, did him no hurt, who humbly besought them that they would not suffer him, having but a while in this world to live, for to be the carrier of so heavy news unto *Cincinnatus*. The Commons made Tribunes of the commonalty, *Sex. Tempanius*, *A. Silius*, *Sex. Antistius*, and *Sex. Pompidius* in their absence: whom also the Horsemans had chosen for their Captains or Centurions, in the former exploit, by the advice and counsel of *Tempanius*. But the Senators, because now for hatred of *Sempronius* the name of Consuls mistliked and offended them, determined that military Tribunes with Consuls authority, should be created, so D there were chosen *L. Manlius Capitolinus*, *Q. Antonius Merenda*, *L. Papirius Mugilanus*.

In the very beginning of the year *L. Hortensius* the fifth Tribune of the commonalty, accused *C. Sempronius* the Consul of the former year. And when as his other four fellows in office, in the fight of the people of *Rome* behought him, not to trouble their guideless Captain, in whom nothing could be blamed or found fault withal, but adverse fortune: *Hortensius* could hardly abide, but thought it was but to prove and trye his resolute constancy: and that the party accused, trusted not upon the prayer and intercession of the Tribunes, which only for a fiew was pretended, but upon their support and assistance. And therefore turning one while to *Sempronius* himself, demanded what was become of that haughty courage and stomach, so ordinary in those of Senators calling? and where was that magnanimity which rested and relied upon innocency? since that he having been a Consul, was fain to shelter and shrowd himself under the shadow and protection of the Tribunes? Another while directing his speech to his fellow Tribunes: but you my Masters (quoth he) what will ye do? if I prosecute mine action against him still, and convict him in the end: Will ye take from the people their right, and overthrow the authority of the Tribunes among the Commons? When they again said and inferred, that the people of *Rome* had absolute power to do what they would, both with *Sempronius*, and all others: and that they neither would nor could abridge the people of their judgment. But if (say they) our prayers in the behalf of our General, who was to us in stead of a father, may not avail, then will we together with him change our weed for company. Nay, God forbid (quoth *Hortensius*) The Commons of *Rome* shall never see their Tribunes arrayed in foiled and mournful apparel. And as for *C. Sempronius*, I have now no F more to say to him, since that he hath carried himself so, whiles he was General, as that he hath gained thus much, as to be so dearly beloved of his souldiers. Neither was the kindness of those four Tribunes more acceptable to the Commons and Nobles, than the good nature of *Hortensius*, who at their reasonable request, was so easily to be pacified and intreated.

It was no long time that fortune frowned upon the *Aequians*: who embraced the doubtful victory of the Volcians, and took it as their own. The next year after, when *Cn. Fabius Vibulanus*, and *T. Quintus Capitolinus*, the son of *Capitulinus*, were Consuls: by the leading of *Fabius*, unto whom was allotted that Province, nothing was done there worthy of remembrance. For when as the *Aequians* had made semblance of a battle, and brought their army only in fight, they were in fearful wise soon discomfited, and shamefully fled, mistaking no matter of great honor to the Cof. And therefore was he denied triumph. But yet because the ignominy of the loss which happened by *Sempronius*, was partly allayed: it was granted that he might enter *Ovant* into the City. [A General was said to enter *Ovant* into the City, when ordinarily without his army following him he went on foot, or rode on Horseback only, and the people in their Acclamations for joy, redoubled *Ohe*. or *Oho*. So that *Ovant* is as much as *Oho* is: Howsoever, some think that *Ovant* took the name of sacrificing a sheep. But herode in triumph, when his souldiers attended him in his chariot, crying *Io Triumpe*. In this he carried a branch, or wore a garland of lawrel, in the other of Myrtle. So that the Ovation was a less honor than the Triumph. And it was granted

\* The goddess of rest and Repose.

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**A Colony**  
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The Speech of  
Ap. Claudius to  
the Senators,

After the winning of *Lautior*, there were created Military Tribuns with consular power; *Agraria*, *Aratius*, *Aratius*, *Aratius*, *Aratius*, *Aratius*, and *L. Servidius Strabon*, with *P. Lucinius Tetricus* (all three of the second time) and *Sp. Venturius Crassus*: and the year following *A. Sempronius Atratinus*, the third time, and their twin, *M. Papyrius Mugillanus*, and *Sp. Nauius Rutilus* the second time: for these two years there was peace abroad, but discord at home about the Laws *Agraria*. They that troubled the people, were *Sp. Maelius*, who now the fourth time, and *Metellus*, who the third time were made Tribunes of the Commons, both abient. And when they had published their Ordinance, the possessions of a great part of the Nobility became confiscate, (for since their City was N<sup>t</sup> situate and built in a strange ground, there was in a manner no Land lay to it, which had not been purchased by the sword: neither enjoyed the Commons any, but that which either had been sold or raffigned to the Commons) this seemed to be a bone call between the Nobles and the Commons, to set them together at strife and contention. Neither knew the Military Tribuns any way to take counsell in this case, albeit one while they assembled the Senate, and another while met in private conference with the Nobility. Then *Appius Claudius*, (the nephew or grandson of notorious *Appius* the Decemvir, created for the making of Laws) the pny of all the counsel of the Nobility, made (as it is reported) this speech, and said, "That he would impart unto them that which he had received by tradition from his ancestors, to wit, an old devile, and appropriate to his house, for that his great grandfire *Appius Claudius*, had shewed unto the Nobles O the only way, to abate and take down the Tribuns power: namely, by the coming between and negative voyce of their fellows. For men new come up, and risen to promotion, might soon by the authority of the chief rulers be brought from their purpose, and made to change their mind. if otherwise thos great men in place would use some speech unto them fitted and framed rather to the time and present occasion than respective to their own high place and dignity: for evermore the heart and courage of such, is according to their degree and wealth. And when they see once their fellows possessed first afore them of the cause, and thereby crept wholly into"

A "into all the favour with the Commons, and that no room is left for themselves to have any  
"part thereof, they will be willing enough to en line and on del end into the Senate, and take  
"their part : by means whereof, they might wind into the love and good gracie of that universi-  
"tie fall late, and particularly with the principal Lords of the Nobility. Which speech, when they  
"all had approved, and especially *Q. Serenius Prifcus*, who praised the young Gentleman, for that he  
"was not grown out of kind, nor degenerate from the true k and r a c e of the *Claudey*, then every  
"man was iet about this buisness, to see whom of the Colledge or company of Tribuns, they could  
"win and draw to cros and stop the Act for going forward. The Senate now being broken up,  
"the chief of the Nobles caught hold of the Tribuns, and were in hand with them perswading, ex-  
"horting, and assuring them, that they should every one in private gratify not only, but also the  
"whole body of the Senate in general : and never gave over, until they had procured fix of them to  
"interpole their negative, and to cros the Law. The morrow after, when as of purpose a matter  
"was propounded afore the Senate, about the sedition which *Meilius* and *Metilius* had raised, by  
"a larges of dangerous consequence : such speeches were by the principal of the Nobles delivered,  
"that each one for himself confessed, that now they were to seek for comfort, and law no other  
"help nor remedy but in the authority of the Tribuns : to the protection and safeguard of which  
"Magistracy, the Common-weal betooke her self, and fied to succour, as being betwixt with danger,  
"like some poor private person, and had no other means to save her self : saying, That it would be  
"both for themselves, and also for their authority an honorable thing, if it might appear, that the  
"puissance of their Tribunship were not more employed in moletting the Senate, and making dis-  
"cord among the States than in redressing the peevish wilfulness of their colleagues, Whereupon arose  
"a great noise through the whole company of the Senators, whiles out of all parts of the Court  
"there assembled, they called upon the Tribuns for their helping hand. Then after silence made,  
"they (who for the favour of the Lords of the Senate, were made aforehand to their cause) de-  
"clared and confessed, that they were ready to cros that act, by their fellows published, seeing the  
"Senate judged it to be prejudicial to the Common-wealth. These Tribuns for the offer of their  
"good service, were by the Senate highly thanked, But the Authors and Patrons of the Act afore-  
"said, calling together an assembly of the Commons, when they had inveighed against their fellows  
"most sharply, terming them berrayers of the Common-wealth, and slaves to the Nobles : and ut-  
"tering other bitter speeches, gave over their action and suit.

Two grievous wars had continued all the year next following (wherein *P. Cornelius Cossus*, *C. Valerius Potius*, *Quintinus Cincinnatus*, and *M. Fabius Vibulanus*, were military Tribuns in Coff, authority) but that the Veientian war was deferred by the superstitious fear of their own Princes; whose grounds, *Tybris* (overflowing the banks) had spoiled and overthrowen also all the villages and houses that stood thereupon. The *Aequians* likewise by reason of their loss received three years before, made no great halt to aid and assist the *Volans*, a people of their own nation. For they had made certain roads into the *Lavicans* Country, confining upon them, and warred upon the inhabitants, lately there planted. Which trepals by them done they hoped to have been able to maintain, by the banding and assistance of all the *Aequians*: but being forsaken of their allies, they lost both their Town and territory, only by feige, and one light skirmish, and never fought for it any memorable war. *L. Sextus* also Tribun of the Commons, aspired to make an Act that there might be sent to *Vols* as well to *Lavicans*, Coloners to people it: but by the negative of his Associates, who shewed, that they would not suffer any Statute of the Commons to pass without the assent of the Senate, it came to nothing.

In the year following, the *Equians* having recovered and won again *Vole*, and brought a Colony thither, fortified the Town with a fresh power; at that time were Tribuns Military in Consuls authority at *Rome*, *Cn. Cornelius Cossus*, *L. Valerius Potitius*, *Q. Fabius Vibulanus* the second time, and *M. Publilius Philo* the first. The war against the *Equians*, was committed to this *Publius*, a man of a crooked disposition, as his victory shewed more than the whole course of the war. For having levied an army in haste, and brought it before *Vole*, after some small skirmishes, he tamed the *Equians*, and at length entered the Town. And when he had done with the enemies, he began to quarrel with his own soldiers: for whereas during the time of the assault, he had given out by Proclamation, That they should have the sacrifice after the Town was once won: he brake promise with them. For I am inclined to believe that this was the cause rather why the army mutinied, and was discontented, than for that in a Town lately sacked before and in a new Colony, there was found less spoil than the Tribun made boast of. But this displeasure and anger once conceived was made the worse after that he returned into the City: for being sent for by his fellows, upon occasion of the Tribunitian editions, there escaped him an indirect speech I must needs say, yes, and without all fence, wit, and honesty. Which he let fall in an assembly of the Commons: wherein it hapned, that as *Sextus* a Tribun of the Commons, was preferring the law *Agrippae*, and saying withal, That he would propose an Act that Colonisers should likewise be lent to *Vole*, for that they were worthy to have both the Town and Lands of *Vole*, who had by sword and spear conquered the same: *Publius* minus caught the word out of his mouth: And that shall my soldiers, dearly abide (quoth he) unless they be more quiet, Which word being overheard, offended not to the Commons presently, there in place assembled, as the Lords of the Senate awhile after. Moreover the Tribun aforesaid, an active man and eloquent withal, having among his adventures met with a proud humorous spirit, and an intolerant and intemperate tongue, which walked

The Oration  
of Sextus  
against P<sup>o</sup>sthumus  
min.

to freely and so long by his provocation, that he uttered these speeches, which bred not only ill will and displeasure to himself, but also wounded the cause, and the whole state of the Patria. This *Sextus* (I say) was busy, and quarrelling with none of all the Military Tribunes, more than with *P<sup>o</sup>sthumus*. And even at that time, taking advantage of the fame cruel and inhuman speech of his: clear ye not, O ye Commons (quoth he) how he threatneth mischief unto his soldiers, as unto bondslaves? And yet this beast ye will think more worthy of so great dignity wherein ye have placed him, than those that induce you with house and land, that send you abroad to inhabit Colonies, that provide habitation for you against old age, that tending your wealth, take part and defend you against to cruel and proud adversaries. Begin now henceforth to marvel why so few take in hand to maintain your cause: For what may they look for, and hope at your hands? For honors, which ye bestow rather upon your adversaries, than those that are affectionate defenders of the people of *Rome*. Ye sighed even now and groaned again, at the words uttered out of this foul mouth. But what matter makes that? If ye were now to go to an election, and to give your voices, ye would no doubt for all that, prefer this man (who threatneth to mischief you) afore them that are willing and desirous to establish your Lands, your dwelling places, and the whole state of your subsistence and living. But when that lewd language of *P<sup>o</sup>sthumus* was reported once to the soldiers, it bred a far greater indignation (because) within the camp. How now? (say they) is he, who hath interpreted our booty, and defrauded us poor soldiers of our due, not content therewith, but multi menaces mischief besides unto us, as his varieties? When as therefore they openly muttered with the same violence by which it was first raised: he sent an Officer to one clamorous soldier, that kept a noise above the rest. Whereupon arose an outcry and a brawl: and he got himself a good rap with a stone for his labour, that he was faine to go out of the press. And he that smote him, spake aloud besides, and bawled, that the Quæstor take now that for his pains in a mischief, which the General had threatened his soldiers. *P<sup>o</sup>sthumus* in this hubbub was sent for, and he, when he was come, made all worse and worse with his sharp examinations, tortures, and cruel punishments. At the last, when he could not see to make an end, nor bridle his choler: they all ran on heaps together, at the lamentable cry of those whom he commanded to be choked in the mire and killed under the hurdle, and he half besides himself, fully foolishly steps down in more haste than good speed from the Tribunal, to chastise one that contested with him, and made a great brawling. Now when as the Lictors and Centurions every where laid about them to make way, and ill intreated the multitude in the throng, they moved their patience to much, that in that furious fit of the soldiers, the Military Tribune was by his own army stoned to death. Which horrible act, after it was noised at *Rome*, and the Military Tribune by the Senates authority, were about to sit in commission for the examination of the death of their colleague, by way of rigour and torture: the Tribunes of the Commons opposed themselves, and resisted them. But that contention depended upon another quarrel. For the Senate doubting lest that the Commons for fear of those examinations were tended, would in their anger create Tribunes military from out of their own body and degree: were very careful, and studied all they could, that Consuls might be chosen again. But whereas the Tribunes of the Commons would not suffer an act of the Senate to pass, and hindered also the election of the Consuls, the matter came to an Interregnum. But in the end the Nobles had the upper hand. For when as *Q. Fabius Vibulenus* the Interregnum, held a Court for the said Election, there were created Consuls *A. Cornelius C. Silius*, and *L. Furius Medullinus*.

An inquisition  
about the  
murder of  
*P<sup>o</sup>sthumus*,

In the beginning of these Consuls year, the Senate made a decree, that the Tribunes with all speed possible should propose into the Commons, concerning the inquisition of *P<sup>o</sup>sthumus* his death: and that they should make chief Commissioner and Judge, whom they would. The Commons by the consent of the whole people, gave the Consuls commission to see it done, and persons moved accordingly. Who notwithstanding, that with exceeding moderation and lenity, they dispatched and ended the matter, by punishing a few, who (as it was credibly thought) made themselves away: yet could they not for all that bring about, but the Commons fully themselves away in the highest degree, saying, That the Acts and Ordinances, which had been pronounced concerning their wealth and commodities, those lay a long time asleep in the deck, and nothing done: but an order granted for their bloodshed and death: that was presently put in execution. Of so great force and importance was it. Now this had been the fiftieth time, that after these mutinous soldiers were chastised, the division of the Volapne territory, should have been offered unto them for to comfort their poor hearts again. By which deed (no doubt) their hot desire and longing after the law *Agroaria*, had been abated, which tended to dispossess at length the Nobles of the common grounds, which they injuriously were seized of. But this indignity stuck in their bosoms, and was taken nearer to the heart. When they saw the Nobility so stiffly bent, not only to keep the common grounds in their hands, which they held by force: but also unwilling to divide among the people so much as the vast and void ground lately gotten by conquest from the enemies: but that it was like, within a while (as all the rest) to be a booty, and dividend, to be shared among a few.

The same year, were the legions led by *Furius* the Consul, against the Volcians: who foraged the borders of the Hernicks. But finding not the enemy there, they van *Periclitantur*, whither a great number of the Volcians had retired themselves. The booty there was less than they hoped for:

A for: by reason that the Volcians, seeing small hope of keeping the Town, trussed up and carried away both bag and baggage in the night, and quit the Town: which was won the morrow after, being left well near destitute and empty. All the Lands were given freely to the Hernicks. When this year now was passed in good quiet by the modesty and peaceable carriage of the Tribunes, then in place: there succeeded another Tribune of the Commons, *L. Licinius*, when *Q. Fabius Ambulius* and *C. Furius Pacilius* were Consuls. Whiles this man in the very beginning of his year, was busy in stirring new seditions (as if it had been a task imposed upon his name and lineage) by proposing of the *Agroaria* laws: behold, there arose a pestilence, more fearful than hurtful, which turned away mens minds, from their publick assemblies and accustomed contentions, to tend their houses, and to care for the cherishing of their bodies. And (as men verily think) the sickness was less dangerous than the seditions were like to have been. When as the City was now excused, as it were, and well escaped with the sickness only of many and death of very few: presently after this pestilent year, followed (as it is commonly seen) a great dearth of corn, by reason of the neglect of tillage. *M. Papyrius Aratrinus*, and *C. Nauius Rutilius* being Consuls. This famine would have been more grievous than the plague, had they not provided well for corn, by sending forth their Embassadors to the neighbour nations all about, inhabiting along the Tiber Sea and the Tiber, to buy grain. Proudly were the Embassadors prohibited all commerce and traffique with the Samnites, who held at that time *Capua* and *Cumes*: but contrary-wise bountifully were they relieved by the Tyrants or Potentates of *Sicilie*. And such was the willing endeavour of *Herraria*, that great store of victuals came down the Tiber. In what defolation the City was, during this affliction, the Cof, tried by this: that when they could not furnish an Embassage, but with one senator, they were compelled to adjoyn two Knights unto them. And letting aside the sickness and dearth, there was no trouble either at home or abroad for those two years. But when these storms were once overblown, and that care past: then began again the old troubles wherewith the City had usually been diquieted: dissention at home, and war abroad.

When *M. Anulius* and *C. Valerius Potius* were Consuls, the Equians made preparation for wars, and handed with the Volcians. Who albeit they took arms by no publick commission; yet such as would of themselves serve for hire or wages, followed the wars. At the bruit of which enemies (for they were already come over into the Country of the Latins and Hernicks) whiles *Valerius* the Consul mustered his men and levied soldiers: *M. Menenius* a Tribune of the Commons, and a publisher of the *Agroaria* laws, opposed himself against him. And when as by reason of the protection and assistance of the Tribune, no man would be compelled to take a soldiers oath against his will: suddenly news came, that the Cattle of *Carventus* was by the enemies forced. This dishonour thus received, as it was a cause that *Meneius* was hated among the Noblemen, so it gave to the rest of the Tribunes, who were already framed and prepared to withstand the law *Agroaria*, more just cause to resist their colleague. The matter being thus for a long time protracted by much debating, the Consuls called both God and man to witness, that whatsoever shame or loss either had been already received, or were like to be sustained by the enemies: the blame should be imputed to *Meneius*, who hindered the mustering. And *Meneius* protested again aloud, that if the unlawful Landlords, would surrender the tenure of the common fields which they unjustly detained, he would not stay the musters. Then the nine Tribunes, by setting down a decree between them, made an end of the strife: and pronounced by authority of their college, that they would afflict *C. Valerius* the Cof, (all contradiction of their college notwithstanding) to award any penalty, restraint or chastisement, upon them that refused to be enrolled for warfare. The Cof, being armed with this decree and warrant, after he had caused some few to be had away by the neck and laid fast, that called upon the Tribune for help, the rest for fear were sworn to serve. Thus the army was led forth to the Cattle of *Carventus*. And although the soldiers were as odious to the Consul, as wickedly bent against him, yet at the very first coming, having manfully and lustily dispossessed the garrison, they recovered the fort. The soldiers who were slipped away from the hold, and gone a plundering, by their negligence gave the Romans an opportunity to enter and to surprize it. And a good booty there was: by reason that they had continually gotten prizes, and laid up all there as in a place of safety. Which being told in portale, the Consul commanded the treasurers for to bring the money into the common Chamber of the City: giving out these words withal, that the army should then have part of spoil, when they denied not their service in war. Hereupon both Commons and soldiers were more angry with the Consul, And therefore when as by a decree of the Senate he entered the City *Ovans*, in a petty triumph, the soldiers according to their licentious manner (in that case permitted) followed after with songs and sonnets, answering one another in rude time and gross meeter by alternative staves. Wherein the Consul was greatly blamed, but *Meneius* the Tribune, his name was set out to the height. His praises were blazoned and extolled aloft: and at every time that he was named, the affectionate favour of the people that stood in the streets appeared, by clipping of hands and great applause. Striving much to exceed the songs chanted by the soldiers. Which caused the Nobles to look to it, and troubled them more than the malapert lawless of the soldiers with their Consuls, which is an ordinary and usual fashion among them. And *Meneius* (who doubtless had been one of the Military Tribunes, if he had lived for it) was excluded from that dignity by an Election of Consuls. So there were created Consuls, *Cn. Cornelius Cossus*, and *L. Furius Medullinus* the second time.

Never took he Com, the matter more to the heart, that the Election of Tribunes escaped their hands:



Who being thither come, obtained of the Senat, that for as much as the Veientians were at civil discord among themselves, they would not claim any amends at their hands. Lo, how far they were from seeking their own vantage by other mens distress and calamity. Alas the Volscians hardly they sustained damage by loss of their garrison at *Verrugæ*. But (see what a thing it is to slack the time) For whereas the soldiers besieged there, the army which was sent for aid in due time, might have been rescued if speed had been made, the army which was sent for succour, came too short, and after the fray was ended. Only this exp. cit they did: The enemies, who after their fresh massacre committed upon the garrison, were gone abroad stragling for to raise booties, were by them overtaken and put to the sword. The cause of this slackness was imputed to the Senat, rather than the sovereign Tribuns: who became intelligence was given, that they in the garrison resisted and defended themselves most manfully, little considered, That there is no prowess of man whatsoever, but by valour again it may be overmatched. Most brave and valiant soldiers they, that neither whiles they lived, nor after death were unreverenced.

The year following, when P. and Cornelius both surnamed *Cossus*, C. *Fabius Ambulius* and L. *Valerius Potitus* were Tribuns Military in Consuls authority, began the Veientian war by occasion of a proud and arrogant answer returned by the Senat of the Veientians: Who commanded that the Embassadors which came to claim amends, should take this for their dispatch: That unless they departed presently out of the City and Country, they would serve them as *Lari Tolumnii* had done others before. The Senators of Rome hardly could digest that: and therefore decreed, that the Military Tribuns should propole unto the people as speedily as might be, even the day before to morrow, concerning proclamation of open war, and sending defiance to the Veientians. Which as soon as ever it was noised and published, the younger fort and men of service, murmured and muttered in this manner: "That as yet they had not fully ended the war with the Volscians: that even of late two whole garrisons were lost, and their throats cut, and the forts kept still with danger and great hazard. There is not (say they) a year passeth over our heads, but one field or other is fought: and as if we had not work and trouble enough already, there was now intended new war with a most mighty nation confining upon us, and which was like enough to raise against us all *Hetruria*. And as they were forward enough of themselves to conceive thus, and utter these speeches, so the Tribuns of the Commons were not behind to buzze more matters into their heads; and let all on a light fire: Who gave out still, That when all was done, the greatest warring was between the Nobles and Commons: and that the Commons on purpose were to be toiled out with travel or warfare, and exposed to the enemies for to be murdered: and that they were to be kept far off from the City: and as it were confined and sent out of the way: left by being quiet at home, and minding their freedom and Colonies, they should conspire and devise, both how to dispose of the common grounds, and to give their voices freely. And ever as they could meet with any old beaten soldiers, they would hold them with talk, take them by their hands, reckon up how many years they had done service in war, fall to telling of their gashes and scars, asking them what whole place they had left in their bodies to receive new wounds, and what blood was behind to spend and shed, in the quarrel of the Common-wealth? When as by iterating these and such like speeches, both in their private talk and conference, and also other whiles in their publick assemblies, they had turned clean away the hearts of the Commonalty from taking war in hand: the foresaid A. S. propounded, was put off until a farther day, and lay still for the time. Which no doubt, had been nipt in the head, and never would have passed farther, in case it had been referred and subject to the hard opinion and conceit of men, as then they stood affected. In the mean whiles agreed it was, that the military Tribuns should conduct an army into the Volscians country. Cn. Cornelius alone was left at Rome. The three Tribuns, after that they perceived the Volscians in no place encamped, and nothing minded to try a battel, parted themselves three ways to waste and forrage the frontiers, *Valerius* he marched to *Antium*, *Cornelius* to *Ecceur*. And every way as they went, they spoiled all before them, both house and field, and all to amuse & keep the Volscians occupied that way. But *Fabius* without any forraging at all, came directly to assault *Anxur*, which was the service most desired. Now *Anxur* was that, which at this day is called *Tarracina*, a City seated upon marshes. And on that side *Fabius* made shew of assault. But there were four cohorts under the leading of C. *Servilius Hala* sent out to fetch a compass: who having gained the hill that over-looketh and commandeth the town from that higher ground, with a mighty shout and outcry assailed the wall, where it was dismanned of guard to defend it. At which sudden alarm, they were amazed who manned the wall of the baste town against *Fabius*: and suffered them to set ladders to, and to scale. By which means every place was full of enemies. And upon the walls for a good while there was nothing but killing, as well those that fled, as those that resisted armed and unarmed, one with another. So that, albeit they were too weak, yet forced were they to fight: because in yielding they saw no way but one. But upon proclamation once made, that none but armed men should be killed, all the multitude besides willingly were disarmed. Of which number there were upon 2500. taken alive. From the sacking *Fabius* kept the soldiers, until his Colleagues were come: laying, that *Anxur* was taken as well by those armies, which had driven away the rest of the Volscians from the defence of that place, as by themselves. Who being come, the three armies jointly ransacked it, & had the pillage for their labor of that rich town, that had gathered wealth a long time. Which

A Which courtesie and bountifullness of the commanders, was the first thing that reconciled Commons and Nobles together. Over and besides this munificence of the Rulers, the Nobles also began in a most happy hour to be liberal unto the multitude. For before that either the Commons or Tribuns made the motion, the Senat decreed, that soldiers might have their pay out of the City chamber: whereas before that time, every man in that service had born his own charges. Never was there any thing, by report, so joyfully accepted of the Commons: who ran by heaps together to the Council house: took the Senators by the hands as they came forth, and said, "They were now truly called *Pateres*, Fathers, confessing that now the day was come, that in the quarrel of our bounteous City, there was no man would so long as his breath lasted, spare either limb or life. Seeing that this commodity they should have to help them, namely, that during the time that their bodies were employed, and busily occupied in the defence of Commons: weal, their private estate should stand at one yet, and not decay. And forasmuch as it came of themselves, and never moved by any of the Tribuns of the Commons, nor called for and craved importunately, by their importune speeches; that was it, that multiplied their joy, and made the boon it self much more acceptable. But the Tribuns of the Commons (who only had not their part in this common joy and concord of all States) came in with their opinion, and said, that it would not prove so joyous and happy to the Nobles all in general, as they supposed: that this course and order taken, was at the first sight better then it would be found in the practice and execution. For how could that money possibly be made and raised but by levying a tribute or payment of the people? they were therefore liberal: but of other mens purses. But admit, or say, that the rest would bear it, yet those neither could nor would endure it, who were past war-service, and lived upon their pensions and annual salary: who would grudge and repine, that others hereafter should serve in war for more gain then they had in their time done; who having been charged with the pay of their own service, should now again be put to contribute to the wages of others. With these words they moved part of the Commonalty. Last of all, when there was a levy exacted, the Tribuns also proclaimed, That they would bear as many out, as would not contribute to the soldiers pay. The Nobles continued still to maintain that which they had so well begun, and were the first that opened their purse, and for that as yet they had no silver coin, some of them carried gross pieces of brass in Wains to the treasure house, and made a goodly shew of Contribution. When as the Nobles had most faithfully paid according to the rate of their wealth: the chief of the Commons also, friends of the Nobility, as it was afore agreed, began to lay their penny to theirs: whom when the common fort law both to be commended of the Nobles, and to be admired and revered of the soldiers as good Citizens: they all upon a sudden, refusing the Tribuns assistance, began to strive who should pay first. And the decree or act being once passed, of proclaiming war against the Veientians, the new Tribuns Military led an army to *Vesuvius*, confining much upon voluntary soldiers. Now the Tribuns were T. *Quintus Capitolinus*, P. *Quintus Cincinnatus*, C. *Julius Tullus* the second time, A. *Manlius*, L. *Furius Medullinus* the third time, and M. *Emilius Mamercus*. And these were the first that besieged *Veii*.

E About the beginning of which siege, when the Tuscans held a Council in a solemn assembly at the Temple of *Votumna*, they could hardly agree upon this point, Whether the Veientians should be defended by general war of the whole Nation, or no. The year following was the siege not so hot, by reason that some of the Tribuns, and part of the forces, were called away to the Volscian war. The Tribuns Military in Consil authority, that year were C. *Valerius Potitus* the third time, M. *Servilius Fidenas*, P. *Corneilius Maluginus*, Cn. *Cornelius Cossus*, C. *Fabius Ambulius*, Sp. *Nautius Rutilius* the second time. With the Volscians there was a pigmy field fought between *Ferentinum* and *Ecetra*: wherein the Romans had the day. Then the Tribuns began to lay siege to *Artena* a Town of the Volscians: where, by reason of a falling forth by them attempted, the enemies were driven back into the town, and the Romans took occasion and vantage thereby, to break in with them pell mell, and so they won all, save only the Castle. Into this fort naturally fenced, a good company of armed men betook themselves: but beneath the Castle, many a man was either slain or taken prisoner. Afterwards was the fortress besieged also. Neither could it by assault be forced, for that there was a guard sufficient to man it, considering the bigness of the place: nor gave the assailants any hope of yielding, for before the town was lost, they had conveyed all their publick provision of corn into the Castle. So that the Romans had for very wearisomness departed from thence, but that a bondslave betrayed it unto them: who let in certain soldiers at a steep high place, and those were they that won the fortels: for when the warders were by them slain, the rest of the multitude with sudden fright were soon overcome, and yielded. Thus, when both the Castle and town of *Artena* was sacked and spoiled, the legions were brought back from the Volscians, and all the Romans power employed against *Veii*. To the traitor afore said, there was given besides liberty, the pillage of two households for a reward. And he was named ever after *Servilius Romanus*. There be that think *Artena* was a town of the Veientians, and not of the Volscians: the occasion of which error is, for that there was a town of that name between *Cere* and *Vesuvius*. But that town the Roman Kings destroyed: and it belonged to the *Ceres*, and not to the Veientians: but this other, whereof we have reported the destruction, was in the country of the Volscians.

## The Fifth Book Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the fifth Book.

**A**T the siege of Veii, the souldiers had holds made them for to winter in. Which being a new kind of service, struck an heat in the Tribuns of the Commons, who complained that they had no rest from warfare, so much as in the winter season. Thence the Gentlemen of Rome began first to serve upon their own horses. When the Alban lake overflowed, a certain Prothes or Wizzard was taken captive from the enemies, who should interpret that strange wonder. Furius Camillus, after ten years sieges, was Veii: he translated the Image of Juno from thence to Rome. The tenth part of the spoil and sackage he sent to Apollo at Delphi. The same Camillus being Tribun military, whilst he laid siege unto the Falisci, sent back again to the parents his enemies sons that were betrayed unto him: Whereupon the Falisci yielded themselves, and so by his righteousness and just dealing, obtained victory over them. When one of the Censors C. Julius was deceased, M. Cornelius was substituted in his place, which was never done again afterwards, because in that five years space, Rome was taken by the Gauls. Furius Camillus, being indicted by L. Apuleius a Tribun of the Commons, departed into exile. When as the Senones a people of the Gauls, besieged Clusium, and the Embassadors sent from the Senat to conclude a peace between them and the Clusines, sought themselves in person against the Gauls in the Clusines army. The Senones hereupon made quarrel, and with a cruel army came against the City of Rome: and after they had defeated the Romans at the river Allia, they were Masters of the City, all but the Capitol, into which the able and serviceable young men of the City broke themselves. The elders with their ornaments of state belonging to the officers that each one had born, they flew sitting in the porches and entries of their houses. And when they were now gotten up to the top of the Capitol, by the back side of the hill, they were discovered by the gazing of Cerefe, and were turned down, principally by the valour of M. Manlius. Afterwards when through famine the Romans were forced to covenant and grant for to give them the sum of 1000. pound weight of gold, and for that to buy their redemption from the siege: Furius Camillus, who was created Dictator in his absence, came with an army, whilst the gold was weighing: and drove L. the Gauls out of the City, after they had been possessed of it six months, and flew them. A Chappel was built to Locutius: in that place where before the taking of the City, there was a voice heard, that the Gauls were coming. Whereas it was purposed, and propounded to remove to Veii, because the City of Rome was burnt and razed: that counsel by the advice and authority of Camillus was crossed and dispatched. The people was moved thereto the rather, by occasion of the omen of a word spoken by a Centurion who being come with his band of souldiers into the Forum, was heard to say thus, Stand souldiers, here will be our best abiding place.

## The fifth Book of T. Livius.

**V**hen peace elsewhere was obtained, the Romans and Veians were at war, with such mutual malice and hatred: that it seemed, whether party were vanquished, should come to final destruction. The assemblies for the election of the Rulers of both Nations, far differed one from the other. The Romans augmented the number of Tribuns Military in Consuls authority: for eight of them (so as never afore) were created: M. Aemilius Mamercus the second time, L. Valerius Potius the third time, Appius Claudius Crassus, M. Quintilius Varus, M. Julius Tullus, M. Posthumius, M. Furius Camillus, and M. Posthumius Albus. The Veientians contrariwise, being weary of suing for dignities every year (a cause sometimes of civil discord) made themselves a King. Which offended the people of *Hetruria*: who as they abhorred all regal government, so they hated the person of the King himself. He had a foretime oppressed that nation, in regard of his greatness and pride withall: in that he had violently put down their solemn plays, the intermission whereof was held unlawful and detestable. For upon a time, in an anger that he received a repulse, and by the suffrages of the twelve Nations, another was preferred before him to be high Priest, in the very midst of their solemn Games and sports, he took from them the very Players and Actors, whereof a great sort were his own servants. That people therefore given to superstition above all other, and so much the rather for that they excelled in the skill of religious observing the fames decreed to deny the Veientians their aid, so long as they were governed under a King. This decree was suppressed and not spoken of at Veii for fear of the King, who would accompany him that should report such rumor, for a tower of sedition, rather than an author of news. The Romans, albeit they heard that all was quiet from *Hetruria*, yet because they were advertised that in all the Diets and Councils of that Nation, the question was on foot and much debated, made their fortifications at Veii, so as they stood two ways: some looked towards the City against all sallies and eruptions of the townsmen: others fronted *Hetruria*, to stop all succours that haply might come from thence. But the Roman Captains having greater hope in long siege, then in quick assault, began to build wintering harbours (a strange thing to Roman souldiers.) Their intent was all winter time to keep continual war. Which after it was told at Rome to the Tribuns of the Commons

**A** Commons (who now a long time could find no matter and occasion of troubles and alteration) they leapt forth into the assembly of the people, founding and solliciting the minds of the Commons, and often saying, "That this was the only matter, why a set pay was appointed for the souldiers: and that they were not ignorant, that the gifts of enemies would prove to be belmeared with poison: That the freedom of the Commons was bought and sold: That their young men were sent away far off, and as it were banished from the City and Common-wealth, so that now they had not so much spare time as winter: nor any season else of the year, for to visit home and see unto their estate. What think ye (say they) is the cause of continuing this warfare? No other verily should they find it but this, left by reason of the frequent number of those young men, in whom the whole strength of the Commonalty consisted, there might be something dealt in, and effected, concerning their commodities. Over and besides they complained how they were much more hardly used, then the Veientians. For as for them, they spent the winter within their own houses, defending their City, fortified both with goodly walls, and also by natural situation of the place: but the Roman souldiers abode by it still in labour and travel, thrond under booths of poor hides, overwhelmed with snows and frosts, not laying away their helmets and weapons, so much as in winter the ordinary time orest from all wars both by sea and land. This manner of hard bondage, neither the Kings, nor those proud and imperious Consuls (before the Tribuns authority was ordained to take them down) nor yet the Lordly ruling Dictator, nor the insolent and unupportable Decemvirs, ever enjoined: thus to dwell in continual souldiery, as these Tribuns Military do: who exercise upon the Commons of Rome, an absolute and kingly authority. What would they do another day, when they were Consuls or Dictators indeed, who now but preteining only the Consuls government (as Vice-Consuls) are so cruel and unreasonable? But we are well enough served, and justly have deserved no less. For that there was not so much as one place for a Commoner amongst eight Tribuns. Afore time, the Nobles were wont with much labour and toil, to fill but three rooms: and now they go eight in a rank together, to obtain all charges and dignities of State and Government: and in that throng, a Commoner cannot have a place amongst them, to purchase Colleagues in mind (if he did nothing else) that they that go to warfare were free-men yet, and Citizens with them, and not bondslaves. Who in winter at the least, ought to be brought again to their houses and homes, and once a year visit their loving parents, their sweet children, and best beloved wives: to make some use of their liberty, and chuse their Magistrates: These and such like speeches, whilst they broadly uttered and multiplied, they met at length with an adversary that was able to match them, Appius Claudius, left for the purpose at home by his brethren in office, to refrain the Tribuns seditions: a man ever from his tender youth trained up in the broils and contentions of the Commons. Who certain years before (as we have laid) gave shrewd and unhappy counsel to dissolve and put down the Tribuns authority, by the contradiction and inhibition of their own Colleagues. This man being not only in wit prompt and ready, but also exercised by long practice, made at that time this or such like speech: "If ever doubt were made, O Quirits, whether the Tribuns of the Commonalty have for love of your good or their own particular vantage, been always the authors and beginners of discord and dissention, this year I know assuredly, ye need no more stand in doubt. And as Trejoice ye are at length come to an end of this your long wandering, so I congratulate both you, and the Common-wealth for your sake, that this error is cleared, and especially in the midst of your prosperity. Is there any man maketh question now, that the Tribunes of the Commons were not offended, nor took inoff to much at the injuries at your hands received (if haply there have sometimes been any) as at the bounty of the Nobles, towards the Commons, in allowing pay to those that serve in war? What think ye else, either they feared them, or would at this day disturb and disquiet but only the concord and agreement of the States? Which they suppose rendeth most, and is sufficient, to abolish and overthrow the Tribuns authority. And verily, as naughty Artisans or lewd leeches, seek for work fill, and would be ever doing: so they likewise desire to have something or other out of frame and amiss, in the Commonweal, that to the repair and cure thereof, they might be ever sent for and employed. So whether do ye (and speak truth) maintain or impugn the commonalty? Are you the adversaries or the advocates of them that serve in the wars? Unless peradventure this be your saying, Whatsoever the Nobles do, it misliketh us, be it for the good of the common people, or to the prejudice and damage. And even as masters forbid their own servants and slaves, to have any dealing at all with strangers, and think it meet and reason, that they meddle neither hot nor cold with them: even so forswear ye the Nobles from all commerce and entercourse with the Commons: to the end, that neither we by our courtisie and liberality, should allure and win them: nor they again become dutiful and obedient to us. How much more ought you (I pray you) if there were any spark (I say not) of civility, but of common humanity and good nature in you, rather to favour, and as much as lieth in you, foster and cherish, as well the gracious kindnes of the Nobles, as the willing service and obedience of the Commons? Which accord, if it were perpetual, who would not undertake to warrant, that this Signory and Empire, within a while, might prove the mightiest and most renowned of all those States that border hard upon our confines? As for this purpose intended, and plot devised by my Colleagues, whereby they would not have, the army withdrawn away from the siege of Veii, before the service were brought to an end."

The Oration  
of App. Claudius.



"how it would not be only profitable, but also necessary, I will hereafter argue and prove. Now  
 "for this time, I list rather to treat and speak of the present condition and state of those, that are  
 "employed there in warfare. Which Oration of mine, if it were pronounced, not before you only,  
 "but also in the camp, and there canvassed and scanned of by the very army it self, I suppose, would  
 "seem equal, and be received for good and reasonable. Wherein, is nothing else should come in-  
 "to my head to speak, I would content my self, and rest satisfied with the only speeches given  
 "out by the very adversaries. They laid to late, That pay was not to be allowed to the soldiers,  
 "for that never before it had been allowed. How then can they now be offended, and to male-  
 "content, if they who have home new commodity coming to them, be enjoined also new labour  
 "proportionably? For never lightly is there travel any where without gain, nor gain common-  
 "ly without travel and employment. Pains and pleasure, things of themselves in nature most un-  
 "like, yet by a natural kind of society (I know not how) are linked together. The soldier (afore-  
 "time) thought much to bestow his labour & service upon the Common-weal, at his own pro-  
 "per charges: yet was he glad with all his heart, that one part of the year, he might look to home,  
 "husband his land, and get maintenance to find himself and his, both at home in City and abroad  
 "in war. Now, taketh he contentment, and is well pleased, that the Common-weal is gainful to  
 "him: and with joy of heart receiveth his wages. Let him likewise be content, with patience to  
 "to forbear his house and family (since he is at no great charge) somewhat longer than ordina-  
 "ry. Might not the Common-wealth, if she would call him to a reckoning, justly say? Yearly  
 "pay thou halt, perform therefore thy yearly service? Dost thou think it reason, to receive full  
 "wages for the whole year? and to be employed but six months for it? Much against my Sto-  
 "mach, O Quirites, enforce I this point, and dwell still in this one part of my Oration: for  
 "in this wife ought they to reason that have mercenary and hired soldiers: but we will use  
 "them as fellow Citizens, and think it meet likewise that they entreat us kindly, and speak unto  
 "us as to their native Country. Either it behoved us, not to have begun the war at all; or else  
 "to proceed forward, now it is begun: yea, and for the honour of the people of Rome, to finish  
 "it with all speed possible. And finished it will be, if we press upon our enemies thus besieged:  
 "if we depart not afore we have accomplished our hope, by the winning of Veii. And surely if  
 "there were no other cause but this, even the very shame and indignity of the thing, might force  
 "us to continue siege unto the end. In old time the whole power of Greece laid siege full ten years  
 "to one City, and that for one only woman: How far (good god) from their own home? how  
 "many lands and seas between? Are we then loth and weary being within 20. miles of our dwell-  
 "ling place, and almost in the sight of our own City, to endure the toil of one years siege? Be-  
 "cause (forsooth) we have but small cause given us to war: and not griefs enough that might  
 "never were they true. Our Country have they spoiled and wasted a thousand times. The Fide-  
 "nats they have caused to revolt from us. Our inhabitants there by us placed, they have slain and  
 "against all law of nations they were the principal instruments of that unworthy and unhuman  
 "murder of our Embassadors. All *Hetruria* would they have raised up against us, and at this day  
 "about it they go. And when our Embassadors came to demand amends, they had like to have  
 "run upon them and killed them. And ought we then with these kind of men to stand at a bay  
 "and to war coldly and by leaseure? But if so just an hatred as this move us not: do these things  
 "(I pray you) move you neither? Their City is environed and beleaguered with deep  
 "crenches: blocked with mighty scones, whereby the enemy is pent up and pinned within his  
 "own walls. His fields he cannot till, and what so ever was afore tilled, hath been destroyed by  
 "war. If we dislodge and withdraw our army back, who doubteth, but that they (not for desire  
 "only of revenge, but upon necessity also and constraint to prey of other mens goods, having lost  
 "their own) will invade and over-run our country? So that by this means we defer not the war,  
 "but bring it within our own borders and confines. But now as touching that which properly  
 "indeed concerneth soldiers (of whom our good Tribunes of the Commons would now in all  
 "the haste seem to have to great regard, from whom erewhile they would have wrested their wa-  
 "ges): but what is that (I say)? A trench they have cast, a rampart and platform they have raised,  
 "(matters of exceeding travel and labour) to far about: scones at the first a few, but after as  
 "their army increased, they have erected very thick in every place. Forts they have built, not  
 "only to command the town, but also looking toward *Hetruria*, to impeach any relief, if any aid  
 "should from thence come. What should I speak of the rolling frames and towers; the man-  
 "tiles and other Fabricks? What should I speak of the Tarraces, Tortoises, Rams, and all other  
 "engines of assault and battery? Think ye it meet, that after so great toil and pains taken, now  
 "that the works at length are brought to an end, these things should be left and abandoned, that  
 "against summer we should be new to begin again, and sweat afresh about the same? How o  
 "much less travail rather is it to keep these munitions already made? to be instant, and con-  
 "stant to endure, and abide a yea, and to rid our hands of all the care at once? For surely we may  
 "soon dispatch the service, if it beayed thoroughly and followed on still without stay; and if we  
 "our selves by these intermissions and repits between, make not a long piece of work of it, and  
 "draw our hope at length. Thus much of the labour and loss of time. What else? Considering  
 "these so many Parliaments, these Diets and Councils continually in Tuscany, about sending  
 "aid to Veii, can we forget the danger that we incur by deferring the War? Indeed (as things  
 now

A "now presently stand) I confess the Tuscans with the Veientians are angry, they hate them and  
 "deny to send: and for any thing by them done, we might win Veii out of hand. But who dare  
 "warrant, that if the war be delayed, they will hereafter be of the same mind? Seeing that if the  
 "Veientians have any rest and breathing time given them, they are like to send out their Em-  
 "bassages, and those more honourable than heretofore. Also the King who newly is set up and  
 "created at Veii (the only thing that now offendeth the Tuscans in process of time, may be than-  
 "ged for agreement of the State (thereby to reconcile the hearts of  
 "the Tuscans) or of his own accord: who will not peradventure that his princely regiment should  
 "be hurtful to the safety of his subjects. See how many things, how many inconveniences fol-  
 "low and ensue upon that course and manner of proceeding. The loss of the fabrick and fortifi-  
 "cations, with to great labour already prepared and achieved: the imminent and present waiting  
 "our own borders: the Tuscans war instead of the Veientians. These your devices, O ye Tri-  
 "buns, are much what like to his, that offering a sick man some kind of meat or drink, for the  
 "very present to gratifie him withal, to please his palate and to content his taste, maketh his dis-  
 "ease long, and peradventure incurable: who might have been recovered out of hand, in case at  
 "once, he would have resolutely endured the right cure of a skilful Physician. And surely, if it  
 "were not material to the managing of this war in hand, yet would it import much to martial  
 "discipline, that our soldiers should be acquainted, not only with the sweet fruit of a victory  
 "achieved, but also if occasion required longer time, to abide this tediousness: and to wait for  
 "C the end of their hope, be it never so long: and if war be not finished in summer, to stay for win-  
 "ter: and not as summer birds by and by in the fall of the leaf, to look about and seek for housing,  
 "harbour and covert. Consider, I beseech you, and see, The love and pleasure of hunting carri-  
 "eth men into mountains, woods and forests: through frost and snow, after their game: shall  
 "not we then use the like sufferance in the needful exploits of war, which paltriness sports, and de-  
 "lights, are wont to draw and fetch out of us? Think we the bodies of our soldiers to effeminate,  
 "their hearts so tender and delicate, that they cannot for one winter abide in a camp, and to bear  
 "their home, but must needs war as men at sea, watching times and seasons; and observing the  
 "quarters of the year? Cannot they endure both parching heat and chilling cold? They would  
 "blush and be ashamed verily, if a man should therewith charge them and they would stand stiffly  
 "D in this, and avouch. That they had both in body and mind manlike sufferance and patience: and  
 "that they were soldiers as well for winter as summer: and that they felt not the Tribuns a work  
 "for any patronage of cowardice and shelter of idleness: but remembered well enough, that their  
 "forefathers were not under shade for fear of sun-burns, nor had their houses over their heads  
 "for taking cold, when they first created and ordained that magistracy of Tribuns. This rather is  
 "becoming the valour of your soldiers, this fitteth well the name of Romans, not to have their  
 "eye upon Veii only, and this war now in hand, but to seek for fame and glory both by other  
 "exploits, and also with other nations in time to come. And think ye that there would ensue  
 "hereupon a small crack of credit, and hazzard of reputation? Would ye have the neighbor na-  
 "tions confining upon us, conceive thus of the people of Rome, That if a City could receive their  
 "E first brunt, and abide their assault for a very small while, it need not after to fear any more: Or  
 "rather should not this dread and terror of our name spread all abroad, both far and near. That  
 "no wearisomness of long siege and assault, no violence of bitter winter, is able to raise the Ro-  
 "man army from any town once by them invested? as knowing no other end of war but victo-  
 "ry? and whose manner of service is not by way of violent force more then of obdurate continu-  
 "ance, which (as in all other military occasions) is in besieging of Cities is most needful: the  
 "greatest number whereof, being either by strong bulwarks and other fortifications, or by natur-  
 "al situation impregnable, yet by famine, by hunger and thirst, process and tract of time only doth  
 "force and overthrow. As it will (I doubt not) Veii at length: unless the Tribuns of the com-  
 "monalty succour our enemies: unless that the Veientians find that relief and aid at Rome, which  
 "F they seek in vain throughout all *Hetruria*. For can there ought happen to the Veientians so  
 "wished for, as that first the City of Rome should be full of variance, and then the Camp (as  
 "it were by a contagion from thence) as full of mutinies? But contrariwise I assure you, amongst  
 "the enemies, so good order there is and government, that neither the tediousness of long siege,  
 "nor yet the loathing of Kingly rule, hath caused any stir or commotion amongst them. No nor the  
 "denial of help from the Tuscans hath one whit troubled and discomposed their minds: but  
 "die he shall forthwith, that is the author of sedition. Neither shall any man there be suffered to  
 "speak those words, which are spoken here amongst you without any punishment or controlling.  
 "He deserves the bastinado, to be dry beaten and wel cudgelled, that forsaketh his Colours, or  
 "departeth from his guard and quarter. But here, in open assemblies, they that perfwade and  
 "G counsel not one or two soldiers, but whole armies to leave their Standards and Ensigns, and  
 "abandon the very camp, have audience with applause. Infomuch, that whatsoever Tribune of  
 "the Commons speaketh, although it were to betray the City, and undo the whole State, ye are  
 "wiled to hearken and give good ear to him: and being ravished and carried away with the sweet-  
 "ness of that authority, ye suffer under it to lurk any mischief whatsoever. There remaineth now  
 "no more but this, that the words they give out here with open mouth, the same they might  
 "iterate in the camp amongst the soldiers, to corrupt the army, and not suffer them to obey their  
 "Captains. For to such licentious liberty they are grown at Rome, that they fear and reverence  
 neither





"were taken up and haled forth. Now there was no difference of winter or summer: so as the poor Commons at no time can have any rest. Who now at last are taxed also and racked to the uttermost, so that after they have brought home with them their bodies overtired with travel, weakened with wounds, and last of all, wasted and spent with age: and finding all things at home unassisted by reason of the long absence of the masters and owners, they must be fain to pay tribute even out of their poor decayed quick flock, and repay again with great utility to the Common-wealth, their wages received in war, as it were upon interest.

Between the masters of one side, and the levy of soldiers pay on the other side, and their minds occupied about greater affairs, at the election of Tribuns of Commons, the number could not fully be made up: Whereupon there was great labour made, that into the rooms that were void, it there should be some of the Nobility taken in and admitted. When that could not be obtained, yet

\* *Lex Trebonia* published by *L. Trebonius*. See the third Book.

The invective speech of *C. Trebonius* against *Sergius* and *Virginus*.

to impeach and overthrow \* the Tribuns Law, it was effected or brought to pass that they should assume unto them for Tribuns of the Commons, *C. Lacerius*, and *Marcus Atilius*, by the might and practise no doubt of the *Patritii*. It happened, to that the same year *C. Trebonius* was a Tribune of the Commons, who would seem to undertake the patronage and defence of the Law *Trebonia*, and discharge it as a duty to that name and house belonging. He spake aloud and said, "That whereas the Tribuns Military had won that, whereof some of the Nobles had born the repulse in their first suit, and that the Law *Trebonia* was disannulled, in that certain Tribuns of the Commonalty were taken into their fellows, not by suffrages and free voices of the people, but by the rule and commandment of the Nobles: and that the matter was come to that pass, that either Noble men, or their favourites and followers were to become Tribunes of the Commons: that their sacred laws were taken from them perforce, and the Tribuns authority wrestled from out of their hands by violence: all these inconveniences he complained to have happened through the fraudulent practise of the Nobles: and the mischievous lewdness and treachery of his own companions in office. Thus whilst there grew great heart-burning among them, and that not the Nobles only, but also the Tribuns of the Commons, as well they, which were elected, as they that were electors, were hardly thought of by the people: Then three of the Company, *P. Curiatius*, *M. Metellus*, and *Mimmius* (fearing some shrewd turn, like to fall upon *Sergius* and *Virginus*, the Tribuns military of the former year) and by serving process, giving them a day to answer, turned from themselves the anger and displeasure of the Commons, upon those two persons: I verily thought the war long, and the continual soldiery tedious, whosoever forsook for the damage and discomfort received at *Veii*, whosoever for the loss of their Children, Brethren, Kinsfolk, or any of their alliance had heavy and mournful houses: to them they offered liberty and power to vent their publick and privat grief, upon these two guilty persons and offenders. *Sergius* and *Virginus*, the very causes of all the mischiefs and calamities that were happened. For why? the adversary charged them with no more then was confessed by the parties: who finding themselves both faulty, laid the blame one upon the other: whilst *Virginus* reproached *Sergius* with running away, and *Sergius* laid treason to *Virginus* his charge, in that he denied his help in time of need. For to say they were both of them so inconsiderate and foolish only, were to speak beyond all compass of belief. But much more likely it was, that there was some packing rather, and that the matter was contrived, and practised of set purpose, and by an ordinary and common fraudulent plot of the *Patritii*. By whose means both at the first the *Vicentians* got opportunity to fire their works, thereby to draw out and prolong the war, and also now the army was bought and sold, and the Roman camp betrayed to the *Falisci*. And all this to no other end, but that the youth and flower of the City might wax old at *Veii*, and that the Tribuns might not propose and consult with the people about the distribution of lands, or any other commodities of the poor Commons, or in frequent and full assembly of Citizens intend and follow their publick actions, and withstand the conspiracy of the Gentry and Nobles. Moreover there is already (say they) a prejudice passed against them offenders: both by the Senat and people of *Rome*, and also by their Colleagues. For as they were displaced and deposed from their office, by an Act of the Senat: so when they refused to give over, they were for fear of a Dictator forced by their own companions to resign up their government: and the people of *Rome* had created other Tribuns military to enter into their charge: not upon the usual day which was in the Ides of December, but forthwith in the Calends of October: as who would say, the Common-wealth had not been able to stand any longer, if these men had remained still in place. And yet for all this, these persons thus convicted and fore-condemned by so many prejudices, come now to be judged of the people: thinking they are sufficiently quit, and discharged, yea, and have suffered punishment enough, in that they were two months sooner then ordinary, made private persons: and perceive not, that thereby was taken from them the power only to do any harm, and no punishment inflicted upon them. For as much as even their very Colleagues, who had not offended, were likewise discharged as well as they: Let the *Quirites* therefore and people of *Rome*, take that heart to them again, which they had upon the late overthrow, fresh and bleeding new, when they beheld the army running in fearful flight, fore wounded and agast, arriving at the gates, bemoaning no fortune, nor any of the gods, but only their two brave leaders. And as for us, we know assuredly that there is not one of all them here presently assembled, who that day cur

\* The 13 day of December.

A sed not in his heart and detested the head, the house, and whole estate of *L. Virginus*, and *M. Sergius*. Neither is it convenient, that upon whom, erewhile every man prayed that the anger and vengeance of God would light against them now when they both may and ought, they should not extend their full power with rigour. Since that even the very gods never lay hand themselves upon sinners and offenders: but it sufficeth that they arm the wronged and oppressed persons with means and opportunity of revenge. The Commons upon these speeches moved with indignation, condemned these two offenders in 100000, brazen Ales a piece: notwithstanding that *Sergius* pleaded for himself, blamed the common fortune of war, and laid all upon fortune: and *Virginus* besought them (but both in vain) that he might not be more unhappy, and speed worse at home, than abroad in war. Thus the peoples wrath being diverted upon these two, obscured and darkened the remembrance both of the assumption and admitting of the Tribuns afore said, and of deluding and disannulling the Law *Trebonia*. The Tribuns thus having got the upper hand, to the end that the Commonalty might have a present reward for awarding this doom, publish the Law *Agraria*, and forbid the levying of the Subsidy for soldiers pay: seeing there was need of pay for so many armies: and speed so well they had, in the managing of warfare, as they were like to come to an end, without any waiting at all. For at *Veii* the pery camp which was lost, being recovered again, was fortified with strong bulwarks, and furnished with good guards. The Tribuns Military, *M. Emilius* and *Q. Fabius*, had the charge there. And as for *M. Furius* in the Faliscan, and *Cn. Cornelius* in the Capenat Country, they could

\* 26, 10, 500, 000.

meet with none enemies without their town walls. But they drive away booties, and wasted their marches, by firing their villages and their corn: but as for their towns, they neither assailed nor beuged them. But in the Volscian country, after their territory was wasted, *Ansur* also was assailed (but in vain) for that it was situate on high. Whereupon *Falerius Potitius*, who had the charge of that province, seeing that force would not prevail, began by trench and rampart to lay siege to it, and invest it round. The affairs of war abroad standing in their terms, there arose domesticall strife and sedition at home: and the fame was followed more earnestly and with greater ado, than the wars were managed without. And when by reason of the Tribuns there could no subsidies, nor exactions be gathered, nor money for soldiers pay sent to the Generals, and that the soldiers called on them hard, and were hardly for their wages: the camp also had like to have been troubled and infected with the contagion of those civil mutinies. During these heats and angry fits of the Commons against the Nobles, albeit the Tribuns of the people said, That now the time was come of establishing their freedom, and translating the chiefest dignity from the *Sergii* and *Virginus*, to the Commoners, such as were men of valour and adion: Yet they prevailed no more then thus, that one only of the Commonalty, (as it were to make entrie and take possession in the right of that dignity) to wit, *P. Licinius Calvus*, should be created Tribun Military with Consular authority: the rest were all of the Nobility, *Pub. Manlius*, and *P. Titinius*, *P. Metellus*, *L. Furius Medullinus*, and *L. Popilius Volsus*. The very Commons themselves marvelled that they had obtained to great a thing, and not be only who was created, a man that aforetime had never been in place, and born no magistracy, yet an ancient Councillor of State, an elderly person, and well respected in years. Neither as yet is it for certain known, why he first and above all others was counted a meet man to have hanfel, or make essay of this new dignity and promotion. Some think, that for his brother *Cn. Cornelius* his sake, who had been the year afore a Tribun Military, and had given to the horsemen triple pay, he was through favour drawn in, and called to so great honour. Others, for that himself had picked out a convenient time, and made a plausible Oration, that both Nobles and Commons liked very well, concerning the agreement and unity of the States. The Tribuns of the Commons rejoicing highly for this their victory in the Election, remitted and called in the Inhibition of the subsidy or imposition afore said, the thing that most of all prejudiced the service of the Common-wealth. By means whereof payment was made in all dutiful obedience, and sent it was unto the army. Then within short time was *Ansur* (in the Volscians Country) recovered: by occasion that on a festival holy day, the watch and ward of the City was neglected. This was a year notable and famous for the cold and snowy winter, so as the high ways were choaked up, and *Tyberis* was unnavigable: Howbeit, by reason of provision brought in aforehand, the price of corn arose not. And for because *P. Licinius*, as he entered his government without any troubles, and with greater joy and contentment of the Commons than indignation of the Nobles: so also ruled and executed it all the year long accordingly: therefore their teeth watered at the next election also, to make Tribuns military of their own body. Only *M. Vetturius*, of all the Nobility that stood in suit for the dignity, had a place among them. But as for the other Tribuns Military in Consular authority, all the Centuries in a manner chose Commoners, to wit, *L. Titinius*, *P. Menenius Rutilius*, *Cn. Gentilius*, and *L. Atilius*.

*P. Licinius Calvus* was the first Commoner advanced to sovereign government.

G After this hard Winter, either by reason of a disemperature and disposition of the weather, suddenly changed to a contrary, or upon some other hidden and unknown canse, there followed presently a contagious and dangerous summer, by occasion of a pestilence, noisome to all kind of living creatures. Of which incurable malady, when as neither the reason could be found, nor any end thereof seen, the Books of *Sibylla*, were by a decree of the Senat perused: and Diviners appointed for Divine Rites and Ceremonies, by celebrating a Lecutium (then first instituted in the City of *Rome*) to appease and pacifie *Apollon*, *Latoona*, and *Diana*; *Hercules*, *Mercury* and *Nephtune*: feasted them (as it were) for the space of eight days together, and for that purpose they let three

three beds or banquetting tables, with as magnificent and stately furniture as could be for that time possibly devised. Which solemnity was privately also performed. All the gates and doors through the City stood wide open for the viands were set out abroad to be used in common: open house kept for all comers, one with another, as well unknown strangers as their acquaintances, with all friendly welcome, and entertainment. Kindly, and courteously would they talk and dance, even with their adversaries: all chiding and brawling was laid aside and put under foot. The prisoners also for that time were enlarged, yea, and confidence made afterwards, that any should be laid or kept in irons, unto whom the gods had vouchsafed that gracious deed.

But all this while much trouble there was, and many alarms before *Vesii*, by reason that three wars were joined now in one. For when as at last once the Capenates and the Falisci came (in manner as afore, about the fortifications and trenches of the Romans) for to rescue the besieged, they were forced to make head, and hazzard a doubtful battle against three armies. But the best help they had, was the remembrance of the late condemning of *Sergius* and *Virginus*. Therefore having conducted by a nearer way, their forces from the greater camp (which before lay still and would not come to succour) they set upon the Capenates backs, as they turned against the rampart of the Romans. The battle there begun, made the Falisci also afraid: in which affright of theirs they suddenly fell out of the lesser hold, in so good time that they forced the enemies to turn their backs, all quaking for fear. And having got the upper hand, they followed therein the victory, and in the chase made a very great slaughter and destruction of them. And not long after, the foragers that wasted the land of the Capenates, as they ranged abroad here and there, encountered the residue and remnant of this battle, as if fortune of purpose had presented them to their hands, and swept them up clean. Also many of the Veientians as they fled back into the City, were cut in pieces before their very gates: whilst they within for fear left the Romans at once should rush in, made the gates fast and so shut out the hindmost of their own men. These were the achievements of this year.

And now approached the Election of the Tribunes military, whereof the nobles had in a manner a great care then of the war: as who saw now that the sovereign rule was not only parted with the Commonalty, but welcomer on their own behalf quite lost. Therefore albeit of set purpose they had prepared most noble and excellent men to stand in suit, whom to pass by and let slip, they thought the people would have been ashamed: yet nevertheless they themselves (as if they had been the parties that stood) tried every way, and not only sought the help of men, but also craved it at the hands of the gods: making it great scruple and a matter of conscience: and alleging that the elections for two years past were not according to the will of God: as appeared by this, say they, that in the former year there was an intolerable winter, and such as portended some heavy judgements from above; how also the year following, there were no prodigious tokens shewed abroad, but even the very events and effects thereof, were seen and felt: namely, the pestilence both in Country and City, through the very indignation, no doubt, of the gods, for that in the fatal Books of *Sibylla* it was found out, that they ought to have been pacified, for the diverting away of that pestilent influence. As if then those solemn assemblies which ought in the name of the gods & religiously to be held, the gods thought it an indignation and unseemly thing, that the honorable offices of state should be made common: no distinction of degrees, no difference of honors observed, but all confused and shuffled together. The people therefore being driven into amaze, not only in regard of the Majesty and Dignity of those that were competitors, but also of a very remorse of conscience, chose for Tribunes military in Coff. authority, all of the Nobility: and a good part of them, the most honorable personages of the rest, to wit, *L. Valerius Potitus* the first time, *M. Valerius Maximus*, *M. Furius Camillus* the third time, *L. Furius Medullinus* the third time, *Quintus Servilius Fidenas* the second time, *Quintus Sulpicius Camerinus* the second time. Howbeit in this year no great exploit worthy of record, was performed at *Vesii* under these Tribunes. All the service that was, consisted in foraging and wasting. The two Lord Generals raised huge booties, to wit, *Potitus* from *Faleris*, *Camillus* from *Cazena*: leaving behind them nothing whole and untouched, that might be spoiled by fire or sword. In this mean time, many fearful prodigious tokens were reported, the most part whereof were slenderly credited, for that of each there was but one only author: and because there were no footlayers, by whom they might make procurement therefore (since that the Tuscans were now professed enemies) they were altogether neglected. But one especially there was, which all men had an eye and regard unto, namely, for that a certain pool within the Alban forest, without extraordinary rain from above, or any other occasion which might make the thing seem miraculous and wonderful, was risen unto an unusual height. Certain Orators therefore were sent to the Oracle of *Delphi*, to know what the gods signified by that prodigious token. But they, as god would, met with an interpreter of the Destinies nearer home, to wit, an ancient Veientian, who (upon a time, when as the soldiers, both of the Romans and Tuscans, let fly one at the other taunts and scoffs from their stations and guards) thus spake in propheticall wise: That until the water were drained and let out of the Alban pool, the Romans should never be masters of the town of *Vesii*. Which saying of his was at the first contemned as a foolish word, rashly let fall from him: but after, it began to be much talked of, so long, until a certain Roman soldier, from out of his ward, enquired of a townsman that warded next unto him (for now by reason of long war they had entercourse of speech one with another) what he was who had cast out such an ambiguous riddle of the Alban Lake? When

The Alban lake risen to a wonderful height.

- A When he heard that he was a soothsayer, being himself also a man not without some sense of religion, he trained that wizard forth to communication, pretending that he would gladly be resolved himself, as touching a particular prodigious object that troubled his mind: & therefore requested himself at his good leisure, to take so much pain as to confer with him, and give him counsel about the expedition and diverting the danger thereof. Now when they were both gone a good way from their fellows, unarmed, and without all fear and suspicion one of the other, the Roman being shortly tall young man, caught the feeble old fellow in the fight of them all, and notwithstanding a great stir that the Tuscans made, but all in vain) had him away perforce to his own company; who being brought before the General, was sent afterwards to *Rome* unto the Senat. And being demanded what the meaning of that should be, which he had prognosticated and prefigured concerning the Alban lake, answered thus: "Certainly the gods were offended with the people of *Vesii* that day on which they put this into his mind to bewray the fatal and inevitable destruction of their State and country: and therefore that, which as then he being stirred by divine inspiration had prophesied, neither might he call back again and unspeak: and besides, happily by concealing those things, which the immortal gods would have to be published, there might be committed as great sin, as by disclosing mysteries to be concealed. Thus therefore (quoth he) is it written in the fatal books of fortunes, and thus in the Tuscans learning, to us is delivered, *That when the Alban water overflowed, if then the Romans with due religious ceremonies let it out, they should have the victory of the Veientians: but before that, the gods would not forsake the walls of the Veientians*. Then went he on still, and the wed what was the solemn and right manner of deriving the water. But the Nobles supposing authority to be the light of credit, and not of sufficient account in so weighty a matter to be believed, resolved to expect the Embassadors, and the answer of the Oracle of *Apollo*. But before these messengers were returned from *Delphi*, or any expedition found out for this Alban miracle, the new Tribunes Military with Consuls authority, *L. Julius Tulius*, *L. Furius Medullinus* the fourth time, *L. Sergius Fidenas*, *A. Posthumus Regillensis*, *P. Cornelius Maluginensis*, *A. Manlius* began their government.
- C In that year there arose new enemies, the Tarquinians; they seeing the Romans busied with many wars at once, with the Volcians at *Anxur*, who laid siege to the fort there: with the *Aricians* at *Lavici*, who assaulted the colony of the Romans: besides, with the Veientians the Faliscians and Capenates: and that within the City there was no greater quietness, by reason of variance between the Nobility and Commons: supposing, I say, that hereby they had good opportunity to do some injury and harm, they sent forth certain bands of soldiers lightly appointed, into the territory of *Rome*, to forrage and make spoil: thinking that the Romans would either put up that wrong at their hands without revenge, because they would not charge themselves with a new war: or encounter them and make head with a small power and the same but slender and dishonoured. The Romans was more offended at the indignity of these bravadoes, then they cared much for the spoil done by the Tarquinians. And thereupon they neither made much ado about the matter, nor drove it out any long while. *A. Posthumus* and *L. Julius* levied a power without any ordinary muster (for letted they were by the Tribunes of the Commons) even in a manner of voluntary soldiers, whom they had procured with good words and comfortable speeches.
- D And passing throughout the country of the *Caris* by crocs & crooked waies, surprised the Tarquinians upon the sudden, as they returned from plundering & laden with great prizes. Many they slew, all they cayed of their loading: and thus having recovered the spoils of their lands, they returned to *Rome*. Two dates were allowed for the owners, every own to own his proper goods: & on the third day, such goods that were unknown (whereof the most part belonged to the enemies) were sold in port-lair: and that money which was made thereof was divided among the soldiers. All other wars, and especially the Veientian, had doubtfull issue. For now the Romans despairing of a main help, regarded and expected only the course of destinies and the will of the gods. By which time the Embassadors were returned from *Delphi*, bringing the answer of the Oracle, agreeable to the former answer made by the wizard, with was taken prisoner: and it ran in this form: *Beware O Romans that the Alban water be not kept too long in the pool. Beware thou let it not discharge itself into the sea. Let it forth and wear the fields therewith, by sundry rivulets or streams: thou shalt wash it and draw it dry. Then assault valiantly the enemies walls, remembering that out of that City which so many years thou hast besieged, victory is promised to thee assuredly, by those destinies which now are revealed. And after the war ended and conquest achieved, let thou bring unto my temple, an ample and honourable present: and perform the sacred ceremonies of thy country according to the old custom, and renew those afresh which have of late time been neglected.* Here grew this captain prophet above said to be greatly accounted of: and the Tribunes military, *Cornelius* and *Posthumus*, began to take his counsel and advice, about the procurement of the Alban miracle, and to appeale the gods in due order. And found it was at last where it was that the gods blamed the neglect of ceremonies & for letting the ancient solemnities and sacrifices: and that certainly it was nothing else, but that there was an error committed in creation of the Magistrates: and they lo created, had solemnised the Latine holidays wrong and celebrated the sacrifices in the Alban mount amiss. The only purging or expiation whereof was, that the Tribunes military should give over their office, and that they should take new *Auspices* again by the flight & singing of birds, and so to proceed to an Interregnum. All which things were according to a decree of the Senat performed. Whereupon there interreg-

The prophetic destruction of *Vesii*.

The answer of the Oracle.

gents succeeded one after another. *M. Valerius, Q. Servilius Fidenas, M. Furius Camillus*. But all this while no end there was, nor intermission of troubles and dissensions. For the Tribunes of the Commons disturbed and said the assembly for the election to long, until it was agreed that the greater part of the Tribunes military should be created from the Commons.

During these affairs, the Tuficans held certain Diets and Councells at the Temples of Mars, where when the Capatens and Palfici required that with one common assent and resolution, all the people of *Hetruria* should raise the siege from *Veiis*, this answer was returned: "That here-  
"fore they had denied the Valentians their help in this regard, that they were not to seek for  
"aid at their hands, from whom in so weighty a matter they had not sought for counsell: but now  
"their own fortune made answer for them. For such was the difficulty of their present estate,  
"That if they would, yet they well could not: considering especially how into that part of *He-*  
"truria there were newly arrived to feed themselves there, the Gauls, a strange nation unto them:  
"with whom they neither had assured peace, nor yet certain war to trust unto. Howbeit for blood-  
"lake, and for the very name, and in regard of the present perils of their kindred, they would  
"grant thus much: that if any of their youth would go forth to the war willingly and of them-  
"selves, they would be no hindrance. Now was it noised at *Rome*, that a mighty great number  
"of these enemies were come to raise the siege. Whereby the civil discord of (as it is now)  
"the ten upon a general feast) began to wax more calm and to liske. For the principal Tribe that  
"had the prerogative to give their first voice, chose *P. Licinius Calpurn* Tribune Military, without his  
"own suit (but not against the will of the Nobles) a man of approved good carriage, and moderate  
"in his former government, but exceeding old. And it appeared evidently, that all the rest for  
"that year, should be chosen anew after him, out of the College of those that had been Tribunes  
"Confular beforetimes: namely, *L. Titinius*, *P. Menenius*, *Sp. Gentilius*, *L. Atilius*: who before  
"they were elected and pronounced, *P. Licinius Calpurn* spoke in this manner (by the permission  
"of the Interregent) unto the other Tribes, that were called in their right and orderly course  
"to their suffrages." I see well, my masters O ye Citizens of *Rome*, That in this election, wherein ye have

Now by this time were the solemn plaies & the Latine holidays renewed, now was the water o  
let out of the Alban lake into the fields, now ~~was~~ drew near to her final end, busied by the couple of  
the Deities. Therefore there was created ~~was~~ *Emilius Camillus* Dictator, the fatal captain, predeli-  
ned to destroy that City, and to save his own country : who appointed *P. Cornelius Scipio* Colo-  
nell of the horlemen. The change of the General made a change foun of all things else. The hopes of  
men were other than afore, the minds of men were altered, yea, the fortune of the City seemd  
not the same. But fitt of all, he proceeded by martiall law against them, who in that fearful  
siege

A fright at the last alarm, were fled from *Veii*; and taught his soldiers not to fear their enemies' multitudes, but likewise to stand in awe of their own Commander. And after he had published to take matters upon a certain day, himself in the mean while rode post to *Veii*, there to encourage the hearts of the soldiers. From thence he returned to *Rome*, for to levy a new army: and there was not one that refused to serve under his standard. For even the youth of the forerunners both Latins and Hernicks, came & offered their service in that war. Unto whom, when as the Dictator had in the Senat house yielded thanks, and that all things now were in sufficient readliness, by a decree of the Senat he made a vow, that when he had won *Veii*, he would incontinently celebrate the great triumph, and rededicate and consecrate anew, the Temple to *god Mars*, which afore time had been

B dedicated by King Servius Tullius. Thus when he was gone forth from the City, and his army on foot, with greater expectation of the people then hope : first he fought a field with the Faliscians and Capenates in the Country of *Neptis*, [called as this day *Neptis*] where he ordered all the exploits with great discretion and policy as might be : and as it commonly falleth out he sped as well and fortune, favoured his designs. He not only defeated his enemies in battell, but also drave them out of the field, and gained a huge booty, whereof the greatest part came to the Treasurer's coffers : and somewhat (though not much) was given to the soldiers. From thence he marched with his armour to *Vesii*, and there he caused more Icones and battalions to be made, and to stand thicker together. And having made proclamation, that none should fight without special commandment, he withdrew the soldiers to the making of trenches and rampiers, from their skirmishes that they made oftentimes, and that rashly, between their camp and the wall of the town. C The greatest work of all the reit and most laborious, was the undermining that was begun into the Cattle of the enemies. And to the end that this work should not be intermitted, nor yet the continual labour fill under the ground might over-toll them : he divided the pioneers in six parts, at each of them wrought six hours round by turns, so that both night and day, they never gave over before they had wrought a way to the Cattle. The Dictator seeing now the victory as it were in his hands, and a molt rich City ready to be taken, and that there was like to be such luckage, as never had been the like in all the wars put together aforetime : lest that he might incur either any mourning and anger of the soldiers in pinching and scant parting of the pillage, or displeasure and discontent of the Rulers and Nobles of *Rome*, by so prodigall a largesse in sharing all : dif-

Difference in  
the Senat a-  
bout the pill-  
lage of Kaji.





Tribunes) there was nothing else that raised the Commons hands from outrage, but this, that when there was an outcry made to begin the quarrel, and to set them together by the ears, the chiefs and principal Senators first came forth to the multitude, and offered themselves to be laid on, smitten and slain. In regard of whose age, dignity, and honour, they forbearing to do violence, were likewise for shame raised in their mood, for any the like attempts besides. *Camillus* taking vantage hereof, ever and anon in all places, made speeches unto the people, and said: "That it was no marvel truly, that the city was in a rage and madness, which being charged with a vow, made more care of all things else, than to discharge their conscience thereof, and see it performed. As for the collation and gathering of a small donative, rather than a title, he laid nothing of it: seeing that every man privately bound himself thereto, and the body of the people stood freed therefrom. But one thing there was that his conscience would not suffer him to hold his peace, that that out of that booty only which was of moveable things, the tenth was appointed to be levied: as for the city and ground that was won, which also was comprised within the vow, there were no words at all made. When as the debating of this matter, which to the Senate seemed doubtful and hard, was put over to the Priests and Prelats: their colliged calling to them *Camillus*, thought good, that whatsoever the *Vientians* had before the vow made, and whatsoever after the vow, came into the hands of the people of *Rome*, the tenth part thereof should be consecrated to *Apollo*. So both the city and the lands were valued: and money taken forth of the city chamber. And the Tribunes military Consular enjoined therewith to buy gold. Whereof there being not store enough, the dames of the city, having their assemblies and meetings by themselves to consult thereabout, by a common decree made promise to the Tribunes military, and brought into the exchequer their own gold, and all the ornaments and jewels they had. This was as acceptable a thing, and as well taken of the Senate, as ever any had been: and for this liberality (men say) they had this honour granted unto them, as to ride to church and to places in hanging or ship-coaches, and as well on working daies as holidays, to be at their waggon. When the gold was of every one received by weight and priced to the worth, that they might again be paid money therefore: it was agreed that a standing cup of gold should be made thereof, and presented as an oblation to *Apollo* at *Delphi*. So soon as they had eased and disburdened their minds of this religious vow, the Tribunes of the Commons began edition anew. So as the multitude was incited and stirred up against all the peers, but above all other against *Camillus*, charging him, that what by consecrating and consecrating the booty of the *Vientians*, he had brought it to just nothing. Those nobles that were absent they blamed and they cried out against mightily, but of such that were present in place, and offered themselves unto them in their anger, they had some reverence. Now so soon as they saw the matter in question to be deferred and continued past that year, they chose again for the year following, those Tribunes of the Commons, which were the authors of that act and law. The Nobles likewise endeavoured the fame for those that should oppose themselves against the law. So the Tribunes of the Commons (a good part of them) were chosen the very same again. But at the Election of the Tribunes Military, the *Patritij* after very much ado got at length, that *Furius Camillus* was created. They made semblance and pretended, that they would be provided of a General for war, but indeed their purpose was to be furnished of an adversary to withstand the ads and proceedings of the Tribunes. Together with *Camillus* were made Tribunes Military in Consul authority, *L. Furius Medullinus* the first time, *C. Aemilius*, *L. Valerius Publicola*, *Sp. Postumius*, *P. Cornелиus* the second time.

In the beginning of the year, the Tribunes of the Commons stirred not until *M. Furius Camillus* was gone against the *Falisci*, as his charge required for that war. And by delays afterwards the matter was well cooled. As for *Camillus*, whom of all other they most feared to be their adversary, he waxed great and glorious, by his service against the *Falisci*. For when as at the first, the enemies kept themselves within the walls, thinking it the safest way: he by waiting their country, and setting fire upon their villages, forced them to come forth of their town, howbeit they feared to betoo bold, and to go far forward: and encamped themselves a mile and lesse from the town. N reposing their safety and security in nothing else, but in the dangerous and hard passage, the waies all about being rough, ragged, and stony, in some places straight and narrow, in other up hill and steep. *Camillus* having taken a prisoner out of the fields, and being guided by his direction, late in the night dislodged his camp, and betimes in the morning at break of the day, shewed himself upon the higher rounds a good deal. The Romans on three sides, fell to fortify by trenching and casting rampiers, whilst the rest of the army food ready ranged for the battell. And whereas the enemies assailed to hinder the work, he discomfited them and put them to flight, whereas the *Falisci* were so frightened, that as they fled amain in diarray, they passed beyond their own camp, which was neerer; and made as fast as they could to the town. Many were slain and many wounded, before that in this strait they could hit upon the gates. Their camp being taken, the booty thereof came into the *Questors* coffers, with the great grudging and anger of the soldiers. Howbeit yielding to the severity of discipline and good government: the same virtue which they had hated before, they now honoured and held in admiration. After this was the city besieged, and sconces and platforms raised about it. Otherwhiles also, as occasion was offered, the townsmen would sally forth and assaile the Romans camp, and make light skirmishes. Thus the time passed without any great good hope of either side: for that they within the town besieged, had of their former provision more store of corn & other necessities than they

that lay at siege without. And it seemeth they would have had as long a peeces of worke there, as they had at *Veji*, had not fortune yielded to the Romans General, both a trial of his approved vertue in war and also speedy victorie.

It was the manner among the *Faliscians*, to entertain for the government of their Children, one that should teach and instruct them in school, and withall bear them company wheresoever they went: and many children together (as the guile continued till even to this day in *Greece*) were committed to the charge and tuition of one man. As for the Nobles and principall mens sons of this City (as it is usually every where else) a speciall man had the teaching of them, such an one, as was thought most learned and the greatest clerk of all other. This man, having in time of peace begun to bring the children forth before the town side, to disport and exercise themselves, gave not over his wonted manner now in time of war. And using still to train them abroad one while neerer, an otherwhiles further off from the gate: it fell out so, that one day what with patience, and what with pleasant talk and discourses, he drew them further then he accustomed: and seeing his time, went forward as far as the enemies corps de garde, and so forth on, till he had brought them within the compass of the camp, and even to *Camillus* his pavilion. Where to his wicked

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intended act, he added also a more gracefull speech, saying, "That he yielded *Falerij* into the Romans hands, in that he gave them those children to do with what they would, whose parents were the rulers and commanders of the city. Which words when *Camillus* heard, thou comest not (quoth he) lewd wretch as thou art, with thy lewd and cursed pretent, either to a people or to a captain like thy selfe. We have not indeed with the *Faliscians* any league at all, by covenant of man concluded and established: yet by nature, there is and will be still a kind of amity or society between us and them. There are laws due for war as well as for peace: and those have we learned to observe no less justly, than valiantly. We bear arms not against that filly age, which is usually spared in raising and sacking of towns, but against armed men, and those who being, by us neither harmed nor provoked, have assailed the Romans camp at *Veji*. And yet those enemies (as bad as they be) like as thou halt for thy part exceeded them in a new and strange kind of wickedness: to will I conquer I doubt not, by feats that the Romans profess: by vertue, by travell, by hardy fight: like as I have done *Veji* already. After this he caused him to be stripped naked, and to wish his hands bound behind him, he delivered him to the children, for to bring him back to *Falerij*: and gave them rods withall, wherewith they might whip and drive this traitorous

The words of *Camillus* to the traitorous school-master of the Nobles mens sons of *Falerij*.

person forward into the city. At which sight the people at the first came running together: and then the *Magistrats* called a Council to sit upon this strange occurrence. But see what a change it wrought in their hearts. They who a while before were with hatred and anger to cruelly let, as that they wished rather in a manner to be destroyed with the *Vientians*, then to accept of peace as the *Capetines* had done: now through out the whole city required to be at accord with the Romans. No talk in the Market place, no speech in the Council house, but of the faithfulness and truth of the Roman, and of the justice of their General. And with one generall consent of all, *Emballadors* were sent to *Camillus*, into the camp. And from thence by permission of *Camillus* to the Senate of *Rome* they went, to deliver up *Falerij*: and being admitted into the Senate house, in this wise (by report) they spake: "In that victory (right honourable) which neither God nor man can eunice but allow, we by you and your General overcome and vanquished. And where we render our selves into your hands: supposing this (than which to a conquerour there can be nothing more honourable) that we shall live better under your government, than under our own proper laws and liberties. The event & issue of this war, hath afforded to mankind two worthy examples to follow. Ye for your part have made choice to observe faithfulness in war, & rather then to achieve a present conquest: and we again, by this your faithful dealing induced and provoked, have willingly yielded unto you the victory: confecting our selves now prettily to be your lieges & lawful subjects. Send whom you will to receive our armor, our hostages, our town with open gates. Neither shall you ever repent of our allegiance nor, we think much of your rule & government. *Camillus* had thanks both of the enemies and of the citizens. The *Falisci* were charged with money for that years pay, that the people of *Rome* might be freed of their subsidy. This when peace was granted, the army was brought back again to *Rome*.

The Oration of the *Emballadors* of *Falerij* to the Senate of *Rome*.

When as *Camillus* was returned after this conquest of his enemies into the City, with much better commendation, than when as in triumph he rode in a chariot drawn with white horses through the city, as being now famous for his just dealing and faithfulness: secretly the Senate was abashed for very reverence of the man, and could no longer bear, but without further delay to acquit him of the vow he made. So there were sent *L. Valerius*, *L. Sergius*, *A. Manlius* as *Emballadors* in one galley unwitted, to present unto *Apollo* at *Delphi* by way of obligation, a standing cup of gold. Who not far off from the narrow Iles of *Sicily*, were encountered & boarded by certain *Liparensian* pirates or men of war, and had to *Lipara*. Now the manner was of that city, as common rovers use to do) for to divide the prize among them. Haply the chief officer or *Magistrat* for that year, was one *Timasitheus*, a man more like to the Romans than his own countrymen. Who having himself some reverent regard of the name of *Emballadors*, and the present of the god to whom it was sent, and the occasion thereof: possessed the multitude also (which also rightly resembled their governor) with due religion and prick of conscience. This head ruler brought the *Emballadors* into their lodging, & entertained them courteously at the cities charges, waited them with the convoy of a sufficient fleet: accompanied them in person to *Delphi*, and from thence conducted them



them home again safe to *Rome*. Whereupon by an act of the Senat, there was a contract made with H  
 him of amity and mutual entertainment, and gifts bestowed upon him at the cities cost. The same  
 year there was doubtful war with the *Æquians*, so it was uncertain both in the army and at *Rome*  
 whether they had won or lost the victory. The Generals for the Romans, were of the Tribunes  
 Military, *C. Amylius*, and *Sp. Posthumius*. At the first they warred both together, but after, when  
 the enemies were in fight discomfited, it was agreed, that *Amylius* should keep *Ferrug* with his  
 a garrison, and *Posthumius* wait the borders. Where, as he marched somewhat negligently with his  
 army out of order, as presently after field won, the *Æquians* let upon him, and ha-  
 ving put him in fear chased him to the hills next hand. The fright whereof came from thence  
 to the other garrison also at *Ferrug*. *Posthumius*, after that he had retired his men into safety I  
 and assembled them together, and there in an Oration greatly blamed and cried out upon their fear  
 and running away: and that they were discomfited by a most dallyardly fugitive enemy: the whole  
 host cried out with one voice, that they deserved to be told of it, and confessed that they had com-  
 mitted a foul fault: but they themselves would make amends therefore: and promised that the ene-  
 mies should carry it neither to heaven nor hell, nor joy long therewith. Requiring that he would  
 conduct them presently to the enemies camp (which in fight was pight upon a plain) protesting to  
 redress no extremity of punishment, if they were not matters of it before night. He then commend-  
 ed them, and willed them to refresh their bodies, and to be ready at the relieve of the fourth watch.  
 Now lay the enemies likewise in the passage, to intercept the Romans, as they fled by  
 night from the hill, even in the way which leadeth to *Ferrug*. And before day they encountered  
 together (but you must think the moon shone all night) and saw how to fight, as well as by day K  
 light. But the noise being heard to *Ferrug*, strike to great fear amongst them, thinking the camp  
 of the Romans had been assailed, that for all *Amylius* could do to hold them, and to beseech them  
 to the contrary, they fled scattered unto *Tusculum*. From whence the news came to *Rome*,  
 That *Posthumius* was slain, and his army lost. But he hiding about the host (after that in the mor-  
 ning betimes the day light shewed them that followed apace on every side; that there was no fear  
 of ambushments and forsayings) charged them with their promises, and let them in such a  
 Then flew they the enemies in the chafe  
 then by plain valour. And presently from the Tidings from *Tusculum* (which put the city in a vain &  
 causeless fright) there came from *Posthumius* letters, dight with lawrell: importing news, that the L  
 Romans had the victory, and the *Æquians* the overthrow.

Because as yet the actions and sutes aforesaid of the Tribuns of the Commons could come to no  
 end: but the Commons laboured to continue the Tribuneship in them that were the maintainers  
 of the law preferred, and also the Nobles endeavoured to make those rulers again that had  
 opposed themselves against the same law. But as the Commons in their own Election prevailed  
 and had the better: so the Nobles were revenged of them againe for this griefe they tooke,  
 by an Act of the Senat, that Consuls (hated Magistrates of the Commons) should be created.  
 Thus after fifteen years were Consuls reelected, *L. Lucretius Flavius*, *Servius Sulpitius Camerinus*.

In the beginning of this year, when as the Tribunes of the Commons belittled themselves floun-  
 tly to go through with their law, for that none of their brotherhood was about to deny and nip the M  
 same: and whiles the Consuls for that very cause resisted them as earnestly, and the whole city  
 was here about assailed: the *Æquians* won *Vitellia*, a Colony of the Romans, seated within their  
 own country. Most part of the Colonies (because the town being by night betrayed and won,  
 yielding unto them free passage to escape away on the backside) fled safe to *Rome*. So that ser-  
 vicing unto them free passage to escape away on the backside) fled safe to *Rome*. So that ser-  
 vice befell unto *L. Lucretius* the Consul: Who went with a power and vanquished the enemies  
 in fight, and with victory returned to *Rome* to a greater conflict a good deal. *Anty Virginus*, and  
*Quintus Pompeius*, two Tribunes of the Commons the two years past, were accused: for whose  
 defence it was for the Credit of the Senat, That the Nobles should agree and stick close together.  
 For no man laid to their charge either dishonest behaviour in life, or corrupt carriage of them-  
 selves in their office, but only this, that to please and gratifie the Nobles, they had set themselves N  
 against the Tribunes law. Howbeit the anger of the Commons went beyond the favour of the  
 Senat, and (that which was a most shameful precedent) they (guiltlesse men) had fine set on their  
 heads of \* ten thousand pound of brass coin: Whereas the Nobles took great displeasure. *Camil-  
 lius* openly blamed the Commons for this their wicked part: who now letting themselves against  
 "their own patrons, perceived not that by a perverse proceeding in judgement against their Tri-  
 "bunes, they had lost their liberty of opposing themselves with their negative voice: and take  
 "that away once, and farewell all authority of the Tribunes for ever. For where as they hoped  
 "that the Nobles would endure the unbridled and licentious liberty of that office, they were much  
 "deceived: for if these hard courses of the Tribunes might not be restrained by help of the same  
 "Tribunes, the Nobility would find some other weapon to fight withall. He rebuked the O  
 "Consuls also, for that they suffered those Tribunes to sale of their protection and safe conduct,  
 "who had done and said nothing but by the authority and warrant of the Senat. Whiles open-  
 "ly he urged to make these and such orations to the people, he thrust himself daily more and more  
 "into mens anger and displeasure. But to stir up the Senat against the aforesaid law, he cast  
 "ed not still: willing them, that when the day came of proposing the law, they should come into  
 the Common Hall, with no other mind but this, to remember they were to fight for god and coun-  
 try

\* 16th. 15th.  
 Camillus  
 rebuketh the Com-  
 mons.

Camillus his  
 speech in the  
 Senat.

A ty, for the temples of the gods, and the very soile wherein they were born. And as for his  
 own self privately, if it were lawful for him amidst these civil troubles of his native country, to  
 "think upon and respect his own proper glory, it were right honourable for him, to have the city  
 "which he had won, peopled and reorted unto: and daily to behold and enjoy the memorable  
 "monument of his own glory: to see before his eyes the very City, whereof the counterfeits was  
 "born in the pomp of triumph: and that all men else should tread in the steps of his noble acts.  
 "But he thought it a shameful and abominable thing, that a City left and forsaken of the immor-  
 "tal gods, should be inhabited: and that the people of *Rome* should dwell in captive soile, and to  
 "make this exchange, to leave a naturall country which hath conquered, for it that hath been con-  
 "quered. With these persuasions & exhortations were the chief rulers excited, the Nobles old and  
 young, came in multitudes, (when as the law should be propounded) into the Hill. And as they  
 were dispersed and sorted into Tribes, every one taking hold of those of his own tribe, began to  
 beseech them even with tears, not to forsake that Country now, in the quarrell whereof they and  
 their fathers had fought most valiantly and happily: shewing herewith ever and anon the Capit-  
 toll, the Temple of *Vesta*, and other Temples therabout of the gods: that they should not therefore  
 drive the people of *Rome*, as exiled and banished out of their native soile from their own home and  
 households, into their enemies City, nor bring the matter thus about, that it had been better that  
*Vest* had not been won, rather than *Rome* should be abandoned. Because their dealing was nothing  
 but by way of prayer and persuasion, and in their prayers much mention and naming of the gods,  
 C the most part of them were touched in conscience: so as more Tribes nipped that one law forg-  
 ing forward, than gave their voices to approve it. Which victory was so joyfull to the Nobles,  
 that the morrow alter, by the motion of the *Coss* decree was made, That amongst the Commons  
 should be a division of seven acres for a man out of the Veientian lands: and not for householders  
 only, but that consideration and reckoning should be had also in every house of all free born per-  
 sons: to the end, that they should be willing to breed up children to the like proof, and for the  
 hope of like commodity. When the Commons by this bountifull gift and liberality, were well  
 pacified and filled, there was no stir at all to hinder the election of the Consuls. So there were  
 created Consuls, *Lu. Valerius Potitus*, and *M. Manlius*, who afterwards was surnamed *Capitolinus*.

These Consuls set out the great solemn games and plaies, which *M. Furius*, the Dictator had  
 vowed in the Veientian war. In the same year the Temple of *Juno Regina* vowed by the same  
 Dictator and in the same war, was dedicated. And it is reported, that the dedication thereof was  
 celebrated with exceeding great rejoyce and forward endeavour of the dames of *Rome*. War there  
 was (but not greatly to be spoken of) *Algidum* with the *Æquians*, for that the enemies were in  
 a manner discomfited before that they joyined battell. *Valerius* because he followed still and killed  
 the engines in chafe, was allowed by decree to triumph at full: and *Manlius*, that he should enter  
 into the city only Ovant, in petty triumph. The same year arose a new war with the Volcians: a-  
 gainst whom by reason of a famine and pestilence that grew about *Rome* upon exceeding drought  
 and heat, an army could not be led forth. For which cause the Volcians puffed up with pride,  
 joyning unto them the Salpentes, invaded first the country about *Rome*. Whereupon war was  
 E proclaimed against both nations. *C. Julius* the Censor departed this life. In whose room *M. Corneli-  
 us* was substituted. Which after bred some scruple of Religion, for that *Rome* in that five years  
 space was taken. So that never after that is there any Censor chosen into the place of the deceased:  
 And the Consuls also being sick and thereby disabled to govern, it was thought good to take new  
 counsell & advice of auspices or tokens of birds, by an Interregnum. When as therefore by an act of the  
 Senat, the Consuls had resigned their office, *M. Furius Camillus* was created Interregent. Who  
 by whom were made six Tribunes Military with Consuls authority: that in case any of them should  
 be sick and craze, yet the Common-wealth should have governors enough. The first day of *Jun*  
 F entered they into their office: namely, *L. Lucretius*, *Servius Sulpitius*, *M. Amylius*, *Lu. Furi-  
 us*, *Manlius* the seventh time, *Agrippa Furius*, *C. Amylius* the second time. Of these *L. Lucretius*  
 and *C. Amylius* had in commission to go against the Volcians: but *Agrippa Furius*, and *Servius  
 Sulpitius* against the Salpentes. And first were the Volcians fought withall. A great war  
 in respect of the number of enemies: but for the conflict and battell, nothing fierce and sharp. For  
 their army at the first encounter was put to flight, and eight thousand souldiers were by the Ro-  
 man horsemen environed, whereupon they threw their weapons away and yielded. The tidings  
 of this war caused the Salpentes not to adventure upon fight: but they kept themselves armed  
 within the wals, and stood upon their guard. The Romans then all abroad dare booties both  
 out of the Salpentes Country, and the Volcians, and no man withstood their violence: so long an  
 G condition, to make restitution again to the Romans of their goods, and to pay the souldiers for that year  
 their wages.

The same year one *M. Cadius* a commoner, gave notice to the Tribunes that in the new Cau-  
 fey, where now there standeth a Chappel above the Temple of *Vesta*, there was in the still time of the  
 night a voice heard, louder than any mans, willing that the governors might have intelligence, that  
 the Gauls were coming. This, by reason of the benevolence of the author (as commonly it is seen) was  
 not credited: besides, they were a nation far remote, and therefore less known and of small ac-  
 count. Thus were not only the advertisements of the gods despised, when as their fatal time of de-  
 struction





honour, and according to their vertue and delects: in their most fately garments and habiliments, H  
which they wear when they carried their sacred chariots upon festival daies, or wherein they rode  
in triumph, now sat upon their ivory chairs in the very midst and entry of their houses. There be  
that write, how they willingly devoted and bequeathed themselves to die for their Country and  
Citizens of *Rome*: and that *M. Fabius* the High Priest read and pronounced unto them a certain  
hymn and precript form of prayer, to that purpose. The Gauls, both for that now they had rested  
from fight a whole night, and to their choler was somewhat cooled, and also because they had not  
in any place fought a bloody and dangerous battell with them, nor even at that time won the  
City by any assault or force, entered the morrow after into the City, without anger and heat of in-  
rion: rage by the gate *Collina* standing wide open, and so passed through of the gods, and to the castle, which  
assemblies, calling their eyes about them towards the Temples of the gods, and to the castle, which  
only perceived some shew of war. And there leaving a sufficient guard, left haply from the Castle  
Ranlack and rife: and meeting none at all in the void streets, some rush by heaps into the houses  
next hand, others go to thos that were further off, supposing them at leastwise to be untouched,  
full of riches, and fit for to fill their hands. From thence again (as I might by reason of such defo-  
lation, and fearing lest haply any fraud of the enemy might entrap them as they wandered one from  
another) they returned round in a ring together, into the market place, and the places near thereto.  
Where, when they saw the Commoners honies fast shut to & locked, and contrariwise the state-  
ly palaces of the Noblemen and chief Senators standing wide open, they were at a stand, and doub-  
tled more in a manner to enter upon the open places than the shut. And they beheld as it were  
with capping and crouching after a reverend manner, certain ancient personages sitting in the por-  
ches and entries of their houses, who besides their ornaments and apparel, above the ordinary e-  
state of men, for a certain majesty which they carried in their countenance and gravity of visage,  
resembled the gods. And when as they turned to them, & stood looking upon them, as if they had  
been Idols and sacred Images, *M. Pappius*, one of them, when a Gaul began to stroke his beard  
(which then they used all to wear long) with his ivory staffe (as they say) gave him a rap on the  
pate, and moved his patience. Whereupon he was the first that was murdered, and to the rest were  
the Nobility, they fell upon all the rest, and spared no creature: they rabelled their houses, and L  
when they were empty, set fire on them. But whether it were that they were not all of them de-  
sirous to destroy the City utterly, or that it was the mind of the Leaders and chief of the Gauls,  
that for a terror there should be seen some sacrifices (if haply for the love of their houses, they  
that were besieged, might be induced to yield themselves: ) or that all their honies were not  
burned at once, to the end that the remainder of the City might be as a pawn and pledge to mol-  
lifie their enemies, and make their hearts to relent: howsoever, I say it was, the fire for the  
first day (as usually in Cities forced and won ) spread not all abroad every where, to make a ge-  
nerall havoc. The Romans from the Castle, seeing the City full of enemies, and in every street  
running up and down, and in all places fresh calamities and miseries in the neck of another,  
were not able to conceive the same in mind and spirit, no, nor so much as to have the right use M  
of their ear: and eyes. For to what place soever the shouts and noise of the enemies, the how-  
ling and wailing of women and children, the noise of fire, and the raring and cracking down-  
fall of houses turned them aside in exceeding fear; thither they bent their minds, their faces,  
and eyes, as men by fortune let up aloft, as upon a stage or scaffold, to behold the fall and ruin  
of their Country: relieved to have nothing of all their wealth and substance, but only their  
own bodies: by thus much, more miserable and pitifull above all others that ever were besieged,  
in that being shut out from their native Country and City, they were besieged and beheld it, and  
all that they had, in the enemies hands. Neither as ill as the day was spent, followed there a better  
night. Yea, & when after this troublesome night the like morrow was come, there was no time but  
misfilled still some heavy object: and one spectacle or other of new and fresh calamities. And N  
albeit they were laden and over-whelmed with so many miseries, yet they nothing at all less  
or abated their courages, but resolved still, notwithstanding they saw all fired, all ruinate and laid  
even with the ground, manfully to defend their freedome. And now seeing the same deolations daily  
was their only hope left them to recover their freedome, and now seeing the same deolations daily  
happen they were so inured to misery, that past all sense and feeling of their own fate and private  
fortune, they regarded nothing but their armour on their backs, and swords in their hands, as the  
only remnants and reliques of their hope. The Gauls likewise for certain daies, had made war  
with the poor houses only of the City, and all to no purpose: for armed enemies, who were not,  
burning and ruins of the City, so conquered, nothing now left but armed enemies, who were not,  
for all so many calamities, one yet terrified, nor their minds once enclined to yield without fur-  
ther force and violence: were used: they determine to try the utmost, and to make an assault up-  
on the fortreis. So on the morrow morning very early at sound of trumpet, all the whole multi-  
tude of them arranged themselves in the market place. From whence with an out-cry and shout,  
under a fence of targets over their heads, they approach the Castle. Against whom the Romans  
behave themselves, neither unadvisedly, nor fearfully, strengthening their wards and quarters,  
with a good Corps de guard against all Advences: and whereas they saw the banners displayed, the

A that way they opposed their strongest guards: and suffered the enemies to climb up the hill, supposing that the higher they were got up, so much the easier they might be beaten down. And being come up to the midst of the city, there they flayed: and thence from the higher ground, which of it self in manner bare out against the enemy, with all their force they charged upon the Gauls, overturned them and sent them down headlong: so as never after that, either any part of them, or all together would attempt that kind of service. Being therefore past hope to get up by force and arms, they make preparation for long siege: whereof until that time they had no mind: both for that the corn which was within they had consumed in burning of the City, and in the mean space, that which was in the country about, was carried and brought to *Vei*. Whereupon they divided

B their Army, purposing with one part thereof, to forrage and drive booties all about the nations thereby adjoining; and with the other to invest the Castle: to the end, that the forragers abroad might bring in corn to serve them that lay at the siege. Now as *Camillus* Gauls departed from the City, it was their hap and fortune to come to *Ardea* (where *Camillus* abode in exile) there to make trial of the Romans valour. This *Camillus* being more penitive in the behalf of the publick calamity, than careful of his own: spending his spirits and waiting his body with crying out upon gods and men: thus fretting and chafing with himself, and wondering what was become of those valiant and hardy men; who under his conduct won *Vei* and *Faleris*, and who had fought other wars more valiantly alwaies than fortunately: of a sudden he heard that the Army of the Gauls approached, and that the Ardeates in great fear, fell to consultation thereabout what to do: and even as if he had been inspired from God above, he put himself forward and entred into the midst of the people assembled, who heretofore, had obtained and forborn such publick meetings and consultations. And thus he said: "You my Masters of *Ardea*, mine old friends sometimes, and now my new neighbours and fellow-Citizens, for so it is fallen out by your kindnes & desires, and by mine own fortune and condition: let no man think, that I, forgetfull of mine own estate am come forth hither into this audience. But the present object and publick danger forceth every man to utter and bring forth in lo fearful a time and business as this is, what help he can. And when shall I ever be thankful unto you for your favours and demerits: if now I stand still and do nothing? Or where shall I ever stand you in stead, if not in war? By my skill herein, I flourished in my Country, and being in war invincible, was in peace by unthankfull neighbours and unkind Citizens banished. And now have yegod occasion offered, and opportunity (O ye Ardeates) both to make recompence, for thofe too great pleasures and cuttresses in times past received of the people of *Rome*, as your selves do well remember, (and therefore be it spoken without upbraiding and reproaching of any mindfull persons) and also to win great honour of war, unto this City, by defeating a common enemy unto both. This nation, which thus cometh towards us with a disoluate and disordered army, are thofe to whom God and nature hath given bodies more big and corpulent than strong and able, hearts more stout and courageous than constant and resolute: whereby they bring with them alwaies into the field more shew of terror, than true valour and execution. Whereof, the late foil and discomfiture of the Romans may be a sufficient proof and trial. They won the City when the gates stood open unto them: a small power from the Castle and Capitoll was able to withstand and repell them. And weary already of the tediousness of sieges, they are faine to depart. Tragling up and down, and wandering along the country. Their manner is when they have filled their bellies with wine and good victuals, (which they devour fullgreedily and hastily wheresoever they can come by it): so soon as night cometh on, without any place of defence, without watch or ward to lay them selves along like brut beasts, here and there by the waters sides. And now upon their good success, are they more secure and retchless, than they were wont to be. If ye be disposed to defend your walls, & not all to turn French, gather your selves together: & at the first watch of the night arm, and to your weapons Follow me to a massacre, and not to a skirmish: for if I do not deliver them unto your hands fast alive to be hewn in pieces like sheep and oxen, I refuse not to see the flame end of mine estate at *Ardea*, that I have found already at *Rome*. There was not one there, howsoever affected he was, friend or foe to *Camillus* but was perswaded that the like warrior was not in those daies to be found again. The assembly being broken up, they refresh their bodies, ready to fight so soon as ever the Signal should be propounded. Which being put forth, in the beginning and first watch of the night, they were ready with *Camillus* at the gates, and gone they were not far from the town, but they found (as it was foretold them) the Gauls came without *Coop de guard*, neglected on every side: and it with a mighty cry they assail. There was in no place fight, but killing every where: and their naked bodies (as they lay fast asleep) were hacked and cut in pieces. Howbeit, some of thofe that were furthest off, being scared out of their couches, not knowing what violence or from whence it was, took to their heels and fled: other some stumbled at un-  
G wares upon the very enemy. A great part of them being come into the territory of *Ardea*, were slain by the townsmen, who falled out upon them as they were dispersed, environed and slain. The like compassion to see a City which well near forsook hundred years space bordering upon them, was now surprized by a strange enemy not heard of afore, that even at that very time they made rides into the Territory of *Rome*, and laden with booty from thence, purposed to assail even *Vei*: also and the garrison, being the only place and means of rescue, and the last hope of the Roman name,

The Oration  
of Camillus in  
the Assembly  
of the Ar-  
deais.





ground would give him leave, being the plot only of a City half ruin'd and lying along, and with-  
all of it self naturally uneven. Forecasting and providing for all things with special choice and pre-  
paration to serve his soldiers turn, as far as martiall skill could possibly reach, The Gauls affright-  
ed at this strange occurrence, betook them to their weapons, and in a furious fit of anger, rat-  
ther than with any considerate discretion, they ran upon the Romans. Now had Fortune turned  
her wheel: now Gods help and mans policy assisted the Romans. Therefore at the first encounter  
the Gauls were difcomfited with as little difficulty, as they themselves had achieved the  
victory at *Albia*. Afterwards also, in another more set battell in the way of *Gabæ*, about eight  
leagues from *Rome* (to which place they were fled) they were vanquished by the conduct and lead-  
ing of the same *Camillus*. For there were they slain in every place, their Camp taken, and not  
so much as one left to bring news of their overthrow. The Dictator having thus delivered his  
Country out of the enemies hand, returne again with triumph into the City. And in all the  
sports and pleasant ditties which the souldiers rudely after their manner devised, he was titled *Ro-  
mulus* the father of the Country, the second founder of the City, which were no vain titles of  
commendation.

When he had saved his Country thus in war, he preserved it afterwards again undoubtly in  
time of peace, namely ingain saying their transmigration to *Vei*: whilst both the Tribunes enor-  
ced that matter more earnestly, now after the burning of the City, and the Commons also of them-  
selves were more inclined thereunto, than before. Which was one cause, that after his triumph  
he resigned not up his Dictatorship: being requested also by the Senat not to leave the City in so  
doubtful terms of perplexity. And first and foremost (as he was evermore a most precise devout  
man and religious) he propoed those things which concerned the immortal gods: and causeth  
an act of the Senat to be made, *Inprimis*, that all the Temples, for that the enemies had held and  
possessed them) should be repaired, bounded out new, and purged. *Item*, that the manner of  
cleansing them should be searched out of the books of *Syllia* by the *Duumvirs*. Moreover, that  
with the inhabitants of *Cere*, there should be made a league of publike and mutual hospitality,  
for receiving the sacred Images and Priests of the people of *Rome*: by the means and favour of  
which people, the honour and service of the immortal gods was not forelet and discontinued.  
*Item*, That there should be set out the Places called *Capitolini*, for that *Jupiter Optimus Maximus*  
had sit defended and preserved his own seat, and the Refuge of the people of *Rome*, in that fearful  
time of trouble. And that *M. Furius* should ordain a guild, or fraternity out of those that dwelt  
in the hill of the Capitol, for the celebration of those plaies. Finally, to the end there should be  
some satisfaction and expiation made of that night voice which being the fore-messenger and  
warning-giver of their destruction before the coming of the Gauls, was heard and yet neglected,  
a motion was made, that a Temple should be erected in the new cauley to *Aius Locustius*. The  
Gold which was recovered by force from the Gauls, as also that which out of other Temples in  
that fearful hurly-burly, was brought into the chancel or chappel of *Jupiter*, because they could  
not call to mind precisely into which Churches they were to carry it again accordingly, was all  
judged holy and sacred to *Jupiter*: and order taken that it should be bestowed and laid up under  
his shrine. And how devout the City was, appeared before in this, That when there was not gold  
enough in the common chest, to make up the full sum of the ransom that was agreed upon be-  
tween them and the Gauls, they took that which the matrons and wives of *Rome* contributed,  
and all to spare and save the gold appointed to holy uses. The Matrons were therefore thanked,  
and this honour besides done unto them, That after their death they as well as their husbands,  
should be openly praised in a solemn funeral Oration. When those things were once accom-  
plished which appertained to the Gods, and all that belonged to the Senat, for to do: then and not  
after, upon the first that the Tribunes kept with the Commons continually, with their speeches  
in all their assemblies, solliciting them to leave the ruins of the City, and to remove with all they  
accompanied with the whole Senat, came up into the common place of audience, and there before the  
people spake in this wise. "So grievous to me, O *Quirites*, is all contention and variance with the  
Tribunes of the Commons that while I lived at *Ardea* I found no other comfort and solace, in  
that most heavy and woful banishment of mine but this, That I was far enough off from those  
debates and jars. In regard whereof, I would never have come again, I assure you, but that you  
called me back, both by act of Senat, and also by approbation of the people. And it is not in me  
any change of mind, but your calamity and distressed estate, that hath forced me to return again  
unto you. For this was the very point that you stood upon, namely, that our country might con-  
tinue still and keep her ancient place: and not I wis, that I should remain and dwell therein al-  
gain. And even now verily, would I be still and keep silence willingly, but that this quarrel also  
is in the behalf of my forefild country: the which to fail (so long as life doth last) for others O  
might be a shameful reproach; but for *Camillus* it were most impious & abominable. For to what  
end have we returned to it again? To what purpose, when it was besieged have we delivered it  
out of the enemies hands, if when we have recovered it, we our selves abandon and leave the  
same? And when as the gods and men of *Rome* kept still, and inhabited the Capitol and the ca-  
pitole, notwithstanding the Gauls were Lords, and possessed of the whole City, is it possible that  
both Cattle and Capitol, after the City is regained, should be forsaken and abandoned of the  
Roman

The Oration  
of M. Furius  
Camillus to the  
people of  
Rome.

A "Roman victors? And that our prosperous hand over our enemies bring greater desolation to out  
City, than adversity hath? Verily, if it were so, that we made no reckoning of that religion and di-  
vine solemn service, instituted even with the foundation of our City: & that we counted all va-  
nities that have been delivered unto us by tradition from our ancestors: yet so evident a power  
of God hath assisted the Romans, that I must needs think, that men can now no longer neglect  
the worship of God. For consider with me I pray you, either the prosperity or the adversity of  
these years late past, one after another: ye shall find, that as long as we served God and followed  
his will, so long we prospered & went forward: and all the while that we despised the same, we  
ever went backward and fell to decay. And first and foremost the *Vient* war (recurrent I believ  
ye) how many years lasted it? how troublesome and painful was it? And ended it was not, be-  
fore that by the direction and advertisement of the gods, the water was let out of the *Albani*  
pool? What shall I speak of this late & strange calamity of our own City? Began it (and say truth)  
before that voice which came from heaven was made so light of, concerning the coming of the  
Gauls: before the law of nations was by our Embassadors broken? and before that through the  
same neglect of the gods, that fact was by us winked at and put up, which indeed should have  
been punished and revenged? This was the cause that we were vanquished, made captive, put to  
our ransom, and suffered such condign punishment both at Gods hand and at mans, as that we  
are made an example and amazement to the whole world. Then our adversity and affliction put  
us in mind of our religion, and the fear of the gods. We fled into the Capitol to the gods, even  
to the very seat of *Jupiter Optimus Maximus*: and when our own privat estate went to havock,  
the sacred monuments yet and holy Images, some we hid in the earth, some we conveyed away  
into the neighbour Towns, and removed them out of our enemies sight. And albeit we were  
forlorn and given over both of God and men, yet gave not we over, nor discontinued the ser-  
vice of the gods. And therefore gave they us our country again, they gave us victory, and the  
ancient honour of war which we had lost: and upon our enemies heads, who (blinded with co-  
vetousness in the weighing of gold brake both covenant and fidelity, they have turned all fear-  
fulness, all flight & slaughter. Considering then, O *Quirites*, by these so great and apparent signs,  
& testimonies in the course of this world, what it is to serve God, & what it is to dishonor him,  
perceive ye not what wickedness we go about to plunge ourselves into, being scarcely got forth  
D "and escaped out of the shipwreck and peril of our former sin and calamity? A City we have  
founded and built, by the will of God and due observation of Augury and Auspices, no corner  
therein, but full of religion, full of divine Majesty: and for solemn sacrifices, there are set daies  
when they shall be celebrated, there are places also appointed wherein they ought to be perfor-  
med. And are ye about then, O *Quirites*, to leave all these gods both publike & privat? how for-  
geth this deed of yours with that, which lately during the time of the siege, was seen with no less  
admiration of our enemies, than our own lives in that Noble young Gentleman *C. Fabius*?  
when through the pikes of the Gauls, he departed out of the Cattle, and performed a solemn  
duty of the house of *Fabius*, even upon the mount *Quirinal*? What, can ye allow and like that  
the sacred ceremonies of privat families, should not so much as in time of war be intermitted:  
E "and suffer now the publike sacrifices and the Roman gods, in time of peace to be neglected, and  
the City abandoned? That our High Priests and Flamins should be less curious and precise in  
the publike service of God, than a private Citizen was in the Anniversary feast of his family  
and kindred? But peradventure some one may say, We will do the same at *Vei*, or we will send  
from thence our Priests hither, for to execute that ministry. Neither of which can be done, sav-  
ing the due observance of holy ceremonies. For, to say nothing in general of all other holy  
daies, and of all the gods besides: In that one high feast and solemn dinner of *Jupiter*, can a Pul-  
vinar be celebrated, or a sacred Table be spread and furnished in any place, but in the Capitol?  
What should I speak of the eternal fires of *Vesta*? and of that Image, which as a pawn and secu-  
rity of our imperial state, is kept within the safeguard of that Temple? What should I speak of  
F "those your *Anclia* and *Scutcheons*? O *Mars Gradivus*, and thou hast *Quirinus*: are ye well  
contented that all these festival and sacred solemnities, which are all of equal time with the Ci-  
ty, yea, and of more antiquity (some of them) than the foundation of the City, should be forsa-  
ken in a profane place? But see what odds there is between us and our ancestors? They left un-  
to us certain solemn feasts and sacrifices to be celebrated in the Alban mountain and in *Lavinium*.  
Was it then a matter of conscience and religion, that some festival solemnities were brought  
unto us from our enemies Cities to *Rome*? And shall we translate the same from hence to our  
enemies City *Vei*, without a great and heinous offence, that would require expiation? Do but call  
to mind I pray you, how often our feasts and sacrifices have been renewed and reformed clean,  
for that some one old accustomed ceremony, either by chance or for want of taking heed, hath  
G "been over-slip and left out. And even of late, what was it else that (after the strange miracle of  
the *Alban Pool*) relieved our Common-wealth distressed with the *Vient* war, but the reformation  
of our divine service, and renewing of our Auspices? And more than this, as it were in  
remembrance of ancient religion and devotion, have both brought unto *Rome* forrain gods,  
and also have instituted and devised new. What a notable and festival day was that (in regard of  
the exceeding zeal and forward affection of the Matrons) upon which Queen *Juno* late tran-  
slated from *Vei*, was dedicated in *Aventine*? And to *Aius Locustius*, for a voice from heaven  
heard



heard in the new cause, we caused a Temple to be erected. The Capitoline plaies have we adorned to other solemn feasts & thereto we have ordained and founded a new guild or fraternity, even by the advice of the Senat. And what need was there that we should have done any of these things, if we meant, together with the Gauls, to leave the City of Rome? If we abode not in the Capitol (so many months while we were besieged) willingly and without constraint? And if we were for fear of our enemies, held back from going elsewhere? Thus much of our festival daies and temples. But what shall become now, I pray you of our Priests? Never think ye once of it, what a sinful deed you are about? As for the Vestal Virgins and Nuns, it is certain this is their only place, forth of which nothing ever could drive them but the winning of the City. The Flamin of Jupiter may not lie forth of the City one night: and will ye make these Priests of Romans to be, come Veintians? And shall thy virgins indeed, O Vestas, leave thee now? And shall the Flamin dwelling in a strange place for every night he is absent, taint with so great impiety, both himself and the Common wealth? As for other matters, which we do with great solemnity by the direction of the Augurs (and all well near within the Pomery or compass of the City) how can we forget or neglect them? Namely, the Ward-leet or assembly of the Curie for matters of war: also the other of Centuries, wherein ye chuse your Consuls and Military Tribunes, where can they be held (if we respect the will of the gods and regard the Auspices) but in the places accustomed? Shall we remove all these to Veii? or shall the people repair thither from thence with so great trouble and inconvenience, to a desolate City, forsaken of God and man, whensoever they would hold those assemblies? But the present necessity (they will say) forceth us to leave a town that is wasted with fire, and wholly ruinate, and to go to Veii, where all stands safe and sound, and not to put the poor Commons to the toils and charge of new building. That this is a pretence and cause rather devised, than meant in earnest, if I should say nothing, I think appeareth manifestly unto you already, O Quirites, who remember that before the coming of the French men, whiles your public buildings and private houses were whole, and whiles the City stood upright on foot, this self-same motion was made and debated, as touching the removing to Veii. Consider now ye Tribunes what difference there is between mine opinion and yours: ye are of mind, that if it had not then been meet to be done, yet now verily it were good and requisite: I contrariwise (but marvel not I pray you before you hear what I will say) am of opinion, that albeit we might have done it, whiles our whole City flourished, yet now we were not to leave it thus minate & decayed. For at that time we had some cause to remove into a conquered City, namely, Victory, a glorious thing to our selves and our posterity: but this removing now, were reproachfull and shameful to our selves, but glorious and honourable to the Gauls. For we shall not be thought to have left our country as conquerours, but to have lost it as conquered. And shall it be said, that our running away at Alia, the winning of our City, the besieging of the Capitoll, hath imposed this necessity upon us, as to leave our house and home and to make shifts, to seek our own exile and departure out of that place which we are not able to defend? And were, indeed, the Gauls able to pull down and raze that City of Rome, which the Romans shall not be thought able to reedifie and set up again? What remaineth now, in case they should come upon us afresh, with a new power of men, for certain it is that their multitude is incredible, & were willing to dwell here in this City by them conquered, & by you abandoned, but that ye gently permit and suffer them? Nay, What and if not the Gauls, but your old enemies the Equians and the Volscians would remove and come to Rome, would you be willing to have them become Romans and your selves Veintians? Would ye not rather, that this desert and wast ground as it lieth, were yours, than to be a City peopled by your enemies? For I cannot see, I assure you, whether of the twain, were more to be detested. And because (forsooth) ye are loath to fall to building, are ye resolved to abide these mischiefs & these shameful reproaches? If throughout the whole City there might not be built a more commodious or stately house, than is that cottage there of our founder, were it not better to dwell in cottages like shepherds & peasants, so it is among your sacred monuments and household gods, than all at once generally to go into exile? Our ancestors and forefathers being a mixture of divers countries, and no other than herdsmen, finding in these parts nothing but woods and bogs, in a short time built a new City out of the ground: and are we loath, having yet our Capitoll, our castle safe, the Temples of our gods standing still, to reedifie it now that it is burnt. That which every one of us would have done, if our houses had been fired, refuse we altogether to do in the common care of the City? Give me leave a little. What & if by some villany, or by mischance there should be a fire at Veii & by reason of the wind (as it is often seen) the flame spread and catch, and so consume a great part of the City, shall we go from thence by and by, and seek to Fidenæ or Gabii, or some other City near at hand to remove unto? Is the very native soil of our country, and this ground which we call our mother, of no power at all to keep us here, but both the whole love and affection of our country, rest in the superficial outside, and in the timber and rafters of our houses? Verily, I confess I will unto you (although I take less pleasure to remember the wrongs you did me, than the calamity which I endured) when I was absent and in exile, so often as I thought of my country, all these things ran in my mind: the hills, the plain, the Tyber, the coasts all about, which was my daily prospect, and this air, under which I was born and brought up. All which, O Quirites, let them move you rather now with an affection to them for to tarry still in this your habitation, than

A "than disquiet you hereafter, and torment you for the want and mis of them, when you have once left and forgone them. Nor without good cause both God and man chose this place for the building of this City: most healthy and wholesome hills: a very convenient and commodious river: to bring in corn and other fruits out of the inland parts, to receive provision and other victuals from the sea-coasts: the sea it self near enough for commodities, and not exposed and open by too much nearness to the dangers of forraign navies: the very heart and centre of all Italy, a place as a man would say, naturally made, and only for that City to grow and encrease in. And that doth the very largeness and greatness of a City so newly founded, plainly prove. It is now three hundred threescore and four years, and not above, since the foundation thereof, O Quirites. Amongst so many Nations of great antiquity, thus long ye have made war: and all this while (to say nothing of particular Cities) neither the Volscians together with the Equians peopling so many towns, and those so strong, nor all the Hetrurians so mighty by sea and land, and containing the whole breadth between the two seas, are in war to you comparable. Which being so, what reason have you (in the devils name) when ye have had sufficient proof already of it, to try again new experiments? considering now, that albeit your valour and virtue may go with you elsewhere, yet surely, the good luck and fortune of this place can never depart and remove from hence? Here is the Capitoll, where sometimes upon the finding of a mans head, answer was made by diviners and wizards, That in that very place should be the head of all puissance, and the imperial seat of the whole world. Here, at what time as the Capitoll, by the direction of the Augurs should be voided and cleared of all other Chappels. Lady Juventas, and god Terminus, to the great joy of our forefathers, would not suffer themselves to be fired out of their place. Here are the fires of Vesta, here be the Suthrons come down from heaven, here are all the gods, favourable & gracious still unto you, so long as here ye make abode and remain. Camillus in all his Orations throughout moved them much: but that part thereof touching religion (by report) was most effectual. But that which struck it dead, and put all out of doubt, was a certain word that fell out to be spoken fitly to the purpose. For at what time as the Senat a while after was gathered together in the Court Hostilia, to debate about these things and certain companies of souldiers that returned from their guards, chanced in the mean time to march through the market place, one Captain hapned to speak in the Comitium, and said, Pitch down thy ensign standard bearer, here will be our best abode. Which voice was not so soon heard, but both the Senat being come out of the Council House, cried with one accord, That they took that omen for good luck, and happy preface: and also the Commons all gathered thereabout, approved the same. After this, when the foresaid Act of transmigration was once clean dashed and abolished, the City began to be built confusedly, and without order. Tile was allowed at the common charges: to dig either stone, or hew timber, every man had liberty where he could, putting in fureties, that within the compass of that year they would finish their buildings. The haste they made, caused them to have no regard of drawing out the streets directly, whiles every man built in the void places without respect of his own or other mens ground. Which is the cause that the out-finks and vaults which first were conveyed through the common streets, now run every where under mens houses, and the form of the City seemeth as if it were built at random (as every man could catch a place for himself) rather than distinctly ranged, and set out in good order unto them,

## The Sixth Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the Sixth Book.

IT containeth the fortunate wars against the Equians, the Volscians, and Tuscan. Four Tribes were added to the former, Stellatina, Sabbatina, Promentina, Arniensis. M. Manlius, who had defended the Capitoll from the Gauls, whiles he discharged the debts of those that were in danger of their creditors, and released such as were then imprisoned, was convicted of aspiring to be King, and thrown down from the cliff Tarpeia. In whose reproach a decree was made by the Senat, that none of the house of Manlius should be named Marcus, C. Licinius, and L. Sextius, Tribunes of the Commons, proposed a law, that Consuls also might be chosen out of the Commons, who were created before from among the Nobles only. And albeit the Senators withstood them with earnest endeavour, yet by reason that for five years space the same Tribune continued the only Magistrates of the City, they went through with that law and got it enacted. And L. Sextius was created the first Consul that ever was of Commons. A second Law there passed likewise, That no man might possess above five hundred acres of land.

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## The Sixth Book of T. Livius.

The Recapitulation of the former five Books.

**W**Hat acts from the building of the City of Rome unto the taking of the same, the Romans have achieved, first, under the government of Kings, afterwards of Consuls and Dictators, Decemvirs, and Tribunes Consular, as well in the wars abroad as seditions at home: I have in five books declared, Matters obscure, both in regard of exceeding antiquity (as things that a far off hardly be discerned:) and also for that in those daies there were very few writings and monuments, the only faithful safeguard, and true remembrancers of deeds past: and besides, whatsoever was registred in the Commentaries of the Priests, and in other public or privat records, the same for the most part, when the City was burned, perished withall. But now from henceforward, their civill affairs of policy, and martiall exploits in war, ensuing after a second beginning of the City (as springing again with more fresh shoots and fruitfull sprouts from the root of the old stock) shall be delivered in more plain and certain manner.

And to begin withall, look by whom the state first was underdressed and set upright, upon him (as chief and principal) it still bare and rested, and that was *M. Furius*: whom the Romans would not suffer to give up the Dictatorship before one year was fully expired. As for those Tribunes (Consular) in time of whole government the City was lost, they liked not that they should call and hold an assembly for Election of Magistrates the year following. So the matter came to an Interregnum. Now while the City was busie in continuall work and labour, about reedifying and repairing their buildings, *Q. Fabius* so soon as he was out of his office, was by *C. Marcius*, a Tribune of the Commons arrested to make his answer at a day appointed. Who laid to his charge, That he contrary to the Law of Nations, had fought against the Gauls, unto whom he was sent in embassage, and as an Orator only. But he avoided his judiciall trial, by his death: and died so just against the time, that many men thought it was voluntary and wrought by his own hands. Then *P. Cornelius Scipio* first entered upon the Interregnum: and after him *M. Furius Camillus* the second time, He created Tribunes Military in Consuls authority. *A. Valerius Publicola* the second time, *L. Virginii*, *P. Cornelius*, *A. Manlius*, *L. Aemilius*, and *L. Posthumius*, these men presently after the Interregnum, were not so soon entered into office, but before all other things, they consulted with the Senat in matters concerning Religion and Conscience. And first of all they commanded, that all the instruments of Leagues and confederacies, the ordinances and laws also (such as those were the twelve tables, &c. certain Statutes made by the Kings) should be sought up as many as could be found extant. Whereof some were published abroad, even amongst the Common people: but such as pertained properly to holy Rites, and divine service, were by the Priests and Prelates suppressed: especially, of purpose to hold the minds of the people in a reverent awe of religion and devotion. Then began they to reason and debate about the dismal daies. And the fifteenth day before the Calends of August, so notorious for a twofold loss and overthrow; upon which day at *Cremera* the *Fabii* were all slain, and after at *Alia* an unfortunate field was fought, even to the utter ruin and desolation of the City, they named of the latter misfortune, *Aliaensis*: and set this unlucky mark upon it, That it should be reputed unmeet and inconvenient for any business as well publicke as private. Some think, because upon the next day following the Ides of July, *Sulpicius* the Tribune Military could not by sacrifice find any tokens of happy speed, nor obtain the grace and favour of the gods: whereupon three daies after, the Roman host fell shamefully into the hands of the enemies: therefore, the morrow also after the Ides was interdicted, and men were commanded to forbear and abstain from doing sacrifice: and thereupon likewise, the day next following the Calends and the Nones, were by tradition held as ominous and dismal as the other.

But long they might not quietly sit about the devising of means to reform the Common-wealth, and set it upright again after so grievous and dangerous a fall. For of the one side, the Volscians, their old enemies, took arms, intending the final destruction of the Roman name. On the other side, the Merchants brought news, That the Princes and chief of all the Nations of *Hetruria* were banded and confederate together in a Diet held at the Temple of *Volumnia*, to make war upon them. Besides a fresh and new fear came upon them by reason of the rebellion of the Latines and Hernicks, who after the battell at the pool *Regillus*, for the space almost of an hundred years, had continued fast in loyall league and amity with the people of Rome. Therefore being thus greatly afflicted on every side, that all the world might see apparently that the State of Rome was not only hared of her enemies, but despised also of her allies: it was thought good and resolved upon, that by his direction and rule, the Common-wealth should now be maintained and defended, by whose conduct and guidance it was relieved and recovered: and that *M. Furius Camillus* should be created Dictator. He being declared Dictator, named *Q. Servilius* his Lieut. for General of the Horsemen, And having proclaimed a law-free (or vacation from Courts of Law) he took muster of all the younger sort and servicable men: but so, as the elder people were not left out, as many as were of strength sufficient for service. Unto whom he likewise ministred the military oath of Allegiance, and enrolled them by hundreds in the muster book. When he

Dismal daies.  
† 18 of July.

† 26 of July.

*Camillus* bare the Dictatorship a whole year, which otherwise was limited within six months.  
*Q. Fabius* exiled.

A had thus levied a power of men, and furnished them with armour, he divided them into three parts. The one he opposed against *Hetruria* in the Country of *Vey*: another he commanded to lie encamped before the City. Over these *A. Manlius* a Tribune military was made Captain: those which were sent against the Tuicans had *L. Aemilius* for their Commander. A third part he himself led against the Volscians: and not far from *Lanuvium* (the place is called *Ad-Metium*) he began to assault their Camp. The enemies had put themselves on this their journey, with a kind of scornfull contempt, as thinking the whole manhood in a manner of Rome, was by the French clean spent and wasted. But when they heard once, that *Camillus* was the Lord General, it stroke such a fear and terror among them, that they were glad to defend themselves by the strength of their trench and rampier, yea, and to fence it round about with huge-piled heaps of wood and trees, that their enemies might have no passage to enter in upon their munitions. Which when *Camillus* perceived, he gave order to set on fire that Barricado which stood in his way. And as good hap was, the wind was big and high, and blew full upon the enemy. So that not only he made way by fire, but also with the flames thereof that went toward the Camp, with the vapour like-wile and smoke, and the crackling noise of the green wood, he so amazed & astonished the enemies, that the Romans had leas ado to pass the trench and palliade, into the Camp of the Volscians, than ingetting over the mound and enclosure consumed with fire. Having thus defeated and slain his enemies, and won withall the Camp in the same brunt, the Dictator gave the whole spoile unto the soldiars: which to them was so much the more welcome, as they less hoped for it at their General's hand: who was never known to be lavish of gift, and over-liberal in dealing rewards. After this he followed them that fled, in chase, wasted and foraged their whole country, and at length (in the seventieth year of the war) he wholly subdued the Volscians, and forced them to yield subjection. After this conquest, he departed from thence against the *Aequians*, who likewise made preparations for war. Their forces he surprised and defeated at *Bola*, and assailed not only their Camp, but also forced the City, and at the first assault won both.

But whilst fortune smiled thus, what way soever *Camillus* went, as being the only stay of the Roman state: so on another side the fear of peril greatly encreased. For the Tuicans well near all up in arms, lay before *Sutrium*, and besieged it being in league with the people of Rome. Whole Embassadors came unto the Senat to entreat for succour in their distress, and had a decree granted unto them, that the Dictator with all speed should rescue the *Sutrinns*. But being so straightly beleaguered, that they might not abide the delay of this their hope, for that the townsmen, who were but few in number, were over-wearied with working, watching, and bloody fighting, (all which lay still upon the same men without intermission) they were driven by composition to surrender up the City to the enemies: and being disarmed and sent away with a single iure of apparel (after a piteous sort all a-row) departed the town, & left their dwelling places. But see, it fortuneed that *Camillus* at the same time came in the very manner with the Roman Army and met them. At whole feet the multitude all forrowfull lay prostrate: their Nobles and chief men in this extremity fell to beseech him to be good unto them: the women and children which went along with them, as partakers and companions of their exile, seconded them with wofull tears and lamentations. But he willed the *Sutrinns* to forbear their mourning plaints, and give over their dolefull moan: saying that he brought the Tuicans heavy and weeping cheer. Then caused he his soldiars to lay down their packs and load, the *Sutrinns* likewise there to abide with a mean guard, and his men to follow him with armour and weapons only. Thus marched he forward with his Army lightly appointed for ready expedition, and advanced before *Sutrium*. Where, according to his expectation, he found the enemies all careless and secure (as commonly it falleth out upon a prosperous success.) No warders, no corps de guard quartered before the walls, the gates wide open, the Conquerours here and there jacking, rifling and flinging the goods out of their enemies houles. So was *Sutrium* in one day twice won. The Tuicans (for all their former victory) were hewn in peeces on every side, by a new-come enemy. They had no time to cast themselves

round nor gather together into one place, no, nor to take weapon in hand: whilst every man for life, made in all haste to the gates, if haply any way they might escape into the fields. But when they came thither, the gates they found fast shut, for so the Dictator had given order afore-hand. Hereupon some betook themselves to their weapons: others (namely, such as hapned to be armed, when this sudden tumult surprised them) fell to call their fellows together for to begin a skirmish: which no doubt in that desperate case of the enemies had been hotly fought, had not the Criers and Trumpets which were sent into all parts of the City, made proclamation to lay down their weapons, to spare them which were unarmed, and that none should have any harm but shole that were found in arms. Upon this, even they who in that extremity and despair were fully bent to fight it out, for hope of life on all hands flung away their weapons: and thus disarmed as they were (for as the case stood, it was the safer course) presented themselves to the enemy. A great number of them were bettowed in several places, and were attended upon with good guards. And before night the town was delivered again unto the *Sutrinns*, safe and sound without any hurt at all done unto it, as being not won by force, but surrendered upon composition. *Camillus* then returned with triumph into the City of Rome, victor at one voyage in three sundry wars. The greatest number by far, of prisoners, whom he led before his chariot in triumph, were Tuicans: whom he sold, in port-sale at the spear, and riled such a sum of money, that when he

*Sutrinns* it was won in one day.

Four new  
Tribes adjoy-  
ned to Rome.

The Oration  
of M. Furius  
Camillus to his  
companions in  
government.

After a Vacation or Law-ſeed proclaimed, and the Muſters taken and paſt : *Furius* and *V. Iulius* ſet forward to *Satrium* : whither the Antians had not only lent the flour of all the Volſci, the choice youth out of a freſh fry and new generation ; but alſo had raiſed a mighty power of Latins and Hernicks, out of thoſe Nations that by long peace were moſt freſh and luſty. Theſe new enemies and old thus combined together, troubled the minde of the Roman ſouldier, and made him to ſtarle, Which when the Centurions reported to *Camillus*, as he was Maſtalling and ſetting his battels in array ; and that in theſe terms : to wit, that the hearts of his ſouldiers were diſquieted and diſmayed, that they took themſelves but flowly to their weapons, made ſtaying and idling when they ſhould come forth of their tents, yea, and that there were ſome of them overheard to ſay, that, They muſt fight one to an hundred, and that ſo great a multitude of

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The Oration  
of M. Furius  
Camillus to his  
souldiers.

their enemies (if they were unarmed) might hardly be encountered, much less, being so well armed and appointed: he mounted presently upon Horieback, and rode before the enigma, and then turning himself afront his army, travailing between the ranks and araires; "What heaviness is turning himself afront his army, what means this strange and unwanted lagging behind? Why? "this my souldiers (quoth he) what means this? Or, know ye not your own selves? The enemy, "Know ye not your enemy? Pernow matter and subject of your valour and glory? And ye again are "what is he elie but the perpetual natter and subject of your valour and glory? And ye again are "the men, who under my conduct (to say nothing of the winning of *Falerii* and *Vei*, and of the "slaughter of the Gauls Legions, put to the sword by us, even when our native City was by them "taken and they matters thereof of late, and but the other day, made a three-fold triumph, upon "a triple victory, over the same Volscians, Equians and people of *Hetruria*. What, do ye not "agnize and accept me for your General, because not as Dictator, but as Tribune, I gave you the "watchword, and put out the banner of battle? For mine own part, I stand not much upon ab- "solute and sovereign command over you: no more likewise should ye regard ought else in me, "but mine own self. For never yet did my Dictatorship make me haughty and set me up aloft, no "more than my banishment abated my courage and cast me down. We are the same men still "of us: and since we are come to this war, furnished with the same means that we carried with "us unto the former, let us look for the same event of our service, and no worse. So soon as ye "shall encounter and joyn battle with them, perform each one that which he hath been taught "and wanted to: the journey surely will be ours, and they (no doubt) shall run away. Then after "he had founded the batel, he alighted from his Horse, and caught the ensign-bearer that stood "next him, with his hand, hale him forward against the face of the enemy, crying very often aloud, "On afore with thy banner, Port-ensign, and advance forward, souldier. When they saw that *Ca-* "millus in person, a man well kept in years, and thereby weak to perform the parts of bodily strength, "put himself forth against the enemy: all at once they pressed forward, set up an outcry and shout, "every man calling upon his next fellow, to follow their General for shame. Over and besides, "some say that by the commandment of *Camillus*, there was an ensign flung into the very batel "among the enemies. Whereupon they of the forefront, hestirred themselves lustily to recover it "again. And thereby were the Antiates first discomfited, and the fear not only came upon them "in the vanguard, but entered also and reached as far as the rearward, that stood ready for supply. "And as the violent force of the souldiers, provoked by the presence of their Captain, much trou- "bled the enemy: so nothing more daunted the hearts of the Volscians, than the very sight of *Ca-* "millus himself, when they chanced to e'p' him. So surely carried he the victory with him, which "way soever he went! And that appeared most evidently in this, That when he saw the left wing "at the point to give back and run away, he took himself in all haste to his Horse, rode thither with "his light footmans buckler, and with his only presence renewed the fight, shewing unto them how "the rest of the batel had the better. Now were the enemies put to the worst, and the victory en- "clined to a side. But their multitude both hindered themselves in their flight: and also a long pece "of work the wearied souldiers of the Romans had to put so great a number, all to the sword. But "behold, there fell a great tempest of rain all of a sudden, which poured down with so mighty "winds and storms, that it rather put them by the execution of assured victory, than parted any "batel or stayed the fight. Whereupon the retreat was founded: and the night ensuing, whilst "the Romans were at rest, made an end of the war. For the Latins and Hermicks forsook the Vol- "scians and departed home, with as ill speed, as their enterprise was bad. The Volscians seeing "themselves abandoned and left in the lurch by them, (upon whose trust and confidence they had "rebelled) quit the camp and field, and put themselves within the walls of *Saturnum*: whom *Ca-* "millus at first began to besiege, casting a trench and rampier about them, raising bastillons and "plat-forms against the Town. And seeing his munitions and fabricks by no falling forth of the "enemies impeached, he supposed there was no such courage in them, that he should need to stand "so long about the hope of victory: and thereupon, encouraged his men not to wear themselves "out in a tedious and toilsome piece of service, as if they lay at the siege of *Vei*: assuring them that the "victory was in their hands already: and so with exceeding cheerfulness of his souldiers, he set lad- "ders upon every side, scaled the walls, and entered the Town. Then the Volscians flung away their "weapons and yielded themselves.

*Saturnum* won.

But the General his mind was bent upon a greater exploit, and that was the winning of *Anti-* "um, being the seat Town of the Volscians, and from whence the beginning of the last war arose. "Howbeit because so strong a City might not be won without great preparation of artillery, ordi- "nance & engines of battery, leaving his colleague behind him with the army, he went himself to *Rome*, "to perswade with the Senat. For to destroy and rase *Antium* utterly. And whilst he was emparling "with them (such was the will of God I believe, that *Antium* should stand still & continue longer) "there came Embassadors from *Nepes* and *Sutrium*, craving aid against the Tuscans, saying: That it "was more than high time, that they were succoured and relieved. Upon which occasion it fell out, "that *Camillus* was withdrawn thither from *Antium*. For seeing that those two Towns stood even "against *Hetruria*, as it were the very keys and bar-gates from thence: both the enemies laboured "to gain them afore-hand, against the time that they went about to make new wars: & the Romans "also held it a matter of great consequence, for to leave *Antium*, and to undertake the "war with the Tuscans. The City-legions under General *Quintius*, were appointed unto him, "And

A And albeit, he rather would have had the leading of that army, which lay now in the Volscians "Country, and which he had good tryal of, and were acquainted better with his government, yet "refused he nothing: only he required to have *Valerius* his associate still, and joynd with him in "commission. So *Quintius* and *Horatius* were sent to succeed *Valerius* in the Volscian war, *Fu-* "rius and *Valerius* took their voyage from the City to *Sutrium*, and found the one side of the "Town possessed already by the Tuscans. On the other side, the Townsmen, for that the enemy "had stopped all passages between, hardly able to repel the force of the assailants. But the coming "of the Roman aids, and the name besides of *Camillus*, (so highly renowned as well amongst the "enemies as Allies) both for the present gave them heart to abide the brunt, and to it that they "were before at the point to give over: and also gained time and respite to come in with fresh sup- "plies and succours. *Camillus* therefore divided his forces, and gave direction to his colleague, for "to bring about his power; to that side which the enemies held, and there to make an assault: "not so much for any hope he had by scaling the walls to win the City: as by withdrawing the ene- "mies thither, not only to ease the Townsmen of their toil, and give them a breathing time (who "were now wearied with assaults) but also to get himself some opportunity and vantage, to enter "the City without skirmish and resistance. Which being put in execution on both hands accord- "ingly, and performed at once: the Tuscans betwixt with a two-fold fear round about, seeing the "walls assailed most fiercely one way: and the enemy got within the Town another way: flung "out at one gate (which as it happened was not betwixt) and in great haste all together sought to escape "away. But as they fled, they were slain by heaps both within the Town and abroad all over the "fields. The greater number were killed within the walls by *Furius* his souldiers, *Valerius* his "men were more ready and nimble in the chase, and gave not over the execution until the night "came, that they could not see and discern them.

*Sutrium* reco-  
vered.

When *Sutrium* was thus recovered and restored again to their allies they led forward the army "to *Nepes*: which Town the Tuscans held wholly, as surrendered already into their hands. Every "man thought it would be a busie pece of work to win that City again: not in this regard only, "that it was fully in the enemies possession, but also because some of the *Nepesines*, by treason had "yielded it up. Howbeit, they resolved to send unto the heads and principal citizens, that they "should sever themselves from the Tuscans, and perform on their behalf true and faithful loyalty, "like as they had craved and besought at the Romans hands their friendly help and protection. "From whom they received this answer again, That it lay not now in them to do anything at all, "for that the Tuscans kept the walls, and warded the gates. Whereupon they first terrified and "scared the Townsmen with foraging and spoiling their territory: after that, seeing they made "more reckoning of keeping their faithful loyalty to their enemies unto whom they had lately sur- "rendered, than observing the league with their friends, which they had long before concluded: they "provided themselves out of the fields of a number of faggots, of brush wood, and such like trunks, "and so approached the City with the army, filled up the ditches close to the walls, set ladders to, "and at the first shout and assault given, the Town was taken. Then proclamation was made, that "all the *Nepesines* should part with their armour and weapons, and so many as were found unarm- "ed, should be spared. But the Tuscans, as well armed as unarmed, were put to the sword every one. "As for the chief authors that perswaded the *Nepesines* to deliver the Town to the enemies, they "were beheaded. The harmless multitude had their goods restored, and so the Town was left with "a garrison. Thus the two Tribuns (Consular) having regained out of the enemies hands two con- "federate Cities, returned in great glory to *Rome* with their victorious army.

*Nepes* taken.

The same year the Latins and Hermicks were required to make amends for harms done, and re- "stitution of goods wrongfully detained: and the cause demanded why of late years, according to "a covenant in that behalf provided they had let forth no souldiers to the Romans wars. Answer "from both Nations in their solemn Councils was returned: "That neither the fault was general, "nor proceeding from counsel of the State, in case (some of their youth served under the Volscians: "and yet them selves had well payd already for their lewd and rash projects, in that not one of "them was come home alive. And as to the not sending forth of souldiers, the cause was, for "that they were in continual fear and danger of the Volscians: which noisome plague (as it "were) sticking so close unto their sides, unless they could be rid of, notwithstanding so many "wars one in the neck of another. When relation hereof was made unto the Lords of the "Senat, they thought so well of their answer and excuses, that they deemed they had quarrel "and occasion good enough to war upon them, if they might have had while and time as well to tol- "low it.

The excuse of  
the Latins and  
Hermicks.

In the year following, when *A. Manlius*, *P. Cornelius*, *Titus* and *Lucius Quintius*, both *Capito-* "lins, and *L. Papirius Corvus* for the second time, were Tribuns Consular, there arose a grievous war "abroad, and a more dangerous sedition brake forth at home. The war, from the Volscians, band- "ed with the Latins and Hermicks, that were fallen away and revolted. The sedition (where it "was least feared) from a perionage of noble lineage descended, of great name and reputation, *M.* "Manlius *Capitolinus*. Who being a man of too lofty and haughty a minde, despised all other "of the Nobility, and envied one above the rest, *M. Furius*, so singular, as well in regard of his ho- "nourable dignities, as his worthy parts and commendable vertues. He could not brook and "endure, that he only should ever be Lord General in the field: who now was exalted so high "above others, that even those who were created with him in equal authority, he accounted not as

The discon-  
tinuance of  
*M. Manlius*  
inventing sed-  
ition.













*M. Furius his answer to L. Furius, and the souldiers.*

"come with reason and counsel, that you may sooner overcome by force and arms. Hereunto  
*Camillus* made answer again: What was forever (quoth he) unto this present day have by mine  
 "own entire conduct, and sole direction been managed, neither can you nor the people of *Rome*  
 "deny, but that in them you never repented, either of my policy or happy success. Now I know  
 "full well, that I have a companion joyned with me in government & rule of equal commission;  
 "for the prime and lustiness of youth, much above me, and my better. And as to the army, I have  
 "indeed been used ever to command, and not to be commanded: but yet my fellows authori-  
 "ty, I cannot be against. Let him do in Gods Name, what he thinketh good for the Common-  
 "weal, and God speed his hand. Only in regard of mine old age I crave this favour, that I may  
 "not be set in the forefront: but for other labours, look what an old man may or ought to do  
 "in war, therein surely I shall not fail. And this one thing would I crave at the hands of the im-  
 "mortal Gods, that some notable mishap befall not, to make my former counsel good and praise-  
 "worthy. But neither would men be ruled by his advice so profitable and wholesome, nor the  
 "Gods vouchsafe to hear his prayers so holy and devout. Then *Lucius Furius*, the author and prin-  
 "cipal periwader of battell, setteth the vanguard in array. *Camillus* he fortifieth the Regiments and  
 "Squadrons for supply in the rearward: but above all, he placeth a strong guard before the camp.  
 "Himself took up his standing on a higher place, to behold and mark the issue of another mans  
 "counsel. So soon as at the first brunt and encounter, they rushed and made a noise with their ar-  
 "mour, the enemies on purpose (Of policy, and not for fear) gave footing and lost ground. Now,  
 "mout, the enemies upon their back a pretty rising of an Hill, between their camp and the battell;  
 "there was behind them on their back a pretty rising of an Hill, between their camp and the battell;  
 "and by reason that they were well appointed: with this instruction that whilst both armies were  
 "strong companies armed and well appointed: with this instruction that whilst both armies were  
 "hard in fight, and when their enemies should come near their trench and rampier, they might fall  
 "out on a sudden upon them. The Romans following out of measure upon the enemies as they re-  
 "treated, were drawn upon the disadvantage of the ground, and gave occasion and fit opportunity  
 "unto the enemy to issue out of the camp upon them. So the terror returned upon the supposed vi-  
 "citors, by reason both of the new supplies of the enemies, and also of the fall and descent of the  
 "Hill: and forced the battell of the Romans to give back. The Volcians that charged them from  
 "the camp, and were fresh and lusty, pressed hard upon them: they also that made as though  
 "they fled, began now to fight again. The Romans souldiers forgetting now both their late lusti-  
 "ness, and their ancient honour, retired not easily and softly in good order, but plain turned their  
 "necks, and their ancient honour, retired not easily and softly in good order, but plain turned their  
 "backs on all sides, fled again by heaps, and ran away toward their own camp. Whereat *Camillus*  
 "being by that time attended about his person, mounted upon a good Courser, and with all the  
 "being by that time attended about his person, mounted upon a good Courser, and with all the  
 "he could make, opposing the Squadrons of the rearward against the enemy. "Is this (quoth  
 "he) the fight, ye souldiers, that ye so called for? what God, what man can ye lay the weight  
 "on now? It was your rashness and fool-hardiness afore: and it is your dastardly cowardise  
 "now, and nothing else, that is the cause of all this. Followed ye have already one General,  
 "Follow *Camillus* now a while: and as ye have been always wont by my leading, once more  
 "win the victory. What look you toward the hold and the camp? there is no coming thither,  
 "there is no being there for any of you without victory. At the first they were afhamed, and  
 "stayed themselves from farther flight: but after that they saw once the ensignes wheel about, and  
 "the Squadrons turn again, they made head, and charged the enemy again. And the General  
 "himself, a man renowned for so many triumphs, and besides, for his venerable age so revered, even  
 "amongst the foremost ensignes, amid the greatest perils, and most distresses, advanced forth in per-  
 "son. Hereupon every one for his part, set the better leg forward, provoked his fellow withal, and  
 "son. Hereupon every one for his part, set the better leg forward, provoked his fellow withal, and  
 "chiding (for what might he avail thereby, so long as he was himself in fault as well as the rest?)  
 "but laying aside all Lordly command, fell wholly to entreating, and besought them both all  
 "some to quit themselves like men, and acquit him of the guilt and blame of that unlucky dayes  
 "work. "Indeed (quoth he) when my brother *Camillus* would not agree thereto, but expressly  
 "forbad, yet I chose rather to be partaker of the folly and rashness of all, than the widome and  
 "age advice of one. *Camillus* (come what will of it, speed you well, or speed you ill) leeth the  
 "glory will be his: but I, unless the battell be reversed, shall take such part as you all, (a most mi-  
 "serable and pitious case) but the shame will redound and light upon my head and none else.  
 "Well, at length they agreed, and thought it best to abandon their Horses to beslow them among  
 "the waving and disordered companies, and on foot to make head upon the enemies. Thus they go  
 "both together, as bravely minded with resolution, as they were richly and generously armed. And  
 "in what part soever they saw the footmen most distressed, there wanted neither in the Generals  
 "nor in the souldiers, courage in the highest degree to fight out lustily. Well was it seen by the  
 "happy event, that valorous endeavours speed ever well. For the Volcians the same way that  
 "crewwhile they made semblance of giving ground upon a counterfeited fear, now fled in good order  
 "as hard as they could. A great number both in the conflict, and after in the chase were slain. As  
 "for the rest that remained in the camp, which presently at one brunt was won, more of them  
 "were taken prisoners than killed. In the view & account taken of the captives, there were some of  
 "them known to be Tufculians, who were severed apart from the rest, and brought before the  
 "State.

*M. Furius Camillus to his souldiers, flying away.*

*L. Furius to his souldiers.*

*The Volcians defeated.*

A State-Tribuns, And upon examination, confessed flatly, that they served by the publick warrant  
 of the City. *Camillus* herewith disquieted, for fear of war from so neer neighbors, said he would  
 forthwith have those prisoners with him to *Rome*, that the Lords of the Senat might not be ig-  
 norant how the Tufculians were revolted from their society. In the mean while, his brother  
 Tribun might, if he so pleased, have the regiment of the league and the host. That days work  
 had taught him now, not to prefer his own ways before the better counsel of another. And yet  
 neither he himself, nor any man else in the army, thought that *Camillus* would quietly digest this  
 fault of his, whereby the State of the Commonwealth was driven upon so dangerous a point of  
 downfall. And as well in the host, as also at *Rome*, it was wide and current in every mans mouth:  
 B that whereas the fight with the Volcians was variable, and the service doubtful: for the ill speed,  
 the difcomfure, and the running away, *L. Furius* was all in fault: but for the good success, *Ca-  
 millus* only had all the honour.

When the captives were brought into the Councell House, and the Lords of the Senat were of  
 opinion and determined war against the Tufculians, and had laid the charge thereof upon *Ca-  
 millus*, he requested to have an assistant joyned with him in Commission: and being left to his own  
 choiceto take whom he would of all his Companions in office, contrary to all mens expectation,  
 he chose *L. Furius*. By which moderation of his affections, and good carriage of himself, he both  
 delayed the infamy of his Colleague, and won himself great glory and commendation. Yet for all  
 this, proceeded not they to any war with the Tufculians. For they by their constant observation

*The prudent dissimulation of the Tufculians:*

C of peace, kept off the violence of the Romans, which by force of arms they had not been able.  
 When the Romans entered and invaded their territory, they went not so much as out of those  
 places that lay near the high way, whereas the enemy marched: they forelet not the tilling of their  
 grounds, but kept the gates of their City wide open, came forth solemnly in their long gowns to  
 meet with the L.L. Generals in the way, and brought victuals right courteously to serve the army,  
 as well out of the City as Country. *Camillus* having pitched down his tents before the gates, and  
 desirous to know, whether there were the same appearance of peace within the walls, as bare shew  
 abroad in the Country, entered the City: and seeing the doots standing open, the shop-windows  
 up, all kind of wares set out to sale upon the bulks: the Craft-men and Artizans busily every one  
 occupied at his work: the Grammar schools ringing again with a chime of schoolers, learning and  
 D saying their lessons: the streets full of women and children amongst the other common people  
 going to and fro about their business: he could perceive no where about him any thing that carri-  
 ed a remembrance of fearful men, no, nor so much as of those that made any wonder at their com-  
 ing in that warlike order. Thus cast he his eyes into every corner, seeking where this war should  
 be. For there was not so much as any token to be seen, either of ought removed out of the way,  
 or brought in place, upon this present occasion; but all in so quiet quarters and peace, as if they  
 had scarcely heard any inkling or rumor of hostility. Being therefore overcome with this par-  
 ence and sufferance of the enemies, he caused their Senat to assemble, unto whom he spake in this  
 wise: "Ye alone this day of all that I know, O Tufculians, have found the only armor of  
 "proof, and the forcible fence indeed, to save your selves and all ye have from the Romans ire.  
 E "Go your ways to *Rome* unto the Senat there. The Lords of the Councell will weigh and consider,  
 whether ye deserved more punishment before, then pardon now. I will not foretell and pick my  
 "self a private thank for a publick benefit. At my hands ye shall have this favour and liberty, to  
 "speak for your selves and plead your own cause: as the Senat shall think good, so shall you speed  
 "of your suit. After that the Tufculians were come to *Rome*, and their Senat (who but a while  
 "afore had been faithful Allies and kept their allegiance) seen to stand waiting with heavy cheer,  
 and giving their attendance at the entry of the Court and Councell Chamber: the Lords of the  
 Roman Senat, were presently moved thereto, and caused them forthwith to be called in, and re-  
 ceived by way of hospitality, more like then hostility. Then the Dictator of Tufculum made this  
 speech and said: "Right honorable Senators, we against whom ye have proclaimed and made war,  
 F "came forth to encounter your Generals and Legions, armed and appointed as ye see us at this  
 "present standing in the porch of your Councell Houle. This was our array, this was the habit of  
 "our Commons, and always shall be, unless at any time we shall put on arms for you and in your  
 "quarrel. Thanks we yeeld to your Captains and to your Armies, that they have beleaved rather  
 "their eyes than their ears: and where they saw no hostility at all, there they offered none them-  
 "selves. That peace which we have shewed and observed, the same crave we humbly still at the  
 "hands of your clemency. Turn we beseech you from us your forces thither, where war is to be  
 "found. And if we must needs make trael (by suffering ought of your puissance and power bent a-  
 "gainst us, we will resist surely without armor. This is our full resolution. God grant it prove  
 "as fortunate, as it is well meant and proceeding from a single heart. As for the trepaffians, where-  
 G "upon ye were moved to denounce war against us: although it be bootles and to no purpose to  
 "disprove that by words, which by deed is already proved: yet surely, were they never so true,  
 "we think verily, that without prejudice to our selves, we may safely confest the same, since that  
 "we have so evidently repented thereof. And for you, so long as you be worthy to have so full  
 "satisfaction made, it skilless not, what default or transgression be committed against you. Thus  
 "much in effect spake the Tufculians. At the very instant they obtained peace: and not long after, the  
 "right of free burgeoisie, to be made Citizens of *Rome*. So the Legions were withdrawn back again  
 from Tufculum. Thus *Camillus* having won great honor by his policy and valour both in the Vol-  
 cian

*Camillus to the Senat of Tufculum:*

*The Dictator of Tufculum to the Senat of Rome:*

scian war: by his happy success in the journey of *Tusculum*: by his singular patience and carriage of himself, toward his companion in government, as well in the one place as the other, went out of his Magistracy: there being created Tribuns Military for the next year, *L. Valerius* the fifth time, and *Pub. Valerius* the third time, *C. Servilius* the third time, *Lucius Menenius* the second time, *P. Papirius*, *Serg. Cornelius*, *Maluginensis*.

There was this year need of Censors also, by reason especially of the doubtful rumors that ran concerning debt: whiles of the one side the Tribuns of the Commons did aggravate the greatness thereof, and made it seem an odious matter: and they again of the other side, did elevate and made little of the fame for whom it was good and beneficial, that the lent money should be thought abroad, in danger of being lost: for that (say they) the debtors cautiously rather would not, than for ability could not, keep their credit and make payment. So there were created Censors, *C. Sulpicius Camerinus*, *Sp. Posthumus Regillensis*. And this matter now already commenced, was broken off by the death of *Posthumus*, because it would have bred a scruple to chuse another Censor in the room of him deceased. When *Sulpicius* therefore had resigned up his place, it fell out so that other new Censors upon some error committed in their creation; exercised not their office: and to chuse a third time they made a ruple, so tender conscienced were they, as if the gods were not well pleased with that office for that year. But the Tribuns would not endure this deluding of

The Tribunes of the Commons against the Senate;

the Commons, but gave it forth that it was intollerable: saying, "That the Senat sought to avoid the exhibiting of publick records and books, which gave testimony of the valuation of every mans substance to the worth: because they would not have the sums of debts to be seen and known; which might bewray and plainly shew, that one part of the City was evenen up and devoured of the other: and in the mean time the poor Commons so deeply engaged, were packed away, and sent forth against their enemies and those: and now without all regard and discretion, they sought occasions to quarrel and make war in every place. From *Antium* to *Saturnia*, from *Sutrium* to *Velutia*, from thence to *Tusculum* have your Legions been posted. And now, forsooth, there is war intended against the Latins, Hernicks and Prenestins: for hatred rather of the Citizens here at home, then of the enemies abroad: and all to wear out the Commons with continual wars, and to afford them no breathing while within the City: that in time of rest, they might remember and think upon their freedom, keep their rooms in common assembly, where they might at the length hear their Tribuns voice pleading for the ease and ment of fury, and for a final end of all injuries. But and if the Commons had the heart, and carried that mind with them, as to call to remembrance their ancestors liberty, they would suffer neither any Citizen of *Rome* to be awarded to bondage for debt, nor any mulsters torto be taken, until a view were made and just account had, of every man his debts, and some counteoken for abating the same: that each man might know, what he had of other mens goods, what remained of his own: whether his body were left free, or at the mercy of his creditor, to lie in cold iron and baleful prison. This hire and salary of sedition, this reward once propounded aforehand, stirred up (you may be sure) a mutiny soon after. For whereas there were many adjudged to be bound unto their Creditors, and the Senators had decreed new Legions to be believed, for the bruit and rumor that went of the Prenestins wars: both matters began to be hindered for taking any effect, as well by the Tribuns help as the Commons accord. For neither would the Tribuns suffer those that were condemned to be led to prison: nor yet the younger fort of the Commons, enter their names in the Muster-master his book. And the Senators for the present, less minded the execution of judgement for the Creditors behoof, then the mustering. For why? News came already, that the enemies had put themselves in their journey from *Preneste*, and were encamped in the Sabins country: And all this while, the very tidings hereof rather quickened and provoked the Tribuns of the Commons to the broil that was begun, than frightened them any jot from it. Neither would any thing serve to quench the sedition in the City, until the war was come in manner to the very walls. For the Prenestins had intelligence given them, that in *Rome* there was no army gathered, no General certainly known: the Senators and Commons at jar and together by the ears. Their Captains hereupon, taking this advantage and opportunity, with a running camp invaded, spoiled and wasted the fields all afore them as they went, and came with banners displayed before the gate *Capitina*. Great fear was in the City, every man cried Alarm, run up to the walls to man them, and to the gates to ward them. And at the last they left their mutinies, turned to the wars, and created *T. Quintius Cincinnatus* Dictator. He appointed for his General of horsemen, *A. Sempronius Arvaninus*. This was not so soon voiced abroad, (so great a terror went always with that magistrate) but the enemies which dislodged and departed from the walls: and the younger fort of the Romans, without any trifling and drawing back, upon the proclamation, gathered together. Whiles forces were thus arising at *Rome*, the enemies pitched their camp not far from the River *Alia*: and as they foraged the Country all about, they bragged and vaunted among themselves, that they had got their very plot of ground, which was ever fatal to the destruction of the City of *Rome*. Here will be (say they) like light, from hence will they fly: no doubt, as sometimes they did before in the Gauls war. For if the Romans feared that dismal and unlucky day, noted with the infamous name of this place: how much more will they dread the river *Alia* itself, in memorial of their too great overthrow, than on the only bare day *Aliaensis*? Certainly, when they are come hither, they will think they see again the grim looks, and hear the hideous voices of those savage Gauls. Thus rolling & tossing with

The Prenestins invade the territory of Rome.

with themselves these toyish conceits, rising of as vain and foolish presumptions, they rested wholly and reposed their full hope in the lucky persuasion only of the place. The Romans contrariwise knew full well, that their enemies the Latins, were (wheresoever they were) the very same men still, and no other, whom for the space of one hundred years they held peaceably and quietly as their devoted vassals in subjection. And as for the place noted indeed, for the memorial of that late defeat and loss sustained, it might rather fright them up and let an edge upon them to a boldness and cancel the remembrance of that shameful disgrace, then put them in fear, that any ground should be so unfortunate, as to be a bar unto their victory. Nay, if the very Gauls themselves came now in their way, they would so fight with them even in that ground, as they did at *Rome*, in the recovery of their country: as they did the morrow after at *Gabinus*: when they bare themselves so valiantly, that no one enemy that entered within the walls of *Rome*, went ever home again to tell news how they sped, well or ill. Thus on both sides being refore, and courageously bent, they met at *Alia*. The Roman Dictator discovering the enemies arranged in battle array, within sight, "See you not (quoth he) *O A. Sempronius*, how they have layed at *Alia*, prelinning upon the luckiness of the place? No surer confidence, no greater help may they have, I pray God. But you, with truly armor, better weapons, and doughty courage set upon to horse, gallop amongst the thicket of their main battel with your horsemen, I with the legions on foot will advance mine Ensigns, and display them, in their faces, and charge them hotly when they are disbanded once, and put in ear, Assit us now, and aid us, *O ye gods* (the witnesses of our league) and punish them duly for their deserts, both in dishonouring your divine Majesty, and deceiving us in your name, whom they called solemnly to witness. Neither horsemen nor footmen, could the Prenestins abide, but at the very first shout and shock were the ranks broken. And seeing their Battalions in no place whole and kept together, they fled, and amazed as they were in that confused fear, and carryed away beyond their own camp, they stayed not running for life, until by good footmanship they were come within the sight of *Preneste*. There, all such as had been scattered in the flight, met together, and chose a plot of ground, to fortifie in that haste as well as they could: lest peradventure, if they had put themselves within the town, forthwith their villages should have been fired, and after all consumed and spoiled, the town also might fortune to be besieged. But when the Roman Conqueror after the rising of their camp at *Alia*, was once come toward them and discovered, they abandoned that Fort also, and gat within the town *Preneste*, thinking themselves scarce safe enough within the walls thereof. Eight towns besides there were under the feignory of the Prenestins, against which the Dictator warred round: and having won them all, one after another without much ado, he brought his army against *Velutia*, and got that town also by assault. Then came he to the principal head and very feat town of the war, *Preneste*, which was not by force won, but by surrender yielded up into his hands. And *T. Quintius* thus having obtained one victory in a pight field, won two camps and holds of the enemies, conquered by force nine towns, and regained *Preneste* surrendered unto him, returned home again to *Rome*. In his triumph he carried aloft the Image of *Jupiter*, surnamed Emperor, which he brought from *Preneste*, and set it up in the Capitol, where it was placed and dedicated between the shrines of *Jupiter* and *Minerva*: and in a table of brass fixed under it, was the monument of this noble exploit recorded and engraven in these or such like words: [*T. Quintius Dictator, by the gracious help of Jupiter, and all the rest of the gods, won nine Towns.*] So on the 20. day after his creation, he resigned up his Dictatorship.

Then was the assembly holden for electing of Tribuns Military with full authority, who were equally chosen from out of the Nobility and the Com. Of Nobles were created, *P. and C. Manlius*, with *L. Julius*. The Commons yielded *C. Sextilius*, *M. Albinus*, and *L. Amilius*. Upon the two *Manlius*, for that in blood and degree they were above the Commons, and for favour more gracious then *Julius*, the province of the Volscians was bestowed extraordinarily, without calling lots or parting together by agreement of the Collegues amongst themselves. Which both they themselves sued, and the Senators also (that would have it so repented afterwards. For without any espials, sent out aforehand to scour the coasts, they had set forth certain cohorts or companies (of footmen) foraging, and when upon a false alarm that those were beset & intrapped, they marched themselves apace after to their rescue & convoy, & kept not with them still the reporter of these tidings (who being indeed a Latin and an enemy, but disguised in the habit of a Roman soldier, had deceived them, they fel headlong into a train and ambushment laid of purpose for them. And whiles they made resistance with main force only in a ground of great disadvantage (giving & taking the like measure) they were killed & slain on either side. But in the mean time their enemies from another quarter, entered the camp of the Romans lying open in the plain. Thus in both places, things went but badly and untowardly. & all through the rashness and unskillfulness of the leaders. And what remained unloiled for the fortune of the people of *Rome*, that was preserved by the hardy and resolute valor of the Roman souldiers only, without the help of general and commander. Upon which news reported at *Rome*, at the first it was thought good to chuse a Dictator: but afterwards, when tidings came, that all was whole & the Volscians quiet, and that it was well seen they knew not how to use Dictatory when they had it, nor to take the opportunity of the time, whiles it offered it self, the Generals & the army were sent for home from thence: & so for the Volscians they were at rest afterwards. On y in the very end of the year, there arose some new fire & sudden tumult, by reason that the Prenestins having solicited the people of the Latins, entered into rebellion.











Appius speak-  
eth in the per-  
son of Sextius  
or Licinius,  
within these  
marks [ ]

Now speaketh  
Appius in his  
own person,

"both by father and mother, and to live in a free City: could I (think ye) hold my tongue; but frankly I speak and say, that these perpetual Tribuns (God save all) *L. Sextius*, and *C. Licinius*, as I mean, have for nine years (for so long they have played *Rex*) taken so much upon them, and been so bold as to say they will not permit you to have free voices, neither in solemn assemblies for elections, nor in Sessions and Parliaments for allowing and ordaining Laws? Upon condition (quoth one of them) you shall make us Tribuns again the tenth time, What is this else but to say? That, which other sue for, we do scorn and disdain, that accept of it we will not, without good hire and recompence. And what reward and consideration is this good Sirs, for which we may have your Worships, our ever Tribuns? Marry (quoth he) that ye will accept jointly together and at once, all our laws, whether they like you or dislike you, whether they be good or evil, and whosoever, or bad and noisome. Now I beseech you good *Tarquinius* (Tribuns of the Commons I would have said) imagine I were one of the ordinary Citizens, and should from out of the multitude assembled, speak out and say: Pleaseth it your good grace, Sir, that out of these laws propounded, we may chuse those that we think good and whosoever for us, and reforme and disannul the rell, [O (quoth he) that may not be. Thou mayst allow, belike, and ordain, concerning utility, concerning lands, which tend to the commodity of you all. But now beware of bugs.] This monstrous and portentous wonder must in no case be permitted in *Rome*, that thou shouldst deft see *L. Sextius*, and this perillous fellow *C. Licinius* to be Consuls, which thy heart aith, and which goeth against thy stomach. Nay, may either accept of all, or I will propound none at all. This it all one as if a man should give him that is hunger-bitten, and ready to starve, poison, and meat together: and bid him either forbear the wholom food to preserve his life, or else to take the deadly bane to hasten his death. But if this were a free State indeed, would not many a one have cried out and said, Avant you and your Tribunships, out upon you with your laws. What Sir? How if your Mastership will not put up and prefer that which is commodious and profitable for the people to accept: is there none, think you besides, that will propound it? If any Nobleman, or if any *Claudius* (which they take to be more odious) should thus say, *Either take all, or I will propound none at all*. Which of you, *Quirites*, would endure it? why? will ye never regard the substance more than the person: the matter rather than the man? But all is well taken and heard quickly, which that magistrate shall say. And will ye always hear with the wrong or deaf ear, whatsoever any of us shall hap to speak? Well, the words are naught, and the speech (without question) very unwill and rude. Now let us see what manner of law it is, that they storm foat, because by you it is rejected. In good faith, O *Quirites*, much like unto their language. This I require (quoth he) that it might not be lawful for you to make Coss, whom ye will. For what else demandeth he, who would have it enacted by exprets tears, that one at least of the Coss, must be a Commoner of Necessity, and leaveth it not unto your choice to make two Noblemen Coss. If we had wars at this day, such as sometime the *Tuscan* war was, when *Postumus* was master of the *Juniata* and kept that piece against us: or such as the *Gauls* war of late days was, when the enemies were *LL*, and possessed of all the City here, but the Capitol and fortres only; let case, that *L. Sextius* should be prick and propounded either with this *M. Furius* here in place, or with any one other of the Nobles, and stand to be Coss, would ye abide that *Sextius* should be undoubtedly Coss, and *Camillus* at devotion and in hazard to take repulse? Is this indeed to bestow your dignities indifferently with even and equal hand? That two of the Commons, forsooth, may be elected Consuls, and not two likewise of the Nobles? And that one of them must needs performe for the good of the Com, and in the election of both, the Nobles may be overslipped? What society is this, what community and participation? Will not this serve thy turn and content thee, that wherein thou hadst no title nor interest alone, thou shouldst now have thy part: unless in seeking to have a portion, thou pluck all unto thyself? I fear me, (quoth he) if both Consuls might be made of the Nobility, ye would chuse none at all of the Commonalty. What is this else but to say? Because willingly of your selves, ye would not chuse unworthy persons and unmeet, I will bind you therefore of necessity, to elect those whom otherwise ye would pass by. And what followeth hereupon but this, that the Commoner who standeth with two *Patritius*, may plainly say, and that truly, he is not by voices chosen, but by virtue of a law, and so acknowledge no benefit received of the people, nor be beholden at all to them, for their grace and favour? Thus seek they means to wring your dignities from you, and not the way to sue for them: and would so obtain the greatest advantage, that they might not be obliged & bound unto you for the least: and had rather get honours and offices by advantage taking and cunning sleights, then by their own virtue, desert, and worthiness. But there is some one that cometh to be prised and looked into, and to be considered as he deserves: who thinks it meet, that he alone among the other Competitors, that contest and stand in suit, should be sure of offices and promotions, and will not submit himself to your censure: who would have your suffrages, of voluntary to be constrained: of free to be thrall and servil. I speak not of *Licinius* and *Sextius*: whose years of their continual government ye reckon upon, and mark up in the Capitol, as they used sometime, to count the years of the Kings reign. But what is he this day in the City, of so base, so abject and low condition, that by the advantage and benefit of this law, hath not easier access to a Consulship than we and our children have? As for us truly, ye may sometime mis of chusing us, would you never so fain: but for them, ye must needs, yea, though full against your mind. And thus much concerning the indignity

"and unworthiness of the thing: For, dignity and worthiness, I take, to be matters properly to men pertaining. What shall I speak now of Religions, and of the solemnity of the Auspices, which imply a meer contempt and injury done to the immortal gods? Who knoweth not, that by the approbation of the gods, retained by flight of birds, this City was first founded? that by the same Auspices, all hath been ordered and directed, as well in war abroad, as in peace at home? And who be they that have to do with these tokens and prelages, by anient custom and tradition from our forefathers? Forsooth even the Nobles and none else. As for the Magistrates of the Commons, none are chosen with regard of flight, sight, and leading of the birds. But to us, they do so properly belong, that not only those Magistrates of the Nobles, which the people create, they do not otherwise elect: but by observation of the birds; but we also our selves, without the assent and voice of the people, do nominate an Interrex by means of the birds; yea, and in the private actions of our life, we are guided by them at home, which these Commons use not in their very offices. What then meaneth he else, but to take the *Auspicia* out of the City, who by creating Commoners to be Consuls, depriveth the Nobles thereof, who only may have and use them? Now let them mock on and scoff at our religions. Let them deride our Ceremonies. What makes matter (say they) if those pullets peck or eat not? What if they come somewhat late out of their coop or cage? What if a bird fling ank or crow crows and contrary? How then? A great piece of matter surely. Small things, I confess they be: but as small as they are, our efforts by not concerning them, have brought this C. W. to a flourishing state. And we now adays, as if we stood not in need of the grace and favour of God, pollute all holy rites and ceremonies. And therefore let our prelates and high Priests, our Augurs, and King at sacrifices be created (it skiltheth not how) even out of the common multitude: Let us set upon any mans head (it matters not whose, so he come in likeness of a man) the Mire of *Jupiter* his Flamin. Let us commit the keeping of the Anciles or heavenly shields, and the secret sanctuaries: let us commit the gods themselves and the charge of their holy service to those, unto whom we may not lawfully nor without impiety. Let no lawes be published nor Magistrates created solemnly, with regard of birds at all, and of the will of the gods. Nor in the Centuriate assemblies holden by degrees, and Curia-meetings by the wards and parishes: let not the Senators be Presidents and have their authority and royal assent. Let *Sextius* and *Licinius*, like *Consuls* and *Tatius* reign together, as fellow KK. in the City of *Rome*, because they give away so freely, the monies, lands and territories from others. So sweet and favour it is to prey upon other mens goods. Never consider they, nor look so far into the matter, that by one of these goodly laws, our fields will be defart and waite, by ejecting and dispossessing the rightful land-lords: and by the other, all credit in borrowing and lending, in taking and putting forth of money shall be abolished. And then farewell all humane society, commerce and intercourse whatsoever. In these respects therefore, thus I conclude, and would counsel you, in any will to stop, frustrate and disannul the overture and proceeding of these laws: and in so doing, I pray God blest and speed you well. This Oration of *Appius* thus far only prevailed, that the time of publication of these Acts, was cut off and deferred. But the same Tribuns *Sextius* and *Licinius*, being chosen again the tenth time, propounded this law and had it enacted. That of the Decemvirs for divine service and Church matters, some should be created of the Commons: So, five of them were of the Nobles, and five of the Commons: whereby they seemed to have gained already one good step onward unto the Consulship.

The Commons contenting themselves with this victory, yielded unto the Senators, that for the present without any mentioning of Consuls, there should be elected Tribuns Military. So there were created *A. M. Cornilius* the second time, *M. Geganius*, *P. Manlius*, *L. Veturius* and *P. Valerius* the sixth time. At what time, when as (but for the sege of *Vesuvius*, which was like to be for service a long piece of work, rather then for issue, doubtful in the end) the Romans were at rest for any foreign troubles, the sudden and unlooked-for news of the Gauls war, drove the City to chuse *M. Furius* Dictator the fifth time: who took unto him for his General of the horsemens, *T. Quintius Pennus*. *Claudius* writeth, that this year the Gauls were fought with, about the river *Anio*: and that there was that noble combat upon the bridge, in which, *T. Manlius* in the fight of both armies slew in single fight a Gaul that had challenged him and given defiance, and despoiled him of his collar of gold. But there be more writers that induce me to believe, that this exploit was performed ten years after: and that in this year the Gauls had a battel given them by *M. Furius* Dictator, in the Aibans land: where the Romans had neither doubtful nor dangerous victory, although the French made them afraid at first in remembrance of their former overthrow. Many thousands of this barbarous nation were slain in field, many also fell upon the sword in their camp after it was won. Some were scattered and fled, and those most (who took the way to *Ardea*) saved themselves from the enemy, both by flying so far, and also for that upon fear they were so distressed and parted one from another. The Senators and Commons agreed and made a decree, that the Dictator should triumph, who scarcely had made an end of that war. but he was welcomed home with a more hotter and more dangerous Sedition within the City. For after many sharp bickerings and contentions the Dictator and Senat both, were overmatched and overcome, yea, and forced to accept the Tribuns laws aforesaid. And also in despite of the Nobility and do what they could, there was an assembly held for election of Consuls: in which *L. Sextius* was created Consul, the first Commoner that ever sat in Consuls chair. But the brothers

The Decemvirs created.

*L. Sextius*, the first Commoner that was chosen Consul & raised

staid not there. For, by reason that the Nobles denied to approve & give assent thereto, the matter was like to grow unto a Seccession and general departure of the Commons, yea, and to other fearful tremors and perilous threats of civil wars and intestine troubles. Howbeit, by means of the Disputations, the flames were quenched and the discords appeased, upon these capitulations, *Imprimis*, that the Nobility should accord unto the Commons to have one Consul from among themselves, *Item*, that the common people should be content that the Nobles might out of the *Patritii* create a Pretor or Lord chief Justice for ever and determiner in causes within the City. Thus when after a long anger the two states of the City were grown to unity and concord, the Senat thinking it a worthy matter (and good cause they had verily as every time before) willingly determined, for the honour of the immortal gods, to set out those most Ratable [Roman] plays. And whereas before they had continued but three daies, to add one more, and to celebrate them full four. And when the *Ediles* of the Commons refused that charge & excused themselves, the younger Gentlemen of the Nobility cried all with one voice, That they would most gladly do that service and honor to the immortal gods, so as they might be made *Ediles* for that purpose. Thanked they were generally of all hands; and the Senat made a decree, That the Dictator should propound to the people, that two men of the Nobility might be *Ediles*; and that in all the Assemblies and Elections for that year, whatsoever passed, should be ratified by the sovereign assent of the Senators.

## The Seventh Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

#### The Breviary of L. Florus upon the Seventh Book.

TWO new officers of State, to wit, the Pretorship and *Edileship* of the Chair, were assigned to the rest. The City was sore visited with the pestilence: which was more need by reason of *Furius Camillus* who died therein. The remedy and end whereof, while they sought to procure by bringing in new and strange Religions, at length they devised stage-plays, which then first were set forth. *M. Pomponius* a Tribune of the Commons, arrested *L. Manlius* for his exceeding rigour in taking muster of souldiers: and for confining and hardly treating his own son, *T. Manlius*, for no crime or heinous offence. And the young man himself, whose confining and misusage was laid unto his father's charge, entered the bed-chamber of the said Tribune, drew his Skean and forced him to swear unto him, that he would let fall his suit and proceed no further. Then all mischiefs intended, were laid apart and had an end. *Curtius* armed at all pieces, mounted upon a Courser, rode headlong into the wide gaping chink or gulf within the City of Rome, and so it presently filled up again. The same young *Manlius*, who had freed his father from the troubles of the Tribune, entered into combat with a French-man, that challenged any one of the Roman Souldiers to single fight, slew him; took from him his collar of Gold, which he wore about his neck afterwards, and thereof was called *Torquatus*. Two Tribes more were added, *Pontina* and *Publicia*. *Licinius Stolo* was condemned by a law of his own making, because he held in possession more then five hundred Acres of ground. *M. Valerius* a Colonel of one thousand foot, killed a Gaul, who challenged him to fight: and thus, by the means and help of a *Raton* that seized upon his Morion, and with talons and bill annoyed his enemy, and thereupon was named *Corvinus*. For which virtue and valorous Act, he was the year next following created Consul, being not full three and twenty years old. Amity was concluded with the *Cartaginians*. The *Campanians* being warred upon by the *Samnites*, craved aid of the Senat against them: and when they could not speed, yielded their City and Territory to the people of Rome. Whereupon it was thought good, seeing both they and theirs, were now become proprietary to the people of Rome, that they should be defended by force of arms against the *Samnites*. When *A. Cornelius* the Consul, had led his host into a place of disadvantage and was in great peril, he was by the industrious service of *P. Decius* a Colonel saved: who having gained the hill-top, which commanded the ridge, whereon the *Samnites* lay encamped, gave the Consul opportunity to escape and pass into a plain ground: and himself, notwithstanding he was environed by the enemy, brake through them, and gat away. The Roman souldiers left in garrison at *Capua*, having conspired to keep the City to their own behoof, were detected and their plot disclosed: and for fear of punishment, revolted from the people of Rome contrary to their allegiance: but by the policy and wisdom of *M. Corvinus*, they were reclaimed from their outrage, and restored again to their country. Moreover, this book containeth the fortunate wars against the *Hernicks*, *Gauls*, *Tyberians*, *Prænestians*, *Trojanians*, *Samnites*, and *Volscians*.

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## The seventh Book of T. Livius.

Here ensueth a year of especial note and mark, for the Consulship of a man newly risen: also for two new offices, the Pretorship and *Edileship* of the Chair. Both which dignities, they of the Nobility purchased to themselves in lieu of granting to the Commons one place of the two Consuls. The Commons bestowed the Consulship upon *L. Sextius* for his good service, in propounding the law, whereby that promotion was first obtained. The Nobles conferred the Pretorship upon *Sp. Furius Camillus* the son of *Marcus*: and the *Edileship* upon *Cn. Quintus Caputinus*, and *P. Corvulus Scipio*, perionages of their own order and degree: So gracious were they with the people in *Marfield*. *L. Sextius* had companion with him in government, *L. Emilius Mamercus* one of the Senators. In the beginning of the year, much debate there was and hard hold, both as well about the Gauls, who at the first ranged abroad over all *Apulia*, and were now (as the report went) gathered together: as also concerning the Rebellion of the *Hernicks*. But all matters being put off on purpose, until a further time, because nothing should be done by this new Consul a Commoner, all things were still and quier, as if it had been vacation or *Non-term*: this only excepted, that the Tribunes muttered and could not endure with patience, that for one Consul of the Commons, the Nobility had got to themselves three Magistrats, all of the *Patritii*, sitting like Consuls, with their purpled and purpled long Robes in Ivory chairs of estate, And as for the Pretor besides, as *L. chief Justice* to hear and decide causes, he was fellow with the Consuls, and with the same Auspices and authority created. Hereupon the Senat was abashed to be instant and to enforce that *Ediles* of the Chair should be chosen out of the Nobility. And first it was agreed amongst them, that every second year they should be elected forth of the Commons: Afterwards, indifferently one with another in common, without that regard. Now when *L. Genucius* and *Q. Servilius* were Coll, and all at good rest for any home-sedition or forrain war: behold, left they should at any time be void of care and danger, there began a great plague: In which died, as men say, one Censor, one *Edile* Curule, three Tribunes of the Commons: besides, many a dead corps from among the multitude, was carried forth, proportionable to the rest. But above all, the bitter death of *Camillus* and much lamented (notwithstanding the long and goodly time he had in this life) caused this pestilence to be much spoken of and remembered. For he was (in truth) the only person in all fortune both of prosperity and adversity, as well in peace as war: a rare and singular man before his banishment, and during the same more famous and renowned: either in regard that the City had a misis of him, and being taken by the enemy in his absence fought unto him for his help: or in respect of his happiness, in that together with his own restitution home, he therewith restored his natural country. And after this, for 25 years space (for so long he lived afterwards) he bare himself answerable to the title of so great glory: accounted worthy to be furnished and reputed a second founder after *Romulus*, of the City of Rome. All this year long and the next which followed, when *T. Sulpicius* *Peticus*, and *C. Licinius Stolo* were Consuls, the sickness continued. By reason whereof, nothing was done worth remembrance, but that for to obtain the mercy and grace of the Gods, there was a *Lechistern* solemnized, which was the third since the City was first founded. But when by no device of man, nor help of the Gods, the violence of the sickness abswaged: their minds and confidences were so possessed with superstition, that among other pacifications and appeasings of the heavenly ire, the stage-plays (a strange and new device for a warlike and martial people, who afore time used only to behold the solemn games and feats of strength and activity, in the great Lifts or Race called *Circus*) were (as men say) first begun and ordained. But (as all beginnings lightly are) a small thing (God wot) it was at first: without long and metre, without gesture and action forcible unto long and verie, and the same also meer outlandish. For the players, who were sent for out of *Hætruria*, as they danced the measures to the minstrel and sound of flute, gestured not undecently withal, after the *Tuscan* fashion. But in process of time the youth began to imitate and counterfeit them, jesting pleasantly besides one with another, and singing in rude rimcs and disordered metre: and their gesture was forcing with their jests and ditties. Thus was this thing first taken up, and thus with much use and often exercise, practised. And hereupon our own Country Actors and artificial professors of this feat, were called *Hætriones*, of *Hætra* a *Tuscan* word, which signifieth a player or dancer. But these uttered not (as they used afore time) in their turns one after another, a disordered, confused, and rude verses, like to the loose and bawdy *Fæscenine* rimcs: but went through and rehearsed out, whole Satyrs, full of musical measures, with a few percent of long also, to the instrument of the minstrel, and with gesture agreeable therewith. Certain years after, *Livius*, who was the first that after the use of Satyrs, ventured to set forth an *Enterlude*, of some one argument and uniform matter, is reported to have been himself (as they were all no doubt in those daies) the Author and Actor both, of his own verses and songs: But being so often called on by the people to play, that he became hoarse again, and lost his voyce, he gat leave to set a boy to sing before the minstrels. And to being silent himself, he asked the long with more agility and nimbleness of motion a good deal: for, not employing his voyce, he had no hindrance of liberty in gesture. Then began the players to have others to sing, and they themselves used their voyces only in acting their parts in Comedies dialogue-wise.

\* *Puglia*.The death of *M. Furius Camillus*.

Stage-players first of Rome instituted.

[*Andronicus*]

The complaints of *M. Pomponius*, a Tribune of the Com, against *L. Manlius*.

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The kindness  
of T. Manlius  
to his father.

*M. Curtius* his  
valor and re-  
solution.

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L. GENULIUS  
Consul slain.

But it fortun'd so that *Genulius* being with great preparation and power set forth against the enemies, was entrapp'd by an Ambuscado, his legions upon a sudden fear unlook'd for defeated, himself (the Consul) environed round about, and slain by them, that witt not whom they slew. Which tidings being brought to *Rome*, the Senators were not so penive and sorrowful for the common calamity, as they tum'd and took on most insolently, for this unhappy expedition and conduct of the Commoner Consul: and mutter'd in all places these and such like speeches: "Now let them go and create Consuls again out of the commonalty, and translate the *Asplices* whither they ought not. What? Because the Senators by an Act of the Commons, might be defeated and dispossessed of their dignities, could so inauipate and irreligious a law prevail likewise against the Gods immortal? Who now themselves have taken the matter into their own hands, and maintain'd their power, their deity and *Asplices*: which were not so soon medled withal, and polluted by one that had no right thereto, nor lawful title, but both the whole army, and Captain also, were vanquished and overthrow'n: to teach them for ever hereafter, how they make their solemn Elections of Magistrats confusedly, without regard of the rights and royalties of noble houses. These speeches both Council-House and common place rung again withal. So the Consul *Servilius* with consent of the Nobles named for Dictator *Appius Claudius*, who had afore that time in an Oration before the whole assembly of the Commons dissuaded the proceeding of that law; and now with greater authority blamed the mishap of that counsel, which was by him mislaw; and now with a muster was proclaimed, and a publick Vacation. But before that the Dictator and these new enrolled legions were gone as far as the *Hernicks* confines, the other army under the leading of *C. Sulpicius* the Lieutenant, by occasion of an occurrent that fell out there, got a good hand against their enemies. For when as upon the death of the Consul, the *Hernicks* advanced in scornful and contemptuous manner, close under the camp of the Romans, with a full hope to be masters of the fame; behold, what with the exhortation of the Lieutenant, and what for anger and indignity, wherewith the souldiers stomachs were full, they made a fallu out against them. Whereupon the *Hernicks* came so far forth of their accompt, that they had no hope to assail, nor approach the rampier: and so in dismay they dismarb'd and departed. Afterwards by the coming in of the Dictator with a fresh power, the old army was reinforced double. The Dictator in a solemn audience, having praised the Lieutenant and his souldiers for defending their tents so manfully, both encouraged them that heard themselves so highly commended according to their deserts, and also whereto on the rest to perform the like valorous service. The enemies on the other side were nothing slack to prepare themselves to fight again: who in remembrance of the honour they had already won, albeit they were not ignorant that the Romans forces were redoubled, encreased their own power also. For the whole Nation of the *Hernicks*, even as many as were able to draw sword, were called forth to the wars. Eight cohorts by themselves consisting of four hundred in a band were enrolled, even the most able and choice men of all others. This elect and especial floure of their youth and manhood, they fed with hope and encouraged the more to this service, because they had taken order they should have double pay. Freed they were besides from all other labour and Military toil that being thus reserved to intend the fight and nothing else, they should make reckoning and know, that they were to endeavour and strain themselves above the ordinary carriage of souldiers. Placed also they were in the battell, apart from the other ranks: to the end their valour and manhood might be more seen and marked. Between both camps of the Romans and *Hernicks*, there was a plain of two miles in length: and there in the mid way in a manner, was the battell fought. First, the fight was doubtful on both sides, whilst the Roman Horsemen charged and recharged again, but ever in vain, to see if they could break their battalions. Thus when the service on Horseback, proved less in effect than in attempt, they asked the advice and craved leave of the Dictator: which being granted, they abandoned their Horses, and with a mighty shout, ran forth before the ensigns, and renewed the battell afresh. Neither could they have been any longer endured, but that those extraordinary bands opposed themselves, and received them with equal might of body and valour of heart. Then was the fight maintained between the brave youth and principal floure of both nations. And look what slaughter there was by common hazard of war, as well of the one side as of the other, the loss was greater for the quality of the persons, than the proportion of the number. For the rest of the common souldiers, as if they had flitted from themselves the whole conflict; and broken in to the vanguards only, repoted their own event and hap in the manhood of others. Many a man on both parts was smitten down and dyed in the place, but more were hurt and wounded. "At last, those Horsemen that dismounted, fell to call and rebuke one another, asking what hope remained else besides? If neither on Horseback they were able to drive the enemies back, nor on foot force them to give ground and remove them, what third kind of service looked they for? Why least they out so lustily and bravely into the forefront before the ensigns? and fought in the place of others? With these words provoking one another, they pluckt up their hearts, and with a fresh shout set foot forward and gave a new charge. First, they compelled the enemies to retreat and aloof their standing: then to give more ground: and at length plainly to turn their back and run away. Hard it is to say, being so equally and indifferently matched as they were, what it was that turned the balance and gave the victory: unless it were the perpetual fortune that ever followed both nations, able to advance the spirit and courage of the one, and to daunt and abate the hearts of the other. The Romans had the *Hernicks* in chase, all the way long, so far as to their camp: but

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A because it was far in the evening, they staid from affailing it. For by reason that it was long ere the Dictator could by sacrifice gather any assured token of Gods favour, he founded not the battell before noon: wherby it continued until night. The morrow after, were the *Hernicks* fled and their camp abandoned: only some hurt and wounded souldiers were found left behind. But one group of them that forsook their engines (when as near unto their walls and forts their banners were discovered, slenderly accompanied, and with few about them) was scattered abroad over the fields, and in great fear it ragled all about, and shamefully fled away. And yet this victory of the Romans cost them well the letting on, and spent some blood: for they lost a fourth part of their men: and that which was no small damage unto them, some of the Roman Horsemen also were slain.

The next year following, when *C. Sulpicius* and *C. Licinius Calpurnius* the Consuls, were gone with a power against the *Hernicks*, and finding not the enemy abroad in the country, had by force won *Ferentinum* a Town of theirs: in their return homeward, the Tyburts kept their gates shut against them. And after many complaints and unkindnesses ripped up between them: this last quarrel was it, that moved the Romans by their Heralds (after restitution and amends demanded) to send defiance, and proclaim war against the people of *Tybur*. That *Titus Quintius Pennus* was Dictator that year, and *Serg. Cornelius Maluginensis* General of his Horsemen, it is agreed upon by all authors. *Macer Licinius* writeth that he was created for the holding of an assembly for Election of Magistrates, and that, by the Consul *Licinius*: because when his fellow Consul made haft to have the Election before the war, thereby to continue his own Consulship, it was thought good to withstand and meet with his naughty desire in that behalf. But *Licinius* [*Macer*] in usurping to his name and family, that praise and commendation, maketh himself to be of less credit in writing or the rest: especially, seeing that in none of the old records, I find mention of any such matter. Mine own mind giveth me rather, that the Dictator was created because of the Gauls tumultuous war. For certainly that year they encamped themselves three miles from *Rome*, beyond the bridge of *Anio*, in the way *Salvia*. The Dictator having proclaimed a Vacation, because of their troubles of the Gauls, received the Military oath of all the younger forts: and with a puissant army departed the City, and upon the very bank on this side of *Anio* pitched his tents. In the mid way between them and the enemies there was a bridge: which they did not break down on either part, lest they should be thought fearful cowards. But about the seizing and gaining of that bridge, first, there was many a skirmish: and judged it could not be, considering the equal forces of both sides, who should be matters of it. Then advanced forward unto the bridge (void of all guards) a mighty tall and big Frenchman, and as loud as ever he could set out a throat, maketh this challenge: Now (quoth he) let the bravest gallant that *Rome* hath, come forth and spare not, to combat if he dare, that the event of us twain may shew whether nation is more valiant and warlike. The brave Knights and youths of *Rome*, held their peace a good while, both abashed to refuse the challenge, and also unwilling to run upon the present hazard of a single fight. Then *T. Manlius*, the son of *Lucius*, even he who released his father from the Tribunes troubles, goeth forth of his quarter unto the Dictator. "Without your leave and express commandment (quoth he) O Noble Sovereign, I would never presume to fight out of my rank and standing, nor, nor if I should see assured victory before mine eyes: but if it will please your Excellency to give me licence, I will shew unto that beast yonder (that so proudly and lustily is come forth leaping before the enemies ensigns, and braving as you see) that I am defended of that house and race, that gave the whole army of the Gauls the foil and turned them down the Cliff *Turpeia*. Then said the Dictator unto him, God bless thee *T. Manlius*: On forth a Gods Name, in this thy dutiful mind and zeal that thou carriest both to father and Country: Go on I say, and with the help of the Gods, perform the Roman name to be invincible. Then his fellows and companions help to arme the young Gentleman. A light foormans shield he takes unto him, and a Spanish blade by his side, more hadtime to fight forth and close. Being thus armed and set out, they bring him forth against this vainglorious Gaul, set all upon joyful foolishly, and (as the ancient writers have thought it worth the noting and remembrance) scornfully lolling and blaring out his tongue. Then the rest departed every man to his own quarter and ward: to behold, than any fight in field, suiting to the manner, guise, and law of combat, considering they were not equally matched, if a man should judge by the eye and outward view. The one of them of personage mighty and exceeding tall, his coat armour of sundry colours and gay, his harness glittering and all damasked and engraven with gold. The other, a man of a middle stature of souldiers, no great shew of armor, and that rather fit and handiome, than gaudy to behold: without any whooping, singing, and joyous vannting of himself, without vain flourishes and shaking of his weapons in the air: but he had an heart full of resolute courage, stomach, and close anger within, reserving all his fierceness and eagerness unto the very combat and tryal of fight. As they stood thus between the two armies, and so many men all about looking on, in doubtful suspense between hope and fear, the Gaul like as he had been a huge mountain aloof over the other, ready to fall upon him, held forth his target with the left hand to bear off the sword of his enemy coming against him, and let drive a down-right blow edgelong, that it rebounded again upon his shield, and did no harm at all. The Roman bearing his own sword with the point upward, and with his shield having smitten the nether part of his enemies target,

\* Terevini

T. Manlius to  
the General,The combat  
between T.  
Manlius and a  
mighty big  
Gaul.\* Six foot high,  
or five foot  
and ten inches.



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A llo of the Gauls war began to be fierce. But amid these manifold and fearful troubles, this was their comfort, that the Latins had peace granted unto them, upon their own lute: and from thence a great power was received, according to the ancient league, which for many years space, they had let pals and discontinued. The Roman forces by this aid well strengthened, made a lighter matter of it, when they heard that the Gauls were arrived already at *Prentise*, and were let down and encamped about *Pedum*. It was thought good, that *C. Sulpicius* should be chosen Dictator, named by *C. Plautius*, sent for to the same purpose. Unto whom *M. Valerius* was appointed for Commander of his Horlemen. These marched against the Gauls with the choice soldiers of two Centular armies. This was a lingring war and protracted longer a great deal, than both parties liked of. At the first, the Gauls only were sharp let and eager of battle; but afterwards the Roman soldiers, by rulling into fight and skirmish, exceeded for the fierceness and forwardness of the French. The Dictator was nothing pleased herewith, to put all upon the hazard of fortune, when there was no need at all, especially having to deal with that enemy, whom tract of time and disadvantage of the place, made daily worse and worse: being unpurposed besides of victuals and making long abroad without any lenced for: moreover, of that stomack and constitution of body, as served wholly for expedition and quick service, and by small delays waxed feeble and faint. Upon these considerations the Dictator held off fill and drew the war on length, and had proclaimed a grievous punishment, if any without his exprels commandment should fight with the enemy. The soldiers could not well brook this: but first within their wards and watches began among themselves to carp at the Dictator: and otherwiles they let lie at the LL. of the Senate in general, blaming them for their direction, in that the Centuls had not the managing of this war. They have chosen indeed (say they) a singular General on set purpose, a Captain alone, who thinks wiles he lute fill and doth nothing, the victory will fall from Heaven, or flie into his very lap. After this they began openly abroad, and in the day time, to caft out the same, yea, and worse speeches: too and more maleap: namely, that they would either fight, and ask the Dictator no leave, or go along in order of battle to *Rome*. The Centurions also joyined themselves to the soldiers: and not only in conventicles and knots together, there was whispering and grumbling: but in the very *Principia*, yea, and within the quarter of the L. General his pavilion, were heard confused speeches together in one accord. So as the multitude began now to grow to a full assembly, and from all parts to call and cry aloud, to go presently to the Dictator: and that *Sex. Tullius* should in the name of the whole army speak unto him, as beleeemed his vertue and courage. This *Tullius* now had been seven times already a pimpillar or principal Centurion: neither was there in the whole army, of all those that served on foot, a man more renowned for fears of arms. He going before the army of footmen, leppeth to the Tribunal. And when as *Sulpicius* marvelled, not so much to see that company, as the leader of the company *Tullius*, who of all the soldiers had ever been in best order and most obedient. "This is the matter (quoth he) O Noble Dictator, and nothing else. The whole army in general, opposing themselves by you condemned of cowardice, and in a manner to their utter shame abandoned, and difarmed, have intreated me to plead their cause before your Majesty. And I for my part, I assure you, in case we might be charged to have loft E ground any where, in case we had turned our backs upon the enemy, in case we had loft our ensignes shamefully, would think it yet a reasonable suit to be obtained at your hands, that you would give us leave to amend that which is amils, to correct our former fault with hardiness and valour, and by some fresh and glorious exploit, to cancel the remembrance of so foul a foil and shameful dishonour. Even those very Legions that were defeated and put to flight at *Albia*, afterwards in their return from *Viii*, recovered the same country of theirs by valour, which they had once before loft through cowardice. But we by the goodness of God, through the felicity of your self and the people of *Rome*, have hitherto kept both the army unfoiled, & honor unfeined. And yet I scarce dare say, honour if (so be, that not only our enemies may with all reproachful terms scorn and flout us, as if we were women pent in & mewed up cloie within our rampier, but also F you our General (the more is our grief) deem us your army to be heartlesse, handles & armourles: and before any tial of us made, to despair of us, as if you took your self to be a Commander & leader of a fort of oimained & feeble persons. For what else may we think of it, that you, an old experienced Captain and a most valiant warrior, should fit, as they say, with one hand in another, doing nothing? For howeoev the truth is indeed, more meet it is, that you should be thought to doubt of our valor, than of ye of yours. But if this be not a device of your own letting, but a publick plot laid: and some matter agreed upon among the Senators at home, rather than any war of the Gauls, keepeth us away from thence, confined as it were from the City & our own houses: then I beleeve you whatsoev I shall say, you would think it as spoken: not by the soldiers to their Lord General, but by the Commons to the rulers and Senators. Whom thus reply, that as ye G have your policies and counsels, so will they have their designs & ways of their own likewise. For who would think I pray you, that we are your soldiers, and not your slaves: sent to war, and not into banishment? If any let out the banner of war unto us, lead us forth into the field, and found the battle, ready we are to fight like men, and like Romans: but if there be no need of war, we will rather sit fit at home, than in the camp. And thus much (suppose as spoken to the Lords of the Senat. But we thy soldiers, O worthy General beseech thee first to give us leave to fight, then defrons are we to conquer and under thy standard and conduct to conquer to prevent thee with a glorious garland of lawrel, and in triumph to enter with thee into the City: and they

The Oration  
of Six Tillins  
unto the Di-  
stator.



"chariot to go up with joy and mirth to the Temple of *Jupiter Optimus Maximus*. This Oration of *Tullius*, the multitude seconded with their petitions, calling aloud unto the General on either side, to found the alarm, and command them to arm. The Dictator, albeit he thought the matter in itself good, but not handled in good manner; and for example sake not to be allowed; yet he promised to satisfy the soldiers desire. "And calling *Tullius* secretly apart, questioned with him "what this matter meant, what precedent or custom they had for their warrant? *Tullius* earnestly "bought the Dictator, not to think him to have forgotten either military Discipline, or his own "place, nor yet the Majesty of his Sovereign. And whereas he had not withdrawn himself away "from the multitude being in a mutiny, nor refused to be their speaker (who lightly resem- "ble those that are their ring-leaders) it was only for fear lest some other should have kept in place, "as such as the unruly people in mutinies are wont to set up for their Captains. As for himself, "nothing he would, without the pleasure of the General. Howbeit, he would advise him to look "well about him, and carefully to see to it, that he keep his army in order, government, and obe- "dience. And high time it is now, and would not be deferred. For considering their hearts were "kindled already, and their blood up, they would be their own carvers, and chafe themselves "both time and place, if the General would not grant it them the sooner. Whiles they were "thus in sad communication, there hapned two Roman soldiers to take perforce from a Gaul cer- "tain lumpter Horfes, which feeding without the camp, he was driving away. At whom, the Gauls "let flye stones good fore. And thereupon rose an alarm from the Roman *Corps de guard*, and run- "ning out there was space, on both sides. So as now they had grown to a full skirmish and battle, "indeed, had not the Centurions speedily fittled them, and ended the fray. Upon which occa- "sion, the credit of *Tullius* with the Dictator was confirmed: and seeing the case would abide no "delays, he proclaimed battle against the morrow. The Dictator notwithstanding he had yielded "to fight a field, as presuming more upon the courage of his men, than their forces: began to de- "vise with himself, and cast about every way, how by some stratagem he might strike a terror a- "mong the enemies. And having a subtle wit and nimble head of his own, this new policy he "thought upon: which afterwards many warriors, both of our own country, and of others also, "use, and some even in our time, have used and put in practise. He gave order, that the mules "lumpters should be taken off their backs, leaving only two courtesies or coverings upon them, "and fetheth the muletores aloft thereon, furnished with the armour of certain captives, and full "and diseased persons. Of these he made wel-neer one thousand, and joynted unto them one hun- "dred good Horfemen. All these he chargeth in the night time to get above the camp into the hills, "and among the Furs and woods, to beset themselves close: and not to stir from thence, before "that he gave them a signal. Himself, so soon as it was day light, began with great warines and "confederate care to embattel and arrange his army in length along the very foot of the mountains: "to the end, that the enemy might have the hills full against him. Thus having set out and directed "these counterfeit cornets of Horfe, to scare the enemies with, who, as it fell out, did more good "in a manner, than the other forces indeed: at the first the vanguard of the Gauls thought that the "Romans would not come down on even ground: but afterwards, when they saw them upon a "sudden descended, they also, as desirous of fight, ran on forward presently to joyn battle, and be- "gan the fight before the Captains had founded. The Gauls charged the right wing more fiercely, "so that hardly they might have been abidden, had not by good hap the Dictator been there in per- "son. "Who called upon *Sextus Tullius* by name, and rebuked him, demanding whether he had "given his word unto him, that the soldiers should in that sort fight? What is become (quoth "he) of thee, that with out-cries and open mouth called for battle? Where are those threats "now, that they would begin to fight a field without commandment of the General? Lo, your "General himself calleth upon you as loud as he can, so fall to your business, and goeth armed be- "fore the ensigns in the vanguard: will any now follow after that erewhile would needs lead the "way afore? Fie! (I see well) in camp fearful in the field. And no fable it was that they heard "him speak. Whereupon for very shame they were so pricked forward, that without calling any N "perils, or minding present danger, they ran upon the darts and shot of their enemies. This vio- "lence of theirs as if they had been welner out of their right wits at the very first troubled and dis- "ordered the enemies. The Horfemen that were sent out hard after them, forced them to turn back, "when they were once in disarray. The Dictator himself seeing the battle of one side to shrink ad- "vanced forward with the ensigns against the left wings, unto which he saw the main multitude to "reform and gather together, and withal begave the sign to them that were within the hills, accord- "ing as it was before agreed. And when from thence also a new shout arose, and that they were "seen to march side-long overthwart the hill, toward the Gauls camp: then for fear, lest they should "be shut out from their hold, they gave over all fighting, and ran by heaps to their camp. Where "*M. Valerius*, the General of the Horfemen encountered and ridden to the fortifications and munitions of the "wing discomfited had let a compass aloft, and ridden to the fortifications and munitions of the "enemies. Whereupon they fled to the mountains and into the woods. Most of them were received by "the counterfeit fiew of Horfemen, and by the muletores caught up, and came forth home: but as "many of them as fear drave through into the woods, were (after the heat of the battle was past) "cruelly slain and hewn in pieces. Neither was there any one, letting *M. Furus* aside, that triumphed "more worthily over the Gauls, than did *C. Sulpicius*. He consecrated also in the Capitol a good "weighty mass of gold, got out of the Gauls spoil, and compassed it within an enclosure of square "stone.

The stratagem  
of *C. Sulpicius*  
the Dictator.

A Rome. The same year, the Consuls likewise warred, but with diverse fortune and success. For by *C. Plautius*, the Hermicks were vanquished and subdued. But his companion *Fabius* fought rashly, and unduly against the Tarquinians. The loss in the battle received, was not so much, but that the Tarquinians sacrificed three hundred and seven Roman soldiers, whom they took pri- soners. This foul and shameful execution, caused the ignominy of the Roman defeat: more to be much more notable, and talked of abroad. Besides this loss, was the Roman territory much wasted (to help the matter, withal) by the Privernates, and after them by the Veliterns, who made sudden inroads into the Country. The same year also were two more Tribes added, *Ponipina* and *Publiaia*. The votive solemn plays or games likewise, which *Marcius Furius* the Dictator B had vowed, were then set forth and performed.

Then and never before was the first law put up to the people by *P. Petilius*, a Tribune of the Commons, and that by the consent and approbation of the Senators, against the excessive suit and ambitious handling for dignities. By which law men supposed, that the ambition principally of certain persons, new risen and of the first head, who were wont to haunt fairs and places of great resort for that intent, was repressed and kept under. But the year ensuing, when *C. Marius* and *Cn. Manlius* were Consuls, *M. Duellius* and *M. Mænius* two Tribunes of the Commons, went through with a law and got it enacted, which was not so well liked of the Senators, to wit, concern- ing Urury of one in the hundred. But the Commons were so much the more forward and better contented to grant and accept it. Over and besides thole new was the year before intend- ed, the *Falisci* were declared new enemies: and that, for two quarrels pretended against them: C, One, for that their youth had served against the Romans under the Tarquinians: the other, be- cause they had not delivered again thole Romans whi. bled unto *F. L. Viri*, after their defeat and unucky fight, notwithstanding the Heralds had made claim unto them and demanded them. This Proposition fell to *Cn. Manlius*. But *Marius* had the leading of an army into the Land of the Privernats, which by reason of long peace was unloiled yet, and in very good state, and thereby enriched his soldiers with good prizes. For, to the plenty and store that there was found, he added his own bounty and liberality: in that he let out nothing for the common Treasury, but favoured the soldiers, and gave them leave to better their own private estate. The Privernats lay strongly encamped before their own City: and when he had assembled all his soldiers toge- D ther: "Now (quoth he) I give unto you the enemies camp and their City for a booty, so you "will promise me to quit your selves like men, and to be as ready to fight as to spoil. Hereupon, with a great cry they call for the signal of battle: and so advancing forward and exalting them- selves bravely and courageously, with assured hope of victory, to battle they go. There, even before the ensigns in the vanguard, *Sextus Tullius*, of whom we spake before, cried out aloud, Behold, Noble General (quoth he) how thine army performeth their word given unto thee: and therewith laying down his javelin, with drawn sword confronteth the enemy. Then fol- low after *Tullius*, all they that fought in the vanguard before the Standards, and as the first shock put the enemies to flight, followed the chafe and drave them into the Town, and at they were scaling the Walls, the Town was rendered up into their hands. So he triumphed over the Pri- E vernats. By the other Consul there was no worthy exploit done, but that as he lay encamped before *Surinam*, he proposed a law to pass by the Tribes, (a course never taken before, and with- out example) concerning a twentieth part or vicime, to be levied of their goods that were made free. The Lords of the Senat (became by that Act there accrewed no small revenue to the Exche- quer, that was now wasted) allowed thereof and gave their assent. But the Tribunes of the Com- moved not so much at the quality of the law in itself, as at the dangerous precedent given, or- dained under pain of death. That no man ever after should in making of laws withdraw the peo- ple apart: For, if that were once by law permitted, there would be nothing, were it never so per- nicious to the people, but it might be enacted by soldiers, that have sworn to their Consuls al- legiance, and were at his devotion. The same year was *C. Licinius Stolo* at the suit of *M. Popili- us Lenas*, condemned upon his own statute in 10000 Asces, for that he together with his son, was possessed of a thousand acres of Land, and under colour of freeing his son, he had deluded the statute in that case provided.

After this, the two Consuls *M. Fabius Ambustus* the second time, and *M. Papilius Lenas* the second time made two wars. That which *Lenas* fought with the Tyburtins was performed with ease and facility. For having driven the enemies into the Town, he forraged their fields. But in the other war, the *Falisci* and the Tarquinians, discomfited in the first battle the other Consul. Their greatest fear arose upon this occasion. For, their Priests carrying afore them light burn- ing torches, and snakes besides, went after a lunatic and frantic manner, and with so strange and uncouth a shew troubled and disordered the Roman soldiers. And therewithal, at that ve- ry instant the soldiers, as if they had been distracted, besides themselves, and astonished, discom- fited fearfully and humbled upon the muritions and fortifications of their camp: But after, when as the Consul, Lieutenants and Colonels mocked and rated them, for being scared like children with these vain bugbears: for shame suddenly they took heart again, and like blind men ran upon thole very same things, that before they had fled from. And so after they had dis- patched this vain devil and preparation of their enemies, they fell upon the armed men indeed, discomfited their whole army and put them to flight: and being the same day masters of their camp, with a rich booty returned victors, both recounting in their military merry ditties and songs,

A law against  
ambitious seek-  
ing for offices  
of government.

A law against  
Urury.

\* 26 lib. 16. As.

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Read of *T. Quintus*, were two were performed with prosperous success. And the Tyburrins were fought withal until they yielded. From them was the City *Sasimula* won by force: and other Towns had tasted of the same fortune, but that the whole Nation hid arms aside, and submitted themselves to the Consul his mercy. He triumphed over the Tyburrins: the otherwarlike conquest was mild and gentle enough, without extremity of execution. But the Tarquinians were cruelly dealt withal: and many a man of them slain in field. Of the prisoners that were taken, whereof

Now when as the City was caſtly aſſailed upon the Tuſcan war, by reaſon that the news went, how that the people of *Cere*, for very pity and compaſſion, and in regard alſo of conſanguinity, took part with the Tarquinians : behold the Embaſſadors of the Latins turned them clean againſt the Volſcians. Which Embaſſadors brought word, that there was an army levied already from thence and in arms, even now upon the point to invade their borders : and would from them enter the territory of *Rome*, and ſpoil as they go. The Senat therefore thought good to neglect neither buſineſs, and gave direction, that to both places certain legions ſhould be appointed, and the Conſuls to catſols for their ſeveral Provinces and charges. But afterwards, the greater care was taken for the Tuſcan war; upon intelligence given by *Sulpitius* the Conſul his letters, whoſe compaiſion was againſt *Tarquinius*, that the country was waſted and ſpoiled alſo about the Roman-*Stanes*, [or Salt-pits] and part of the booties carried away into the confines of the *Ceritis* : and that the youth of that people were doubleſs employed in the driving of that booty. Whereupon *Valerius* the Conſul, who was oppoſed againſt the Volſcians, and encamped in the marches of *Tufculum*, was called back from thence, and commanded by the Senat to nominate a Dictator. Who named *T. Manlius*, the ſon of *Lucius*, and he taking to him *A. Cornelius Cofus* for his General of the Horſemen, conſenting himſelf with his Conſular army, by the authority of the Senat, and the peoples ſuffrages, proclaimed war againſt the *Ceritis*, and ſent them defiance. Then were the *Ceritis* afraid of war indeed, and not afore, as though there had been more force in their enemies bare words, to denounce and ſignify war than in their own deeds, who by ſpoiling and plundering, had provoked the Romans to war. Then ſaw they plainly that they were overmatched and not able to make their parts good : then repented they that they had made ſuch waſt and ſpoil, curſing the Tarquinians for ſoliciting them to revolt, not one of them making any preparation of armour or war : but every man labouring what he could, that Embaſſadors ſhould be ſent, to crave pardon for their trepaſs and offence. When their Embaſſadors were come to the Senat, they were from thence put over to the people. And then they beſought the Gods, whoſe E ſacred Images they had received in the French war and devoutly kept and cheriſhed, that the Romans now in their flouriſhing ſtate, would take that pity and compaſſion of them, which they in times paſt had of the Romans, in their calamity and hard diſtreſs. And turning to the chappels of *Veſta*, they called upon the Flamins and Vetal Virgins, ſometime their gueſts, whom they ſo chaſtly and religiously had received and given entertainment unto, ſaying in this wiſe. "Would any man believe we had deſerved no better, but thus of a ſudden, without cauſe given, to be reputed enemies? Or ſuppoſe we had done ſome what ſmelling of hoſtility, would any man impute "it rather to deliberat counſel than to ſome fit of heat and folly? And that we would blemiſh and mar our own good deeds, eſpecially conſecrated and beſet upon to thankful perſons, with new miſdeeds and ſhrewd turns? and chule to make the people of *Rome* their enemies now in F "their wealthy and flouriſhing State, and in their moſt happy felicity of w : whoſe friendſhip in their adverſity we had embraced? Beſeeching them not to ſerem that conſiderate adviſe, which rather were to be called force and neceſſity. For the Tarquinians, ſay they, paſſing with a cruel and puniſhment army through our country & requeſting nothing but away, had drawn with them ſome "of our ruſſical Peaſants, to aſſiſt them only in fetching of that booty, which now ſo heavily is laid to our charge. Whom if you pleaſe to have them yielded, we are ready to deliver them : if "to be puniſhed they ſhall ſuffer accordingly: moſt humbly craving, that their City *Cere*, the very ſanctuary of the people of *Rome*, the harbour and habitation of their Prieſts, the place of receipt "for the Roman ſacred images and reliques, they would grant unto them ſafe from the calamity of war, and exempt from the ſlander thereof : and the rather for the profecſſed vetal Virgins ſake, "to kindly inſtained, and for the love of the Gods, by them ſo devoutly honored. The people were moved, not ſo much with the juſtice and equity of the preſent cauſe, as for their old deſerts and good turns to forget, rather the harm ſuſtained than the good received. Whereupon, the people of *Cere* were pardoned : & agreed it was that a truce for one hundred years ſhould be regiſtred among the Acts of the Senat. Then were the forces diverted againſt the Falſicki, who were tainted G likewiſe with the ſame offence. But the enemies would no where be found, they waſted therefore al over their confines : & forbore to aſſail their Towns. So they withdrew their legions to *Rome*. The reſt of the year was employed in repairing their wals & Towers : and the Temple of *Apollo* was de-

dictated. In the very end of the year, the contention between the Senators and the Commons, broke off the Election of the Consuls: whilst the Tribunes stiffly denied to suffer any assembly therefore to be holden, unless it were according to the Law *Licinia*. And the Dictator again was as stoutly and stiffly bent, to abolish wholly out of the City the Consulship, rather than it should be indifferent for the Nobility and common people. Thus by adjoining the Election, the Dictator left his office: and the matter grew to an Interregnum. And the Interregents, finding ever the Commons maliciously set against the Senators, succeeded one after another unto the eleventh Interregent: and all the while continued the discord and variance. The Tribunes they called on hard for the maintenance of the Law *Licinia*. The Commons, they had an inward grief that stuck neerer to them, upon the excessive usury that still increased: and each mans private care and grievance, broke out in their public contentions and debates. The LL. of the Senat weary of these troubles, commanded *L. Cornilius Scipio* the Interregent for the time being, for concord and unity sake, in the Election of Consuls to observe the Law *Licinia*. So *P. Valerius Publicola*, had joyed with him in fellowship of government, *Caius Martius Rutilius*, one of the Commons.

Five bankers  
intituled, call-  
ed *Menfarii*.

Now whilst mens minds were inclined once to concord, the new Consuls labouring to ease also this matter of usury, the only pill or bone (as it were) between, that seemed to hinder the uniting of their hearts, and impeach the general agreement: took order publicly for the payment of debts, by creating five officers or *Quinquerviri*, whom of the despoising and disposing of the public monies, they called *Menfarii*. And surely, for their equity and careful diligence, they delivered in all monuments and records to be remembered and renowned. And these they were, *C. Duellius*, *P. Decius*, *M. Papirius*, *Q. Publilius*, and *T. Aemilius*: who underwent and managed this matter, so intricate and difficult to be dealt in: so grievous and combersome to both sides for the most part, but evermore to one at the least. Which they performed both with indifferent moderation otherwise, and also with some cost and despay of charge, rather than any iols and dammage to the State. For the long debts and more entangled, rather in regard of the debtors lackness and negligence, than their want of ability, either the City out of the common stock crossed out of the book, by setting up certain counters or tables with ready coin in the public Hall (provided, that there were good security unto the City by sureties and cautions put in beforehand) or else the goods of men valued at indifferent and reasonable prices discharged. So as not only without any wrong done, but also without the complaint of both parties, a mighty deal of debts was satisfied and paid.

All debts cleared in Rome.

After all this, a vain fear of the Tuscan war, upon a false Alarm given, that their twelve Nations conspired and were confederate together, caused a Dictator to be chosen. So *C. Julius* was named in the camp: for thither to the Coß, was the patent of the Senats decree sent. And to him was joyed as General of the Horfemen, *L. Aemilius*. But all was quiet without the City: Within the City the Dictator gave the attempt, that both Consuls should be created of the Patricii: which brought the government for the time to an Interregnum. And the two Interregents that were in that while (to wit) *C. Sulpicius* and *M. Fabius*, obtained that which the Dictator had reached at in vain: namely, that both Consuls might be created of the Nobility: for now the Commons were more pliable and traßtable, by reason of the fresh benefit received, in the easement and satisfying of their debts. So there were chosen *C. Sulpicius Peticius*, he, who was the former of the twain that gave over the Interregnum, and *T. Quintus Pennus*. Some there be that give to *Quintus* the addition of *Cæsi* for his surname [and of *Cæsius* for his forename.] Both of them went forth to war: *Quintus* against the Falisci, and *Sulpicius* against the Tarquinians. Who, for that they could never meet with the enemy in open field, by burning and spoiling made war with the fields rather than with the men. By which lingering continuance, as it were of a languishing consumption, the stubbornness of both Nations was so well tamed, that they made petition first to the Consuls, and by their permission after to the Senat, for a truce, and obtained the same for the term of forty years. Thus the care was laid aside of the two wars, which seemed so neer at hand. And whilst there was some rest from Arms, it was thought good because the payment of debts above N said, had changed the owners and masters of many things, that there should be held a general Selling of the citizens. But, when there was an assembly summoned for the choosing of Centors, *C. Martius Rutilius* professing himself to stand for a Consulship: even he that had been the last Dictator of the Commons, troubled the peace and unity of the States of the City. This he went about (as it seemed) in a very undue and unseasonable time. For, both Consuls were then of the Nobility, as he fell out, who gave it forth that they would not admit him to be a Competitor, nor propound his name at the Election. Howbeit, both he by earnest perseverance in his resolution obtained that which he went about: and also the Tribunes with all their might endeavouring to recover their right, which was lost in the Election of the Consuls, set to their helping hand. And as the countenance and Majesty of the man himself, seemed worthy of the highest type of honor: so the Commons were right willing, that by the same man who had opened the way unto the Dictatorship, the Consulship also should draw to that side, and be in part conferred upon them. Neither in the assembly was there any variance in the Suffrages, but that, together with *Martius Nevius*, *Martius* should be created Centor. This year likewise had a Dictator, *M. Fabius*, not for any fear of war, but because the Law *Licinia*, for the choice of Consuls, should not be revived and observed. The General of the Horfemen unto the Dictator was *Q. Servilius*. And yet for all the Dictatorship, the agreement of the Senators together, was in the Election of the Consuls

*C. Martius Rutilius* a Commoner, chosen one of the Centors.

A Consuls no more force then it was in the choosing of the Centors. For *Popilius Lenas* was Consul, of the Commons, and *L. Cornelius Scipio* of the Nobles. And the commoner Consul, by good fortune, proved more famous of the twain. For when upon tidings brought, that a mighty army of the Gauls were encamped in the Latine country, this Gauls war was laid extraordinary upon *Popilius*, because *Scipio* lay grievously sick. Who having long levied an army, and commanded also the younger men, to meet him in their armour at *Mars* his Church, without the gate *Capena*, and that the Quæstors should bring thither the Standards and ensignes out of the *Aræarium*. [City chamber] and after he had chosen out of them, fully four Legions, he delivered all the residue of soldiers unto *P. Valerius Publicola*, the Pretor: and moved the LL. of the Senat to enroll another army to be in readineis, against all uncertain occurrences of war, what need soever the City

B should have. And now himself being at all points thoroughly furnished, setting forward to meet the enemy. Whole power because he would know, before he had trial thereof with the uttermost hazard, he began to call a trench and raise a rampier upon the next hill unto the Gauls camp, that he could come unto. The Gauls, a fierce kind of people and by nature eager of fight, having discovered fear of the Roman ensignes, embattled themselves forthwith, as ready to bid batel. But when they saw the Roman army not brought forth into the plain and even ground, but that they were strongly defended, not only by the height of the place, but also with a ditch and palisado, and (supporting them to be smitten with fear, and the fitter therefore to be assailed, for that they were at that instance busily occupied about their other fortifications; with an hideous noise and horrible shout, gave the charge upon them. The Romans gave over their work never the sooner (they were the Triarii of the reerward that made their fortifications) but the Spearmen or

C javeliniers of the vanguard, and the *Principes* of the middle ward, who stood ready armed in guard for the defence of the pioneers, made head and received them with fight. Besides their valour, the higher ground was their vantage: so as all their darts and spears light not in vain (as commonly they do that are flung and lanced on level ground) but stuck all fast as being poised with their own weight: so that the Gauls being overcharged with darts either sticking through their bodies, or fast set in their shields, and so weighing them down: having also run themselves upon the hill, first, as doubtfull what to do, made stay, afterwards, when protracting of time had discouraged themselves, and encouraged their enemies, they were driven back and fell one upon another: and in that confusion made greater havoc and worse, then the slaughter was by the enemy: and crush-

D ed they were to death, more in that crowd and thrall, then they were slain by sword. Yet were not the Romans sure of victory: for when they were come down into the plain, there was a new piece of work to begin, and a fresh trouble behind. For the Gauls, by reason of their number, little feeling such a loss (as if a new army had started up in light, out of the ground) stirred up their fresh soldiers and untold, against the enemy in his victory. Whereupon the Romans made a stand and flayed their egernesse: both because they being already wearied, were to abide a new conflict: and all for that the Consul, whilst he laid about him with the formost, without regard of his own person, was wounded well neer the left shoulder with a pike, and thereupon for a while was departed out of the battell. By occasion of which lingering, the victory had like to have been lost again: but that the Consul when his wounds were dressed and bound up, came back again

E with speed to the formost ensignes, and said: Why stand you still first? ye have not to deal now, with the Latins or Sabins your enemies, whom after ye have conquered by the sword, ye may make of enemies friends and confederats: but upon very savage beasts we have drawn sword. Either we must have their blood, or they ours. From the camp ye have driven them back: chased ye have them headlong down the hill side: over the bodies of enemies lying along, now ye stand: fill the plain "also with their dead carcases, as ye have done the hills already: and never look that they will "flie, so long as ye stand still. You must advance your ensignes, and charge the enemy afresh. With these exhortations they fell to it the second time, and forced the former ranks and files of the Gauls to lose ground: and then with pointed close battalions of footmen, they brake through into the heart of the main battell. Whereupon the barbarous people being diarraced, such as had

F neither certain directions to follow, nor Captains to command, turned their force upon their fellows, were scattered here and there about the plains, fled in this pursuit beyond their tents, and made toward the fort of *Alba*: which among many hills that stood of even height, they espied mounting above the rest. The Coß followed the chase no farther than their camp: both because his hunt made himself unwindeie, and also for that he was unwilling to put his tired army to a new labour, considering the enemy had gained the hills tops, and lo reited from farther pursuit. And when he had given the whole pillage of the camp to his soldiers, he brought back to Rome his army with victory, and enriched with the spoils of the Gauls. The Consul his wound (said is a triumph) which was a cause also that the Senat wished and longed for a Dictator, to hold the assembly for the Election of Consuls, whilst the other were sick.

G *L. Ferrius Camillus* being chosen Dictator, had joyed unto him *P. Cornelius Scipio* for his General of the footmen. He restored again to the Senators their ancient possessing of the Consulship: and for this good turn, was himself with exceeding affection of them all, created Consul. And for his companion he chose unto him *App. Claudius Crassus*. But before the new Consuls entered unto their office, *Popilius* with great love and favour of the Commons triumphed over the Gauls: who mauling and muttering among themselves, would often ask one another, whether there were any repented of a Commoner Consul: rating with all the Dictator, who despising the

*M. Popilius Lenas*, the Consul, whose soldiers fight.

*Popilius* a Commoner triumphing.

the law *Lexima*, had got for his reward a Consulship; which was more shameful and infamous, in regard of his privat seeking for it, (for being Dictator he had made himself Consul) then for any publick harm and injury. This year for many and sundry troubles was very famous. The Gauls from the Alban woods (for that they were not able then to endure the cold of winter) ranged all over the Campanian and sea-coasts, and wasted the country. The seas likewise were dangerous by reason of the Greeks navy. Also all the tract along *Antium*, and the river of *Laurentum*, even to the very mouth of *Tyber*. So as the rovers and men of war by sea, and the land robbers of the French, met both together, and struck once for all a dangerous battell: and then departed sundry, the French unto their standing camp, the Greeks back unto their ships: both doubtful, whether they had won or lost. Amid these troubles, and Counsels at the grove of *Ferentina*; and when the Romans Latine Nation held certain Diets and Counsels at the grove of *Ferentina*; and when the Romans demanded soldiers from them, flat answer was made, That they must no more think to command "them whose aid they stood need of. And as for the Latins, they were resolved rather to bear "arms in defence of their own liberty, then fight for the maintenance of the dominions of strangers. The Senat being grieved and perplexed as well for these two forraign wars, as also for the revolt of their confederats, seeing no other way, but to keep them in by fear, whom loyalty would not restrain, commanded their Consuls in their multitudes, to extend and strain to the utmost the whole strength of the State: for now that their Allies failed them, they were to trust upon their City forces only. From all parts therefore, the youth as well without in the country as within the City were taken up, and ten legions (as men say) were enrolled of soldiers, amounting to 4200. foot and 300. horse in a legion. Which puissant army, if now at this day any fortares were toward, these mighty forces of the people of *Rome*, which the whole world is hardly able to contain, if they were united and brought into one together, would not easily make again: so great are we grown in wealth only and superfluous delights, to which we strive and apply our minds.

Among other heavy occurrents of that year, *Ap. Claudius* one of the Consuls, in the very preparation of the wars, departed this life. Whereupon the whole government was devolved upon *Camillus*. To which sole Consul, either for his quality and worthiness otherwise (not meet to be controlled by the absolut command of a Dictator) or for the lucky preface of his name so fortunate in all the tumultuous wars of the Gauls, the Lords of the Senat thought it not decent and convenient that there should be a Dictator adjoynd. The Consule having ordered and appointed two legions for defence of the City, and parted the other eight with the Pretor *L. Pinaris*, bearing in mind his fathers valour and manhood, undertook the Gauls war himself, without calling lots therefore: commanding the Pretor to keep the sea-coasts, and to put the Greeks back from landing on the shore. He went himself down into the country of *Pompeium*, and because he was not willing to give battell in the champion, enforced thereunto; and thought the enemy might be wearied out well enough by keeping him short, for forraging and fetching in booties, who of necessity was driven to live of prey, chose a convenient place for a standing camp. Where, as they passed the time quietly in their wards, as a settled Garrison: there cometh forth a mighty Gaul in perion tall and beg, for armour brave and glorious: who clattering his shield and spear together, and thereby making silence, gave defiance and challenge of his interpreter the Romans to a combat, man to man. There was one *M. Valerius* a Colonell of footmen, and a very young man, who thinking himself nothing less worthy of that honour than *T. Manlius*, having first known the Consul his pleasure, advanced himself forth apart from the rest, armed at all points. But this conflict (as touching the prowess of them) was less notable than the other, by reason that the hand of God came between & took a part. For as the Roman was ready to joyne and cope, behold suddenly a raven flied upon the crest his of morion, even full in the face of his enemy. Which at the very first, the Colonell took joyfully as a token of good luck sent from heaven. Afterwards he prayed devoutly, that the God or goddesse whoeover, that sent unto him from above that augural fowl, to preface and forefigure the future event, would be favourable and gracious unto him. And lo, (a wonder to be spoken) the bird not only held the place still, which it first light upon, but also, as often as the champions buckled and cloed together, mounting up with the wings made at the eyes and the face of the enemy, with beak and claws both, so long, untill *Valerius* killed him. For the Gaul being affrighted at this so strange & wondrous a sight, both his eyes dazzled, and his mind was mightily troubled. Then the raven took his rise, flew on high quite out of sight towards the East. All the while the camp on both sides was quiet hitherto. But after that the Colonell began to rise and disarme the Body of the slain enemy, neither could the French keep themselves within their Stations, nor the Romans contin, but run with more speed upon their Conquerour champion. And so about the bodie of the Gaul that lay along dead, began some skirmishes, and thereof grew a sharp and cruell battell: for now not only the companies of the next quarters, and *corpi de guard*, but also the whole legions on both sides, came abroad and fought. *Camillus* commanded the soldiers, joyous for the victory of the Colonell, joyous also for the gods, so favourable and ready to help, for to go to battell: and shewing very often unto them the Colonell, let out bravely and enriched with the spoiles of his enemy, "Follow this brave gentleman, good soldiers (quoth he) and about the dead champion of the "Gauls killed their whole troops, and lay them along. In this fight appeared the help of God and manevintly: and they fought it out with the Gauls, and had no doubtfull conflict: both

The combat  
between a  
Gaul and  
Pinaris  
formed  
ed thereupon  
Corvinius

A armies had so conceived and deeply imprinted before hand in their mind, the future event of these two soldiers that had fought together. Between the formerly, whole concourse had raised others; there was a sharp conflict: but the rest of the multitude, turned back before they came to the valley of darts. And first they were scattered along the Volscians and Falern countries: but afterwards they took their ways toward *Apulia* and the lower Adriatick sea.

The Consul having assembled the soldiers to an audience, solemnly before them all, commended the Colonell, and rewarded him with ten oxen and a coronet of gold. Himself, by direction from the Senat, to attend the war by sea, joynd camp with the Pretor. And there, because through the cowardice of the Greeks that would not come into the field, the war was like to be long and lingering, he nominated, by the authority of the Senat, *T. Manlius Torquatus* for the Dictator, to hold the Election of Consuls. The Dictator having named for his General of horlemen, *A. Cornelius Cossus*, held the Election, and with exceeding favour of the people, declared for Consul one like himself, and tracing the steps of his own vertue and glory, *M. Valerius Corvinius* (for that was his surname afterwards) in his absence: a young man, I say; three and twenty years old. *To Corvinius* was adjoynd companion in government a Commoner, *M. Popilius Lenaeus* the fourth time. *Camillus* performed no memorable exploit with the Greeks: for neither were the Greeks good soldiers on land, nor the Romans at sea. At the last being kept from landing: and failing, besides other necessities, of fresh waters they left Italy. Of what people, or of what nation in Greece this fleet consisted, is not certainly known. I would think verily, that they were the Tyrants or potentats of Sicily, above all other. For all Greece beyond them, at that time wearied and soiled out with civil wars, much feared the greatness of the Macedonians. After the armies were discharged, and that both abroad there was peace, as also at home quietnesse, through the dignity of the States self they should be gladdened with too much joy, behold a pestilence arose in the City direction thereof, was a *Leistiferno* celebrated. The same year there was a Colony drawn out of the Antians, to people *S. Arvium*, and the town was repaired for them, which the Latins had destroyed. Also there was at *Rome* a league concluded with the Cartaginian Embassadors, who came of purpose to sue for society and amity. The same left continued still both at home and abroad, when *T. Manlius Torquatus*, and *C. Plautius* the second time were Consuls. The injury which was before after one in the hundred, became now but half to Consul. The injury was dispensed & ordered into three years by even portions, so as a fourth part should be paid out of hand. And albeit some of the Commons (for all that) were pinched therewith, yet the Senat had more regard to see credit kept with the chamber of the City, then of the difficulties of private persons. The greatest matters were well eased, in that they forbore to collect the tribute and to mulier soldiers.

The third year after that *Sarricinus* was reedified by the Volscians, *M. Valerius Corvinius* the second time Consul with *C. Peitinus*, upon news of *Latium*, that Embassadors from *Antium* went about to the nations of the *Latins*, soliciting them to rise up in arms, was commanded to make war upon the Volscians, before the enemies forces were greater: who put himself on his journey with a fierce army toward *Sarricinus*. Whither when as the Antians and other Volscians were come to meet him, with a power provided aforesaid, against any preparations from *Rome*, litiously bent one against the other. The Volscians, a nation more hally to rebel, than hardy to fight, being defeated in a battell, fled again and hidged apace to put themselves within the walls of *Sarricinus*. But when the walls were not able to save them, for that the town being environed and invellied round with soldiers, was ready to be taken by scaling, there were upon 4000. of them, besides the common foot not meet for service, that yeelded themselves. The town was rased down and burnt; only they spared the firing of *Matua* church. And the whole sackage and spoil was bestowed upon the soldiers. But there were not comprised within this booty, the 4000 that yeelded. Those the Consul in his triumph caused to be led bound before his chariot: and after that sold them, & brought a round sum of money into the treasury. Some write, that this number of captives, were bondslaves. And that is more like to be true, than that they should be sold, who yeelded themselves. After this followed Consuls, *M. Fabius Dorsius*, and *Servius Sulpicius Camerinus*. Then began the Auruncan war upon a sudden invasion that they made. And for fear lest the maintenance, there was created Dictator (as if it had been against all *Latium* already up in arms) *L. Furius Camillus*: who chose for his General of horlemen, *Cn. Manlius Capulinus*. And (as the multitude and Exemption, and therewith proclaimed a Cessation of all courts of law: and the legions with all speed possible were led against the Auruncans, where they found, that they carried the mind of plunderers rather then of warriors. So that in the first battell, that war was dispatched. Howbeit the Dictator, because they not only made the quarrel and warred first, but also offered fight without any drawing back, supposing there were some need of Gods help withal from heaven, had vowed a temple to *Juno Moneta*: and after he had obtained that he vowed for, and thereby was charged to perform his vow, so soon as he was returned home to *Rome* with victory, gave up his Dictatorship. The Senat commanded two officers called Duumvirs to be created for the edifying of that temple, according to the magnificence of the people of *Rome*. The place was appointed and set out on the

The temple of  
*Juno Moneta*.

[Capitol]





### Defiance given by the Romans to the Samnites

A coat of arms  
of purple or  
scarlet colour  
hanging forth  
at the Gene-  
rall his pav-  
lion.  
The exhorta-  
tion of Valerin  
Corwinus to his  
souldiers.

The familiarity of *Corvinus* with his soldiers, and his other good parts,

A cruel battle  
told between  
the Romans  
and Samnites.

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the policy  
and valour of  
Decimus



our evasion. Being commended by the Consul, and having received that troop and guard which he demanded, he marcheth close through the woody pafs, and was not defcried by the enemy before he approached the place that he went to get. And while they all were amazed thereat and wholly turned their eyes to himward, he both gained the Consul some time to wonder, and withdrew his army into a more convenient and open ground, and possessed himself of the hill top, and there relict. The Samnites, while they turn their enignes to and fro, (as men that lost the vantage of both sides) could neither make after the Consul, but through the same valley, wherein which *Decius* overtook them had already gained. But being more angry with those, that thus had disappointed them of the fair means they had of a brave exploit, and considering withall the necesse of the place, and their small number which were gotten thither, they were one while of mind to environ the hill round with armed men, and to keep *Decius* from the Consul; another while, to make them way, that when they were come down into the valley, they might set upon them. Thus while they were in doubt what to do, the night overtook them. *Decius* at the first, was in good hope to fight with them from the higher ground, as they mounted up against the hill: but afterwards he marvelled much, that they neither began to charge upon him, nor yet when they were disappointed and put by that purpose, through disadvantage of the ground, fortified themselves with trench and rampier, and other pioneers work. Then calling the Centurions unto him, he said, "What unskillfulness (quoth he) of military service, what supine slackness and sloth is this? and how got they the victory of the Sidicins and Campani? Ye see their enignes waving hither and thither: one while huddled they are in one together, another while advanced and dilapidated length. As for rampiers and fortifications, none beginneth any: and by this time we might have been entrenched round about. But it we stay here longer then for our vantage, we might be entrencht round about. Come on then, go with me, that while day light serveth, we may counte lazy lubbers like them. Come on then, go with me, that while day light serveth, we may see in what places they quarter their guards, and what way we may get from hence and escape. All this went he to espie and discover himself in person, clad in a common souldiers jacket, leading with him the other captains in the habit of their souldiers: to the end that the enemies might not take mark of the Generall himself, how he went about to view them. After this, when he had disposed the sentinels and *corps de guard*, to all the rest he commanded a watchword to be given, that when the trumpet sounded the second watch, they should come all unto him armed, and make no noise at all. When they were thither assembled with silence, as he had commanded, "I will see my fellow souldiers (quoth he) must ye keep while ye hear me speak, and forbear all gillness by uttering your voices (as souldiers use to do) When I shall have delivered my mind to you, let as many as list thereof, go softly on the right hand, and not speak a word: and look what side is greater, that course shall hand and take place. And now listen what my conceits, and what I would have done. The enemy hath not invited you here, as men either fled away for fear, or lagging behind for sloth and idleness. The place have ye won by manhood: by manhood must ye from thence escape. In coming hither, ye have already saved a brave army of the people of *Rome*: and now by breaking out from hence, save your own selves. Worthy you are that being but a few, have succoured many, ye should not stand in need your selves of any mans help. With that enemy ye have to deal, who yesterday through their senseless sloth, overslipped their happy opportunity to defeat our whole army: who were so blind, that they saw not this hill of great importance even over their heads, before it was by us gained: who being so many thousands, could neither debar us from climbing up, as few as we were, nor when we had got the place, compass us about with a trench, having to much day as they had. These enemies, whom ye have thus deluded & beguiled, while they were awake, and had their eyes tight, ye are to deceive when they are fast asleep, nay, you must do to indeed, there is no other remedy. For at that passe we are now, that I am rather to shew you, in what terms of extremity ye stand, then to advise you to the execution of any good counsell. It is no consulting at this time whether ye should here stay, or depart hence: for that besides your weapons, and hearts setting up reit upon their weapons, fortune hath left you nothing at all. And die we must without doubt for hunger and thirst, if we dread the swords point more than besitteth hardy men, & valorous Romans. One way there is therefore, and but one way of safety, even to make a brave fall through and away. This must we do, either by day or by night. And that doubt is soon cleared, if we look for the morrow day, who already as ye see lying under this little rising, have ditch and bank even round about us: who are so that the night be a convenient and favourable time for interruptions and sallies, as in truth it is: then, this hour of the night certainly, is of all other the fittest. At the second watches sound ye are come hither, at which time all men are in their rest found and dead sleep. Amid their bodies being fast asleep, shall ye go. Either by force, or by stealth, as ye have done already, I will follow the same fortune that guided me hither. Now as many of you that think this good counsell, and a courtle like to speed well, make no more ado but pass on my right hand. So they all passed, and followed after *Decius* as he went through the quarters void of watchmen and wardens. Now were they escaped the mids of the camp, when a souldier, as he clambered over the watchmans bodies, lying heavy asleep, chanced to stumble at a shield, which gave a sound again. Wherat the watchman being awakened, raised his next

P. Decius to his under captains.

P. Decius to his souldiers.

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low; and they being I start up, call up other, not knowing whether they were enemies or fellows, whether the garison of *Decius* on the hill was broken forth, or the Consul had surpris'd the camp. *Decius* then, seeing his souldiers could nor passe clear and undelcried, commanded them to let up a shout. And therewith he amazed them with a new fright, who were already drowned in drowsiness: so as they could neither take weapons readily, nor make heed against them, nor yet pursue after them. While the Samnites were thus amazed and in confusion, the Roman garison had by this time slain the warders whom they met, & were marching towards the Consul his camp, yet was somewhat of the night to come: but now they seemed to be safe, and past all danger. Then (quoth *Decius* on forward in this courage of yours, O hardy Romans; This your passage and return to and fro, all ages shall extoll and praise. But for the full sight and view of so great a valor, we had need of broad day light: for ye deserve better, than that the hill night should hide you in to a glorious return of yours into the camp. Let us here rest, and wait for day. His words were obeyed; and so soon as the day brake, he dispatched a messenger afore unto the Consul: and so with exceeding joy they made speed to the camp. And when it was known in the camp by the privy watchmen, that they who had put their lives in most dangerous hazard for the safety of them all, were themselves returned safe: then every one came forth to meet them as fast as they could, with praises and commendations, calling them both all & some, their favours: praising the immortal gods, and giving thanks, yea, and extolling *Decius* to the skies. This was the triumph of *Decius* in the camp, as he marcheth through the midst thereof with his armed garison, whiles every man cast his eyes upon him, and made him a Coronell, equal to the Consul in all kind of honour. When he was come to the *Pretorium*, the Consul by sound of trumpet, called all the army to an audience, and as he entered into a discourse of the deserved praises of *Decius*, *Decius* himself interrupted him, and cutteth off his speech. Whereupon the Consul put off the Oration. *Decius* then periwadeth the Consul, to let aside all other things, and whiles the occasion and opportunity was offered, he urged him effectually, to give an alarm to the enemies, both while they were amazed with this scare by night, and also lay scattering about the hill, as it were in their several sconces. Besides, he thought verily that some were sent out after him to make fresh fait, and wandered alway in the forest. So the Legions were commanded to arm, and being departed out of the camp, and by means of the espials better acquainted with the forest, they were conducted by a wider and more open way toward the enemy, whom suddenly they impris'd & charged, unawares and unprovided as he was. And for as much as the Samnite souldiers were straggling abroad, and most unarmed, and could neither rally themselves and take arms, nor retire into their trench, they drove them at first with fear into their camp, whiles the guards about it were disordered and troubled, they were matters thereof also. The noise was heard all about the hill, and caused every man to flee out of his hold. So a great part of them took their heels before the enemy could come. But so many as for fear were driven within the trench (as those were some 30000) were all slain: and the camp rifled & spoiled. The Consul having achieved this exploit, called an assembly, and not only finished the praises of *Decius*, as he before began, but also amplified them with fresh commendation of this new service. And besides other military gifts, he rewarded him with a crown of gold, a hundred oxen, and one speciall white ox, fat and fair above the rest with gilded horns. The souldiers who together with him held the hill afore said, had given unto them for ever after, a double proportion of corn, and for the present one ox a piece, and two fingle liveries. After the Consul his reward was bestowed, the Legionary souldiers themselves put upon *Decius* his head a wreath of green graffe, in token of a delivery from sieg, and with notable thanks and loud cries approved this gift. Another chaplet or garland, also, in token of like honour, did his own band and company set upon him. And thus being adorned with these ornaments of honour, he sacrificed that chosen white ox unto *Mars*; and bestowed his hundred oxen among those his souldiers, who had accompanied him in this exploit and service. To the same souldiers the Legions gave a pound measure of wheat meal, and a sextar of wine, a piece. All these particulars were performed and done with great cheerfulness, and reconded with shouting and acclamation of the souldiers, to signify their good liking and general assent.

A third battel was fought at *Suessula*: wherein by *M. Valerius*, was put to flight the host of the Samnites. Whereupon, the whole manhood and flower of their youth that remained at home were sent for and assembled, determining to fight it out and trie their fortune once for all. Fearful news hereof came from *Suessula* to *Capua*: and from thence carriers and posts were dispatched to *Valerius* the Consul, for aid. Forthwith he advanced the standards, and leaving the carriages belonging to the camp, with a strong guard, he marched forward in great hast: and not far from the enemy, took a little plot of ground to encamp in: as having besides their horses of service, no beasts at all for carriage, nor a rabble of slaves and varlets that follow the camp. The Samnites (as if without further delay they were to fight) embattled themselves. But seeing none to encounter them, they came with banner displayed to the very camp of the enemies. And there so soon as they beheld the souldiers upon the rampier, and understood by them that they were sent out of purpose to view the circuit of the camp, in how small compass they had fortified, guessing thereby how few their enemies were: there ran a noise throughout the army, to make no more ado but to fill up the ditches, to cut through the banks, and so presently to break into the camp. And even in that rashness had the war been decided and dispatched, but that the captains held in the violence of the souldiers. But for as much as their own number so great, required good store of

P. Decius to his souldiers.

P. Decius forrally praised and rewarded;

The souldiers also recompensed.

A great land called *Osifonalia*

Sevantes much about our wine measure called a quart.

virtuals

virtuals, and was both by their lying before *Suesula*, and also by their long stay there, without fight brought to scarcity well-near of all things: it was thought good, that whiles the enemies kept within their hold as affrighted, the foildiers should be sent about the country foraging. In which mean time they supposed that the Romans likewise, would have spent all, who were thither come highly appointed, and had brought no more corn with them then they could carry on their shoulders, besides their armour. The Consul having espied the enemies stragling over the country, and their guards slenderly manned, after a brief exhortation to his foildiers, led them forth to give an assault upon their camp. Which when they had won at the first shout and onset, and killed more of the enemies within their tents, then either upon the gates or upon the rampier; he caused the ensignes that he had taken, to be brought together into one place: and leaving there two legions, for a guard and defence, with a straight charge, that untill he came again, they should forbear to fight and make spoil, he went forward in order of battell. And when the horsemen which he made out above, had like hunters driven the scattered Samnites, as it were, within net and toil, he fell upon them and committed an exceeding great slaughter. For frightened as they were, they knew neither at what signall they should rally themselves together, nor whether they should make speed to the camp, or flee further away. But so great was their fright and flight both, that there were brought to the Consul, 40000 shields, more indeed then there were men slain: besides 170 ensignes, together with those that were won in the camp. Then returned he unto the enemies tents, and bestowed the whole pillage there, upon the foildiers. And such was the happy success of this war, that it both caused the Falisci being in truce, to sue unto the Senat, for a league: and also turned the Latins, who had prepared their forces already from warring with the Romans, to wage war upon the Peligni. Neither rested the fame of this so fortunate a victory within the marches of Italy: for even the Carthaginians also, sent their Embassadors to Rome, with gratulation, and a present of a golden crown weighing twenty five pounds, to be set up in *Jupiters* Temple within the Capitoll. Both Consuls triumphed over the Samnites: and *Decimus* followed after, all goodly to be seen, with his gifts and worthy praises: whiles the foildiers, as their manner was, with merry jests and rude ditties, magnified and renowned the name of the Colonell no less than the Consul.

After this the Embassadors of the Campanians and the Suesians had a day of audience: and upon their humble request it was granted, that thither should be sent a standing garrison to winter there, for to stop the excursions and invasions of the Samnites. But *Capua*, even then no good place for military discipline, wrought an alteration in all sorts, quite it forgot their own natural country. For they of the garrison, began to lay plots and devise how to get *Capua* from the Campanians: even by the same wicked practise, by which themselves had won it first from the ancient possessors and inhabitants, saying, "It made no matter, and they were but rightly served, in case their own precedent lewd example, should return upon their own heads. Again, why should the Campanians, not able to defend themselves, nor maintain their liberties and goods, be L.L. of the most plentiful country of Italy, and of a City answerable and correspondent therunto, rather then the victorious army, which with their sweat and blood had repelled and expelled the Samnites from them? And was it any reason, that they who had yielded to be vassals unto them, should enjoy that fruitful and pleasant tract, while they themselves wearied with fighting, struggled still and wrestled in a pestilent air, and dry barren soil, about the City of Rome, and within that City, endured the letted, inveterate and intestine mischief & plague of usury, that furcharged them daily more and more? Whiles their projected conspiracies were contrived in secret conventicles, and as yet not broached and divulged to all mens knowledge, the few Consul, *C. Marius Rutilius* came in place: whose lot it was to be L. Deputy of the province *Campania*. Laving his fellow *Q. Servilius* in the City, who having intelligence by the Captains and Colonels, of all the particularities of those designs: being a wise man, both for his old age and long experience (as who was now Consul the fourth time, and withal had been Censor and Dictator) thought it best to dissemble the matter, and to make void and frustrate the present heat and outrage of the foildiers, by deferring and prolonging their hope, as if they might put in execution their plots at their best leisure, whensoever they pleased. He raileth therefore a rumour, that the garrisons should in the same towns winter again the year following. [For divided they were into sundry Cities of *Campania*: & the web begun at *Capua*, was spread from thence through all the forces.] By means of this good respite to bethink themselves and advise of these matters, the mutiny for the present was well quieted. The Consuls then led forth the foildiers into the summer places of abode and repose, and purpose while he had the Samnites in quietness to cleanse the army by the cashiering & discharging those buse bodies and troublesome spirits: pretending colourably, and saying, That some of them had served already so long as the law required, others were well now steep in years, or waxen feeble and their strength decayed. Some had their patrimony limited, and were sent home: at the first one by one singled out, afterwards, certain whole cohorts or bands, as having wintered far from their dwelling places, from their goods and substance. Under a pretence and colour also of military services and imployments, whiles to me were dispatched one way, some another, a great part of them were rid clean away. All this multitude, the other Consul and the Pretor kept still at Rome; devising this cause, and that, of delays and avoiding behind. And verily at first, they being not aware of this delation, were not unwilling to visit home. But after that they perceived, that

A notable defeat of the Samnites.

A Mutiny and conspiracy of the garrison foildiers at *Capua*.

The singular policy of *M. Rutilius* the Consul.

Neither they who were dismissed first, returned again unto their colours, nor any in a manner discharged else, but such as had lien in winter garrison at *Capua*: and those especially, who of them were the authors of the conspiracy; first they marvelled, and afterwards feared in very deed, that their complois were revealed and come to light, and that now presently, they should be put to examinations and tortures, abide arraignment and judgement, be executed icerely apart one by one, and suffer the insolent lordliness, and cruell tyranny of Consuls and Senators over them. These and such like speeches low they and whisper secretly, but were in the camp, when they saw the principal authors of the mutiny, who were the fines and strength thereof, by the wily policy of the Consul to be dimembered from them. One cohort of them, being not far from *Anxur* (at them down at *Lanula*, in a narrow passe or wood between the sea and the mountains, to intercept and slay, whensoever the Consul sent about this or that pretended business as is above said). Soon were there gathered together a right strong power: and nothing wanted to make a show of a full army, but only a head and Captain. And disordered as they were, they went robbing and spoiling, as far as the Alban country, and under the hill of long *Alba* they encamp themselves within a trench and rampier. Which work being finished, they spend the rest of the day in consultation about chusing a Commander. Little trusting any one there present in place. And who possibly (say they) could be sent for as far as from Rome? What Senator or Commander was there, that either wittingly would venture upon so great and dangerous an enterprize: or to whom the cause of an army, enraged upon an injury received, might safely be committed? The next morning, whiles they reasoned still about this point, and sadly debated the matter, some of the wandering and vagrant foragers of the Country thereabout, bring certain intelligence, that *Titus Quinctius* imployed himself in husbandry, and held a farm in *Tuscanum*, minding neither the City, nor dignities of state and Common weal. This man was come of noble lineage, and having served with great credit and honour in the wars by a wound received, was lame of a leg, and gave over soldiery, determining to lead the rest of his life in the country, sequestered far from all counting and ambitious suing for civil offices. They had not so soon heard his name, but presently they took knowledge of the man, and (that which might turn to their good) agreed with one accord, he should be sent for. Small hope there was that he would willingly do any thing; they thought therefore to use force and to bring him to it by fear. So, in the dead time of the night, they that were sent forth, entered the farm house, and finding *Quinctius* found and fast asleep, they awakened him: & propounded unto him either rule and honour, or else present death: and no mean between, in case he made stay and refused to go with them: and to they baled and brought him to their camp. Incontinently he was saluted L. General at his first coming. And when the man was affrighted at this sudden and wonderful occurrence, they endue him with the ornaments and ensignes to that honor belonging, and will him to lead them to their commander to the City of Rome. Thus having plucked up the standards, in this heady fit of their own, rather then upon any advice or counsel of their captain, they march in warlike manner with an army toward Rome, within eight miles of the City, upon the causey or street way, now called *Appia Via*: and had approached immediately in that train to the very City, but that they heard there was a power coming against them, and a Dictator created to withstand them, to wit *M. Valerius Corvinus*, together with *L. Aemilius Mamercus* General of horsemen. So soon as they were come in interview one of another, and took knowledge of the armor and ensignes: the remembrance of their native country wrought with them straightwaies a mitigation of their mood. They were not yet so far gone, nor so hardy, as to shed civil blood: neither had they knowledge of any other wars but foreign: and the uttermost rage and maddest fit that ever they proceeded unto, was counted their Secession and departure away from their own countymen. And therefore both captains and foildiers on either side sought means to meet together, and draw to imparie. *Quinctius* for his part, who having had already his hands full of war, in defence of his country, could worse brook taking arms against the same: *Corvinus* like wife for himself, as one that with loving affection embraced all his fellow-citizens, but the foildiers especially, and above all others those of his own army that fought under his banner, came forth to a parlie. And forthwith as soon as he was once known, he had no less reverence done of unto him of the adverse part, than silence and audience given of his own men. The immortal gods (quoth he) O foildiers as well those which are common to you all, as mine own particular patrons, when I took my leave of the City, I adored and worshipped in this wise, craving humbly upon my knees at their hands, to vouchsafe me the honour, not of a victory over you, but of procuring concord and unity among you. Occasions there have been, and will be enow else where, to win glory and warlike renown: From hence, peace only is to be sought. And even that which among my vows that I made "I be sought to devoutly of the immortal gods, it lieth in you to make me enjoy. Do but call to mind that neither in *Samnium*, nor among the Volscians, we are encamped, but upon Roman ground: that those hills which yee behold, are of your own Countymen and fellow Citizens: and my selfe your Consul, under whose conduct and auspice, yee have the yeare past twise deigned the Samnite legions, twise by mere force won our campe, and driven them out of the field. I am, first, that *M. Valerius Corvinus*, whose

Annot and Edition of the garrison foildiers of *Campania*.

*T. Quinctius* surprised by the rebels and made their leader against his will.

The Opinion of *Valerius Corvinus* to the Rebels.

"noblesse yee have had triall of; not by any wrongs done, but by good turnes on H  
 "your part received. Author have I been of no proud law, nor cruell Act of Senat  
 "against you: a man in all my government and rule that I bare, more rigorous to my  
 "selfe than severe to you. And if ever there were one, who might be proud either of  
 "Noble race and gentry, or of his own vertue and valour, of majesty and high calling of  
 "honourable dignities; of such progenitors am I defended, such proofe of prowess have I  
 "given: at that age attained I to Consular honour, and being three and twenty years old,  
 "I was able to have been feared and dread, not of Commons only, but also of the Sena-  
 "tors. But what deed or word hath passed from me in your knowledge, more grievous  
 "and odious when I was once Consul, then all the time I was but a Colonel? the same could he  
 "I still during my two Consulships ensuing: and such shall my carriage be, and none other, I  
 "whiles I am Dictator: that I will be no more mild and gracious to these here about  
 "me that are mine and my countries soldiers, then to your selves affronting; who are,  
 "I tremble to speake it forth, mine enemies. Ye shall therefore draw sword upon me, before  
 "I draw upon you. The trumpets from thence shall begin found, the shouting from thence  
 "shall arise, the charge from thence shall be given forth, if we must needs go to it and  
 "fight. Now, find in your hearts (if you can) to do that which neither your fathers nor  
 "grandfathers before you ever could: no, nor they who went away and departed unto  
 "the mount Sacra, nor those who afterwards held and kept the *Arventine*. Expect, until  
 "your mothers and wives, with their hair hanging about their ears, come forth of the City  
 "to meet with you one by one, as sometimes they did to *Coriolanus*. Then, the Volscian K  
 "legions were quieted and pacified, because they had one Roman for their leader: w  
 "not yet then, being a whole army, all of the Romanes, increase this unkind and im-  
 "pious warre? And thou T. *Quintius*, howsoever thou art come there to stand, whe-  
 "ther with or against thy will: in case there be no remedy, but fight wee must; retire thy selfe  
 "amongst the hindmost: nay, with more honesty thou shalt, and shew thy naturall com-  
 "mitment a fair pair of heels, then fight against thy country. But stand still hardly with o-  
 "ur and credit among the foremost to make atonement: thou shalt be a true maker in this our  
 "parley and conference, to all our goods. Ask and have, any reasonable and indifferent con-  
 "ditions: although in truth we were better to yield unto hard and unequal capitulations,  
 "than wickedly and ungodly, one to fight with another. T. *Quintius* with teares gush-  
 "ing out at his eyes, turning to his owne companies: "And even me also (quoth he  
 "O soldiers (if need there be at all of mee) yee have a much better captain for peace than  
 "I waite. As for him who even now uttered those words in your hearings, was neither  
 "Volscian nor Samnite, but a Roman, even your owne Consul sometime, soldiers, and  
 "your own Generall heretofore: whose Auspicate conduct, you having tried for you,  
 "and in your defence; doe not prove now against your selves to your perdition. Others  
 "had the Senate to send as captains, who would have fought more maliciously with you: but  
 "they have made choice of him who above all others, could beare with you, yea, and for-  
 "bear you that have been his soldiers: whom you of all others especially might trust, as ha-  
 "ving been your Generall. Peace, yee see, even they desire that are to get the victory, M  
 "And what is it then we ought and should desire? Why then let us not anger and  
 "hope aside, two false motives, two deceitfull guides and counsellors; and betake  
 "our selves and all wee have to a man of approved trait and fidelity? These words being  
 "liked well of all (as appeared by a Generall shout) T. *Quintius* went forth before the  
 "enignes in the forefront, and pronounced that the soldiers should be at the Dictator his  
 "devotion and pleasure: beleeching him to consider and undertake the cause of poor and  
 "wretched citizens: and having taken it into his hands, to maintain and protect the same, ac-  
 "cording to that faithfulness wherewith he used to governe the Commonweale. As for  
 "himselfe privately, he would not intend ought for his owne security: neither repoted  
 "he hope in any things else but innocency. The soldiers indeed were to be capitulate, as N  
 "once heretofore the Commons, and a second time the legions had done with the  
 "Senators: namely, that this their revolt and pety rebellion might not be laid up-  
 "on their charge, and their hurts and utter undoing. Then the Dictator, after hee  
 "had first commended *Quintius*, and willed the rest to be content and of good cheer, rode  
 "post to the City, and by the advice of the Senators, preferred a bill unto the people  
 "in the grove *Petelinus*: That the mutiny and insurrection should turn no man to fear  
 "and danger. He be sought the *Quirites* also of this much favour besides, That no soldiers nam-  
 "ber in just nor earnest, this should be laid in no mans dish. The same time there was  
 "propoled besides, a sacred military law under pain of death, That no soldiers nam-  
 "once entered into the muster after his booke, should be raised out against his will: With o  
 "this branch annexed over and besides, That no man who had been sometime a co-  
 "lonell or Tribune, should after have the leading of bands, and be a Corporall. This was fol-  
 "lowed hard and urged by those of the conspiracy, in regard of one P. *Salustius*, who in maner  
 "each other year had been either a Colonel, or a chief Centurion, whom now they call *Pr-  
 "mipili*. Him the soldiers spighted much, and were maliciously set against, because he had alwaies  
 "opposed

T. Quintius to his soldiers.

T. Quintius to his Dictator.

Military ordi-  
nances enact-  
ed.\* The next  
degree to a  
Colonel.

A posed himself against their conspiracies and innovations, and took not part with them who fled  
 from *Lanula*. But when this one point could not be obtained of the Senat, for the favour they  
 bare to *Salustius*: then *Salustius* himselfe be sought the Senators that they would not regard his ho-  
 nour more than the concord of the whole City: and lo at length it also was granted and enacted;  
 As unreasonable a demand was this also, That of horsemen pay, (and that was triple at that time)  
 some *Asses* should be deducted, for that they also had withstood the conspiracy. Over and besides, I find  
 in some writers, that L. *Genutius*, a Tribune of the Commons, published this Law unto the peo-  
 ple, That if any might be made altogether unlawfull. Likewise in other Acts of the Commons it  
 was provided, That no man within ten years space should be capable of the same Office twice: nor in  
 B one year bear two Offices: and that both Consuls might be of the Commons. Which if they all were  
 granted to the Commons, it appeareth that this insurrection carried some sway and force with it.  
 In other Chronicles it is recorded, that neither *Valerius* was chosen Dictator, but that all this bu-  
 sines was by the Consuls managed: nor so great a multitude of Conspirators rose, before they  
 came to Rome, but even in Rome took arms: nor yet that they came by night, in terrible manner  
 into *Quintius* farm-house, but in the dwelling house of C. *Manlius*: and that he was taken up  
 by the rebels to be their General and from thence went as far as four miles end, and there encamp-  
 ed in a fortified place: that the motion of Concord arose not from the Captains, but that of a  
 sudden when both Armies stood ranged in order of battell they selfe to greeting one another: and  
 the soldiers began to take one another by the hands and embrace with tears: and that the  
 C Consuls seeing the soldiers to backwarke from fight, were forced to move the Senat for an atone-  
 ment. So as among ancient writers, there is no certainty let down but that a sedition there was,  
 and the same appealed. But the rumor thereof and the cruel war which the Samnites begun with-  
 drew certain nations from the Romans society and alliance. For besides the faithles and untrusty  
 League (a long time) of the Latines: the Privernates also with sudden rodes, invaded and wasted  
*Norba* and  *Setia* two Colonies of the Romans near bordering and adjoining.

## The Eighth Book

Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation  
of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the Eighth Book.

T He Latines, together with the Capuans revolted: and the Latines having sent their Embassadors to  
 the Senat (of Rome) offered and presented peace, upon this condition only, that they would create  
 E one of their Consuls out of them. This Embassage thus declared, *Annius* their Pretor, who had audience  
 in the Capitol, going down from thence, took such a fall, that he died in the place. T. *Manlius* caused  
 his own son to lose his head, because, contrary to his express commandment, he had sought against the  
 Latines, notwithstanding his good success in that combat. At what time as the Romans were greatly dis-  
 tressed, and began to lose the field, P. *Decius* then Consul, with *Manlius* devoted and offered himself to pre-  
 sent death, for to save the Army: and setting spurs to his horse, rode into the midst of the enemies bat-  
 tle: where he was slain and by his death recovered victory to the Romans. The Latines yielded and re-  
 tired themselves. When T. *Manlius* returned into the City, there was not one of all the youth came forth  
 to meet him, and do him honour. *Minutia*, a prostitute of *Vestall* Virgin, was condemned for her incest or in-  
 continent life. The *Antiochians* being subdued, a Colony was planted in *Cales*, and another like wife in  
 F *Prezelle*. Many Roman dames were deteiled of practising poison: and most of them were forced to drink  
 of their own empoisoned cup: first, whereof they did presently, whereupon was the first L. in then ordain-  
 ed against poisoning. The Privernates, when they rebelled were vanquished and afterwards sent to  
 the Burgesses of the City of Rome. The *Palapitians* were defeated in battell first, and after sent to  
 surrender upon Compulsion. *Quintius Publicius*, who blocked them within their walls, was the first man that  
 had his Commision renewed, and continued still in government; when the ordinary time was expired: and  
 by means of the Consuls had a triumph granted unto him. The common people were delivered from the  
 danger of their credulity, by occasion of the filthy lust of one of them, L. *Papirius*, who would have forced  
 and against nature abused C. *Publius*, a debauch of his. Whiles L. *Papirius* the Dictator was returned  
 from his Army into the City for to take the *Auspices* anew, in reason of some error supposed in the for-  
 mer, Q. *Fabius* the General of the horsemen, having in his absence seized the opportunity and advantage  
 of performing a worthy exploit gave battell contrary to his Edict, and put the Samnites to the worse. For  
 which cause when the Dictator would have punished him accordingly *Fabius* made an escape, and fled to  
 Rome. And when his cause would have been over, he had it pardon at the earnest suite and prayers of  
 the people. This book containeth also the fortunate exploits against the Samnites.

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Now



The Oration  
of *Annus* in  
the Senate of  
Rome.

The Oration  
of *T. Manlius*.

"[swe] again of the Senat of Rome, that it plainly appeared that they themselves pretended not to require that *Latium* should be under the Roman Empire. Do ye but take upon you, and lay claim unto that which they secretly yield unto you yourselves, and repofess it at your pleasure. Now if any man be afraid to be the speaker, Lo, here am I, who profess to be the man, and to say thus much, not only in the audience of the people and Senat of Rome, but also of *Jupiter* himself, who is present in the Capitol, namely, That if they will have us to be of the League and confederacy, they shall admit from among us one of the Consuls, yea, and a part of the Senat. As he with great spirit and boldness, not only advised this, but promised also thus to do; all that were present with a general applause and assent permitted him to do and say whatsoever he thought expedient for the common good of the Latine nation, according to that trust which they reposed in him. So soon as he was come to Rome (with other Embassadors) he was admitted into the Senat, and audience given him in the Capitol. Where when *T. Manlius* the Consul, by the authority and direction of the Senators, had dealt with him and the rest, not to make war upon the Samnites their confederats: *Annus* raging like a conqueror, as if he had won by force and arms the Capitol; and not as an Embassador, who was to deliver his mind and message safely, by the protection of the Law of Nations, began in this sort: "The time required (quoth he) now at length, O *T. Manlius* and ye Senators of Rome, not to treat and deal with us in any affairs by way of authority and commandment, namely, when you saw *Latium* by the favour of the gods to flourish exceedingly both in men and munition, as having subdued the Samnites, confederate with the Sidicins and Campanians, and now also combined with the Volcians: and besides, even your own Colonies and townships too, have made choice to submit themselves to the Latines rather than the Romans. But forasmuch as you cannot find in your hearts of your selves, nor see how to make an end of your proud and outrageous Lordship and tyranny; We, albeit we are content to restore *Latium* unto her ancient freedom by force of arms, yet for kindred sake will be content to offer indifferent articles and equal conditions of peace, forasmuch as it hath pleased the immortal gods, that we are equal unto you in power and puissance. *Impiis*, there is no remedy now, but your two Consuls, must be one a Roman, and the other a Latine: Item, that the number of Senators be elected as well out of the one nation as the other. Item, that we become one people incorporate, and one Common-wealth. And to the end that there may be impartiality, and one name of all, and therefore we or you must needs yield, we are content a general peace, and to the good of both nations may it prove that this City and State of yours be counted the better and more noble: and let us be called all by the name of Romans. By good hap it fell out, that the Romans also had for their Consul *T. Manlius* to match him, as you stout and hot as the other: who could not contain his anger no longer, but openly said, "That if the Senators were so far overseen and besides themselves, as to take conditions of a Setine, he would come with his sword by his side into the Senate house, and what Latine (soever he saw there in countenance) he would not fail but slay him with his own hand in the place. And therewith turning to the Image of *Jupiter*: Hearken (quoth he) O good god *Jupiter*, Hear this wickedness and indignity: hear O Justice and piety to Godward, Wilt thou abide to see, O *Jupiter*, in this holy and sacred temple wilt thou endure, as taken captive and trodden under foot, to see Consuls of Latins and a Senat of forerunners? Are these the covenants, O ye Latines, which *Tullus* King of Rome made with the Albans your forefathers? or which *L. Tarquinius* after him, concluded with you? Remember ye not the battel at the lake *Regillus*? Have ye so forgotten indeed, both your own calamities and overthrow of old, and also the good turns and benefits received at our hands? When this speech of the Consul was seconded with the indignation also of the Senators, it is recorded that when they called upon the gods, witnesses of those covenants, and reiterated their names oftentimes. *Annus* in mockery of those protestations, was overheard to despise and scorn the power and godhead of the Roman *Jupiter*. But this is certain, that as he in heat of anger stepped hastily to the entry or porch of the temple, and went apace, he fell down the stairs, and so hurt his head that dashed against the bottom stair, that he swooned withall, and lay for dead. But because all writers agree not, that he yielded up his last breath thereupon, I also will leave it doubtful as I find it: as also this, that in the very charging of him with breach of covenants, there poured down a tempestuous storm, with many mighty thunderclaps. For as these and such like things may be very true, so they may be prettily devised and invented on set purpose to represent & shew the wrath and vengeance of God, *Tarquinius* being sent by the Senat to give the Embassadors their dispatch seeing *Annus* there to lie along, cried out aloud, in the hearing both of the Senat and the people and said, "No force, it is well, and as it should be: thus begin and bless, O ye immortal gods, our just and rightful war. Surely there is a God above, there is a power divine and deity in heaven, thou art no feigned and imaginary god O mighty *Jupiter* & not in vain have we bowed thee in this place, as the father both of gods and men. Why stay ye then, O Roman Quirites? ye likewise my LL of the Senat to take arms in the name of the gods, having them already as you see to be your Leaders? I for my part shall soon overthrow and lay the Legions of the Latines along on the earth, as ye now see their Embassador, lying here at the stairs foot. The words of the Consul received with so great applause of the people, animated and enkindled them in such sort, that had not the careful diligence of the Magistrates been the ordinary (who by commandment of the Consul accompanied the Embassadors as they went) than the ordinary life command of the Law of Nations they had not escaped the rage and fury of the multitude.

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A The Senat also gave their assent to this war, and the Consuls having levied two armies, and passed through the country of the Marfians and Peligians, and joyined unto them the Samnites power, encamped themselves before *Capua*, whither the Latines with their associats, were already come together. There, as the report goeth, the Consuls both of them in their sleep had a vision: and there appeared unto them, one and the same shape of a mans personage, much greater and more lately than the ordinary port of men, who should deliver their words unto them, "That of the two armies embattelled and affronting one another, the one was appointed as a due tribute to the infernal spirits, and to Mother Earth: and of the other, the chief General only, and look of whether army the said sovereign General should devote and offer unto those infernal spirits, and to mother Earth, the Legions of the enemies, and his own person withall, that part and that Nation shall have the victory. When the Consuls had imparted one to the other these night-visions, it was thought good and agreed (for to divert and appease Gods anger) that certain sacrifices should be slain, and also if the same shewed in their inward, as appeared in their sleep, then one or other of the Consuls should fulfil the destinies, and accomplish fatal appointment. When as the answers of the Soothsayers agreed also to that secret religion which was now entered and settled already in their minds, then the Consuls calling together the Lieutenants and Colonels to a Council, and openly declaring before them all the pleasure of the gods, (to the end, that the willful and voluntary death of one of the Consuls, might not fright his army in the field) they agreed between themselves, that of whether side the Roman battallions began first to give back and retreat the Consul of that Army, should devote and betake himself to die for the people of Rome and the Quirites. It was debated also in that assembly, that if ever at any time before there had been war managed by severe rule and government, the military discipline should now be revived and reduced to the old manner and ancient rigour: their care in that behalf was the greater and more redoubled, for that they were to fight against the Latines, suting altogether to them in language, fashions, armour, and especially above all, in the orders and laws of warfare. For, many a time, in these two armies souldier with souldier, Centurion with Centurion, Colonel with Colonel, had sorted and converted together, as colleagues and compeers in the same garbisons, yea, and under the same colours and ensigns. By reason whereof, to the end, that by no error the souldiers should be mistaken or deceived, the Consuls made proclamation through the Camp, That no man should fight with his enemy out of his own rank, and place appointed unto him. It turned now, that among other Captains and Cornets of horsemen, which were sent out every way as scouts and espials to discover the coasts, *T. Manlius* the Consul his son together with the rest of his Cornet and Troop, was passed above the enemies Camp, joyn near, as he was within an arrow shot of their next Corps de guard. In which was quartered the cavalry of *Tusculum*, under the leading of *Geminus Matius* a Knight, both for birth, and also for his noble feats of arms highly esteemed in his country. He espying the Roman horle, and knowing the Consul, advancing before them, and of especial mark above the rest (for all Noblemen and of quality were well enough known one to another.) What, will ye Romans (quoth he) with one Cornet of horse fight with the Latines and their confederats? What shall your Consuls, what shall two Consular armies do the mean while? Marry (quoth *Manlius*) they will be here time enough for you, and with them *Jupiter* himself, a witness of league and covenants by you broken. *Jupiter* I say, who only can do more than all mens forces in the world. And we who at the pool *Regillus*, have given you fighting your bellies full, will here also quit our selves so, that never after ye shall have any great joy and pleasure to encounter and joyn battel with us again. With that, *Geminus*, riding forth as he was on horseback, a little from his company, Wilt thou then (quoth he) till that day come wherein ye mean with so great a do to set forward your armies to a general set field, break a staff with me in the mean time: that by the proof and event of us twain, it may henceforth appear, how far the Latine men of arms, surpass the Roman? The young man his bloud and courage was soon up either upon anger and choler, or for very shame to refuse the combat, or because God would to have it, and it was his destiny that could not be avoided. Forgetting therefore his fathers commandment, and the express Edict of the Consuls, he returneth on head and rashly, to a single fight: wherein it skilled not much, whether he had the better or the worse, for any great odds thereby in the main trial of the quarrel. Thus when the rest of the horsemen of both parts were retired aside (as it were) to behold some spectacle or running at tilt: in the void place of the plain field that lay between, they ran their horses in full career one against the other, with sharp and deadly spear in rest. *Manlius* with his lance aloft, did over and raised the Morion of his enemy and *Matius* with his spear lightly touched, and passed by the horse neck. Then having turned about their horses, *Manlius* came upon him first with a second charge, and so redoubled the push, that he thrust the others horse in between the ears. At the snart of which wound the horse reared and mounted with his forefeet, and with great force shaking his head cast his rider. And as he bare his spear and shield, to raise himself from his grievous fall, *Manlius* ran him through at the throat, so that the spear-head came forth at his ribs, and nailed him fast to the ground. And having disarmed & depolied him rode back to his own troop: and both together with exceeding joy hastened to the Camp, and so to the Generals Pavilion, even to his fathers: full little knowing his fatal destiny, and what was to befall unto him, whether he had deserved praise, or incurred danger of punishment. That all the world, quoth he, (O father) may be perswaded and report truly that I am defended indeed of your bloud, and your undoubted son. Lo here I am, who being

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defied and challenged to fight man to man, have killed mine enemy a man of arms: see here the spoils of him slain and dead. Which to soon as the Col, heard, presently he could not abide to look on his son, but turned away, and by found of trumpet, commanded the host to a publick audience, Which being assembled in great number, "Forasmuch (quoth he) as thou, *T. Mañius*, without regard of Coss. authority, or dread of thy fathers majesty and power over thee, against our E-dict and expresse commandment, hast fought with the enemy, and that without thy rank and place; and as much as lay in thee, hast broken the discipline of war, whereby to this day the State of Rome hath stood maintained, and hast brought me thy father to this hard point, that I must forget either the Common-weal, or else mine own self, and mine, we will abide rather the punishment and mast for our own misdeeds, than the whole state to her for great prejudice and damage. should pay for our folly and transgression. A fearful and dolorous example will we afford: but good & profitable to all youth for ever hereafter. As for me verily, both the inbred love and affection of all fathers to their children, and also this shew and proof of thy valour and knight-hood (although seduced with deceitful appearance and vain resemblance of honour) moveth me not a little: but since that, either by thy death the Coss. commands must be established, or by impunity of thy disobedience for ever disannulled, I would not wish thee to refuse (if there be any of my blood in thee) but by thy punishment to refigure and set up again the military discipline, which this day by thy default is fallen down and ruinate. Go serjeant, and bind him to a stake. At this so cruel a sentence, they were all amazed and in an extasy, that were present: and as if they had seen the edge bent against themselves, for fear more than for any modesty or reverence, they were quier. So when they were come again to themselves, as if their spirits had been recovered after some deep impression of a wonder which had astonished them, they stood still with silence: but so soon as the poor wretch his head was chapt off, and his blood seen to gush and spin out, then began they all of a sudden to speak freely and complain with open mouth, so as they forbore neither lamentations nor curses: they covered the youth his body with his own victorious spoils, they erected a funeral pile of wood over his corps without the trench and rampiers, set it on fire, and burnt him accordingly: and so with as great love and affection as fouldiers could shew, performed their last duty unto him, and solemnized his obsequies. Thus the commandments of *Mañius* were not only dreadful for the present, but gave an heavy and fearful precedent for the future. To all sovereign Commanders of an Army. Howbeit, the rigour of this punishment made the fouldiers more dutiful to their Captains and Leaders: and besides that, the rounds and sentinels, and the set corps de guard, were every where more carefully looked unto and observed: even in the very hazard and extremity also of the battel afterward, that anitere severity did much good. For their fight was much like unto a civil war. So little, or nothing at all in a manner, differed the Latines from the Romans Common-wealth, but only in heart and courage.

Aforetime they used Roman long large shields, covering their whole bodies: but in procees of time, after that they became Stipendiaries and to take pay, they bare shorter targets. And whereas aforetime they had their battalions thick and close together, like to the Macedonian Phalanges, afterwards they began to range their battel into bands more loosely and distinctly, and last of all, they were divided into thinner orders and squadrons: every such order or squadron contained threecore fouldiers, two Centurions, and one Port ensign. The forefront of the vanguard were javelincers called *Hastati*, in fifteen squadrons, distant some little way one from another: such a squadron had twenty fouldiers lightly armed, and all the rest a fort of Targeteers. And those were called light-armed, who carried only a spear or javelin to fight with at hand, and other darts to lance from them aloof. This forefront contained the flower of youths, that grew up as apprentices to war-service. Then followed after them of stronger and riper age, as many bands or squadrons, which were called *Principes*: whom there followed hard at heels, thirty squadrons, all targeteers or shield-bearers, with brave armour above all others. And this battalion of thirty companies they called *Antepilani* [avant-darters] for that the other fifteen orders or bands were placed hard before the ensigns. And of these, every band consisted of three parts: and each of them they called *Primum pilum*, and it was composed of three banners or pannonces: and every such banner contained 186 men. The first Pannonce or banner conducted the *Triarii*, who were old fouldiers of approved valour: the second, those that were called *Rorarii*, of less puissance both for age and prowess: the third, such as were named *Accensi*, who were of least account and trust, and therefore they were cast behind unto the tail of the battallion. When the Army was thus ordered in battel array into these bands & squadrons, the javelincers foremost of all began the fight: if they were not able to discomfit the enemies, then they with ready footing and soft pace retired back into the void places between the squadrons of the *Principes*, who received them: then began the *Principes* to enter into the battel and to maintain fight, and were seconded by the *Hastati* or Javelincers. The *Triarii* remained standing all this while firmly about their ensigns, setting out their left legs afore them at length, with their Targets on their shoulders, and their pikes or javelins sticking on the ground, with their heads somewhat bending forward, much like as if their battel were fortified with a Pallisado or rampier of pales and sharp pikes. Now if those *Principes* had not good success in fight, they retired themselves by little and little from the forefront: the *Triarii*, and hereupon grew the proverb, that when a thing was at a dead lift and in distress they would say, We are come to the *Triarii*. Then the *Triarii* standing up right, so soon as they had received the *Principes* and *Hastati*, into the void place between their files, presently drew in their

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A ranks and files close together, and shut up as it were all waies of passage and entrance, and with one main joint and close battallion (as if now there were no more hope behind) advanced toward the enemy. And this most of all feared and terrified the enemies, when thinking to chafe those that they seemed to have vanquished, they saw a new battel of fresh men starting up, and the same increased in number.

Now were there commonly four Legions enrolled, consisting of five thousand foot, and three hundred horse to every legion. As many more were added unto them, and those mustered out of the Latines, who at that time were enemies to the Romans, and had ordered their battalions after the same manner in all respects. And they knew well enough that not only might with ensign, B all pikes and javelins with pikes and javelins, *Principes* with *Principes*, but one Centurion with another, if the arraises were not broken, were to encounter. Two *Principis* or chief Centurions, there were amongst the *Triarii* in the one army and the other. The Roman of body not so strong and well set, howbeit a good fouldier otherwise, skillfull and of great experience: the Latine, exceeding mighty, and a notable fighter of all others. Well known they were one unto the other, because at all times they had the same conduct and equal place of charge. The Roman not greatly trusting to his own strength, was permitted even at Rome by the Col. to chuse unto him an under-Centurion whom he would: who might protect and defend him late from an enemy that should hap to deal with him hand to hand. And it returned that the young man by him elected, fought in the throng and got the victory of the Latine Centurion. As for the battel, it was fought

C not far from the foot of the hill *Pyramus*, in the very way that leadeth to *Veris*. The Roman Consuls before they came into the field killed their beatts for sacrifice. And the boggy-lying Soothsayer (as it is reported) shewed to *Decius* the head of the Liver on the inner side wounded (as it were) and cut off: otherwise in all respects, his sacrifice was acceptable to the gods. As for *Mañius* he had as good signs of Gods favour in his, and all as well as might be. That is welley (quoth *Decius*) if my colleague speed well, and have good success by his sacrifice. Their battels being so arranged, as I said before, they marched into the field, *Mañius* led the right wing, *Decius* the left. At the first they fought on both sides with equal forces and like courage and heat of stomack. But afterwards on the left wing, the Roman *Hastati*, not able to sustain the violent charge of the Latines, retired to the *Principes*. In which trouble and fearful disorder, *Decius* the Col. called aloud

D to *M. Valerius*. "We have need of Gods help (quoth he) O *Valerius*. Where art thou, the publick high Priest of the people of Rome? Come and say afore me that form of words, whereby I may devote and betake my self for the Legions. The Priest commanded him to put on his long purple robe embroidered before, called *Prætecta*, to cover his head, and to put forth his hand under the said robe at his chin, and standing upon his javelin, with both his feet, to pronounce these words after him as follow: [O Janus, Jupiter, father Mars, Quirinus, Bellona, O ye Lares and domesticall gods, ye God Novensiles and Indigetes; ye gods like unto whose power extendeth over us and our enemies, and O Manes the infernal gods, you I invoke, you I worship and adore, your pardon I beseech and favour crave, that ye would prosper all power and victory unto the people of Rome and Quirites; and put to fear, fright, and death, the enemies of the people of Rome and Quirites. And just as I pronounce in these

E words, so for the weal publike of the Quirites, the Army, Legions and aids of the people of Rome, I betake with me unto Manes the infernal spirits, and dame Tellus, the Legions and aids of the enemies, and my self after them.] Having made this prayer, he willed the Serjeants or Liçtors to go to *Mañius*, and with all speed to tell him, that his colleague was devoted for the army. Himself girded after the Gabine fashion, and armed at all pieces, mounted on horseback and so rode into the midst of his enemies. Of both armies he was seen to carry with him much more stately and venerable port than a man as sent from heaven to be a satisfaction of all gods wrath, and to turn away all plague and mischief from his own people upon the enemies. All terror and fear he carried with him as he went, and first disordered the ensigns of the Latines in the edge and border of the battalions, and afterwards entered within into the whole army. This was noted and seen most evidently, that

F which way he ere he rode the enemies were smitten with fear, as if they had been blasted and struck with some untoward aspect and influence of a planet. But so soon as he was in and overcharged with shot of darts, presently from that place all about, the cohorts of the Latines (out of all question) as amazed men fled away and avoided. And therewithall likewise the Romans, as if they had been discharged and freed from their religious fear and scruple of conscience, and as if they had but then and not before heard the found of the trumpet to battel, began to charge and fight afresh. For both the *Rorarii* advanced forward and ran among the ranks of the *Antepilani* and thereby re-enforced the *Hastati* and *Principes*, and called them to fight more stoutly: and the *Triarii* kneeling on their right knee, waited till the Col. gave them some token to arise. Afterwards in procees of fight, when in other parts the Latines in their number prevailed, *Mañius* the Consul, having

G heard of the final end of his companion, and (and right as piety would) accompanied as well with plains and tears as with due praises to worthy and memorable a death, for a while doubted, whether it were yet time for the *Triarii* to arise. Afterwards thinking it better that they should be relieved in heart and fresh, unto the last push of extremity, he biddeth the *Accensi* from the hindmost tail of the reerward to come forth before the standards. Who so soon as they were come in place, forthwith the Latines, supposing the enemies had done the like, raised their *Triarii*. Who having for a good while fought fiercely and wearied themselves, and either broken their javelins or dulled their points, and yet by meer force repulped their enemies: thinking now all had been done, and

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and the victory achieved as being come as far as to the utmost skirts of the battalions: "Then," quoth the Consul to the *Triarii*, "I am now fresh and lusty as ye are, against the wearied, mindful of your country, parents, wives and children, mindful of the Consul, who for your victory hath taken his death. The *Triarii* all hearty & unfeigned, were not so soon risen up, shewing themselves in their bright and glittering armour, but there began on a sudden & unlooked for a new skirmish and conflict. For they receiving the *Antipiani* between their files, set up a shout and outcry, troubled & disordered the *Principes* of the Latines, gored their faces with their javelins, slew the principal flower and strength of their best & foremost men and passed untouched in a manner through the other bands, as if they had been disarmed; yea, and brake through their pointed and close battalions, with so great a murder, that scarcely they left behind them a fourth part of their enemies alive. The Samnites also under the foot of the hill, being seen a far off in battel array, smote a terror among the Latines. But among all either Citizens or Allies, the especial commendation of that service rested in the Consuls: of whom, the one turned all the threats and dangers from the gods both above and beneath upon himself alone; the other in that battel shewed such valour and policy, that it is confessed both of Romans and Latines, who have written of that journey and commanded it to posterity, that of whether army *T. Manlius* had the conduct, that way doubtless would the victory go. The Latines after their defeat and flight retired to *Minturna*: their camp presently upon the battel was won, and many a man there surprised alive and cut in pieces, but the Campains especially. That day could not the corps of *Decius* be seen, for that the night came upon them as they fought for it: the morrow after it was found amongst a mighty company of Latin enemies, overwhelmed with swords, darts and javelins: and with all honour and solemnity according to his death performed by his brother Consul were his funerals.

This also amongst the rest, seemeth worth the remembrance and to be inserted in this place, namely, That it was lawful for Consul, Dictator, and Praetor, whensoever they sacrificed and betook to the Devil the Legions of their enemies, for to vow and offer withal, not themselves in any case, but any Citizen whom they would: provided alwaies that he were one of the enrolled legion of the Romans. [And if the man who is thus addicted and destined to death, hap to die all as well, and as it ought to be: But if he die not, then was the image of him seven foot high or above buried in the ground, and a purging or propitiatory sacrifice was slain in his stead: but wheresoever he chanced that image to be so interred, whither was it not lawful for any Roman Magistrate to set foot and come. But if a man would needs offer and vow himself to death, as *Decius* did, and die not, he shall not purely perform his sacred duty, do sacrifice, either for himself or the City, that hath once thus betaken himself. If he will bequeath and offer his armour to Vulcan, or to some saint whomsoever he list be permitted and lawful for him so to do, either by way of sacrifice or other offering as he pleaseth. As for the weapon or spear over which the Consul standing on both his feet, made his prayers and invocations; it is not lawful the enemy to seize thereon: but if he fortune to win the same, a propitiatory sacrifice must be offered to appease Mars to wit a swine, a sheep, and a Bull.] And albeit the records both of all divine and humane customs and traditions, make no mention hereof, and are now grown out of use and remembrance, by reason that we prefer new and forreign ceremonies, before the old ancient rites of our own country and ancestors, yet I thought not amiss to make report hereof, even in those very words and terms as they were used delivered and pronounced.

In some writers I find, that the Samnites having waited to see the event of this battel, came to aid the Romans when all was done and past. Also, that there was succour a coming from *Lucanum* unto the Latines, but not before they had the overthrow: by reason that they spent a great time in deliberation. And when as now the most oft ensigns and some part of the army was gone forth of the gates, and news came of the defeat and slaughter of the Latines; as they turned their banners and returned into the City, it is said, That their Praetor or Provost, named *Milonius*, spake these words, "That to small a way as they had gone, mult cost them dear, and full sweetly would the Romans be paid therefore. Such as were remaining of the Latines after the battel, and were scattered asunder in many and divers waies, when they were rallied together, shrowded themselves for safety in the City *Pesice*. Where in their Councils and assemblies, *Numicus* their General, averred, and assured them, that *Mars* indeed was common, and the hazard indifferent to both parties, as having made an equal massacre in the one army and the other; and that the bare name only of victory went with the Romans: for otherwise, they carried away with them the fortune of men vanquished, and lipped no better than they. For (saith he) The two royal pavilions of their Coe are polluted and defiled: the one with the parricide of his own ion, the other for the death of the Coe, who had vowed himself to die: all their forces in manner slain: their Javelineers and principals killed: a bloody slaughter committed both before and behind the Standards; and only the *Triarii* at the last uphonor renewed the fight and set all upright. And albeit (quoth he) the power of the Latines also be shrewdly abated, yet for a fresh supply, either *Laurum* or *Folcia* are nearer than Rome. And therefore if they so thought good, he would with all speed raise the lusty flower and choicest manhood both out of the Latines and the Volscians, and return again with a fresh army to *Cepus*: and with his sudden coming unlooked for, surpris and defeat the Romans, expecting as then for nothing less, than a second battel. So by dispatching his careles and deceitful letters into all parts of *Latium* and the Volscian nation (by reason that they who had not been present at the battel were sooner induced to give rash credit) there was a tumultuary army in great hast levied, enrolled, and assembled together out of all quarters.

A This host as it marched, *Torquatus* the Consul met at *Tifanum*, a place between *Simul* and *Alatrinum*. And before they could chuse out a plot of ground to encamp in, they bestowed their carriages and baggage on heaps of either side: fell to a battel presently and made a final end and conclusion of all the war. For the enemies were brought so low that as the Consul led his victorious Army to waste their Country, all the Latines yielded themselves to him: and this their rendering the Campains likewise followed. Thus *Latium* and *Capua* forfeited and lost part of their Territories. The lands of the Latines with the Privernats, laid thereto, and the Territory of *Faleris*, which belonged to the people of *Capua*, even as far as the river *Vulturinus*, was divided amongst the Commons of Rome. Two acres in the Latine Country, with a supplement of three fourth parts out of the Privernats land to make up the whole: and three acres in the Territory of *Faleris*, with addition of a fourth part to boot for amends, because it was so far off, were assigned for a man. The Laurens only, of all *Latium*, and the horsemen of the Campains escaped this punishment and were exempted from the rest, because they had not revolted. And a decree passed, that the League with the Laurens should be renewed: and from that time usually every year, is it renewed, after the tenth day of the Latine holidays. Those Campain horsemen were made free denizens of Rome: and for a monument and memorial thereof, they set up and laid a brazen table at Rome in the Temple of *Castor*. The people of *Capua* were enjoined to pay yearly to every one of them, (and they were a thousand and six hundred in all) 45. Denarii.

Thus after the war fully determined, and both rewards dealt, and punishment inflicted according to each mans desert, *T. Manlius* returned home: whom the elders only [for certain] went forth to meet on the way: the youth, not only then, but ever after, during his life abhorred, and with curses detested him. The Antians made certain rides into the Territories of *Hofia*, *Ardea*, and *Solona*. And for that *Manlius* the Consul was not able himself in person to intend and manage that war, by reason of sickness, he nominated for Dictator *L. Papirius Crassus*, who as it happened was at that time Praetor: by whom was named for General of the horsemen *L. Papirius Cursor*. This Dictator, albeit he kept the field, and lay encamped certain months within the confines, yet achieved no worthy and memorable exploit. After this year thus renowned for the victory of so many and so puissant nations, and withal, for the noble and famous death of the one Consul, and for the government of the other, albeit stern and rigorous, yet notable and renowned; there succeeded Consuls, *T. Aemilius Mamercus*, and *Q. Publilius Philo*, who met not with the like subject and matter of great affairs: and they themselves were more mindful either of their own private business, and studious to maintain a fide and faction in the Common-weal, than to advance the State of their Country. Howbeit, the Latines (who rebelled for anger that they lost their lands) they discomfited in the plain of *Fenestru*, drove them both out of their Camp, and forced them to leave the field. Where, whilst *Publius* (by whose governance and conduct that victory was achieved) received surrender of the Latines, the flower of whose youth was there slain and killed up, *Aemilius* led his Army against *Pedum*. As for the Pedans they had maintenance from *Tybur*, *Premaeste*, and *Velutern*, who took their parts: there came also aid from *Lavinium* and *Antium*. Where the Roman Consul, albeit he had the better hand in skirmish, yet for that there remained behind a new piece of service about the City it self *Pedum*, and the Camp of their Confederates which was adjoynd close to the Town: all of a sudden he gave over the war, unfinished, because he heard that triumph was decreed unto his brother Consul. He also himself returned to Rome, and called earnestly for triumph before victory. At which untimely and covetous desire of his, the Nobles being offended, denied flatly: that unless he either forced *Pedum* by assault, or won it by composition he should not triumph. Hereupon *Aemilius* being discontented and alienated from the Senat, bare his Consulship afterward like to the seditious Tribunes. For so long as he was Consul he ceased not to charge and accuse the Nobles before the peoples and his Colleague no whit gain said him as being himself one of the Commons. He took occasion of these accusations, upon this, that the lands in the Latine and Falern Countries, were divided in pinching and scant measure among the Commons. And after that the Senat, desirous to abridge the time of the Consuls government, had decreed that a Dictator should be declared against the Latine rebels: *Aemilius* (who's turn it was at that time to govern) nominated his own companion in office to be Dictator, by whom *Junius Brutus* was named General of the horse. This Dictatorship was popular and altogether framed to the humour of the common people: both by reason of slanderous and accusatory Invectives made against the Nobles; and for that it enacted three Statutes, most favourable and pleasing to the Commons, and as crofs and adverse to the Nobility: first, That the Acts devised and enacted by the Commons, should bind all the *Quirites* or Citizens of Rome: secondly, That all laws which were propoled and to pass by the suffrages of the Centuries, before the Scrutiny began, and their voices gathered, the Nobles should allow and approve: thirdly, That forasmuch as they were come thus far already, that both the Censors might be of the Commons, now one Censor at the least should be a Commoner of necessity. Inasmuch as the Nobles thought verily that there was more lost at home this year by the Consuls and Dictator, than gained to the Empire abroad, by their victories and warlike exploits.

In the year following when *C. Furius Camillus* and *Q. Menius* were Consuls, to the end that *Aemilius* the Consul of the former year, might be more notably reproached for the quitting and letting slip of a victory that should have been achieved in his year, the Senat began to mutter in

\*45. Denarii  
amount to 28  
sh. 1 d. 6d. 1/2.

in their speeches, that *Pedum* by force of arms, by valour of men, & all possible means whatsoever, it should be destroyed and raised to the ground. Whereupon the new Consuls being forced to lay aside all other affairs and to go in hand with that service, first took their journey thither. Now was *Latium* grown to those terms, as they could neither abide war nor endure peace. To maintain the wars they wanted means: and peace they could not away with nor abide to hear of, being since the loss of their lands. So they thought best to hold a middle course; to stand upon their guard, and to keep themselves within their towns: that the Romans being not provoked, should make no quarrel of war: and if there were tidings brought of any town beleaguered, there might be aid sent from all parts to the beleagued. And yet for all this, were the *Pedans* succoured but of very few. The *Tiburins* and *Prænetins*, whose country lay nearest came to *Pedum*. But for the *Arici*, *Lavinis*, and *Veliternes*, who joined their forces with the *Antians* and *Volscians*, were indifferently assailed and set upon near the river *Astura* by *Menius* and vanquished. *Camillus* fought before *Pedum* with the *Tiburins*, who came into the field with a right pusilliant army, and put him to much trouble and hazard: howbeit, he had as good success in the end as *Menius*. The greatest tumult and trouble was caused especially by occasion of a sudden fall of the townsmen in the very time of the conflict. Against whom, after that *Camillus* had opposed part of his forces to make head, he not only drove them within the walls, but the same day also, when he had discomfited both them and their succours, he scaled the town and was Master thereof. Then it was thought good, with greater preparation of power and courageous resolution, after the winning of that one City to go about with the victorious army from one to another and so to subdue and tame for ever the whole nation and name of *Latium*. Neither rested they, until partly by main force, and partly by taking one City after another by way of surrender, they had brought all *Latium* under their subjection. After this, having disposed and placed garrisons in every town which they had got, they departed to *Rome* for triumph: which was to them by a general consent of all men granted. Besides their triumph this honour was to them done, that two statues of horsesmen (a rare thing in those days) should be erected for them in the Grand place called *Forum*.

**The Oration  
of Camillus to  
the Senat of  
Rome.**

thing in those daies ) should be erected for them in the Grand place, called *Forum*.  
 But before that they gathered the suffrages of the people, in the assembly for Election of Coss.  
 against the year following, *Camillus* in this wife made a speech to the Senat, touching the Latine  
 nations, " My LL. and Senators of *Rome*, That which by war and force of arms was to be done in  
 "*Latium*, is now by God his goodnesse and the valour of our fouldiers brought to good paas, The  
 " Armies of our enemies slain before *Pedum* and *Afrus*: The Latine towns all, and *Antium* a Ci-  
 " ty of the Volscians either by force won, or rendered by composition, are now held and kept to  
 " your behoof by your own garrisons. It remaineth now to consult (forasmuch as they trouble us  
 " oft by rebellion) and to devise some means how to keep them quiet in continual peace. In this  
 " consultation, the immortal gods have given you thus much power to resolve upon, that it lieth  
 " wholly in your hands, to chuse whether *Latium* shall continue still a nation or no: and therefore  
 " may ye for ever procure your selves repose and security from thence either by rigour & punish-  
 " ment, or by clemency and pardon, chuse you whether. Are ye minded to proceed by way of cru-  
 " elty against those that have yielded themselves, and are vanquished? Ye may, indeed, destroy all  
 " *Latium*, and make all wait and desert wilderness, from whence offenses inundry and dan-  
 " gerous was of yours ye have had the help of an army of Allies; & found them fast and valorous, M  
 " But will ye (as your ancestors have done before you) enlarge the Roman Empire by receiving un-  
 " to your City those whom ye have conquered? Then have ye matter & means for growing up still and  
 " to your City those whom ye have conquered? Surely, that government & dominion is of all other  
 " was mighty, to your great honour and glory. Surely, that government & dominion is of all other  
 " most firm and sure, wherein the subjects take joy in their obedience. But whatsoever you mean  
 " to determine in this behalfe, ye had need to make speed and resolve betimes. So many nations ye  
 " ha' d in suspence of mind between fear and hope: and therefore behoovefull it is, that you both  
 " send and deliver your selves (as soon as you can) of the care they put you to; and also whiles their  
 " heads are banded and minds unresolved (standing as they do amazed in doubtful expectation)  
 " either by punishment or by benefit, to foretell and prevent them before they take heart again. N  
 " For our part, it was hitherto our endeavour to effect and bring about; that ye might be able to  
 " dispose of all at your pleasure, and as you would your selves: now your duty it is to determine  
 " what is best for your selves and the Common-weal. The Lords and chief officers the Senat praised this  
 " motion of the Coss, & deemed good in general. But forasmuch as the condition of the parties  
 " was divers, and their cause not all one, they said that they might resolve and determine best, accord-  
 " ing to the desert of each rate, if they were specified by name, and the opinions asked in particu-  
 " lar. So they fell to consultation of them severally as they were propounded: and let down this or-  
 " der and decree, *Imprimis*, that the Lanuvins be enfranchised Citizens of *Rome*, and enjoy again  
 " their own religion and sacred ceremonies, with this proviso, that the chapel and grove of *Junos*  
 "*Sospita* should be common to the Burgeses of *Lanuvium* and the people of *Rome*. Item, that the C  
 " Aricins, Nomentans, and Pedans, shall be made denizens of *Rome*, and endued with the liberties  
 " and privileges of the Lanuvins. Item, that the Tusculans retain still that freedom of their  
 " City life, which as then they enjoyed: and the crime and attainder of rebellion, to be charged up-  
 " on a few of the chief to save the common state from danger. Item, that there should be grievous  
 " punishment inflicted upon the Velleitans, who being ancient Roman Citizens, had notwithstanding  
 " daring to often taken arms and rebelled: that their walls should be dismantled and rased: their Se-  
 " nators from thence translated, and confined beyond *Tyberis*, there to dwell, upon pain, that  
 " who should

A whosoever were found on this side the water, it might be lawful for any man to take him as his prisoner, and to ransom him at a 1000 Askes, Provided always, that he should not enlarge him, nor release him of his Irons, until the money were fully satisfied and paid, Iuno the potifications and lands of those Senators, were tenants and Colonies sent to inhabit: who being once enrolled, *Vdiscreet* seemed again as populous as beforetime, At *Antium* was there a new Colony planted, with this proviso, that the ancient inhabitants of the *Antia* should be permitted (if they themselves would) to be enrolled there, and remain still. From thence were their long Gallies and war-ships had away, and the people of *Antium* wholly forbidden the sea: but the freedom of Roman Citizens to them was granted. The Tyburti and Prenetini forfeited their lands, not for their late trespass of rebellion, common with other Latines, but because they repining and envying the good estate of the Romans had in times past joined arms with the Frenchmen, a savage and unlovable nation. From the other Latines Cities and States, they took away the privilege of marriage, the commerce of traffick, and entercourse of mutual intelligences, and holding counsells themselves, for ever alter. To the Campain Gentlemen that served with horse aforesaid, for that they would not give content to revolt with the Latines: to the Fundani also and Formani, through whole country they had always had free, safe, and quiet passage to and fro, this honour was done, as to be made Citizens of *Rome*: but without the liberty of giving voices. *Items*, it was decreed, that the Cumani and Stucculani, should be of the same condition and state that *Capua* was. The Ships of the *Antia* were parts of them transported to the Arsenal at *Rome*, and the rest left on fire and burned. With the items, beakheads, and brazen pikes whereof it was thought good, that the pulpit of common places and Orations in the grand place of *Rome*, should be beautified and adorned: which publique Pulpit was thereupon called *Rostra*.

Whiles *C. Sulpicius Longus*, and *P. Aelius Paetus* were Consuls, when as the Romans held peaceably under their dominion all the countries, as well through the favour which they won by bountiful dealing as by might and strong hand, there arose war between the Sidicins and Auruncins. The Aurni, 1. who had yielded afore to *T. Manlius* Consul, and were taken into protection after wards rebelled not: whereby they had a more just cause to request and seek for aid at the Romans. But before that the Consuls had led forth their power out of the City (for the Senate had commanded, that the Aurunci should be defended) Judices came, that the Aurunci for fear had quit their town: and being fled with their wives and children, had fortified *Sinuffe*, which now at this day is called *Aurunca*: and that the ancient walls, with the town left free, were by the Sidicins destroyed. Hereat the Senate offended with the Consuls, by whose delay and lingering their allies had been betrayed in time of their necessity, ordained a Dictator to be chosen. So there was elected *C. Claudius Regillensis*, who appointed for General of horsemen *C. Claudius Horatior*. But hereupon rose a scruple of conscience about the creation of the Dictator. And when the Augurs had pronounced, that they thought him not rightly created, both Dictator and General of horsemen gave over their rooms. The same year *Minucia* a Vestal Nun, was first suspected of incontinency, for going in her apparel more trim than was decent for one of her calling and profession: and after that, brought in question and accused by a bond-lavert, that informed against her to the high Priests, First, by a decree of theirs he was awarded to abstain from divine service, to keep her house, and not to manœuvre and free any of her bond-slaves, but to have them forth coming, whenever they were called for: and after further examination and judgement passed, was buried quick under the ground, at the gate *Collina*, in the paved way on the right hand, within the plain of fire called *Sclerata*, as it is, Excreat or polluted. I suppose, that place took the name of such inconst of filthy whoredom. The same year, *Q. Publius Philo* was elected Prætor, the first that ever was of the Commons, notwithstanding the mind of *Sulpicius* the Consul, who said, That he would not take his name to propound it for Election nor admit him among other competitors. But the Senat served the lives in impeaching this Prætorship, seeing they could not have their will in the highest rooms and dignities,

P The year next ensuing, under the Consulship of *L. Papirius Crassus* and *C. Sulpicius*, was notable and famous for the war of the Aufonians, in regard rather of the novelty, than the greatness and danger thereof. They were a people that inhabited a town called *Cales*; and had joyned their power with the Sidicins their next neighbours. The whole power of which two nations being difcomfited in one battell, and the fame not so memorable, was for the nearmes of their Cities more ready to flic, and in their flight more late and fecured. Yet the Nobles of *Rome* omitted not the care of that war: for that the Sidicins fo often, either had themfelves moved war, or aided thole that began, or elfe were the caufe of all troubles. Whereupon they endeavored al that they could to make Conful the fourth time, the nobleft warrior in thole daies, *M. Valerius Corvinus*, who had for his brother in government *M. Attilius Regulus*. And left haply fome error by chance G fhould be committed, init was made to the Confuls, that extraordinarily, and without calling lot, that province might fall to *Corvinus*: who having received the Army (after the victory at *Cales*) of the former Confuls, went forth. And when at the firft fhout and onfet he had difcomfited his enemies, who in remembrance of their former late overthrow were affrighted, he affaided to affault their very wals: and fo eager and hotly bent (I affure you) were the fouldiers, that even at the firft they would have let ladders to, as making ill account to fcale up to the top, and enter the town. But *Corvinus*, becaufe that was an hard adventure, was defirous to accomplifh that enterprife by the long toil of his fouldiers, rather than their prefent perill: he raifed therefore

\* 52 Th. 6. d.  
Berl.

\* Simple fornication or incontinency in a professed Votary was called Incest.

therefore a countermure and platforms, and rolling frames, mounted against the walls: but as good hap was, by an opportunity that fell out, they had no use of these munitions and fabricks. For *M. Fabius* a Roman prisoner, taking vantage of the negligence of his keepers upon a festival holiday, and making means to break his bonds, let himself down by a long cord, fastned at one end to a pinnacle or battlement of the wall, and slid by the arms, among the munitions and fabricks of the Romans: who so periwaded and prevailed with the General, that he caused him to give an assault upon the enemies, now being fast asleep, as having filled their bellies with wine and good meats. So that with as little ado as the Aulonians and their City surprised, as they were afore vanquished in fight. A great booty of pillage was there got: and after a garrison placed at *Cales*, the Legions were brought back to *Rome*. The Consul by decree of the Senate triumphed: and that *A. Atilius* should not be without his glory too, both Coss. were appointed to lead forth an Army against the Sidicins: but before they went, they appointed by a decree of the Senate, *L. Emilius Mamercus* to be Dictator, to hold the election of Consuls. Who named *Q. Publius Philo* for his General of horsemen.

In this Election, holden by this Dictator, there were created Consuls, *T. Veturius*, and *Sp. Posthumius*. Who albeit there remained some part behind of the Sidicins war, yet to the intent they might gratifie the Commons by some good turn, and prevent their longing before they spake themselves: proposed an Act concerning the bringing of a Colony to *Cales*: and when as the Senate had ordained that two thousand and five hundred men should be enrolled and assigned thither: they created Triumvirs for to bring them thither, and to divide the lands, namely, *C. J. Duellius*, *T. Quintius*, and *M. Fabius*. After this, the new Consuls having received the army of the old, entered into the enemies confines, waiting all before, until they came to the very walls of their City. Now, for that the Sidicins had assembled a puissant army, and seemed themselves fully reolute and bent upon utter despair to put all unto the last adventure, and to fight it out to the last man. Moreover, because it was noised, that all *Samnium* was risen up in arms: by authority from the Senate, the Consuls appointed *P. Cornelius Ruffinus* Dictator, and *M. Antonius* was nominated General of the horse. But hereupon grew again another scruple, that there was some error escaped in the creation: so they reigned up their places, and because there ensued also a plague hereupon (as if all their Auspices for Elections of Magistrates had been touched and infected with that error and default) the managing of all affairs fell to an Interregnum. Which being now ended by the fifth Interregent, *M. Valerius Corvinus*, then Consuls were created, *L. Cornelius* the second time, and *Cn. Domitius*.

When all things else were at quiet, the rumour of the Gauls war was so rife and hot, that it was taken for a very Tumult. Whereupon it was thought good, that a Dictator should be created. And *M. Papirius Crassus* was nominated, who had *P. Valerius Publicola* for General of the horsemen. When they had mustred the souldiers more plentifully and with greater regard than would have been for wars near hand, the espials who were sent out, brought word that all was well and quiet among the Gauls. But suspected it was that *Samnium* now the second year was ready to drop out of their allegiance and seek a change. Whereupon the Roman army was not withdrawn out of the Sidicin country. Howbeit the war of *Alexander* King of *Epirus*, drew the Samnites into the Lucans country, which two nations minding their forces, gave the King a battle, as he made rodes from *Pestus*. In which conflikt, *Alexander* having got the upper hand, entered into a League and amity with the Romans: although it was much doubted, with what faithfulness he would observe the same, if all his affairs prospered as well. The same year was a solemn Levy or Numbering of the people of *Rome* held, and the new Citizens were matriculated and enrolled. And therefore two Tribes were annexed, *Melia* and *Capitia*: the Leviers that ordained them, were *Publ. Philo*, and *Sp. Posthumius*. The Accrains became Roman Citizens, by an act proposed by *L. Papirius* the Prætor: by vertue whereof they were enfranchised Denizens, but without the privilege of giving voices. These were the acts for this year both at home and abroad.

The year next following (were it through the unkind distemperature of the air, or by some wicked practice of man) was infamous, when *M. Claudius Marcellus* and *T. Valerius* were Consuls. I find the surname of this Consul to vary in divers Chronicles, in some *Flaccus*, in others *Petrus*. But it matters not much whether be true. This rather I could willingly have wished (and yet all Authors do not record it) that it had been fairly recorded, That those persons by force and poison were made away, whose death hath defamed that year with the note of a pestilence. But yet as the thing is left in writing, I purpose to deliver it. I left that I should seem to derogate ought from the credence of any writer. When as the chief personages of the City died upon like diseases, and after one and the same manner of symptoms a certain chamber-maid presented her self to *Q. Fabius Maximus* (being for the time an Aedile of State) and professed to bewray the cause of that publique and contagious maldy, if she might be assured by faithfull promise from him, that by the utterance thereof, she should not come to harm nor trouble. Forthwith *Fabius* delivered this matter to the Consuls: and the Consuls made relation thereof to the Senate: by the consent of which State assurance was made accordingly unto the party aforesaid, to reveal the matter. Then she declared, that by the lewd and mischievous wickedness of women the City was thus afflicted: and namely, That certain Dames of *Rome*, even their own wives, boiled and tempered rank poisons, (to kill their husbands) and if they would follow it presently they might be taken in the manner. So they went straight waies with the wench, and found some women as they were

\* The rumour of the Gauls war was ever taken for a Tumult (quæstio timor militum) and supposed more dangerous than any other ordinary war.

A seething and preparing venomous drugs, yea and some poysoned confections already put up. Which were brought into the market place, and about 20. of those dames, with whom the poysons were found, were sent for by a Sergeant. Two of them *Cornelia* and *Sergia*, both noble women born, stoutly standing upon these tearms, and stiffly avouching, That they were forever innocent, and whollom for the body of man, were by the chamber-maid aforesaid confuted, and enjoined to drink thereof, that they might disprove her, and make her a liar, and to have deviled of her own fingers ends this false slander. Who took a time to commune and confer together, that the people were avoided aside to make them way. Now when as in fight of all the World, these two Dames had propounded the matter to the rest there in place, they also refused not: and so having drunk the poysoned potion, they all perished by their own mischievous practice. Then presently were their complices apprehended, who detected and discovered a great number of other Wives: of which 170. were condemned. Never afore that day was there any inquisition nor proces at *Rome*, about poysoning and forcery. So as the thing was taken for a prodigions wonder, and imputed rather to their minds, belorded and bewitched, then to any felonious intent of theirs. Whereupon the Magistrates of the City, calling to mind and searching the old Chronicles, found, that in times past, at what time as the Commons in a mad fit withdrew themselves and departed the City, there was a spike or great nail driven and fixed by the Dictator: and that the minds of the people, which by discord had been distracted and out of their right wits, were by that ceremonial satisfaction, brought again in good tune: and therefore it was thought good, that for the fastning or sticking up of such a nail, there should a Dictator be created. So *Cn. Quinctius* was nominated, who named *L. Valerius* General of horsemen, who so soon as the nail was fastned, gave over their places.

Consuls then were created, *L. Papirius Crassus* the second time, and *L. Plantius Venox*. In the beginning of which year, there came from the country of the Volcians as Embassadors to *Rome*, the Fabratens and Lucans, making request that they would take them into their protection, promising that if by them they were defended from the forces of the Samnites, they would become loyal and obedient subjects to the people of *Rome*: Then were Embassadors sent from the Senat, to give commandment to the Samnites, to forbear doing any violence upon the borders of those nations. Which embassage sped well and took place: not so much for that the Samnites desired peace, as because they were not as yet ready prepared for war. The same year began the Privernus war. The confederates whereof, were the Fundans, and their Leader likewise a Fundan, one *Vitruvius Vaccus*, a man of great name and reputation, not only in his own country, but also at *Rome*. His dwelling house stood sometime in mount *Palatine*, even the very place, which after the building was pulled down, and the ground forfeit and confiscated, was called *Vaccus Prætor*. Against whom as he waisted and spoiled far and near the Setin, Norban and Coran countries, *L. Papirius* went forth with a power, and rested not far from his very camp. But *Vitruvius* neither had the wit to keep himself within his trench against a mightier enemy, nor yet the heart to encounter far from his fort. But having put his souldiers in battle array, before they were all well out of the gate of the camp, whilst the souldiers had more mind to flee backward, then march forward and encounter the enemy: without either advice or confident courage he fought: and with as little ado, and without any question of the matter he was vanquished: so by reason of the shortness of the way, and the easie retire into the camp so neer, he found no great trouble to save his souldiers from much slaughter. For in the very conflict, few or none in a manner were slain, and not many in the press of the rout and tail of the flight, at what time as they rushed into their camp. And in the beginning of the night, the army thus discomfited, made haste to *Privernum*, there to defend themselves within a wall rather than a trench. *Plantius* the other Coss. having from *Privernum*, overrun and foraged the territory, and driven booties away, conducted his army into the Fundan country. The Senat of the Fundans as he entered into their confines met him, saying: "They were not come as Orators to entreat either for *Vitruvius*, or for those that took his part: but for the people of the Fundans: who that they were innocent and not culpable for this war, *Vitruvius* himself hath plainly proved and declared, in that he chose *Privernum* to be his place of retreat and refuge, and not the City *Fundi*, the very place of his nativity. And therefore at *Privernum* the enemies of the people of *Rome* were to be fought for and pursued, who unmindful of both their own countries, had revolted as well from the Fundans as the Romans. As for the Citizens of *Fundi*, they were at peace with *Rome*, nay, they were Romans in heart, and carried thankful remembrance of a benefit received: they entreated therefore and belought the Consul to forbear hostility with a guiltless people: affirming him that their Lands, their City, their own Bodies, their Wives and Children were and should be at the devotion of the people of *Rome*. The Consul after that he had commended the Fundans, and sent letters to *Rome* that they remained firm and fast in their allegiance, turned his way to *Privernum*. But before he dislodged (as *Cladius* writeth) the Consul executed those that were the heads of the conspiracy, and three hundred and fifty of those rebellious conspirators were sent prisoners to *Rome*. But the Senat accepted it not, and were not content with that submission, as judging the Fundan people, desirous to be excused and discharged, with the punishment of the needy and base sort of people. Now when as *Privernum* was besieged and invested with two Consular Armies, the one of the Consuls was called home, to hold the Election of Magistrates. That year were elected in the great race called *Circus*, the Barriers from whence the horses and their charriots are,

\* *Wit of Italy.*

let forth, when their prizes. But before they were well past the care of the Privernat war, there arrived a terrible and fearful brute of the Gauls war, which never was regarded lightly of the Nobles of Rome. Incontinently therefore the new Consuls, *L. Emilius Mamercinus*, and *Cn. Plautius*, on that very day, namely, on the \* *Calends of July*, wherein they entered their offices, were commanded to determine and agree between themselves upon their Provinces: and *Mamercinus*, who had the charge of the Gauls war, levied and enrolled an army without allowing any immunity and exemption from warfare. Moreover and besides, even the poor handicrafts men and artizans, such as keep their shops, and live by sedentary occupations, a sort far unmeet for martial service, are said to have been called forth, and prest to the wars: and a mighty army was assembled and met together at *Veii*, that from thence they might march to encounter the Gauls: For it was thought good that they should now go farther forward, for fear lest the enemy taking another way, might deceive them and march directly to the City of Rome. But a few days after, when it was known for certain that all trouble and fear for that time was overblown, they diverted their forces from the Gauls, and bent all against *Privernum*. But the issue hereof is reported two manner of ways, some write that the City was forced by assault, and that *Viruvius* came alive into their hands: others, that before the utmost extremity of assault was used, they of their own accord, carrying before them white wands in token of peace, yielded themselves unto the Consul: and that *Viruvius* by his own Country men was rendered and delivered unto him. The Senat being moved, and their opinion asked concerning *Viruvius* and the Privernats, sent for the Consul *Plautius* to triumph, after that he had dismantled the walls of *Privernum*; and there placed a strong garrison: and they gave order in the mean time that *Viruvius* should be kept in prison until the Consuls return, then to be whipped and put to death. They appointed also that his habitation in *Palatium* should be pulled down, and his goods consecrated to their Idol *Semon Sangus*. And look what money [of brass] was raised thereof, it served to make brazen round Plates, which were offered and set up in the Chapel of *Sangus* towards the temple of *Quirinus*. Touching the Senat of the Privernats, thus it was decreed, that every one of the Senators calling, who remained at *Privernum* after their revolting from the Romans, should in the same condition and state as the Veliterns, be confined beyond *Tybris*, and there dwell. These Acts being thus let down, there was no more talk of the Privernats until the triumph of *Plautius*. After the triumph, the Consul having executed the Privernats, to the LL. of the Senat, whiles they were mightfully propound the cause of the Privernats, to the LL. of the Senat, whiles they were newly satisfied with the execution of the guilty offenders, "Since that (quoth he) my LL. of the Senat, the principal authors of this revolt and rebellion, have both at the hands of the immortal gods, and at yours, suffered now already condign punishment: what is your further pleasure, and what shall be done with the innocent and harmless multitude? For my part verily, although I be rather to demand your opinions then deliver mine own: yet seeing the Privernats near neighbors unto the Samnites, with whom we now at this time entertain a most uncertain and slippery peace, I would have as little grudge and rancor let as may be, between us and them. As the question in it self was doubtful and ambiguous, whiles men gave advice some to proceed cruelly, others to deal gently, according to each man his nature and inclination: so there was one of the Privernat Embassadors that made it more doubtful, and put all out of square: a man mindful of that state wherein he was born, more than of his present need and extremity. Who being demanded of one (that had spoken to the point, and delivered some sharp censure and heavy sentence against them) What punishment he judged the Privernats deserved? Marry (quoth he) that which they deserve, who deem themselves worthy of liberty and freedom. At whose stout and arrogant answer, when the Consul saw those to be more eagerly and bitterly bent, who before impugned the cause of the Privernats: to the end that he himself by some mild and gentle demand might draw from the party more modest language: What (quoth he) if we should remit and pardon your punishment: what kind of peace might we hope to have at your hands? If (quoth he) ye offer us good peace, ye shall find it on our part loyal and perpetual: but if ye tender hard conditions of peace, ye shall have it left but a small while. But then one gave out, that the Privernat began to threaten plainly: and said moreover, that such speeches were enough to stir up any peaceable and quiet people to war, that never thought to have fought. But the better part of the Senat drew these his answers to a better sense, and said that it was the speech of a man, and of a man free born. For, was it credible (quoth they) that any state, nay, any particular person, would longer abide (than needs he must) that condition which he misliketh and goeth against his stomach? There only is peace sure and likeliest to hold, where men are contented and willing to keep themselves in peace: and never let men look or hope to find faithful loyalty, where they will impose thralldom and servitude. And to this purpose the Consul himself especially moved and inclined their hearts, reiterating these words to the Senators that were first to give their opinions, and that so loud, as he might of many more be overheard, That they above all other, and none but they indeed were worthy to be made Roman Citizens, who minded and esteemed nothing in the world, but their freedom. Whereupon, both in the Senat they obtained their suit: and also by the authority of the LL. a Bill was exhibited to the people, That the Privernats might be enfranchised Romans.

The same year were three hundred tent as a Colony, to inhabit *Arundin*: and had two Acres of ground a peccie allowed them. The year following was memorable in no respect, either of

A home affairs or forraign, in the time of *P. Plautius Proculus*, and *P. Cornelius Scapula* Consuls. Only this tell out that year that in *Fregelle* (which sometime was in the territory of the Sidicines, and after, of the Volscians) there was a Colony planted: and unto the people there was given a dole, or distribution of raw flesh amongst them, by *Marcius Flavinus*, at the funeral of his mother. Some there were that thought, how under a colour of honoring his mother, he defrayed and paid unto the people a deserved hire & reward, in that when he was by the *Adiles* arrested & brought to his answer for adultery committed with a Dame or married Wife in the City, the people had by their voices acquit him. This dole given for a favour past at his trial, was the occasion also of a dignity following: for in the next Election, notwithstanding he was absent, he was preferred to the Tribunship of the Commons, even before those Competitors that were present in place.

There stood sometime the City *Palapolis*, not far from thence whereas now *Naples* standeth. In those two Cities, one and the same people inhabited, defended and deriving their beginning from *Cumae*, and the Cumans fetch their off-spring from *Chalcis* in *Euboea*. With that fleet wherein they sailed from their own country, they were able to do much at sea, and were mighty upon those coasts where they dwell. And first landing in the Islands *Enaria* and *Pitheculæ*, afterwards they adventured to seat themselves in the main and continent. This City relying and trusting in their own power, as well as presuming upon the faithless and disloyal society of the Samnites with the Romans, or bearing themselves bold upon the rumor that ran of a petulance that reigned in the City of Rome, wrought much mischief and hostility against such Romans as inhabited the Campania and Falern Countries. Whereupon, when as (in the time of *Lucius Cornelius Lentulus*, and *Quintus Publius Philo* Consuls, the second time) there were Facials sent to *P. Iapetus*, for to demand restitution again, and a proud answer returned back from the Greeks, a Nation more stout and valiant in tongue then in deed and execution; by the authority of the Senat, the people decreed, that there should be war made upon the *Palæopolitans*. And when as the Consuls had divided their provinces between themselves, it fell to *Publius* his turn to war upon those Greeks. *Cornelius* with another army was opposed against the Samnites if they should hap to fly any way. For the report went, that they looking and expecting assuredly the revolt of the Campanians, would encamp neerer and join with them. There, *Cornelius* thought it best to keep a standing camp. The Senat was certified from both Consuls, That they had small hope of peace with the Samnites. *Publius* gave intelligence, that two thousand Nolan souldiers, and four thousand Samnites, were rather by the compulsion and importunity of the Nolans, than with the good will of the Greeks, received at *Palapolis*. At Rome it was for certain known, that in *Samnium* there were new mutinies taken by the Magistrates direction, and that the whole country, and the people adjoining, were raised; and out in arms. Moreover, That the Privernats, Fundans, and Formians were without all dissimulation solicited and moved to rebel. Upon which causes, it was advised by the Senat, first to send Embassadors to the Samnites, before they made war: and from them they had an insolent answer. And they themselves made quarrel, and charged the Romans with wrongs offered first: and nevertheless they justified themselves for anything by them done, and answered all objections that were laid against them full stoutly. "Namely, that the Greeks were not aided by any publick counsel or order of theirs, nor yet were the Fundans and Formians by them solicited, as who need not be ashamed of their own power, but thought themselves sufficient enough to war if they listed. Thus much moreover, they could not deny, but (speak it out in plain terms) That the Nation and Senat of the Samnites take it in ill part, that the people of Rome had re-edified and repaired *Fregelle*, a town by them conquered, and won from the Volscians, and by them laid ruinat; and not only so, but they had placed a Colony also in the Samnites Country; which the inhabitants called *Fregelle*. Which continually and reproachful injury, unless they that were the authors thereof would do their best to abolish and cancel, they would with all their might and main repel it from them. And when as the Roman Embassador made a motion, and would have had them to put the matter for to be decided upon the common Confederates and friends of both parties: What double and indirect dealing is this (quoth the Samnites?) What juggling is here to no purpose? As for the quarrels and differences between us (O ye Romans) neither the babbling words of Embassadors, nor yet a days-man or arbitrator, but the very Campaign field, wherein we must encounter in earnest, even dint of sword, and the spears point, and the doubtful chance of battel shall determine. And therefore encamp we between *Capua* and *Sutrin*, in the fight one of another, and let us then try the issue, whether Samnite or Roman shall be Lord of Italy. The Embassadors of Rome made answer, that they were not to go whether the enemy called them, but whither their General and Captains led them. In this mean while *Publius* had already got a convenient piece of ground, between *P. Iapetus* and *Naples*, and thereby impeached the enemies of the mutual intercourse of succors from the one to the other, which they had used reciprocally, as either place had need, and was distressed. Therefore, when as the time of Election of Magistrates at Rome drew on apace, and expedient it was for the Common-weal that *Publius* (now approaching near the enemies walls, and ready to assault) should be called away from the hope which daily he had of winning the City: the Tribuns were desirous, to propose an Act unto the people. That when the time of *Pub. Philo* his Consulship should be expired, he might in quality and name of Proconsul remain in government, until the war with the Greeks were fully ended. And unto *L. Cornelius* were letters sent, implying thus much, That whereas it was not thought good, that

he now being entered into *Samnium*, should be called away from the chief push of the war, he should nominate a Dictator to be President of the Election of Magistrates: Who named *M. Claudius Marcellus*, and by him was appointed for General of those *Sp. Postumius*. Yet for all this, was no assembly for the said election, holden by the Dictator. For it came in question, Whether he were rightly created or no. And the *Augurs* being hereabout consulted with, pronounced, "That the Dictator seemed not created aright. But the *Tribuns* discredited and made insipicious and infamous, by their acculatory speeches, their sentence and declaration, saying, That neither it was easy to know the fault and error in the creation, seeing that the Consul nominated the Dictator in the beginning of the full night, neither had the Consul written to any man publicly or privately thereof, nor yet was there any person could come forth and say, that he either saw or heard ought, that might mar and interrupt the *Auspices*, nor yet could the *Augurs* sitting at *Rome*, guess and divine, what error had happened to the Consul in the camp so far off. And who saw not (say they) that the *Augurs* found fault herewith, because the Dictator Elected, was a Commoner? These and other such allegations were (to no purpose) by the *Tribuns* given out. For the matter grew to an Interregnum, and the foresaid Election being still put off and adjourned for one cause or other: at length the fourteenth Interregnum, *L. Aemilius* created Consul, *C. Petilius*, and *L. Papirius*, surnamed *Mugillanus* or *Curior*, as I find in other Chronicles.

In that year it was recorded, that the City *Alexandria* in *Egypt* was founded: and that *Alexander* the King of *Epirus* was murdered by a certain *Lucan*, a banished person, to verify the Oracle of *Jupiter Dodoneus*, which had foretold his death. For when he was sent for into *Italy* by the *Tarentines*, he had warning given him, [To take heed of the *Acherusian Waters*, and the City *Pandusia*, for there it was his destiny to end his days:] and therefore, with more speed he passed over into *Italy*, to be as far off as might be, from the City *Pandusia* in *Epirus*, and the river *Acheron*; which issuing out of *Malassia* into the lower *Meers* and *Lakes*, dischargeth it self, and falleth into the *Thesprotian Gulf*. Howbeit (as commonly it is seen when men seek most to flee and avoid their fatal death, they run headlong and plunge themselves into it) he, having oftentimes vanquished and overthrown the legions of the *Brutians* and *Lucans*: won by force *Heraclaea* Colony of the *Tarentines*, and *Consentia* in *Lucania*, and *Sipontum*, and also *Acerria* a Colony of the *Brutians*, and other Cities afterwards of the *Messapians* and *Lucans*: sent into *Epirus* three hundred Noble houses and families, whom he meant to keep as hostages: he camped not far from *Pandusia*, a City situate near to the Confines of the *Lucans* and *Brutians*. And there he held three hills somewhat distant asunder, from whence he might make excursions and rides into every part of his enemies country: and he had in ordinary about him almost 200. banished men of the *Lucans*, for his sure trusty guard: who notwithstanding (as the natures are of such for the most part) chinged with every wind, and carried mutable minds according to the variety of fortune. Now it fell out so, that the continual rains which overflowed all the fields, had forecolored and stopped the passages three ways between his armies, so as they could not help one another: whereby those two garrisons where the King was not in person, were surprized by the unexpected coming of the enemies: who having put them all to the sword, turned their whole forces to besiege the King. From whence, there by the *Lucan* exiles, messengers sent to their own countrymen: who in the name of the rest capitulated, that if they might be restored again, they would deliver the King either dead or alive into their hands. Howbeit he himself with an elect number of men, made a noble and hardy adventure, and brake through the midst of the enemies: and encountering the chief Commander of the *Lucans* hand to hand, killed him outright: and having rallied his men near together, who were scattered asunder in flight, he came at length to a river, which by the fresh ruins of a broken bridge, that the violence of that water had born down, shewed passage. Which as the army passed over at an unknown and blind foord, one souldier wearied with heat and travel, cursing and detesting the un lucky and abominable name of the River, forsook to fly. Thou hast not thy name \* *Acheron* for naught: which word when it came once to the King his Ear, he presently began to think and muse of his final end: and there layd still in a deep suspence whether he shall pass over or no. Then *Saimus*, one of the Kings servants and liegemen, asked him why he lingered and made delay, being in so great a peril and jeopardy as he was: and then told him withal, how the *Lucans* intended to play false with him, and sought opportunity to betray and do him a mischief. With that the King looked behind him, and espied them afar off in a troop coming against him: whereupon he drew his sword, put his horse to it, took the River, and rode through the midst thereof: and when he was now so far passed that he was ready to take the land, one of those banished *Lucans* lanc'd a dart aloof at him, and struck him quite through. Whereupon he fell down dead with the dart sticking in his body, and the stream carried it down as far as to the *Corps de guard* of the enemies. Where his breathless corpse was shamefully misused and mangled. For they having cut it cross the middle, sent the one half to \* *Consentia*, and kept the other with themselves still, to practise a thousand villanies upon it. And as they shot and flung stones at it afar off, a certain woman being amongst this outrageous multitude (raging beyond all measure of anger and malice that mans heart can devise or believe) after she had besought them to forbear a while, with her eyes gushing out tears said unto them, That her husband and children were prisoners, and in the hands of the enemies: but she hoped with the Kings body, howsoever it were abused and martyred, to redeem them again. This

\* A river of anguish and pain.

\* *Consentia*.

A stayed them from farther mangle thereof: Thus all that was left of the Kings body, by the means of one only woman, was burnt at *Consentia*: and his bones sent back afterwards to the enemies unto \*. *Metapontum*, and from thence conveyed to *Epirus*, unto *Cleopatra* his wife, and his sister *Olympias*: whereof the one was sister, the other Mother to *Alexander the Great*. Thus much concerning the woful and unhappy end of *Alexander* the King of \* *Epirus*. Whose fortune albeit was such, that he came short, and was cut off before he intermedied in the Roman wars, yet because he warred in *Italy*, let it suffice that briefly by the way I have touched his story.

The same year was there a *Lebensfest* at *Rome*, (which was the first after the foundation and Building of that City) for the pacifying of the same gods as heretofore. Afterwards the new Consuls by the ordinance and direction of the people, sent defiance and proclaimed war against the *Samnites*. And as they themselves made greater preparation, every way than against the *Greeks*: so they had besides new aids, whereof (as then) they least thought of. The *Lucans* and the *Apnians* (nations which to that day had no dealing nor commerce at all with the *Romans*) became their liege and loyal Allies, offering men and munition toward that war. Whereupon they were by form of Covenant and league entertained and received into their amity. At the same time also the *Romans* had good success in the *Samnites* quarters: for three towns there yielded unto them; and they became Masters thereof, to wit, *Alifia*, *Callifia*, *Ruffrium*: all the territory besides at the first coming of the Consul, was pill'd and spoiled far and near. These exploits thus prosperously achieved, the other enterprise also of besieging the *Greeks*, was well followed and at the point of an end. For over and besides, that by certain scones and blockades between the enemies forts and forces, one part was cut from the other; they endured also within their own walls, much more misery and calamity, than the enemy menaced and threatened without: and as if they had been captives to their own garrison souldiers, whom they had called to them for their defence, they suffered infinite villanies, and indignities in the persons as well of their wives as of their children, and even the hardest extremities, that follow upon Cities forced by the enemy. And therefore when it was noised abroad, that there were new succours coming from *Tarentum* and the *Samnites*: they supposed that for *Samnites*; there were already within their walls more of them, than they would marry, as for *Tarentines* they looked willingly for their help, as *Greeks* both the one & the other, hoping by their means that they might as well withstand the outrages of the *Samnites* and *Nolans*, as the *Romans* their open and professed enemies. Lail of all, of many inconveniences that they were driven unto, the least and easiest was thought, to yield simply unto the *Romans*. *Charilaus* and *Nymphis* two great men and the chief personages of the City, having laid their heads and plotted one with the other, so parted the matter between themselves, that the one should flee unto the Roman General, and the other stay behind, to find some opportunity, and minister ready means to render the City according to their designment. *Charilaus* was the man who presented himself unto *Philo*, and said unto him, "To the good and happy fortune be it said and done of the *Palaeopolitans* and the people of *Rome*, I am determined to deliver and surrender the City into your hands: in which Action, whether I may be thought to have been trayed or saved my country, it resteth only in the truth and fidelity of the *Romans*. As for my self privately, I am come neither to ingratiate, nor yet to crave ought at all: but publicly in the behalf of the City, I would rather by way of petition request, than article and capitulate, thus much, That if this enterprise intended, speed well and take effect, the people of *Rome* would think and consider, in what affection, endeavour and jeopardy, our City returneth again into their amity, rather than upon what folly and rashness, it brake their allegiance and revolted. Then, after he had been bidden welcome by the General, entertained with good and gracious words, and highly commended, he received 3000. souldiers, to keep, surprize, and to seize that quarter of the City, where the *Samnites* were lodged, and which they held: of this regiment and garrison, *L. Quintius* a Colonel had the conduct. During this time, *Nymphis* also did his part, and dealt to craftily under hand with the Pretor of the *Samnites*, that he induced and wrought him to this point, That for as much as all forces, were either about *Palaeopolis* or in *Samnium*, he would permit him with the fleet to cast about to the Roman coasts, for that he intended to forage and waste, not only the maritime parts, but the territories also adjoining to the City: and the better to deceive the enemy (quoth he) I had need to go by night, and therefore the Ships presently must launch forth, and be set afloat. And to effect this more speedily, all the youth of the *Samnites* besides the necessary garrison of the City, was sent to the shoar, where whiles *Nymphis* in the dark, and amongst the multitude that hindered one another purposefully, spent time in perting confusedly, some to this and others to that, *Charilaus*, according to the complot yet before, was by his associates received into the City: and having filled the highest places of the town with *Roman* souldiers, commanded to set up a shout, whereas the *Greeks* upon a secret token given them by their Captains, kept themselves still and quiet. The *Nolans* then, at the backside of the town, escaped and fled by the high way, that leadeth to *Nola*. And the *Samnites* being excluded out of the town, as they had a more ready mean to flee for the present, so they found it, after they were past danger, a more shameful disgrace. For, they were disarmed and naked men, they had left all the good they had amongst the enemies, and returned home spoiled, poor and needy and served for a laughing stock and derision, not only to other nations, but also to their own neighbors and countrymen. Albeit I am not ignorant that there is another

\* *Torride Mar*.  
\* *Albania*.



opinion, whereby it is given out that *Palapolis* was by the Samnites betrayed: yet as I have credited and followed herein such authors, as me thinks it were hard if they should not deliver a truth; for so I am induced the rather to believe that the Neapolitans returned into amity with the Romans, because of the league extant in their name (for unto them afterwards the State and chief fear of the Greeks was translated.) Unto *Publius* was decreed a triumph, for that it appeared clearly and was believed constantly, that by his feige the enemies were tamed, and so constrained to come to a composition and surrender. Two special favours hapned to this man abbie all others before him, namely, the prorogation of his government, not granted to any man aforesimes; and triumph after his Magistracy was expired.

Upon the tail of this war, arose another with the Greeks of the other tract or coast. For the Tarentins having been the Palapolitans in hand a good while, and fed them with a vain hope of help, when they heard once that the Romans were possessed of their City, complained themselves like men forsaken, and not as those who had forsaken others, much blaming the Palapolitans, and with anger and envy raging against the Romans. Disquieted also they were, for that news came that the Lucans and Apulians (for both these nations that year began to contract alliances) were under the protection of the Romans. For now (say they) they are well near come unto us, and shortly we shall grow to this pass, that we must acknowledge the Romans for our Lords; or have them our heavy friends. And verily the trial and hazard of our estate, dependeth only upon the Samnites war; and the event thereof, which nation alone, and the same nothing mighty, remaineth now: since that the Lucans are gone and revolted to the Romans: who yet might be reclaimed and moved to shake off the society with the Romans, if any fear were wrought and practised to sow some discord and dissention between them. These devices & overtures took place and prevailed with such, as were desirous of change and novelty: in so much as certain of the Lucan youth (better known, than trusted and reputed honest, amongst their countreimen and fellow Citizens, hired also for a sum of money) whipped one another with rods, came naked into the assembly of the Citizens, and with open mouth cried out aloud and said, that for presuming only to come into the Roman camp, they were by the Coss, thus scourged, & escaped narrowly the losing of their heads. The thing it self pitifull and unseemly to behold, as bearing a shew rather of wrong done unto them, than of any malicious & subtil practice by them intended, stirred the people up, to force their Magistrates with their unclean outcries to assemble a Council. Some standing round about the Senat in council, call hard for war against the Romans: others run up and down to raise the multitude of Peasants to take arms and in this stir and uproar, which was able to disquiet and amaze even those that were well minded, a decree passed; that the league with Samnites should be renned, and Embassadors dispatched forthwith, to the same purpose. This was a sudden change; and as it had no colour of cause, so it carried small credit with it amongst the Samnites, who for so the Lucanians to give hostages, and to take garisons into their fortresses: and they, blinded with anger, and inveiged with flattery, refused nothing. But shortly after began the fraud to appear and shew it self; namely, after that the authors and devisers of these false surmises and flanders, were retired to *Tarentum*; but having put themselves out of all, and being not at liberty to dispose of their own affairs they had nothing else left them, but like fools to repent in vain.

That year hapned to the Commons of *Rome* another beginning of their liberty, in that they were no more either bound in chains, or held in thralldom by their creditors. Which priviledge against poor debtors, was altered, by occasion of the filthy lust and notorious cruelty of one *Ulfur*, and *L. Papius* was the man unto whom *C. Publius* for his fathers debt, became bound, and consigned himself prisoner: whose tender age and lovely favor which might and should have moved pity, inflamed the mind of this *Ulfur* to unkind lust and shameful contumely: for making full account, that the prime and flower of his youth should satisfy and pay for the interest of the debt, he first began to allure and entice unto him the youth with wanton & unchast speeches: afterwards seeing that his eyes abhorred to hear such filthiness, he lapsed to minatory words, & ever and anon put him in mind of his present condition wherein he stood; but lest of all perceiving by him, that he stood more upon his honor and freedom by birth, then respected his hard estate by fortune, he caused him to be stripped naked, and whipping cheer to be presented unto him. The poor stripling thus piteously rent and torn, ran forth into the open street, complained of the filthy lust & cruelty of his creditor. Whereupon, a number of people, enkindled as well with pity and commiseration of the stripling, and indignity of the injury, as also in regard of their own case, and of their childrens; came running into the *Forum* or common place, and so from thence in a long train to the court of the Council. The Consuls upon this sudden uproar were forced to call a Senat, and as the Senators entered into the Council chamber, they lay all prostrate at their feet: as they passed by, one after another, & shewed unto them the young mans back and sides in what taking they were. And that one day, by occasion of the outrageous enormity of one person, brake the neck of that mighty bond, whereby, to that day, the creditors had their debtors, in danger unto them. For the Consil, had in charge, to propose unto the people, that from thence forward, no person whatsoever, unless he had committed some heinous fact, and until he were so fitted therefore, should be either kept in fetters and givens, or stretched upon the rack. Item, that for lent money, the goods of the debtor and not the body should be obliged. So, they that were in bondage, became released and enlarged: and order was taken for the time to come, that none should be imprisoned by their creditors again.

The same year, whilst the Samnites war of it self alone, besides the sudden revolt of the Lucans, together

A together with the Tarentins the hatchers thereof, held the Senators of *Rome* in care and perplexity enough: behold over and above all these, the Vestin people, as a force to their troubles, joined and banded with the Samnites. Which new occurrence, as for that year it rather maintained this discourse amongst men in their ordinary talk every where, than minished cause of serious debating in public Council: so the Consuls of the year following, *L. Furius Camillus* the second time, and *Jun. Brutus Scaevola*, thought no one thing more important than it, and needful to be treated of in the Senat, with the first. And albeit the thing were but new, and a breeding, yet so greatly were the LL. hereabout troubled, that they feared no leis to begin to take in hand, then to neglect it altogether, and not to see it: doubting, lest if they were let go unpunished, the neighbor nations would grow too lusty and proud: and again, if they seemed to chastise them by war, the rest for fear of the like measure, might be provoked to anger, take arms, and enter into a general rebellion. And all, and every one of them, namely, the Martians, the Pelignians and Marucins, were in feats of arms comparable and equal to the Samnites every way: which nations they might be liere to have their enemies, if they medled with the Vestins, and touched them once never so little. Howbeit, that part prevailed and took place, which for the present, seemed to carry more courage and valor, then sage advice and wisdom: but the issue and event shewed, that Fortune favoured Fortitude. So the people by authority and direction of the Nobles, decreed war against the Vestins: the charge whereof light by lot upon *Brutus*, and *Sammum* fell to *Camillus*. To both places were the armies conducted: and by the care and industry employed in the defence of the marches and frontiers the enemies were impeached for joining their forces together. Howbeit the Consul *Furius Camillus*, who had the greater and weightier charge laid upon him, fortified to fall grievously sick, and thereby could not follow the wars: who being commanded to nominate a Dictator, for to manage and conduct his affairs, declared the noblest warrior in those days, *L. Papius Cursor*: by whom *Q. Fabius Rutilianus* was named General of horsemen, a couple surely of great name and highly renowned for their worthy acts, atchieved in this their government: but yet more famous and voiced abroad, by reason of variance and discord which fell between them; whereby they grew well near to the utmost tears of contending one another in all extremity. The other Consul waited with the Vestins many and sundry ways, but evermore with like fortune and happy success. For he foraged and waited their country: and by pilling, rifling, and burning their houses and corn, forced them against their wills into the field: and in one battel so enfeebled and abated the forces of the Vestins (but not without bloodshed of his own men) that his enemies not only fled into their camp: but also as not trusting now to their ramparts and trenches, they were constrained to steal away into their towns, minding for to save themselves, as well by the natural situation of the places, as the strength of their good walls. In the end, he made assault upon those walled Cities, purposing by force to win them. And first he gained *Cusina* by scaling, either through the exceeding courage of his souldiers, or their anger, being so chafed as they were at their hurts received: for that scarcely one escaped out of the strong and skirmish, clear & not wounded. Then he likewise took *Cingula*: and gave the pillage of both Cities to his souldiers. Neither gates nor walls could stand in their way and keep them out. But into *Sammum* the journey was undertaken by the Dictator with doubtful auspices and uncertain knowledge of the will of the gods. The default and terror whereof took not effect in the main event and issue of the wars, (for it was prosperous and fortunate) but turned to the rage and anger of the chief leaders, who fell out deadly one with another. For *Papius* the Dictator, advised by the *Pullarius* (that had the custody and charge of the sacred Pullets) went back to *Rome* to take the *Auspicious* (or the presage by the bird-flight) again: and straightly charged his General of horse to keep himself close within his hold, and in no wise to give the enemies battel during his absence. But *Fabius* after the Dictators departure, advertised by the epials, that the enemies were even as careles, as loose and disordered, as if there had been no Roman in *Sammum*: whether it were, that being a stout and lusty young Gentleman, he took foul scorn and thought it an indignity, that all should seem to rest in the Dictator only: or that he was inducd with the good opportunity of doing some brave exploit (I wot not): but he went forth with an army in order of battel, to *Imbrinium*, (that was the places name) & there fought a field with the Samnites. But such was the happy issue of this battel, that if the Dictator himself had been there in person, it could not have been better managed. For, neither Captain failed his souldiers, nor souldiers their Captain. The horsemen also under the leading of *L. Cominius* a Colonel by his place, (who sundry times charged and recharged again, and could not with force break the enemies arrays) unbidded their horses, and so ran them all on the spur: that no strength was able to abide them: such an havoc, such a lane made they all about over armour and men. The footmen seconding this hot charge of the horse, advanced the ensigns against the enemies thus put in disarray: and twenty thousand men (by report) were that day slain. In some authors I find, that twice in the Dictators absence he fought, and twice had the upper hand. But in the most ancient writers I read but of one battel. In some Chronicles the whole matter is passed over and let out clear. The General of the horse, having gained a mighty mass of spoils, as otherwise he could not chuse, upon so great a slaughter & massacre: gathered together into one heap all the enemies armor made a fire under, & burned them: were it that he had made some such vow to one of the gods: or (as I list rather to believe, it was a motive of *Fabius* himself, that the Dictator should not reap the fruit of his glory, and entitle his name thereto) or in pomp carry those spoils before him at his triumph.

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the Orator  
of Q. Fabius  
to his fellow  
soldiers.

Moreover, the letters of this victory by him sent to the Senat, and not a word thereof to the Dictator, were some proof, that he was not willing to impart and communicate his praises with him. But certainly, the Dictator took the matter in so ill part, that when every man else was joyful for this noble victory achieved, he only shewed anger and sadness in his very countenance. Whereupon suddenly he dissolved the Senat, and departed in great haste out of the court, giving out and often iterating these words; Then hath the master of horse-men in deed as well overthrown, and both Dictators Majesty and military discipline, as defeated the Samnites legions, if he can go clear away and escape unpunished, with so manifest contempt of my express commandment. Whereupon, full of threats and indignation, he hastened to the camp, and took long journeys; yet could he not prevent the bruit of his coming. For, there were Vancrriers that I set upon punishment, and at every second word almost, commending the late exemplary justice of T. Atilius. Then Fabius immediately calling an audience, besought the souldiers, that with what valour and vertue they had defended the Common-wealth from most deadly and mortal enemies, with the same they would protect him from the outrageous cruelty of the Dictator, himselfe (I say) by whose conduct and fortune they had gotten so glorious a victory. "For now, coming he is (quoth he) for envy out of his right wits, and beside himselfe: for anger at his other mans manhood and felicity, furious and horn-mad: and all is no more but this, that in his absence, forsooth, we haveaped well: who witheth rather in his heart, if he could change the course of fortune, that the Samnites had won the victory than the Romans: and nothing is to K rise in his mouth, as, That his commandment was contemned: as who would say, he forbade not barrell with the same mind, wherein he now giveth that we have fought. For as then his will was good, even for every envy to binder and suppress the prowels of another, and went about to take weapons away from most forward souldiers, desirous of fight, that in his absence they might not lay hand to their sword: to now, see how he fretteth and fumeeth in great choler at this, that without L. Papirius the souldiers were not difarmed, dimembred as it were, and maimed: and for that Q. Fabius forgat not his place, but bare himself as General of the Cavalry, and not as a Servant and follower of the Dictator, standing at receipt, and waiting as an in. When some under Captainship would fall, that he might step into the place. What would this man (I think ye) have done, how would he have fretted, if (as the fortune and doubtful chance of war sometimes goeth) we had been put to the worse and lost the day; who now that the enemies be vanquished, the field is well fought, the State so well served, as by the most singular Captain in the world, better it might not be, thus menaceth execution to me the General of the horse, even in the honour of my conquest? Neither is he (my masters) cruelly bent and set upon mischief against the General of the horse more then against the Colonels, the Centiniers and common Souldiers: nay, he would be ye sure) if he had been able, have ragged and fared as bitterly, yet, and executed his ire and furious rage upon all. But because he cannot, now he discharge his gall upon me alone. For even as envy, like a flaming fire, seareth and mounteth up to the highest, so runneth he upon the chief Captain, and aimeth at the head of this worthy exploit. If he had once extinguished him, together with the glory of this brave service, then like a Conqueror and Lord over a poor captive army, whatsoever he might by law execute against a General of the Cavalry, he would attempt and extend, upon the simple souldiers. Make reckoning therefore, that in standing fast to me and in defence of my cause, ye uphold the liberty of all. For in case he shall perceive once, the same agreement of the army in the maintenance of the victory, which was well seen in the battel, and that ye all have a care and regard of the life and safety of one, his stomach will come down, his heart will relent and incline to clemency, and a milder sentence. To conclude, I recommend my life, and whole estate to your verue and faithful protection. Then from all parts of the audience they cried unto him aloud & bade him take a good heart: for so long as the Legions of the Romans were safe, there should no person do him harm or injury. Soon after came the Dictator, and presently by found of trumpet summoned a general assembly. And the publick Crier after an Oieze made, called by name for Q. Fabius General of the horse. Who so soon as he was come from a lower place where he was, and approached neerthe Tribunal, (then quoth the Dictator) "I demand of thee Q. Fabius, since that the rule of the Dictator is sovereign and highest above all others, whereunto the Consuls endued with kingly puissance and government, do obey, yea, & Prators created with the same authority that Consuls are: whether thou esteem it meet and right, that a General of horse should be obedient to his commandment or no? I demand likewise, whether I, my self, knowing that I took my journey and went from home, with doubtful and uncertain Auspices, ought to have put the mainitate of the Common-wealth in hazzard against the order and religious observation in that behalf; and not rather, to go again to take new Auspices, that I might adventure & attempt nothing so long as I stood in doubt of the grace & favor of the gods? And withal, this I demand, whether the General of the horse-men could beired, exempt, & discharged of that scruple of conscience, which checked and stayed the Dictator from execution of his charge? But what mean I to make these demands? seeing that if he had departed without saying one word, yet thou shouldst have framed thy opinion and applied thy mind according to the interpretation of my wil and pleasure? Why sayest thou nothing? Answer me I say, Forbad I thee not expressly, to do any thing in my absence? Forbad I not thee to fight with the enemies? How

Interrogatories  
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not to Q. Fabius  
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A "How darst thou in contempt of my commandment, whilst our Auspices were uncertaine, & whilst our consciences were unrelolved and with scruples troubled, against Military customs & statutes, against the discipline of our ancestors, and against the will and direction of the gods: how darst thou, I say, be so hardy as to encounter with the enemy? To these interrogatories "make answer directly. Answer I charge thee, to all these points, and nothing but these, and at the peril of thy life, not a word besides. Now come Sergeant and do thine office, the while. To which severall Articles, when Fabius could not readily answer point by point, ore while complaining that he had him for his accuser, who was the judge of his life and death: otherwhiles crying out aloud, that sooner might his life be taken from him, than the glory and honor of his Batts: and as he justified and excused his own self, so he began again to challenge and accuse [the Dictator.] Then Papirius being in more heat of choler than before, commanded the General of the horse-men to be stripped out of his cloaths and uncolored, and the rods and axes to be brought forth ready. With that, Fabius calling earnestly for the help of the souldiers, whilst the officers were a tearing and renting his cloaths from his back, made means to retire himself into the ranks of the Triarii, who began already to make a mutiny and uproar in the assembly. From whence there arose an outcry over all the audience. Some were heard to intreat, others to threat. They who fortuned to stand next to the Tribunal, because that being within the view and eye of the Dictator, they might be known and noted, besought his Majesty to spare and pardon the General of the horse, and not with him to condemn the whole army. That they were farthest off C in the skirt of the assembly, and especially that troop and company about Fabius, rated and cried out upon such a rigorous and merciless Dictator. And a little thing more would have made them mutiny: nay, within the very compasse of the Tribunal all was not clear and quiet. The Lieutenants or Colonels of whole legions, standing about his seat or chair of state, intreated him to put off the matter until the morrow: to give his choler some time to cool, and allow place and respite to consider of it with advice and counsel: saying, "That if Fabius had plaid a youthful party, he had paid sufficiently for it already, and his victory had received disgrace and dishonour enough. Befeeching him not to proceed to these extremities of utmost execution, nor to let such a brand and note of ignominy and shame upon the young Gentleman himself, so rare and gallant a Knight; or on his father, a most honourable and excellent personage, nor yet upon the noble house and name of the Fabii. But when they saw how little they prevailed by their prayers, and as little by any reasons they could alledge: then, they admonished him to have a regard to the furious assembly of the souldiers: & that it was not for a man of his years and wisdom, dom, this to put more fire to the hot stomach of Souldiers-enkindled already, nor to administer more matter of mutiny: and if such a thing should happen, no man would impute the blame to Q. Fabius, who fought and humbly craved pardon of punishment, but to the Dictator; if he overcome with choler, should blindly so far pass himselfe in wilful peevishness, as to provoke the outrageous multitude against himself. Finally, that he should not think, how they laboured thus for any affectionate favour they bare to Q. Fabius; but were ready to take an oath, that they thought it not faine for the State and Common-wealth that he should proceed at such a time, E to execute the rigor of Justice upon Q. Fabius. By these and such like remonstrances, when as the Lieutenants had stirred up the Dictator his blood against themselves, rather then pacified his mood against Fabius, they were commanded to go down from the Tribunal. And when as the Crier had assaied to make silence all in vain, for that by reason of the noise and tumult, neither the Dictator his voice, nor any of his apparitors and halberds about him, could be heard, the night came upon them and ended the contention, as if it had been a battel in field. The General of the horse was commanded to appear on the morrow. Now when as every man gave it out and avouched unto him, that Papirius would proceed more vehemently, for that contending of the Lieutenants, and that the more he was dealt withal, the worse he was: Fabius privily stole out of the camp and fled to Rome. And by the means of his father M. Fabius, a man who had been already F twice Consul and Dictator, the Senat was called together immediately. And as he was in the midst of his grievous complaints before the Lords, touching the violence and wrong of the Dictator, all of a sudden, there was heard before the Council House door, a great noise and hurrying of the Lictors, whilst they made way and voided the priests, And no marvel: for the Dictator himselfe was come with a revenging mind. For so soon as he had heard how Fabius was departed out of the camp, he followed after with his light horse-men. Then began the broil to be renewed afresh, and Papirius caused Fabius to be attached. Whereupon the chief of the Nobility, and the whole body of the Senat began to enterpole themselves by way of mediation: but all their intreaty notwithstanding, he persisted still in his implacable anger. Then step forth M. Fabius the father, "For as much as (quoth he) neither the authority of the Senat nor mine old age, whom you seek to make G children, nor yet the valor & noble courage of the General of horse, by your own self chosen and nominated, can prevail, nor any humble prayers, which are able to appease the fury of the enemies, my oftentimes, yea, and to pacifie the wrath and indignation of the gods: I implore the lawfull help of the Tribuns and to the whole body of the people I appeal. And since that you challenge and except against the judgement of your own army, and of the Senat, I offer and present unto you that judges, who only is of more force and puissance, I am sure, than your Dictatorship. I will see, whether you will yeeld to this appeal, whereunto the Roman King Tull. Hostilius gave place. Then out of the Council house they went straight to the Common place of audience: and

M. Fabius to  
the Dictator.



unto the sick fouldiers, recommending their care unto them particularly by name. This being a thing in it self popular, he handled and ordered with such dexterity; that by curing their bodies, their minds also and hearts were much sooner gained and reconciled to their General. And nothing made more for the speedy recovery of their health, than their thankful acceptance of that care and diligence of his. When he had thus refreshed and repaired his army, he encountered once again the enemy with assured hope of himself and his fouldiers, to obtain a final victory; and so discomfited and put them to flight, that the Samnites after that day, durst never fight again with the Dictator. Then the victorious army marched, as any hope of booty and pillage guided and directed them: and as they overran their enemies country, they found no force nor resistance, either in open shew, or covert ambush. This also encouraged them the more, and cheered their hearts, for that the Dictator had by proclamation given away the whole spoil among the fouldiers: so that their privat gain whet them on against their enemy, no less then the common anger and publick quarrel. The Samnites tamed and subdued by these losses and overthrowes, sued to the Dictator for peace: with whom they capitulated, and made offer to allow unto every fouldier one livery, and the full wages of one year. But being commanded to go to the Senat, they made answer. That they would accompany the Dictator, recommending and putting their cause and whole estate to his faithful protection, to his vertue and goodness only. Thus the Army was withdrawn from the Samnites, the Dictator with triumph entered the City: and when he would have reigned up the Dictatorship, the Senat ordained, That before he gave over, he should create Consuls. So, *C. Sulpitius Longus* the second time, and *Q. Emilius Ceretanus* were elected.

The Samnites not having concluded peace, (for that they varied about the conditions, and were to treat farther thereupon) yet brought with them from the City of *Rome*, truce for a year. Which they observed not faithfully: so soon were their stomachs up again to make war, after they had intelligence, that *Papirius* was out of government. Whiles *C. Sulpitius*, and *Q. Emilius* (or *Anius* as some Chronicles have) were Consuls, besides the revoking of the Samnites, there arose a new war also from the Apulians. Both ways was there a power lent, *Sulpitius* his lot was to go against the Samnites, and *Emilius* against the Apulians. Some write, that upon the Apulians themselves no war was made, but contrariwise, that the confederate States of that Nation were defended from the violence and wrongs of the Samnites. Howbeit the low estate of the Samnites, at that time, hardly able to maintain and defend themselves, maketh it more likely and credible, that the Apulians were not warred upon by them, but that the Romans made war with both Nations at once. But no memorable act or exploit was there performed: only the Apulian countrey, and *Samnium* was wasted: and the enemies no where at all to be found, but at *Rome* there hapned a feast by night, which raised every man so suddenly out of their first sleep, and so affrighted the City, that presently at once instant the Capitol and the Castle, the Walls and Gates were full of armed men. And when as from all places there was running, and crying alarm, the morrow morning at the break of day, there appeared neither author, nor cause of this fear.

The same year the Tufculans were judicially converted before the people of *Rome* by process, and that, by a law that *Flavius* preferred. This *M. Flavius*, Tribun of the Commons, exhibited a bill of Endictment to the people that some punishment might be inflicted upon the Tufculans: For that through their assistance and Counsel, the Veliterns and Privernats had taken arms against the people of *Rome*. The Tufculans with their wives and children resorted to *Rome*. Which multitude having changed their apparel, and clad in poor array and habit, as prisoners at the bar, went about from Tribe to Tribe, falling down upon their knees to every man. Whereupon, pity prevailed more to obtain pardon of punishment, then the goodness of their cause to the purging of their guilt. So all the Tribes except *Politia*, disannulled and made void the Endictment aforesaid. But the sentence of the Tribe *Politia* was, That as many as were of age and undergrown, to wit, fourteen year old and upward, should be scourged and put to death. *Item*, that their wives and children, by martial law, should be sold in open port-sale. And for certain it is reported, that the Tufculans took so deep an anger against the authors of so hard a censure and cruel doom, that they have carried it in mind even to our fathers days. For in despite thereof no Candidate, or Competitor for an office of the Tribe *Politia*, was ever wont to get the voices of the Tribe *Papiria*. The year following, whiles *Q. Fabius* and *L. Fulvius* were Consuls, *A. Cornelius Arvinus* Dictator, and *M. Fabius Ambustus* General of horse, having taken a straighter levy of fouldiers then ordinary, for fear of a greater war in *Samnium* (for it was reported that the whole manhood and flower of the youth were taken up and waged out of the countries adjoining) led forth a goodly and puissant army against the Samnites. But they pitched their camp so carelessly in the enemies ground, as if the enemy had been far off: and the Samnite legions came on a sudden so proudly, that they set forward the trench and rampart, and encamped close to the Corps de gard of the Romans. Howbeit the night approached so fast, that they were hindered for saying the Camp: but they gave it out plainly, they would do it the morrow after by daylight. The Dictator seeing that he must fight neerer than he expected or hoped: for fear lest the straightness and disadvantage of the ground, might prejudice and hinder the valour of his fouldiers, leaving fire thick burning in the camp, forth to disappoint the fight of the enemies, in the still night with silence leading forth his legions: but yet could he not for the nearness of their camp escape, but be espied of them. The horsemen forthwith followed upon them in the land

A and pressed hard upon the army in their march, yet in such sort, that before it was day, they would not fight, nay, the very footmen were not all lifted out of the camp before day light. At length when it was broad day, the Horsemen adventured to charge upon the Romans, and partly by playing upon the tail of the hindmost, and partly by skirmishing in places that were hard to be passed over, they hindered their march and kept them behind. In the mean while their Infantry also overtook the Cavalry, so as now the Samnites with all their forces came upon them. The Dictator seeing he could not go farther without his great loffe and disadvantage, commanded his men to fortify even in that very place where he stood: but for as much as the light Horsemen of his enemies were overspread all about, they could not possibly go to provide stakes to make a parapet or rampier, nor begin to cast a trench. When he perceived therefore that he neither could go forward, nor stay and fortify, he removed all his baggage out of the ranges, and set his men in battell array. The enemies do the like, and were not behind either in courage or in forces. But this most of all heartened and encouraged them, for that they being ignorant that the occasion of the enemies retreat was the disadvantage and straightness of the place, presumed that they did it upon fear: and therefore they in terrible manner followed after them, as if the Romans had fled and been affrighted. And even that for a good while held the fight in doubtful balance, albeit the Samnites now a long time had not been used to abide so much as the first shout of the Roman army when they give the charge. But verily that day, from the third hour unto the eighth, it is said that the battall stood so equal and indifferent, that neither the shout and cry was redoubled, nor heard the second time, after it was once set up at the first buckling: nor the ensignes were set forward, or withdrawn backward, but remained where they first were: nor yet of any part were they seen to retire or go back, but every man in his degree and place, bending forward and pressing with his shield, without breathing or looking back, still fought a-front: the same noise, one resolution to die or fight it out, and not to give over before utter weariness or dark night. Now began the strength of men to fail, now the spear point and edge of the sword, began to turn and lose their force, and now the Captains themselves were to seek for counsel and what to do: By what time all at once the Samnites Horsemen, hearing that the carriages of the Romans with one only Cornet were gone a good way off from the armed fouldiers, without any other guard and fortification for greediness of spoil set upon them. Which when a messenger in great haste and fear reported to the Dictator: Let them alone (quoth he) let them encumber themselves with D the spoil, and spare not. Then came others one after another, windles with running, crying out and saying, that all was gone: and that every where the fouldiers goods were rifled, ransacked and carried clean away. Whereupon he sent for the General of Horsemen, see ye not (quoth he) O *M. Fabius*, the battell abandoned of our enemies Cavalry? They (stand fill) are encumbered and pestered with our carriages. Now therefore charge upon them, (benedict as they are, which usually hapneth to any multitude, busy in pillage) find them you shall (no doubt) few on Horseback, and as few with weapon in hand: and whiles they are loding their Horses with spoil, kill them unarmed, and make it a bloody booty to them, and let them buy it full dearly: as for me, let me alone with the charge of the legions and footmen; have you the honour of the Horsemens service. Then the Cavalry ranged into a Squadron, as exquisitely and skillfully as possibly E might be, ran forcibly upon the enemies disarranged and clogged with carriage, beating them down, and making a miserable massacre of them in every place. For being (as they were) among packs and fardels which they cast from them suddenly, and now lay against their feet to stumble on as they fled, and in the Horses way, that were amazed and afraid, they were not able well, either to flee or to fight, and so were slain. When as the enemies Cavalry were thus defeated and weelner all come to naught, then *M. Fabius* wheeling about his wings of Horsemen, for to fetch a compass, set upon the Infantry at their backs: Whereupon arose a new fearful cry, which caused the hearts of the Samnites to tremble and quake. The Dictator withal, seeing the formost of the enemies fighting in the front, looking back ever and anon, their ensignes out of order, and all their battalions waving and floting to and fro: called hard upon his fouldiers, and exhorted F them to fight lustily: cried unto the Colonels, the Sergeants of Bands and Corporals severally by name, to re-engage and renew the battell again with him. Thus with a fresh and new shout, they advance the Standards, and set forward the ensignes: and the farther they march on, the more perceived they the enemies to be troubled, and in dilaray. And now by this time, the Horsemen also were within the sight of the formost in the vanguard: and *Cornelius* looking back to the bands and companies of his footmen, making sign with hand and with voice as well as he could, shewed and made demonstration unto them, that they saw the colours and targets of their own fellow Horsemen. Which when they once heard, and saw withal: presently as if they had forgot the battell which they endured almost a whole day, and felt no smart of their wounds, they bestirred themselves against the enemy as lustily, as if they had newly come out of their tents, fresh G and in heart, and seen but now the signal, and heard the sound of trumpet, to a battell. Now were the Samnites no longer able to sustain the terror of the Horsemen behind, and the violence of the footmen before: but were either slain in the mids between, or scattered abroad in flight. Such as stayed and were environed about, the footmen slew: those who fled, were trodden under the Horses feet and killed: among whom, the General himself left his body on the earth. This battell above all other, so quelled and daunted the hearts of the Samnites and crushed their forces, that in all their Diets and Councils they muttered and gave out; That it was no marvel that they

From nine of the clock in the morning, until two after noon.



A "and never will it give them any rest, before they have been by manifold and sundry ways revenged of us." So his advice was not accepted, neither the one nor the other; and old *Herennius* was carried home again from the camp. The Romans likewise in the camp, after many attempts (but all in vain) for to break forth and escape away, being now in great penury and scarcity of all things, for very necessity were driven to lend Embassadors unto the enemies: who first should crave an equal and indifferent peace: and if they might not obtain it, then to bid defiance and challenge them to a battel. *Pontius* made answer, that there was no talking of battel: for that the field was won already: and because they being vanquished, and as good as taken captive, knew not how to come down and confess their poor estate; he gave them to understand, that he would put them under the gallows, depoyled of their armour, and stript into their shirts: and as for other conditions of peace, they should be such, as were meet to pass between men conquered, and conquerors: namely, if they would depart out of the Samnitis country, withdraw their colonies, and lo both Samnitis and Roman in equal alliance live under their own laws and customes, upon these Articles and Capitulations, he was content to come to some point of accord with the Consuls. If any of these covenants disliked them, then he forbade the Embassadors to repair again to him any more, but at their perill. When relation of this answer was made in the camp, there arose suddenly such a fighing and groning among them all, and so great penitiveness and anguish of heart seized upon them, that it seemed they could not have taken it more heavily, and to the heart, if word had been brought that they muist all have died in the place. After long silence, when as the Consuls wist not how to open their mouth, either for the accord and composition

C to shameful, or against it so necessary: then *L. Lentulus*, who as well in regard of his verue, as of his dignities, was chief of all the Lieutenants: said: "I have heard my father (quoth he) O ye Consuls, oftentimes make report, that he was the only man in the Capitol, who perfwaded the Senat, not to ransom and redeem with gold, the City from the hands of the Gauls: at what time as they were not inclosed either with trench or rampier by their enemies, (a Nation to say truth, of all others most idle in such works, and fortifications) but might have broken through them, if not without great danger, yet without evident ruin, and assured destruction. Were the case so now that as they then, being armed might have run down out of the Capitol upon their enemies under them (in which sort oftentimes the besieged have fallen out upon them that lay in sieg) lo we might but fight with our enemies in any place (it skillesh not)

D "good or bad even or uneven: I would not in giving counsel, be any joy behind my father in courage and valor, For I confess verily that to die for our country is a brave death, and for my own part ready am I even to offer my body as a sacrifice to prevent death, yea, and it were to engage my kelf among the thickest of my enemies, thereby to save the people of *Rome* and the legions: But alas, here I see my country, here I see all the Roman Regiments and Legions that are, who unless for their own selves they will run upon their death, what have they else to face by their death? Why, will some man say, the houses and buildings of the City, the walls, and that multitude that inhabit the City. Nay rather, if this army fortune here to miscarry, they are all clean betrayed into the enemies hand and not saved, For who shall defend them? Peradventure, the weak and unarmed multitude: even as well surely as they defended it against the violence of the

E Gauls: Or, will they fend for an army from *Fris*, and besetch the help again of Captain *Camillus*? Even the one as well as the other. But here in this place is our whole hope, here is all our power and puissance: in saving it, we preserve our country in offering it to die, we abandon and betray our country. To yield and render our selves, is a foul and shameful thing; true, but such is the love of our Country, that we ought to preserve it, as well with our utter harm, if need require, as by our death. Let us undergo then, and abide this shameful indignity whatsoever, and obey that fatal necessity, which the very Gods themselves cannot overcome. Go to then, Consuls, a Gods name, redeem the City with your armor and weapons, which your fore-fathers ransomed with their gold. Then went the Consuls to *Pontius* for to raise, And when as he began like a conqueror to debate about the capitulations of Covenants, they denied plainly

F that any league could be made, without the privy, will and authority of the whole people: not without the Fecials, and other solemn and usual Ceremonies. So that this Caudine accord was not (as commonly it is believed, and as *Cleudius* also writeth) concluded by force of absolute covenant, but by way of stipulation and promise. For what needed either surreies in a perfect agreement and league, or hostages to be given when the matter is passed by this form of prayer, By whose defaults it hapned that the conditions agreed were not observed, that people Jupiter would so smite, as the swine there was by the fœcial misten? The Cofl, Lieutenants, Treasurers, and Colonels, who undertook as surreies, subscribed and signed: and the names yet are extant of them all: where, if the matter had passed by way of an absolute league, there should have been subscribed no more but the names of two Fecials only. Moreover, by reason that the conclusion of

G this accord was of necessity deferred, there were required also 600 Horsemen hostages, who should lose their heads, in case the covenants of the agreement were not observed. And thereupon was the time appointed and set down of delivering the said hostages, and yielding the army without their armor. Now the coming of the Consuls renewed again the sorrow in the camp, that hardly they could hold their hands from thofe, through whose rash conduct they were come to that place of disadvantage: and through whose cowardie they were to depart from thence more shamefully than they came: complaining that they had not to much as a guide to

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direct them, nor an apsal to discover the coasts: but like beasts were driven blinded into a trap or pit-fall: and one looked upon another; beholding the armor that within a while they were to deliver up, viewing their right hands, which anon should be unarmed, their naked bodies exposed to the mercy and devotion of the enemy. They set before their eyes, the gallows prepared by the army for them to pass under, the scorn and reproachful taunts of the Victor, his proud and disdainful looks, and how they (disarmed) should pass in a long train and go through the armed enemies: then afterwards, the piteous spectacle of the way which they must go, and the shameful dishonour of their disgraced army: briefly, their foul and dishonourable return through the Cities of their allies unto their country and parents, whither they themselves and their ancestors oftentimes had gone in triumph. They were the only men, which without wound, without dint of weapon, without battel fought, were discomfited and vanquished: who might not so much as draw their sword, and never came to joyne or encounter with their enemy; having armour, having strength of lim, having hearts given them in vain. As they brayed out with great discontentment and anguish, these words, that shal now be heavy and woulth, than they conceived and sensible experience, was to make all matters more heavy and woulth, than they conceived and imagined in their minds aforehand. First and foremost were they commanded all, to go forth without the trench disarmed, and in their single garments: then were the hostages presently delivered, and had to ward: after this, were the Serjeants and Officers willed to depart from the Consul: whose rich coats of arms, when they were plucked from their shoulders, moved such pity and compassion even in them, who a while before with all cursing and banning, judged them worthy to be delivered bound hand and foot into their enemies hands, for to be mangled away his eyes, as cut in pieces: that every man forgetting his own estate, wherein he stood, turned away his eyes, as it were from an abominable spectacle, and could not indure to behold that disgracing and dishonouring of so great state and Majesty. The first that were put under the gallows, were the Consul, and nearer half naked: and according to their degree and place, so was every one in order put to the shame: and afterward, the legions one after another. The enemies in their armor stood at the while about them, scoffing, mocking, and making a game of them: many had swords and daggers set against their hearts, in menacing wise, some were hurt and stabbed to death; namely, such as with stern countenance and grim looks above the rest, for the indignity of these things, offended the conqueror. Thus were they sent forth with shame enough under the gallows, and (that which was more grievous than the thing) even in the sight and view of their enemies, they were not so soon got out of the forefront, but although they seemed but then as plucked out of dark leet to see the day, yet the very light itself was worse than a kind of death, when they beheld so ill favoured an army and unseemly. And therefore, albeit they might have reached to *Capua* before night, yet being doubtful of the faithfulness and protection of their allies, or else daunted for very shame, they cast their poor and sildly bodies upon the ground, about the high wayes not far from *Capua*. Whereof, when news came to *Capua*, the just and due pity which they took of their allies, overcame the inbred arrogancy and pride of that people by kind, immediately they sent with their rods, their arms and ornaments belonging to their place of authority, the Lictors and Serjeants with their rods, they sent armor and Horses, apparel and vidual all for the soldiers bountifully, and as they came near to *Capua*, the whole Senat and people went out to meet them, and performed all duties of kindness and hospitality, both privat and publick, that could be devised, and as meet was and requirte. And yet neither the courteous usage, nor the pleasant countenances and lightome speeches of their allies, could draw from them any words, no, nor so much as make them to hold up their heads and eyes, and to look again upon their friends, when they yielded them at these comforts they could. So as, besides their grief and sorrow of heart, certain basifulsness and shame forced them to shun all communication and conversing with men. The morrow after, when a certain young Gentleman of the Nobility were returned, who had been sent in convoy from *Capua*, to accompany them and bring them on their way, as far as their liberties and confines: they were sent for into the Senat-house, and being demanded by the ancients and elders, what news: they reported, that they seemed unto them much more heavy and cast down than before, so silent and in manner dumb, they marched along: that noble mind and courage of the Romans was now mute and mum, they hearts clean dead and gone together with their armor, not able to greet again, no, nor to give a word to those that saluted them, nor one of them for fear able to open his mouth, as if still they bare that yoke and gallows upon their necks, under which they went. That the Samnites had indeed not only a brave victory, but also a perpetual over them, and the hand of them for ever; and had now won not *Rome*, as the Gauls aforetime, but also (which was a more hardy and warlike exploit) had conquered the Romans courage, stoutness and valour. As these news were reported, and audience given thereto, with such assent, that every man lamented now the Roman name, as desperate; and concluded generally it was in the counsel of these their faithfull confederats, that they were past recovery; one *Officiu Calpurnius* the son of *Ofivius*, a man right nobly born, renowned for his valiant Ads, and besides, very grave and reverend for his age, spake by report in this manner and said, That he took the matter far otherwise than they all did: for that stubborn and resolute silence, (qd. he) tho' eyes fastened so wilyly on the earth, tho' ears fears to admit all solace and comfort, that shame of theirs to look up and behold the light, were expresse and certain tokens of them that tossed and rolled from the very root and bottom of their heart, a huge heap and mass of anger & despite. Either (qd. he) I know not the nature of the Romans, or else that stillness & silence will

A will shortly call the Samnites, woful cries and doleful groans; and the remembrance of this *Caudine* accord, will be more heavy and dolorous a good deal to the Samnites than to the Romans: for, as for them, they will every man find their hearts and courages again, wheresoever they shal hap to encounter: but the Samnites shal not meet every where with the *Caudine* streights for their purpose.

And now by this time was this shameful overthrow and disgrace known at *Rome*. Intelligence they had before, how they were beset and inclosed about: but afterwards arrived a messenger with news more heavy and forrowful for that ingominous peace, than for any peril and danger otherwise. At the first noile and bruit that they were besieged, they began to mutter; but after they heard, that they had so shamefully yielded themselves, all that preparation of aid and succor was discharged and sent away: and presently without any order from publick authority, they gave themselves every one to all manner of mourning and lamentation. The shops all about the market place were shut up. A general vacation began of it self, and pleading in all courts ceased, before Proclamation made: the purple and scarlet robes were left off, the golden rings laid away, and the whole City in a manner more forrowful and heavy, than the very army. Neither were they angry and offended with the Captains only, with the authors of the peace, with the cautious and iudicious for the same; but hated also the guiltless soldiers: denying flatly, that they were worthy to be received into City or house. Which heat of stomach and wrathful indignation, the first arrival of the army, utterly allayed; which even to angry persons was pitiful and lamentable. For they returned not as men that escaped safe, alive, and unlooked for into their country, but like captives in habit and countenance: they entered late into the Town, and hid their heads, every man within own house: so as the morrow after, and for certain dayes following, none of them would come into the market place, nor put his head out at doores to look into the streets. The Consuls likewise for their part, kept in, as privat men, and would exercise no function pertaining to their charge, but only that which they were forced unto by an act of the Senat: namely, to nominate a Dictator for to be President at the Election of Consuls. So, they elected *Q. Fabius Ambulius* for Dictator, and *P. Atilius Pennus*, General of Horse. Who being wrong created, and without the approbation of the *Aspiciet*, there were chosen in their room, *M. Aemilius Pappus* for Dictator, and *L. Valerius Flaccus* General of the Horsemen, and yet by them was not the assembly holding for the Election above said. And for asmuch as the people were even weary againe of all that yeares Magistrats, as unlucky and unfortunate; it grew at length to an Interregne. So Interregents there were, *Q. Fabius Maximus*, and *M. Valerius Corvinus*, who created Consuls, *Q. Fabius Philo*, and *L. Papirius Cursor* the second time: with the whole consent, no doubt, of the City; for that in those dayes there were not two more noble and renowned Captains to be found.

Theſe ſame day they were created, they entered their Magiſtracy (for ſo the LL. of the Council had decreed :) and after certain ſolemn and ordinary acts of the Senat propoſed, they went in hand to conſult about the treaty of the Caudine peace. And *Publius*, whole courſe it was then to have the ſovereignty of rule : *E* ſpeak (quoth he) *Sp. Poſthumius*, to the matter propounded, and let us hear your opinion, and what you can ſay. Who after he was riſen and ſtood up, with the very ſame countenance and cheer that he went under the gallows : I am not, (quoth he) *O ye Conſuls*, ignorant, that I am fiſt called forth, not for honour, but to my diſgrace : and commanded to ſpeak, nor as a Senator and Counceller, but as a man culpable and accused, both for an unfortunate war adminiſtered, and a ſhameful peace concluded. Howbeit, ſeeing that ye have not propounded and touched ought, concerning either our treſpaſs or our puniſhment, (ſetting apart all kind of excuſe and defence, which would be no very hard matter to maintain, before men that are not ignorant of humane fortune, and of neceſſities, whereto men may be driven) I will in brief deliver my mind concerning that, which you have moved and propounded, ded, Which ſentence of mine may ſufficiently witneſs and teſtify, whether I meant to ſpare mine own life, or ſave your legions, when as I became bound to that diſhoneſt or neceſſary ſtipulation and promiſe, call it whether ye will. And yet, ſeeing it was made without the peoples privacy and grant, the State of *Rome* is not obliged thereto, and thereby nothing due to the Samnites, but only our bare bodies. Let us therefore be rendered by the hands of the *Feciales* and *Heralds*, in our ſhirts, and ſaft bound : let us deliver and rid the people of all kruptle and trouble of conſcience, if we have entangled them with any ; that there be no let in Law of God or man, but that both juſtly and lawfully ye may begin the war anew. In the mean while my mind and advice is, that the *Conſuls* levy, enrol, arm, and lead forth an army : but not to enter within the enemies marches, before all things duly belonging to the delivery of uſus into their hands, be fully accompliſhed. Now, I pray and beſeech ye, O immortal Gods, that ſeeing it was not your good will and pleaſure, that *Sp. Poſthumius* and *T. Veturius* Conſuls, ſhould with fortunate conduct fight againſt the Samnites, yet you would be ſatiſfied herewith. That ye beheld uſ put under the gallows : that ye ſaw uſ obliged in an infamous and ſhameful bond of covenant : that ye now view uſ naked and delivered bound into the enemies hands, ready to receive upon our heads even with the loſs of our lives, all their anger, malice, and delighting that it would pleaſe you that the new *Conſuls* and Legions of the Romans, may in that ſort war with the Samnites, as evermore the wars before uſ Conſuls have been conducted, managed and performed. When he had ſpoken theſe words : all men both ſo wondred at this man and pitied him too, that one while they would not believe he was the ſame *Sp. Poſthumius*, who had moved and perſwaded *O*

The Oration  
of *S. Posthumus*  
late Consul  
in the *Senat.*





"rals? that thou, according to the agreement and accord, shouldst have that desire of thine, H  
 "even to many citizens lives saved? and I not have the peace (which by letting mine hold go un-  
 "to thee an enemy) I bargained for? What Justice is this, that thou, O *Corvulus*, and ye that are  
 "heralds, prescribe to Nations abroad? Nay verily, I neither will accept of those persons whom  
 "ye make a shew to deliver, neither can I believe, that they are yielded in verity and good earnest.  
 "Nay, I pals not at all, whether they return again into that City, which is obliged by a covenant  
 "made, attended upon with the wrath and displeasure of all the Gods, whose heavenly power  
 "and deity is thus defaced. Now go and make war, seeing that *Sp. Posthumius* erewhile thrust  
 "and pushed an Ambassador herald with his knee; and so to the Gods will believe no doubt, that  
 "*Posthumius* is a Samnite citizen, and no Roman; and that by a Samnite, a Roman Ambassador hath I  
 "been abused: and thereupon you may take a just occasion and good quarrel to make war upon  
 "upon us. Are you not ashamed, and bash you not to broach and set abroad, in the view and  
 "face of the world, such mockeries of Religion? What? old and ancient grave personages, and  
 "such as have been Consuls, to seek such subtle devices (not fit for very children and babes to  
 "play with) and all to shift off and falsify their promise made by covenant. Go Licor, loose the  
 "romans of their bands: and no man so hardy as to stay them, but that they may depart when  
 "they will at their own pleasure. So they, having thus perhaps discharged the publick fidelity,  
 "or at least wile quit themselves undoubtably of their own, returned from *Caudium*, unhurt, to  
 "the Roman camp.

The Samnites seeing that in lieu of a proud and unreasonable peace, there was a most cruel war  
 new sprung up again, not only forecast and apprehended in their minds, but well near ex-  
 vidently with their eyes, all that ever ensued after. Then, all too late and in vain, God wot, they  
 praised the two-fold council of old *Pontius*: and how they taking the middle way between, were  
 deceived & had exchanged the certain possession of victory, for an uncertain and doubtful peace  
 and having lost the opportunity both of gratifying the Romans, or doing them harm any more,  
 were now to fight & wage war with them, whom they might either have disabled for being hun-  
 dered, or made their fast and assured friends forever. And so without any weakening of  
 ful enemies, or made their fast and assured friends forever. And so without any weakening of  
 their power and forces of either side by battle, their hearts after this Caudine peace were so  
 changed, that *Posthumius* by his voluntary yielding was more honored among the Romans, than  
*Pontius* his bloodless victory among the Samnites: and the Romans made this reckoning, that  
 the possibility of making war was to them almost as undoubted victory: and the Sam-  
 nites believed verily, that the Romans had at once made war again and got the upper-  
 hand.

Whiles these things thus passed, the Satricans revolted to the Samnites: and the Colony at *Freg-  
 gellæ*, by the sudden and unlooked for arrival of the Samnites (with whom it is certain the Satri-  
 cans were banded) in the night was surprised and taken. But the mutual fear one of the other,  
 kept them in on both sides that they stirred not out until the morning. Then began the fight,  
 which for a certain time was equal and indifferent: yet, for that the Fregellones within fought  
 for their Church and chimney (as they say) and by reason that the multitude, unmeet for arms,  
 stood them in good stead in annoying their enemies from off their houses: they held out and  
 found them play a long time. But afterwards, a wily and deceitful policy turned all backwards  
 and was their undoing: for they suffered the voice of the cryer to be heard through the Town,  
 and who proclaimed, That whosoever laid down weapon, should depart alive and safe with bag and  
 baggage. The hope whereof, caused them to slack somewhat of their fight, and therewith they be-  
 gan to cast away their armor in every place. But the resolute sort armed still, brake away through  
 a postern gate, whose venturousness proved to them more safe, than the inconsiderate fear of the  
 other which made them credulous and too light of belief. For the Samnites compassed them about  
 with fire, and for all they called upon the Gods for their help, and to their enemies for perfor-  
 mance of their promise, yet they burned them most pitciously.

The Consuls parted between themselves, their Provinces. *Papirius* took his way to *Luceria* in *N  
 Apulia*, where the Roman Horsemen given for hostages at *Caudium* were kept in ward: but *Publi-  
 us* stayed in *Samnium* to make head against the Caudine legions. Which thing much troubled and  
 distracted the minds of the Samnites: for neither their hearts would serve them to go to *Luceria*,  
 lest the enemy should come on their backs: nor yet to stay behind, for fear lest in the while, *Luc-  
 eria* should be lost. They thought it best therefore, to put all in hazard of a battle, and to try it out  
 with *Publius*. Whereupon, they bring forth their power into the field: with whom when *Publi-  
 us* was minded to join in fight, he thought it not amiss, first to make some speech upon his men,  
 and so commanded them to assemble unto an audience. But, as they came running to the *Preto-  
 rium*, with exceeding great cheerfulness, so by reason of their noise that called hard for battle, no  
 exhortation of the General could be heard: each man his own heart mindful of the former dis-  
 grace, served well enough to encourage and animat them. So they march out to battle, putting  
 forward the standard-bearers and port-enigns. And because they would lose no time, they first  
 charge with lancing their javelins and shooting darts, and after that, in drawing their swords,  
 they threw away their javelins, as if they had had a signal given them to do so, and with naked  
 drawn sword, they ran upon their enemies. No cunning was there to be shewed of warlike cap-  
 tain, no skill to be shewed either in setting in array the files and ranks, or placing of the rearward  
 for supplies: the soldiery furious anger, with raging violence, marshalled and managed all,  
 So,

A So, the enemies were not only discomfited and put to the rout, but also because they durst not  
 hinder their flight by retiring to their own camp, they made all the haft they could, disbanded as  
 they were, toward *Apulia*. Howbeit they were rallied together in one company, and so came to  
*Luceria*. The Romans, in the same boiling heat of blood that they pierced through the mids of  
 the enemies battle; entered also into their camp: where was more bloodshed and execution than  
 in the battle, and the greater part of the pillage was in their choler marred and clean lost.

The other army commanded by *Papirius* the Consul, marched along the Sea coast to *Arpi*: and all  
 the Country they passed thorow, shewed them friendship and courtesie, more for the outrages  
 and losses sustained by the Samnites, and the hatred they bare them, than for any love to the people  
 of *Rome*, or good received at their hands. And now the Samnites at that time dwelling upon the  
 hills in *Villages*, being mountaineers and wild people, and as it is commonly seen, of like dispo-  
 sition to the places which they do inhabit, waited the plain Champian and Sea coasts, desiring in-  
 deed their more civil life and conversation. Which Country, if it had been true to the Samnites,  
 either the Roman army had not been able to come to *Arpi*, or else the penury and scarcity of all  
 things between *Rome* and *Arpi*, would have consumed them, being cut off from all provision of vi-  
 ctuals. For even then, being gone from them, and lying encamped before *Luceria*, as well they with-  
 out in the leaguer & those that were within the City besieged, were nipped and bitten with hun-  
 ger. The Romans were served all from *Arpi*, but so slenderly and scantily, that whiles the footmen  
 were occupied in their guards warding, watching, and working unceasingly: the Horsemen, were  
 C vain to bring corn from *Arpi*, in little leather bags: and otherwhiles, if they met the enemy, were  
 forced to cast the corn from off their Horsebacks, to fight more nimbly. They that were within  
 besieged, before the other Consul came with his army, had both from the mountains of the Sam-  
 nites, victuals brought unto them, and succors also, of men led in to them. But the coming of *Pub-  
 lius* made all provisions more straight: for, leaving the charge of the siege to his brother Con-  
 sul, he rode lightly appointed without carriage, all over the Country, and so beat all the quarters,  
 that they were too hot for the enemies to forage and purvey victuals. Then the Samnites, seeing  
 that they within the City besieged, were pait all hope to abide the famine any longer, encamped  
 about *Luceria*, and were forced to gather all their forces together from all parts, and to give *Pap-  
 irius* battle. At which very instant, when they were on both sides preparing to fight, the Tarentin  
 D Embassadors came between, discharging and forbidding, both Samnites and Romans to fight:  
 professing withal, that whosoever they were that refused to give over war, against them they  
 would fight in defence and favor of the others. *Papirius* having heard that embassage, making  
 semblance, as if he had greatly regarded their speeches, answered that he would confer with his  
 brother Consul: and having sent for him, and bestowed all the mean time in preparation to fight,  
 when he had talked with him as touching the execution of matters already resolved, he presently  
 gave the signal, and set out the bloody banner of battle. Now as the Consuls were busy in sacrific-  
 ing and performing duties belonging to God and man (as his manner is when they purpose to go  
 to a battle) the Tarentin Embassadors aforesaid, encountered them and expected an answer. To  
 whom *Papirius*, The Chick-master (qd. he) O ye Tarentines, sendeth me word, that the birds feed  
 E right, and all is well: and besides that, the Gods in our sacrifice seem passing well pleased. And in  
 the name of the Gods, and under their conduct (as ye see) we are going to battle. Then com-  
 manded he to set forward the standards, and led forth his power, mocking the foolish nation for  
 their great vanity, who, not able to manage their own affairs by reason of home seditions and ci-  
 vill discords, thought it meet to be moderators between others, and to prescribe them war or  
 peace. The Samnites on the other side, having slaked all their care and desire of war, for that they  
 desired peace in good earnest, or else thought it expedient for them to make a semblance thereof,  
 for to win unto them the Tarentines: seeing the Romans all of a sudden arranged in battle array  
 and ready to fight, cried forth aloud, that they rested still in the authority of the Tarentines, and  
 were at their direction: neither would they come forth into the field, nor put themselves in  
 F arms out of their fort: choosing rather being thus disappointed, to abide the chance of for-  
 tune whatsoever, than to seem to have despised the Tarentines, who had interposed themselves as  
 Mediators for peace. Marry (quoth the Consul) we take that for a good sign and presage of lucky  
 success: and we would with no more at Gods hands, but to put into their enemies heads that  
 resolution, not to defend their trench and rampire. So the Consul, when they had parted between  
 them their forces, approached the very camp of their enemies, and set upon them with an hot  
 assault on every side. Thus while some filled and dammed up the trenches, others plucked up the  
 stakes of the rampier, and threw the bank and all down the ditches under their feet: whiles not  
 only their own inbred valour by nature, but also anger and choler provoked and pricked to the  
 quick; their hearts already fretted and cankered at the very rout, for the last disgrace received; they  
 G entered the camp. Every man for his part gave out and said, Here are not the straight gullies  
 of *Caudium*, here are not the impassable nor inaccessible passes, and fortresses, where as proud fraud  
 had gone beyond their silly error and want of foresight: but Roman verne and prowess, which  
 no rampier never so strong, no trench how deep soever, is able to put by and withstand.  
 So they killed all afore them indifferently, as well them that made resistance and stood to it, as  
 those that retired and gave way: armed and disarmed, bond and free born, old and young, as  
 well under age as undergrown, man and beast, one with another: neither had there escaped any  
 living creature drawing breath, but that the Consuls founded the retreat; and with minatory  
 words



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when he was wounded to death, conferring the ease occurrents of war which this young Prince & his nephew met withall in *Asia*, with the difficulties of his own that he found here in *Italy*. And verily, when I call to mind and remember the conflicts and fights at sea, in the first Punic war, for the space of twenty four years, with the Carthaginians, I suppose the wholeage of *Alexander* would hardly have brought about and finished that one war, and against one of those two States. And peradventure, when both Carthaginians and Romans had been combined, either according to the ancient leagues, or for equal fear of a common enemy, he would have been puissant both for men and munition, had taken arms at once against him, he would have been overwhelmed with the Punic and Roman war together. Moreover, the Romans have made good proof of the Macedonians as enemies, if not when they had *Alexander* to be their Captain, nor whiles the Empire of Macedonia was at the best, and stood upright unfoiled: yet tried them it never have, and made head against them under the conduct of *Antiochus*, *Philip*, and *Perseus*: and it never cost them the loss and overthrow of their own part, no, nor so much as any appearance of danger at all. I would not be thought to speak a proud word, but be it said without arrogancy, and setting all our civil wars aside: never were we distressed, either by horse or foot, never in open field and battel ranged, never on uneven and plain ground, never in unequal places of disadvantage, were we endangered. The souldier in heavy and compleat harness, I confess, may fear the Cavalry in the plains: may fear shot of arrows, cumbersome forests and woods, straight gulleys, and unpassable wilds, without waies forward or backward: but let there be a thousand armies greater and stronger than the Macedonians or *Alexanders*, so long as we hold together, and continue still in this love of peace and care of civil concord, wherein we live at this present, we are able, and ever shall be, to discomfit and put them all to flight.

After this, were *M. Follus Flaccinus* and *L. Plautius Venox* Consuls, The same year there came from sundry Nations of the Samnites Embassadors, to treat for the renewing of the league, and moved the Senat, most humbly kneeling prostrate upon the ground: but being put off and referred to the people, their prayers availed not to such effect: for as touching a league, they had a flat nay. And after they had for certain daies together importuned them one by one apart, with cap and congee: at length after much suit, they obtained truce for two years. And out of *Apulia* the Theanenses and Canusins wearied with rodes and spoil made in their Territories, after they had put in hostages to *Lucius Plautius* the Consul, yielded themselves to his protection. The same year first began Provosts to be created at *Capua*, to govern under certain laws given unto them by *L. Furius* the Pretor: after that themselves had made suit for the one and the other, as a remedy for their state, greatly decayed through civil discord. And at *Rome* were two more Tribes added to the rest, *Ugentina*, and *Falerina*. When *Apulia* began once to shrink and go backward, the Theatins, being also Apulians, presented themselves unto the new Consuls, *C. Junius Bubulcius*, and *Q. Emilius Barbula*, and sued to enter into a league with the Romans. And since they were the men that led the way first, and by their example and persuasion induced all *Apulia* to be in peace with the Romans, and had confidently undertaken, as sureties and pledges to bring it to peace with the Romans, they obtained their request. Yet was not the league indifferent and formal, with equal conditions, but so, as they should be in subjection to the people of *Rome*. After that *Apulia* was conquered (for *Junius* had won also *Tarentum*, a strong town and a rich) they marched forward against the *Lucans*. Then upon the sudden coming of *Emilius* the other Consul, *Nerulus* was by force taken. And after that it was noised abroad amongst the allies of the people of *Rome*, that the state and weal publique of *Capua* were established by Roman discipline and government: the *Antians* also, who made moan and complained, that they lived without positive law and Magistrates, obtained of the Senate certain Advocates and Commissioners, to ordain Statutes likewise for that Colony. So, that not only the Roman arms, but also their law and jurisdiction extended far and near, and was of great request. *C. Junius Bubulcius*, and *Q. Emilius Barbula* Consuls, in the end of the year, delivered their Legions not to the Consuls by them created, *Sp. Nautius*, and *M. Popilius*, but consigned them to *L. Emilius* the Dictator. Who with his General of horse, *L. Fulvius*, began to lay siege to *Saricula*, whereby he gave the Samnites occasion to rebell. Which brought upon the Romans a double fear two waies. For of the one side the Samnites having assembled a mighty army, to deliver their allies from the siege, pitched their Camp not far from the Romans leaguer: on the other side, the *Satracans* set open their gates suddenly, and with a great tumult brake into the wards and corps de guard of their enemies. And so both parts, relying rather upon hope of succour and help elsewhere, than trusting upon their own strength, within a while began to charge the Romans in full battell, with banners displayed, and distressed them. And although the Dictator was assailed both waies, yet was he sure and safe on either side, because he had got a plot of ground, not easie to be compassed, and made head both against the one and the other, advancing his ensignes accordingly. Howbeit, he charged more hotly upon them that sallied forth, and without much ado beat them again within the walls. Then turned he the whole battell upon the Samnites. Where there was hard hold, and more to do. The victory, though long first, was neither doubtful nor variable. The Samnites being chased and driven into their Camp, having in the night put out all their fires, dislodged and departed privily away: and being past all hope of defending *Saricula*, they besieged *Plisfia*, a town confederate to the Romans, to requite their enemy with the like displeasure. The revolution of the year being gone about, the war continued under the conduct of *Q. Fabius*

A *Q. Fabius* Dictator: and the new Consuls, like as the former remained still at *Rome*. And *Fabius* came before *Saricula* to receive the Army of *Emilius*, bringing with him a new supply to make up the broken bands: for the Samnites made no stay at *Plisfia*, but having levied and sent for fresh souldiers from home, presuming upon their great numbers, encamped in the very place where they lay afore: where by braving the Romans, and challenging them with many skirmishes, they would have forced them to raise the siege. But the Dictator so much more exactly bent his forces against the walls of the enemies, thinking it the best piece of service to assail the Town, as being of such importance to the rest of the war, which depended thereon: and was more careful therefore of the Samnites, and only opposed against them certain guards both day and night, along the trench and rampire, to keep them from making any assault upon the Camp. But the Samnites on the other side, so much the more fiercely skirmished on horseback about the fortifications, and never gave them rest. Insomuch, as when the enemy now was at the point to enter the gates of the Camp, the General of the Horse, *Q. Emilius Cereanus*, without advice and direction of the Dictator, riding forth in a great noise with all his Corners of Horse, repelled the enemy. But even in that light manner of skirmish, and no set battel of any long continuance, Fortune so plaid her part, and shewed what she could do, that on either side there fell a notable loss, with the glorious death of both the Captains. For the General of the Samnites first taking it to heart, to see *Emilius* so fiercely dead and give the charge, and himself to be distressed and driven out of his place, with much intreating and exhorting his horsemen, renewed the fight. Against whom, as he advanced himself, bravely to be seen amongst his men and fought most valiantly, the Roman General of the horse, with spear in rest, so galloped his horse, that with one push he unhorsed him and left him for dead: and yet for all this was not the whole troop besides (as commonly it is seen) at the fall of their Captain so much amazed, as provoked rather to fight. For they that were about him charged *Emilius* hard as he rashly rode without heed, and engaged himself too far within the thicket of his enemies, and landed their javelins at him: but they gave the special honour to the brother of the Samnites Captain to be revenged for his death. He, full of anger and sorrow, plucked *Emilius* from his horse, and slew him in the place, even in the midst of his victory: and for that he fell among the troops of his enemies, he had like to have left his dead corps among the Samnites. But presently the Romans alighted on foot, and the Samnites were forced to do the same: and thus being arranged suddenly in great haste into battallions, there began a cruel fight on foot about the bodies of the Captains. Wherein the Romans went clear away with the better, and having recovered the corps of *Emilius*, in great joy, intermingled with sorrow, they returned winners into their Camp. The Samnites thus having lost their Captain, and tried their strength what they could do in fight on horse-back, left *Saricula*, which they supposed could not possibly be defended, and so returned again to the siege of *Plisfia*. After few daies, *Saricula* was surrendered by composition to the Romans, and the Samnites by assault won *Plisfia*. Then changed they the seat town of the war. For out of *Samnium* and *Apulia*, the Legions were removed to *Sora*. This *Sora* was revolted to the Samnites, and had slain all the inhabitants therein that were Romans. E Against which place, when the Romans were come first by great journeys to revenge the loss of their Countrymen, and to recover the Colony, their elpals and counts whom they had sent out dispersed along the high waies, brought word, that the Legions of the Samnites followed, yea, and one after another gave advertisement, that they were not far off. Hereupon they went forth to meet with the enemy, and near to a place called *Lanula*, there was fought a doubtful and dangerous battel: for no slaughter it was, nor flight of either part, but the very night that parted them, and they knew not whether they had the better or the worse. In some Chronicles I find, that the Romans lost the day, and that there died in this battel *Q. Emilius* General of the horse, *C. Fabius* chosen in the room of *Emilius*, came with a new and fresh army from *Rome*, and having dispatched messengers before to the Dictator to know his advice, where he should stay and rest, and what time, and which on side he should set upon the enemy: after he was well informed and instructed in all points what to do, he put himself close in ambush. The Dictator himself, who had for certain daies after the last skirmish, kept his souldiers within trench, more like one besieged, than besieging: all on a sudden, put forth the signal and token of battel: and thinking nothing more effectual to animate and kindle the courages of hardy men, than to know of no other help or hope, nor to trust upon any man but in themselves, he concealed from his souldiers the coming of the General of Horse and his fresh forces: and as if there had been no other way but one, even to break forth and fall with violence: "We being" (quoth he) "my souldiers, pent here and taken tardy in these straits have no other issue but that which by victory we shall make open. Our hold wherein we lie is fortified true enough but we are revolted from whence we should have convoy of victuals: and were it that the people were disposed to help us, yet the adventures & passages are hard, and the place of our abode incommotions. Therefore will I deceive and abuse you any longer, by leaving here your tents into which ye may after ye have missed the entire victory, betake your selves for safety as ye did the other day: for our fortifications and holds, ought to be defended by force of arms: and not our arms by fenced forts. Let them have their Camp well fortified, to issue forth and to retire thither again at their pleasure, who have a purpose to make along war of it. But let



The same year when as the Romans found all unloyal unto them, and nothing but falsehood on all sides; at *Capua* also certain secret conspiracies of the Nobles and best of the City were detected and revealed, Touching which the Senate's advice was asked, and the matter not neglected by them, but Commissions were appointed: and thought good: that as that Dictator should be nominated for to fit upon the same commissions and inquisitions. And *C. Manius* was created, who named *M. F. Felius* General of the Horie, Great was the terror of that Magistrate, and thereupon either for fear, or guiltiness of conscience, the two *Calpurnii*, *Ovinus* and *Novius*, who were the chief of that complot, before information was given against them by name to the Dictator died: & questionless by their own hands shorned their daies, and so avoided the trial of justice and punishment accordingly. After that, when the Inquisition wanted subject matter once about the *Capuans*, the Inquirers (by interpretation of words in the Commission) proceeded to *Rome*, saying, that the Senat had good warrant to make enquiry and فراغت search, not by name and precisely, who at *Capua* only; but generally, who in any place whatsoever had used convicencies, and conspired against the Common-wealth: and all secret meetings, say they, and packings together, for to get Dignities and Offices, were directly against the State and Common-wealth: so that the Commission extended larger both for person and real action. Yea, and the Dictator himself nothing grieved, but that the virtue of his Commission was directed without limitation. Hereupon were certain Gentlemen of the Nobility brought into question: and notwithstanding they called upon the Tribunes for to assist them, with interposing their negative, yet there was not one of them would succour and relieve them, the presentment was taken against them, and they indicted. Then the Nobility I mean not them alone who were in trouble, but generally the whole Gentry of the City, at once, pleaded, that they were not the natural and true Noblemen indeed, who were to be touched and charged with this crime: who if it were not for sinister and indirect courses, had ease and open success unto all honourable places and promotions: but certain new upstarts and Gentlemen of the first head: saying, That it was the very case of the Dictator himself, and his General of Horie, who were rather parties guilty, and offenders themselves, than sufficient inquirers, and competent Judges: and that should they well know and understand, when they were once out of their place and office. This made *Manius* to bestir himself, who mindful rather of his good name and reputation, than respective of his high place and absolute



The Oration  
of *Manius* the  
Dictator.

absolute government, went up into the common place of audience before all the people and spake it to this effect: "My Masters and friends, all Citizens of *Rome*, well assured I am, that privacye are to the whole carriage and course of my former life; and besides that, even this very honour and dignity which you have bestowed upon me, is able to testify and approve mine innocence. For, to fit upon these inquisitions, there was not to be chosen now for Dictator (as oftentimes heretofore, according to the dangerous occasions and necessity of the time) a man reputed to be the best and most noblest warrior of all other; but such a one, as throughout his whole life hath most of all misliked and condemned ambitious conveniences. Howbeit, forasmuch as certain persons of noble lineage, (for what cause, it is more meet for you to deem and judge, than for me being a Magistrate, to speak without book, as they say, and upon no sure ground) first have endeavoured with all their might and main to overthrow the process of the inquisition itself; and afterwards, seeing they were not able themselves to bring that about (notwithstanding they were afterwards) have fled to the holds of their very adversaries, even the protection of the Tribunes and *Patritii* have fled to the holds of their very adversaries and stand to the trial of their cause: and at last having there also a repulse (thinking all means faster than to approve their innocence) have slain upon us, and banished not (privat men as they are) to accuse and touch the person of him that is Dictator: to the end therefore, that both God and man, and all the world may know, that as they have assailed to compels that which they are not able to bring to pass, namely, to avoid the rendering an account of their life and demeanor; so, I am ready (to let forward their accusations) driving an account of their life and demeanor; and giving them means to call me to mine answer, here I resign up my Dictatorship. And I beseech you O Consuls, if so be this charge be laid on you by the Senat, to proceed in examination against me first, and this Gentleman the General of Horse *M. Felli*: that it may appear, how we, through our own innocency alone, and not by the countenance and privilege of our dignity and high calling, are protected and safe from these iniquities and intended crimes. Herewith he gave over his place of Dictator: and after him incessantly, *M. Felli* yielded up his room likewise of General over the Horse. These persons were the first, who being charged and put to their trial judicially before the Consuls, (for to them by order from the Senat, was the commission directed) notwithstanding all the depositions and testimonies of the *Patritii*, were in every point found unguilty, and acquitted. *P. Philo* also, albeit he had so many times attained to the supremest dignities of state, after he had achieved so many worthy deeds, as well in peace as war, yet a man maliced or envied rather of the Nobility, was put to plead for himself, and finally absolved. But this inquiry into such men of name and quality, lasted no longer in force, (as it is usually seen) than whilst it was fresh, and in the first heat thereof. From them it began to fall to persons of less reckoning and bair account, until such time, as by the same conveniences and factions, against which it was devised, it fell to the ground, and was broken underfoot.

The bruit of these things, and more than that, the hope of the Campains revolt, whereto certain had conspired and sworn (as ye have heard) recalled the Samnites back again to *Caudium*, who were turned and bent wholly into *Apulia*: that from thence, being so near at hand unto *Capua*, they might (if haply any insurrection and trouble presented the overture and opportunity) seize upon it and take it perforce from the Romans. Thither came the Consuls with a strong and mighty army: and at the first they staied and lingered about the passes and straights, having on the one side and the other an ill way of passage unto the enemies. Afterwards the Samnites fetching a short compass about, came down with their army through the open places into the plains. I mean, the champaign country and fields about *Capua*. And that was the first time that the enemies had a sight one of the others Camp. Whereupon by light skirmishes, on horseback on foot, they tried matters on either side: neither were the Romans one jot discontented with the issue and event thereof, nor repented of the delay whereby they drew the war length. Contrariwise, the Samnite Captains perceived their forces to wear daily by small losses, and their courage to cool and decay evidently by that lingering war. Whereupon, they came abroad into the field and divided their Cavalry into wings: with a special charge, to have a more careful eye backward toward their camp (for fear of any impression and assault that way) than to the main battel: which would be regarded least enough by the Infantry. The Consul marshalled themselves in this manner. *Sulpicius* led the right point of the battel and *Petilius* the left: the right side (whereas the Samnites also were arranged in thinner ranks and files, of purpose to compels and environ the enemies, or not to be compassed and enclosed themselves) shewed it self more abroad and open. They on the left hand, besides that they stood thicker and more close, were by occasion of a hidden policy of *Petilius* the Consul, farther strengthened. For those cohorts and bands which were reserved apart in the rereward, for help at any need and kept fresh against all occurrences and hazards of long fight, he advanced presently to the forefront in the vanguard, and with all his forces at once charged the enemy at the first encounter & forced him to retreat. When the foremen of the Samnites were thereby troubled and dishearted, the horsemen followed close and entered into the skirmish. But as they rode, rols and overhwart between the two hosts, the Roman horsemen prieked and galloped their horses to flank them: and disordered and troubled the ensignes, cornets, squadrons and troops of foot and horse, pell-mell together, until he had caused the whole battel of that side to turn their backs. In this left point not *Petilius* alone, but *Sulpicius* also joyned with him, and was present in person to exhort and encourage the soldiers: for he had transported and

A distracted himself from his own men, who as yet were not come to joyn battel at the cry & shout that arose from the left side: and seeing on that part undoubted victory, he went towards his own charge accompanied with 1200 men: Where he found a change of fortune, namely, the Romans to have retreated and lost ground, and the enemy as victor, advancing forward his ensignes upon them fore dimaid and daunted. Howbeit, the Consul his coming made a present alteration: for both at the sight of their Captain were the soldiers hearts refreshed and comforted; and for to aid them, there came a greater supply indeed than in shew of number, of tall and lusty men. So when they heard first, and saw soon after, the victory got of the other part, they renewed the fight. After this on all sides the Romans had the better hand, and the Samnites giving over fight, were either slain or taken prisoners: saving only those, who fled to *Maleventum* a town now named *Beneventum*. It is left in record, that there were upon 30000 Samnites, either left killed in the place, or brought away captive.

The Consuls having obtained this notable victory, forthwith from thence lead their Legions to lay siege unto *Bovianum*: and there wintered before the Town, until such time as *C. Petilius* (chosen Dictator together with *M. Felli* his General of the Horse, by the new Consuls *L. Papyrius* Consul for the fifth time, and *C. Jun. Bubulcus* the second time) received the Army at their hands. Who hearing, that the Cattle of *Fregella* was by the Samnites taken, left *Bovianum*, and went forward to *Fregella*; which he recovered again without drawing his sword: for that the enemies had quit the place, and were fled by night: and when he had placed a strong garison there, he returned from thence into *Campania*, of special purpose to regain *Nola* by force of arms. Thither were retired within the walls, a little before the Dictator his coming, both all the whole multitude of the Samnites, and the rustic peasants about *Nola*. The Dictator having viewed the situation of the Town, to the end he might have the more open access to the walls, let all the houses on fire that were in the suburbs along the counter-scarpe (and there they stood thick and were well inhabited.) And not long after, whether it were by *Petilius* Dictator (I know not) or *C. Junius* Consul (for it is reported as well of the one as the other) *Nola* was forced and won. That they would draw unto the Consul the honour of winning *Nola*, add moreover and say, That he won also *Arina* and *Calatia*: and that *Petilius* upon a pestilence that began, was made Dictator, for the setting or calting of a spike or great nail. Two Colonies that year were conducted to *Sutrin* and *Pontia*. *Sutrin* belonged to the *Aurunci*. The Volcians inhabited the Island *Pontia*, situate over against their own shore within a kenning. And a decree passed from the Senat, that to *Cassennum* also a third Colony there should be sent inhabitants. *M. Valerius* and *P. Decius*, the Consuls that next succeeded, ordained three *Triumvirs*, for that purpose, and sent four thousand to people those places.

The war with the Samnites was in a manner now dispatched and brought to an end: but before that the Nobles and Senators of *Rome* had left the care thereof, a brute was blown of the Tuiscans war. And there was in those daies another nation (seeing the Gauls tumbling aside) whose forces and hostility they more feared; for that their country was so near a neighbour and so populous withall. Therefore, whilst one of the Consuls was occupied in dispatching the reliques of the war in *Samnium*, *P. Decius* who staied at *Rome* grievously sick, by authority of the Senat, named Dictator *C. Junius Bubulcus*. He according as the important affairs required, caused all the younger sort to take the military oath, and prest them for soldiers, armor, and whatsoever requisite besides, with great diligence he prepared. And albeit he were thus furnished and well appointed, yet was he nothing bold and forward to begin war, willing (no doubt) to be quiet and stand upon his guard, unless the Tuiscans shewed themselves first in arms. The same purpose had the Tuiscans also, both in preparing for war, and in making stay to begin war. So, of neither side they departed out of their own limits.

In that year was there a famous Censorship of *App. Claudius* and *C. Plautius*. But the name of *Appius* became more memorable of the twain, and of happier renown unto posterity, for that he paved with stone the causeway or Port-way (bearing his name) and conveyed a channel of water into the City of *Rome*. Which works he finished alone, for that his Colleague for shame of an intemperate and odious choice of certain Senators which he made, gave over the office. But *Appius* having the front from lack, engraffed in his name and house from the beginning, bare the Censorship alone. By the motion and means of the same *Appius*, the *Potitii*, to whose family properly belonged the Priestly service, at the altar of *Hercules* called *Maxima*, had taught certain publick servants (for that the function might be committed over to them as delegates) the solemn rites and ceremonies of that sacred ministry. Hereupon is reported a wonder to be spoken, and that which might strike a scruple of conscience, and make men afraid ever after, to alter any thing in religion from the former state and first institution. For whereas at the same time there were twelve houses of the *Potitii*, and in them about thirty that were above fourteen years of age: within one year it is said, that they died all, with their whole issue and off-spring. Moreover, that not only the name of the *Potitii* became thus extinct, but that *Appius* also the Censor, within certain years (such was the ire of the gods, mindfull of revenge) fell stark blind. Therefore the Consuls that followed in the next year, *C. Junius Bubulcus* the third time, and *Q. Emilius Barbula* the second time, in the very entrance of their office framed a complaint unto the people: That by the lewd and corrupt Election of some new Senators, that honourable state and order was deformed, and namely, how some were over-slips, who were of more worth than those that were taken in: And saying plainly, That

\* Surnamed  
Cecus, that is,  
Blind or Blind.  
\* *Appia* via,  
\* Out of the  
river *Tiber*, and  
was called,  
*Aqua Claudia*

That they would not oblige and have in any regard such a choice, which without respect of good and bad was made for favour and affection to some, and at the pleasure of the Censors: and immediately they cited the Senat by name in that order and form, as had been used before the Censors, *App. Claudius* and *C. Flaminius*.

And in that year were two places of charge and command, first given by the people, both pertaining to warfare: the one, that sixteen Colonels for four Legions, should from that time forward by the people be created, which before were in a manner the gifts and favours conferred by the Dictators and Consuls: and few or none of the people had any hand or voice therein. This Act and Ordinance was promulgated by *L. Petilius* and *C. Martius*, Tribunes of the Commons. The other was, That the same people should have the appointment and ordaining of two *Dumvirs* at sea, for the rigging, repairing, and trimming of the Navy. The maker of this Act was *M. Decius*, another Tribune of the Commons.

I would let pass something that happened this year, as of small weight and importance, and not worth the speaking, but that it seemed a matter pertinent to religion. The minitrels that plaid upon the flute and hauboies, for that they were prohibited and debarred by the last Censors, to have their good cheer any more in the Temple of *Jupiter*, according to an old custom and tradition, took snuff therat, and in a pelting chafe all in one company went their waies to *Tybur*: so as there was not one of them in the City left to sing and pipe before the pomp of sacrifices, and on their festival daies. The Senat made some conscience hereof, and were troubled in their mind. Whereupon they dispatched certain messengers to *Tybur*, to travel with the townsmen, and endeavour all they could that these good fellows might be restored and sent home again to the Romans. The *Tyburins* undertook the matter, and promised right courteously to do their best: and first they sent for these musicians into their Town-hall, and periwaded with them to return again to *Rome*: but when they could not be brought to that, for any thing they could do, then they wrought another policy and feat with them, that tormented and fitted well the humour of such kind of people and of their oar. Upon a festival holiday, under a colour of making merry with minstrelsie and musick about them, some invited one, and some another, to give them a fit of mirth accordingly. But they plied them to with wine (which all the sort of this profession love but too well) that they drank until they winked, and winked so long, till they fell fast asleep. And being found asleep, the *Tyburins* brought them gently to their beds in certain waggons, and thus be-l-floated, conveyed them to *Rome*. Neither perceived they ought, sensible drunken sorts they were, before that their waggons were left in the market place of *Rome*. Nay, before they had slept out and concocted their wine that steamed up into their heads, and clouded there, the day-light came upon them, and then they awoke. The people came running together from all parts to them, and after they had either got at their hands, or charged them to flay, and make no more such frolics, it was granted unto them, that three daies every year, being disguised and dressed in a mask for the purpose, they might range and walk about the City, with singing, and sounding their instruments, after this licentious manner and jollity, which nowadaies is yearly used, and their privilege of eating in the temple was restored to them again, namely, to such as sung and plaid in time of their divine service and sacrifices: and all was well. This ridiculous pageant happened amidst the care and preparation of two great and dangerous wars.

The Consuls parted their Provinces between them: To *Junius*, fell by lot the Samnites, to *Emilius* the new war in *Hetruria*. In *Samnium*, *Cluvia*, a fortress and hold of the Romans being impregnable by an assault, was a long time beleagued; and torred by extrem famine, was delivered up to the Samnites. After they were once Masters of the fort, they took the garrison soldiers, and notwithstanding they yielded themselves, yet they whipped and tarred their flesh most beastly, and in the end, without all mercy killed them. *Junius* exceeding wroth at this cruelty, thinking nothing more needful to be done first, than the winning again of *Cluvia*; laid all other matters aside, and the same day that he assailed the wals, took it by force, and slew all he could find above fourteen years of age. In this train of victory the Army was brought again to *Boianium*. This was the chief place of the *Penitrians* in *Samnium*, the wealthiest City, the best provided, and most furnished of all other with men and munition. The soldiers very eager and sharp for hope of a rich pillage upon the Town. But for that they were nothing so angry and hot of revenge as before, they dealt not so cruelly with the enemies: but they got together and carried away more spoil and lackage from thence than they ever had well near out of all *Samnium*; and as liberally was it bestowed every whit upon the soldiers. And so much as no pitched battel in plain field, no Camp so well fortified, no Cities and Forts, howsoever fenced, were able to withstand the puissant Romans in force of open arms: all the Princes in *Samnium* studied and applied their wits to find means of flight and subtil policy; it haply, as they waited and foraged the Territories after a loose and licentious manner, the Army disbanded once, might be entrapped and enclosed within some ambush. It fell out so, that certain fugitive peasants of the Country, and Captives, some by chance, and other of purpose, coming in their way, made relation of tidings to the Consuls, well agreeing all in one tale, and the same founding of a truth indeed; namely, that a great sort of sheep and other cattel were driven together into a by-forest out of the way: and joined them to lead thither the Legions lightly armed, and to fit their hands with a fat booty. Now the Samnites had privily forelaid all the high waies with a mighty army, and after that they saw the Romans to have entered & engaged themselves within the chafe or forest aforelaid, all of a sudden

\* A Legion consisted now of 4000 footmen; howsoever at other times, of 3000, 5000, yea, and 6000, and the Colonels fewer or more in a legion, according to the quantity thereof. There belonged besides to every legion ordinarily 300 horse. With whom the Tribunes or Colonels aforelaid had nothing to do, being Captains of 1000 foot a peece.

A sudden they rose up and with a great cry and shout ran upon them to charge them when they least thought of any such thing. At the first this so strange and unexpected occurrence made them afraid, while they took them to their weapons, and laid their fardels and baggage together on a heap in the midst. But after that every man was eased of his load, and had put on his armor, they rallied on all sides to their enigens; and without the commandment or direction of any man, they of themselves put the battel in array, each one knowing his rank and place according to the accustomed order of the ancient Military discipline. The Consul perceiving that he was brought to a most doubtful and dangerous battel, alight from his horse: and protested before *Jupiter* and *Mars*, and the other gods whom he called all to witness: "That he came not into that place to get glory to himself by any enterprise, but only a booty for his soldiers: and that no fault else could be imputed unto him, but an overmuch desire and affection of his, to enrich his soldiers by the spoil of the enemy. From which blame and shame both, nothing could free and acquit him else, but the manhood and prowess of his soldiers: exhorting them with one accord but to slay themselves and endeavour all together to let upon their enemy, defeated and vanquished in battel, driven out of Camp and field, bereaved of his Towns and strong holds, and come now to attempt his last and utmost hope, of privy and theevish trains of forlaying, trusting upon the vantage of the ground, and not pure force of arms. But what place is there now unaccessible or unpregnable to the valiant Romans? Herewithall he named the Cattle of *Fregelle* and *Sora*, and what place of disadvantage and hard access soever they had won by force. With these words the soldiers encouraged and enflamed, forgetting all difficulties and dangers, marched apace and advanced forward up to the army of the enemies that now approached them, and were over their heads. Where the Romans found some difficulty all the while they climbed up the cliff or ridge of the hill against them. But after that the foremost enigens were mounted up and had gained the plain in the top, and perceived they were embattled upon an even and equal ground, presently the terror turned upon those that lay in wait for them, & being disbanded, scattered, and driven to fling away their weapons, they fled and trudged as fast as they could to recover again those starting and lurking holes, wherein before they had hid themselves. But even those difficult places which they had fought of purpose for their enemy, and their own deceit and guile, encumbered themselves. For very few of them could find the way out, and escape by flight, inasmuch as to the number of 20000 were slain. And then the Romans after this victory ran up and down at their pleasure to that booty of sheep and cattel, which was first presented unto them by the enemy, as a bait to catch them with.

Whiles these things thus went in *Samnium*, all the people of *Hetruria* by this time, but only the *Aretins*, were up in arms; and entered into a right great war; beginning first with the siege and assault of *Surrin*: which City being allied to the Romans, was (as a man would say) the very Battering of all *Hetruria*. Thither came the other Consul *Emilius* with an army, to rescue and deliver their allies, and to raise the siege. Against the Romans coming, the *Surtins* courtously brought victuals for the Camp, lying before the City. The *Tufans* spent the first day in consulting whether they should make a short war of it, by hot assaults, or temporise and protract the time by lingering siege. The morrow after, when as the Captains liked rather of expedition and hasty courses than of more age and safe proceedings, at the sun rising they set out a flag of defiance and the signal of battel, and armed they go forth of their Camp into the open field to fight. Which after it was told the Consul, presently he commanded a watch-word to be given, that the soldiers should take their breakfast: and after they had refreshed and strengthened their bodies with food, go straight to arm themselves: which was obeyed accordingly. The Consul seeing them well appointed in readines, commanded the enigens to advance forward out of the rampier, and not far from the enemy marshalled his battels. For a good while they stood on both sides, wittily looking, and waiting that the shout and charge should begin from the adverse part. But it was past noon before there was one dart flung or javelin lanced either from the one side or the other. But then, because they should not go away without doing somewhat, the *Tufans* began to set up a cry, the trumpets sound the charge, and the standards came forward. Neither were the Romans any jot behind to begin battel: Thus they ran to it, and encountered with exceeding animosity and fury; the enemies more in number, the Romans better in hardiness and virtue. The fight was doubtful and dangerous, and cost the life of many a man on both sides, and namely, those that were most forward and valiant: neither began they to shrink on any part, before that the second battalion of the Romans, fresh and lusty advanced to the forefront of the vanguard, into the place of their wearied fellows. The *Tufans*, for that their vanguard was not supplied and reinforced by any new vigorous, both before and all about their enigens were beaten down and slain every man. Never in any one battel had there been less running away, or more bloodshed, if the night had not protected the *Tufans*: so resolute were they all to die in the place: inasmuch as the winners gave over play before the losers. After the sun set, the retreat was sounded: and by night both parts returned into the Camp. After this, no exploit was performed before *Surrin* that year, worth remembrance: both for that, the forefront of the enemies army, was wholly in that one battel defeated and destroyed; and they had none left but the Subsidiary soldiers of the rearward, and those hardly able and sufficient to guard and defend the Camp: and also, the Romans were so hurt and sore wounded, that there were more of them died after the battel of their hurts than were slain in the very skirmish outright. *Q. Fabius*, Consul for the year following, succeeded

*Junius* the Consul to his soldiers.



that came, and had nothing now to cover and protect them sufficiently; whilst some of them al-  
 H so gave ground and retreated, and the whole battle was wavering and undecided, the Roman *Hab-  
 si* and *Principes*, came forward with a new shout, and charged them afresh. This violent assault  
 could not the Tuscans bear, but turning their ensigns, fled again in disarray toward their camp.  
 But when as the Roman horsemen who were rid over through the plains and had gotten before,  
 met them afront in the rout, they left their way unto the Camp, & turned toward the mountains:  
 from whence with their whole company in a manner diarmed and fore wounded, they reco-  
 vered the forest *Ciminia*. The Romans having slain many thousands of the Tuscans, gained thirty  
 eight ensigns of the field, and won also their tents with rich pillage; began to consult about pur-  
 suing the enemy. The wood *Ciminia* was at that time more unpasable and to be feared, than were  
 I of late daies the German forests: for never to that day had it been travelled and frequented  
 as much as by merchants. And scarcely any one but the Captain himself durst venture to enter into it:  
 for, all the rest had not forgot as yet the unhappy luck they had at *Caudium*. Then the Consul his  
 brother, one that was there, (*M. Fabius*, as some say, as others, *Cæso*, and as other some *C.  
 Claudius*, his brother only by the mothers side) promised that he would go as a scout in pial, to  
 defry the wood, and within a while bring certain news. He had in his tender years been brought  
 up at *Cære*, among the ancient friends of his house and family, where afterwards he was taught  
 the Tuscan learning and knowledge, and thereby was perfect in their tongue and language. And find  
 some authors of credit that wit, how in those daies the Romans young children went to school  
 for to learn to parl *Tuscan*, as now they do to speak Greek. But it standeth more like a truth, that  
 there was some special matter in this man, who with so bold semblance and diffimulation, durst  
 intrude and insinuate himself amongst the enemies. It is said, that one only servitor accompanied  
 him, one who had been brought up and nursed together with him, and thereupon not ignorant  
 of the same language. And all the way as they went they did nothing else, but superficially and  
 after a general sort, learn the nature and site of the quarters which they were to enter into, and  
 the names whichall, of the chief rulers and principal personages of that country and nation: to  
 the end that in their speech and talk, they might not alter and trip, and be taken tardy in any ap-  
 parent thing, which might betray and discover them. They went clad in pastoral weeds like herd-  
 men, armed like country Kernes or Peasants each of them with a Faulchion and two javelins. But  
 neither the familiar life and commerce of the tongue, nor the fashion of apparel which they L  
 were, or weapons that they carried, saved them so much as this one thing, That no man would  
 ever believe, that any forreiner and stranger durst enter upon those thick *Ciminian* forests. Well,  
 forward they went (by way) as far as to the Camertins in *Umbria*. There, the Roman ventured  
 to bewray who they were: and when he was brought to their Senat, he treated with them in  
 the Consuls name, about a league and amity. Whereupon, after he had been courteously enter-  
 tained and friendly intreated he had his dispatch, and was willing to relate unto the Romans, That  
 there should be ready for their army, sufficient victuals for one whole month, if they would come  
 into those parts: Also, that the youth of the Camertins in *Umbria* (should be at their command,  
 prest in arms at all times. These tidings being reported to the Consul, after that he had sent before  
 his carriages at the first watch of the night, and commanded the legions to go after, himself said M  
 still with the horsemen: and the morrow morning by day-light he began to skirmish with the  
 corps de guard of his enemies, which were quartered without the forest, and when he had long  
 enough kept them fl y and amused them at his pleasure, he retired into his Camp: from whence  
 he went forth at another gate, and before night overtook the main army. The morrow after,  
 at the point of day-break, he was got up to the crest of the hill *Ciminia*: from whence, after he had  
 beheld and viewed the goodly prospect of the rich grounds and fields of *Hetruria*, he sendeth out  
 his souldiers abroad to forrage and fetch in prizes, and by that time they had got, and were driv-  
 ing a far booty, certain tumultuary bands of the rustical Peasants of *Hetruria*, gathered together  
 in great haile, and of a sudden, by the States of that country met with the Romans; but so out of  
 order were they, that being come to rescue a prey, they had like to have been a prey themselves. AN  
 number of them were slain or put to flight, and the Romans, having wasted and made spoil all o-  
 ver the country, enriched with store of all things, returned victorious into their Camp. Thither  
 were arrived (as it fell out) five messengers or puffers with the Tribune of the Commons to  
 warn and command *Fabius* in the name of the Senat, not to pass through the forest *Ciminia*.  
 But these messengers being glad that they came too late for to hinder and interrupt their enter-  
 prises, returned home again to *Rome* with news of the victory.

By this expedition and journey made by the Col, the war rather encreased and spread farther,  
 than was dispatched & brought to an end. For all that tract lying along the bottom & foot of the  
 mountain *Ciminia*, felt the smart of this rode: and provoked to anger & desire of revenge, not on-  
 ly the State of *Hetruria*, but also the borders and marches of *Umbria*. Whereupon there came to  
*Sutrinum*, a greater power than ever afore: for not only they removed their Camp forward out of  
 the woods; but also for the eager desire of fight withal speed, they came abroad into the plain field.  
 Afterwards, they stood first embattled in a plot, by them fitly chosen, leaving over against them a  
 spa e of ground for the enemies to set themselves in order of battel: but perceiving the enemies  
 to fall off, & loath to fight, they approached the very trench and rampiers; but finding there, that  
 the guards were retired within their hold all at once they began to cry with one voice to their cap-  
 tains for to give order, that the rest of their allowance of victuals for that day should be brought  
 them

A them thither out of the camp; for they would stay in their armor and harness, as they were, and  
 either in the night, or else in the morning betimes by day-light, give the assault upon their enemies  
 camp. The Roman army was no more quiet then they, yet at their Generals commandment kept  
 in. Now it was the eleventh hour of the day; When as the Consul willed his souldiers to  
 take their refecton, and warned them to be ready in arms at what hour soever by day or by night  
 he should give them the signal of battell. And in the mean time maketh a short speech unto them,  
 praising highly, and letting out of the Samnits wars, debating the Tuscans, saying, that there was  
 no comparison between either enemy to enemy, or number for number: over and besides, he said  
 that he had another feat and secret device in store for them, which they should know when time  
 served; in the mean while they must keep silence of necessity, and hold their peace. By these dark  
 speeches and hidden mysteries, he made semblance, as though he had some privy intelligence,  
 B that one part of the enemies would betray the rest when time came: this did he, to the end, that  
 the heart of his souldiers (which haply were dismayed and discouraged at their great multitudes)  
 might be comforted and refreshed: and for that the enemies lay abroad in field without any hold  
 and fort, it was more likely and probable, which he pretended. The souldiers having taken their  
 repast, they laid their bodies to repose and sleep, and somewhat before the reliefe of the fourth  
 watch, they were raised without noise, and armed themselves. The souldiers boies and lackies, and  
 such as followed the camp, had mattocks and spades divided amongst them, to call down the ramp-  
 pie, and to fill up the ditches with the bank, whilst that within the compasse and circuit of the  
 camp, they were marshalled in battell array. The chosen cohorts or bands were placed at the  
 gates and passages forth. Then at the sound of trumpet, a little before day (which in summer nights  
 is the time of the deepest and soundest sleep) the whole army, when the rampie was laid along  
 C and level, issued forth at once, and charged the enemies on all sides, lying here and there scattered  
 on the ground. Some before they were stirring, others half asleep and half awake in their cou-  
 ches: but the greatest part, making halfe that sudden fright to take arms, were slain and cut in  
 peeces. Few had time to put themselves in armour, and they having no ensigns, no colours to fol-  
 low, and no captains to direct them, were by the Romans soon discomfited, put to flight, and pur-  
 sued in chafe. Some made halt to the camp, other to the woods, hundry waies one from another. But  
 the woods were the safest place of refuge. For their camp pitched in a plain, was the same day ra-  
 ken, and won. All the gold and silver there found, was by expresse commandment brought unto the  
 Consul his pavilion; the rest of the pillage, was the souldiers share. Slain and taken prisoners that  
 D day, there were of the enemies to the number of 60000. This so noble a battell (some writers say) was  
 fought on the other side of the wood *Ciminia*, before *Persia*: who also report, that the City of  
*Rome* was in great fear, lest that the army being inclosed within so dangerous a wood, should have  
 been surprized and decated by the Tuscans and Umbrians, who were risen up in arms together  
 from all parts. But whereforever it was fought, the Romans had the day. Whereupon there came  
 Embassadors from *Persia*, \* *Cortuna*, and \* *Aretinum*, where were in manner the chief and princi-  
 pal Cities at that time of all Tuscane, treating and suing to the Romans for peace, and a league:  
 but they obtained truce only for thirty years.

During these affairs in *Hetruria*, the other Consul, *C. Marius Rutilius*, wan from the Samnits  
 the town \* *Alifus*. Many other villages and castles were either utterly demolished and destroyed  
 E by way of extreame hostility, or yielded safe and whole unto their subjection. At the same time the  
 Roman navy also, under the Conduct of *P. Cornelius*, whom the Senat ordained Admiral of the  
 sea-coast, set sail for *Campania*, and being arrived at \* *Pompeii*, the mariners and sea-servitors went  
 a land to wait and forage the territories about \* *Nucerina*; and after they had made spoil, and pil-  
 laged by inches the parts lying neerest unto the sea, from whence they might safely again return  
 to their ships: they adventured farther for sweetnesse of gain and booty (as usually it falleth out) and  
 so gave the alarm to the enemies for to rise. As they straggled all over the fields, no man made  
 head against them at what time, as they might have been soon slain every one; but as they were  
 returning with a disordered march, and stood not upon their guards, a troop of the peasants of  
 the country overtook them, not far from the Ships, and calied them of their spoil and pillage,  
 F and flew some of them: the rest of the multitude, as many as escaped the sword, were chased to  
 their fleet.

The journey of *Q. Fabius* beyond the forest *Ciminia*, as it caused great fear in *Rome*, so it gave  
 occasion of as joyful news in *Samnium*. For the rumor ran, that the Romans army was that up  
 and besieged. And bet upon they called to remembrance, and alledged the like example of a losse  
 and shameful disgrace at *Caudium*; reporting and giving forth, that these Romans being a nation  
 greedy always of intrenching farther, and winning more ground, were through the same rashnesse  
 now run headlong into the blind forests impassible, and invincied not so much with the power  
 and force of enemies, as the dangerous difficulties of those passages. In such sort as amid this joy  
 of theirs, they envied also that fortune had turned the glorious honour of the conquest over the  
 Romans, from the Samnits, to the Tuscans. And therefore being well appointed with men  
 and armour, they ran out from all parts, to tread down and confound *C. Marius*: the Consul  
 however: minding from thence, in case *Marius* would not abide a battell, to go into *Hetruria*  
 through the *Marfi* and *Sabins*. But the Consul met with them by the way: where was fought a  
 shape and crudi battell with doubtful event, and much effusion of blood on both sides. And as  
 uncertain as it was, whether part lost more blood, yet the rumor went, that the Romans had the

\* Four a clock  
after-noon.\* Between two  
and three of  
clock in the  
morning.\* A Cohort is  
a regiment or  
band of 600  
footmen com-  
monly. Once  
in Levy we  
read of *Quæ-  
dingenturie*  
cohorts, of 400  
and no more.\* *Cortu-  
Cortune,  
Aretina*\* *Magnæ-  
Nocera*

\*L'go di veter-  
bo.

With like hazard and glorious success of the end, was the war managed with the Samnite  
foen after; who besides all other preparations and ordinary furniture of war, gave order that

A their army should glitter and shine againe with a new kind of garnishing their harnesse and armors. For having divided their forces into two armies, the one had laid their shields with gold, the other with silver. The forme and fashion whereof was this, that upper part where w<sup>th</sup> the breest and shoulders are covered, was broader, and the head of it of even height : but the neither end growing downward to the bottom was more pointed wedgewise, for to wield it more nimble ; Their breast and stomack was fenced with punges, the left leg armed with a good greave, their morions with high crests made a shew of tall stature. The shouldiers aforesaid with gilded shields wore coats of sundry colours ; the other with silvered, white linnen : and these had the leading of the right wing, or point of the battell ; but they of the left, The Romans had notice and knowledge already what preparation there was of brave and goodly armor : and their Captains had taught them afore, that a shouldier ought to be dreadful and terrible, not dight and decked in his damasked gold and silver, but trutting in the sharp edge of iron and steel, and a good heart and courage withall : and as for that other furniture, it was rather a good booty than a mark of proof ; fair and replendent, before men come to the sharp, but foul and uncleanly amongst bloody wounds. The true ornament and beauty of a shouldier, is valour and hardiness ; as for all those braveries, they went commonly with victory : and to conclude, that a rich enemy would serve well for a good prize to the conqueror, were he never so poor and needy. With these speeches after that *Cæsar* had animated his shouldiers, he leadech them into the field : himself he par in the right wing ; the left he committeth to the conduct of the Generall of horse, so humbly he par in the right wing ; the left he buckled together, a great conflict and hardly had they with the enemy, and no little conflict there was between the Dictator and him ; striving much whether of them twain should begin the victory. But as hap was, first *Junius* disordered the enemy, and from the left point which he commanded, he charged right lustily the right wing of the enemies : lysing ever and anon, That he offered and sacrificed unto the Devill and infernal spirits, those shouldiers of theirs, consecrated already unto them after the manner of the Samnites, and decked accordingly in white livery, and bright silvered armour, luting in colour thereunto : and withall advanced forward his standards, brake their armies, and made the battell to thrinke evidently and give ground. Which when the Dictator perceived, How now, quoth he, shall the victory begin at the left wing, and shall the right, wherein the Dictator fighteth in person, come behind and follow the battell of another, and not carry away with it the greatest part of the victory ? Herewith he letereth on his shouldiers, yet gave the boiemore no place in manhood to the footmen, or the service of the Lieutenants was inferior to the Captains themselves and chief commanders : *M. Valerius* on the right point, *P. Decius* on the left, both Consul men, put themselves forward, and rode out to the boiemore ranged in the wings, exhorted them to take part with them in honor, and charged a crosse upon the sides and flanks of the enemies. Whiles this new terror upon the former, had on every side entered the batel of the enemies ; and the Roman legions to terrifie them the more, had redoubled a fresh shout, & charged them with great fury, then began the Samnites to flee again. Now were the fields overpaved with the bodies of Iun men, and strewd thick with armor, erewhile so brave and glorious : and at the fill, the Samnites in great affright recovered their tents ; but being tetrapon them, The Dictator by a decree of the Senat triumphed : and the laid armor which was carried to lately a shew and magnificent, that the gilded shields were divided amongst the warriors of the company of Bankers and Goldsmiths, to the beautifying of their Hall and Market place. City in their solemn processions, when the sacred images of the gods and holy reliques were carried armor of their enemies to this use, namely, to honor their gods withall. But the Campains upon a pride and inveterate hatred that they bare against the Samnites, used to arm their (word players and fencers at the sharp (which was a solemn fight and palftime they had at their great feasts) with this same attire, and termed them in mockery, by the name of Samnites.

The same year *Fabius* the Consul fought with the rest of the Tuicains at \* *Perusia* (which City also had broken the covenant of *truce*) where neither doubtfully nor hardly he obtained victory. And the very town it self he had forced & won (for in the dust train of his conquest he approached the walls) but that their Embassadors came forth and yielded the City. When he had placed a good garrison at *Perusia* and lent before him to *Rome* unto the Senat, the Embassadors for a more magnificent victory, then the Dictator. And that for a good part of the honor of lab-  
oring the Samnites, was ascribed to the Lieutenants *P. Decius*, and *M. Valerius*, therefore at the next Election, the people with general assent declared the one *Consul*, and the other Pretour. *Fabius* for taming *Herrusia* so bravely and valiantly, continued *Consul* still, and had for his Col-  
league *P. Decius*. *Valerius* was created Pretor the fourth time. The Consuls parted between the provinces, *Herrusia* fell to *Decius*, *Samnites* to *Fabius*. Who taking his voyage to *Nu-  
ceria*, laid siege to the City of the Allians, and won it by assault; and notwithstanding they made  
treat for peace, he rejected and despised them; for that when it was offered, they would not accept  
it. With the Samnites he fought a battell; but without any great conflict, the enemies were

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Romans also make as great speed. But no safe place could those vanquished enemies find for even till from the very hill tops which they held, they were beaten down, so that with one voice they all craved peace. Then after the Consuls had imposed upon them corn for three months, and a years pay, and for every soldier a livery besides, they were permitted to send Embassadors to the Senat, and to treat and capitulate thereof. During which time, *Cornelius* was left in *Sammium*, and *Marcius* returned into the City, with triumph over the Hernicks. Moreover a decree passed, that his statue riding on horseback should remain in the common place of assemblies, which was erected accordingly even before the Temple of *Castor*. To three States of the Hernicks, to wit, the *Alatrinis*, the *Verulans* and *Ferentinis*, their own laws, and ancient liberties were restored again, because they made choice thereof, rather than to be enfranchised Citizens of *Rome*: and permitted they were to marry amongst the Romans, which liberty they only of the Hernicks for a good while enjoyed. The *Ansagnins*, and those that had born arms against the Romans were incorporated free denizens of *Rome*, but without the privilege of giving voices and suffrages: debarred they were of holding any Councils and making marriage: with them, yea, and denied at all to elect any magistracy, but only the function and ministry of divine service and sacrifices.

The same year the Chappell of dame *Salus* was by *C. Junius Bubulcus* now Censor, set out at a price to be built, which he in his Consalship had vowed, in the *Sammits* war. By his direction and appointment, together with his colleague *M. Valerius Maximus*, were the great high waies and caueys made, of all sides of the City, through the fields, at the common charge and expence. The same year also, was the league renewed now the third time with the *Carthaginians*; and *X* their Embassadors who came for that purpose, were courteously entertained, and rewarded liberally with rich gifts. In that year there was a Dictator *P. Cornel. Scipio*, with *P. Decius* General of the horse: and these were Presidents at the Election of Consuls, for to that purpose they were created, because neither of the two Consuls could be spared from the wars. Consuls were created *L. Posthumius*, and *T. Minutius*. But *Piso* (sayth) that these Consuls immediately succeeded *Q. Fabius* and *P. Decius*: leaving out those two years, wherein he hath written that *Claudius* with *Volcanus*, and *Cornelius* with *Marcius* were Consuls. Whether he forgot himself in digesting his Annals and yearly records, or of set purpose overlit two couple of Consuls, thinking that they were not in truth Consuls, I wot not.

The same year the *Sammits* made roges into the territories of *Stella*, within the liberties and ap-purtenances of the Campains, and therefore both Consuls were sent into *Sammium*: who when they perceived of the Campains, and therefore both Consuls were sent into *Sammium*: who when they were parted into divers waies, for *Posthumius* took his journey to *Tifernum*, and *Minutius* to *Boianum*: first there was battell fought at *Tifernum*, under the leading of *Posthumius*. Some make no doubt, but write, that the *Sammits* were discomitted, and put to the worse, and thirty thousand of them taken prisoners: others say, that the conflict was equall, and that they departed on even hand: also that *Posthumius* making semblance of fear, journeyed by night, & closely retired unto the hills adjoining, & the enemies followed after them, two miles, and from thence encamped, and fortified also themselves in strong places of advantage. The Consul, because he would be thought to have fought and chose a safe place, and plentifully stored with all necessaries (as it was no lesse indeed) where he might keep a standing camp: after he had fortified the same, and furnished it with all kind of provision, leaving behind him a strong garrison for defence; at the relief of the third watch, leadeth the neereby waie, his legions not encumbered with carriage, to his Colleague, who also himself lay in camp over against another army. There, by the perswasion & advice of *Posthumius*, *Minutius* gave battell; and when as the conflict continued doubtful untill it was far on the day; then *Posthumius* with his fresh legions, on a sudden charged the battallions of the enemies, now already overtoyed; his partly for weariness, and partly for wounds, they being disabled for to flee away, were out of all measure slain every one, and xxi. banners were taken: and so from thence they went forward to the camp of *Posthumius*. Where these two victorious armies finding the enemy discouraged and amazed at the tidings of this overthrow, (yet upon time, discomitted, and put them to flight; and wan from them xvi. ensignes: where the General of the *Sammits* *Statius Cellius*, with many a man besides, was taken prisoner, and both their camps won. *Boianum* also, which the morrow after began to be assaulted, was shortly after forced in, and finally with great glory of no noble acts achieved, both Consuls triumphed. Some write that the Consul *Minutius*, being grievously hurt, was brought back into the camp, and there dyed: and that *M. Fulvius* was substituted Consul in his room: and that it was he, who being sent unto the army of the *Sammits*, and the great image of *Hercules* was in the Capitol set up and dedicated.

When as *P. Sulpicius Aferrius*, and *P. Sempronius Sophus* were Coss, the *Sammits* desiring either to see an end of war, or else to delay it, sent Embassadors to *Rome* pretending peace. To whom as they pleaded and intreated most humbly, this answer was given; That if the *Sammits* had not so often treated for peace, when they intended and prepared war they might after certain enter-views, and conferences passed between, obtain their suit: but since that evermore untill that time, their words were but wind; now they would trust to their deeds, and nothing else. *P. Sempronius* the Consul, shall shortly be in *Sammium* with an army: who would not be abused, but soon see, whether their minds be inclined to war or peace: and as he found and saw every thing, so would he bring word and make relation: and therefore their Embassadors were to attend upon

upon the Consul when he departed out of *Sammium*. The same year after that the Romans army had passed peaceably to and fro, and visited all *Sammium*, having victuals by the country courteously allowed, the ancient league was granted again to the *Sammits*. From thence turned the Romans their forces against the *Equians*: their old enemies; but for many years making semblance of quietnes, where as indeed their peace was little to be trusted: for that the *Hernick* nation was safe and on foot, they with them, had used oftentimes under hand, to send aid unto the *Sammits*; and also after the subduing of the *Hernicks*, the whole nation in a manner without discerning, and averring all they did by publick councill and authority, had fallen away unto the enemy: and after that the Romans had made league with the *Sammits*, and their heralds came to make claim for their goods took from them by way of hostility, they said, it was but a tempting of them, to see whether upon fear of war they would suffer themselves to become Romans. Which, say they, how greatly it were to be with'd, the *Hernicks* was able to teach them: for they, as many of them as had liberty to do what they would, chose rather to live under their own laws, then to be enfranchised citizens of *Rome*: but others, who had not the same scope to choose to their liking, they were constrained to accept of the Burgeoisie of their City, by way of a punishment. Upon these speeches and arguments commonly tossed in their assemblies and Councils, the people of *Rome* decreed war against the *Equians*: to which both the Consuls went, and encamped four miles from their enemies camp. The *Equians* (who in their own behalf, and for any quarrell of theirs, had many years far still and made no war) like as if their army had been levied of a sudden and in haste, without certain Captains appointed, and without any General to command, were afraid. Some thought good to go forth into the field, others to defend themselves, and keep within their camp: most of them were moved to think aforehand upon the waiving of their country afterwards, and consequently the destruction of their cities left but with slender garrisons. Therefore after that, amongst many opinions, this only had audience, namely, to abandon the care of publick weal and every man to regard his own privat state, and at the first watch to depart divers waies one from the other, and quit the camp, and convey away all their bag and baggage, and to defend their Cities within the wals: they all with one accord accepted thereof, and embraced it. Now when the enemies were thus scattered abroad about the country, the Romans by day-light, with banner displayed went forth into the field: and when they saw no man come abroad to meet them, they marched in warlike order apace towards the enemies camp. But when as they could perceive there, neither warders before the gates, nor any man upon the trench & rampiers, nor fo much as the usual noise of a leaguer; being moved with this unaccustomed silence, for fear of some shew and treachery, they stood still: but being got over thier rampier, and finding the tents void and empty, they set forward to pursue the enemy by his trace. But when they found their foot-tracks, leading to all parts of the Country alike: as being slipped here and there, sundry and divers waies, at the first they wandered out of the way, and missed of them; but afterwards knowing by their capitals the purpose and intent of their enemies, they went round about and besieged every City, and in three-score daies wan forty towns all by assault: most part whereof were razed even with the ground, and consumed into ashes, and the nation of the *Equians* utterly in a manner destroyed. Over the *Equians* there was triumph: Whole calamity and delolation was so fearful an example, to the *Marrucins*, *Maris*, *Peligni*, and *Ferentins*, that they sent Orators to *Rome* to treat for peace and amity: and to all those nations at their request, a league was granted. The same year, *C. Flavius* a Notary or Register by profession, whose father *Cnna* was no better than of a slave made free, a man, thus descended of base and low parentage, howbeit otherwise crafty and eloquent withall, arose to be an *Edile* Curule. I find in some records, that when he gave attendance in his calling to the *Ediles*, and saw that his own Tribe were willing to give him their voices and elect him *Edile*, but his name not accepted of amongst other competitors, for that he got his living by his pen, he cast aside his books and papers, and (sware an oath, that he would no longer be a Notary and use penmanship. But *Maecy Licinius* avoucheth, that a good while before, that he gave over his writing, namely, after he had been Tribune, and born two Triumvirships, the one for the night misuses, the other for the placing and transporting of a Colony. But they all agree upon this, that he became very stout, and in great contumacy opposed himself and made head against the Nobles that contemned his base birth. The civil law which before time was laid up in great secret by the Priests, and Priests in their Arches, he published abroad: and set up a table in the great common place, in manner of a Calendar, wherein all men might know worke-daies from holy-daies; when it was lawful to plead, and when not. Also in despite, and to the great heart-burning of the *Patricians*, he dedicated the temple of the goddess *Concord* upon the Court of *Vulcan*: and by the general consent of the people, *Cornelius Barbaus* the high Priest was compelled to endite and pronounce the certain form of words thereto belonging; notwithstanding he contested and denied, that by the customs of their forefathers any could dedicate a Temple, unless he were either Consul or General of an army. And therefore by the authority of the Senat, a law was preferred to the people, That no man might dedicate a Temple or Altar, without permission and consent of the Consul, or the more part of the Tribunes of Commons. I will report in this place a thing, of it self not worthy of remembrance, but only for a proof and example of the liberty of the Commons against the pride and insolence of the Nobles. This *Flavius*, coming upon a time to visit his Colleague lying sick, by a complot afore hand of certain young gentle-



that *Herruria* rebelled, which troubles took their beginning by occasion of the civil dissention and discord of the Aretins: who began to expell by force of arms the house and family of the *Licinii* (mighty and puissant above the rest) for very envy and repine of their wealth and riches. Over and besides, the Marfians stood out, and by arms maintained their title to that part of their territory, into which there had been a Colony of Carleolans brought, to the number of four thousand men, enrolled there to inhabit. Against which fits and tumults, *Marcus Valerius Maximus* was created Dictator, who made choice of *M. Emilius Paulus* to be the Commander of the Horie. Which I rather beleeve to be true, than that *Q. Fabius*, a man of those years and that worth, after so many honourable dignities, should be under *V. Iunius*. But I would not deny, that the error might grow by reason of the surname of *Maximus*. The Dictator having taken the field with his Army, in one battell discomfited the Marfians: and after he had driven them into their walled and fenced Towns, *Miloniana*, *Plestra*, and *Fresilia*; within few daies, he won them also over their heads: and having fined the Marfians with the loss of some part of their Territory, he received them into their ancient League again. Then all the forces were employed against the Tuscans: and whiles the Dictator was departed to *Rome* to take his Auspices anew, the General of Horie, being gone out a foraging, was by a secret ambush entrapped. And having lost certain ensignes, he was forced into the Camp, after a foul slaughter and shameful flight of his men. Which fearful cowardice is not like to have been in *Fabius*, nor only, because if ever he deserved his surname of *Maximus*: by a commendable parts, it was especially for his prowess in war: but also, for that in remembrance of *Papirius* his cruelty toward him, he never could have been brought to fight, without the commandment or permission of the Dictator. This discomfiture and loss being reported at *Rome*, caused a greater terror than there was cause. For no less than if the Army had been utterly defeated, there was published and proclaimed a stay and cessation of all law-matters, warders bestowed at the gates, order taken for standing watches in every street, and armour and darts carried up to the walls. And after that all the younger sort were sworn and prest to serve the Dictator was sent again to the Army. Where, he found all more quiet than he looked for, through the careful diligence of the General of Horie. The Camp was removed to a place of more strength and safety, the bands and companies which had lost their ensignes, left on the bare earth without the rampiers, destitute of tents and covert: and the army eager and desirous of fight, to do away and raze out the former ignominy and shame. Presently therefore, he raised his Camp, and removed forward into the country of *Rasella*. Thither followed the enemies also, hard at heels: Who albeit upon their late good speed, they were in right great hope and assurance, to be strong enough even in open fight and plain field; yet they assailed the enemy also by the same sleights and trains which they had already fortunately tried. There returned to be in the country thereabout, not far from the Romans Camp, certain houses half pulled down and ruinate, belonging to a village which was burned when the country was over-run: where, after they had bestowed closely certain men in arms, they drave their beasts and cattle in the very sight of the Roman *corps de garde*, commanded by *C. Fulvius*, a Lieutenant: at which bait, when as there stirred no man from the Roman wards, one of the Heardsmen advanced even under the very trench and fortifications of the Romans, and called aloud to the rest (that seemed for fear to drive but slowly from the ruins of the village aforesaid) asking why they staid behind, seeing they might safely march, and pass forward still (as it were) through the middle of the Roman Camp? These words certain Carites interpreted to the Lieutenant *Fulvius*. Whereat, every band or company of souldiers took great indignation, but durst not stir a foot without a warrant. Then he commanded those that were skillful in the tongue to mark whether their language sounded neerer to the speech of peasants or to Citizens: Who brought word, that both their voice, and also the habit and fresh hue of their bodies, was more elegant and civil than for country shepherds. Go your waies then (quoth he) unto them and bid them beware and discover their ambush, which in vain they seem to hide: for that the Romans were cunning in all things, and advertised of their designs, and could no more now be overtaken with wiles, than overcome by arms. When these words were once heard and carried to those that lay in wait, presently they flung up out of their lurking holes, and brought forth their ensignes all abroad into the open field. The lieutenant supposing they were a greater troop than might be dealt withall and marched by his *corps de guard*, with all speed lent for aid to the Dictator: and in the mean while himself received and bare off the brunt and forcible charge of his enemies. This message was no sooner brought, but the Dictator commanded the standards to be advanced, and the souldiers to arm and follow: but every thing was done sooner almost than it could be commanded: forthwith they caught up the ensignes and took weapon in hand: and scarcely could they be held in, but that they would run amain. For not only the pitiful anger of the late received loss pricked them on, but also the shouts of their fellows, whither they might hear more loud, and to be redoubled thicker according as the skirmish grew hotter and hotter. The greater haste therefore they made, whiles one putteth forward another, and crieth to the port-ensignes to go faster and mend their pace. But the more haste the Dictator seeth them to make, the more earnest was he to keep them back in their march, and to hold them in: willing them to go fair and softly. Contrariwise the Tuscans, who rose up at the beginning of the battel, were there ready with their whole forces to give the charge. Whereupon there came messenger after messenger to the Dictator, bringing word that all the

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A legions of the Tuscans were entered into the fight, and that his men already were not able to resist any longer. Nay himself also, from the higher ground, might see in what danger the *corps de guard* was. But presuming and resting upon this conceit, that the Lieutenant was able yet to maintain fight, considering that he was not far off himself to help and save him out of perill: he was desirous that the enemies might be wearied, and tired almost as was possible, and that his own forces fresh and in heart, should set upon them overtoiled. And albeit they went softly forward, yet by this time had the Horie men a very small ground to take their run with full career. Formost marched the ensignes of his legions, that the enemy should not fear any covert and privy stratagem, but leave good spaces and distances between the files of their footmen, through which the Horie might have room and liberty enough to gallop with ease. Then all the battalion of the Infantry set up a cry and shout when they charged, and withal, the Cavalry, with reins at large entered within the ranks of the enemies, who being not marshalled and set in order against such a blustering storm of Horie men, were with a sudden fear astonished. Whereupon, the troop of *Fulvius* which erewhile was in manner environed and compassed about, and had help and rescue almost too late, now all in general breathed themselves at ease, and were put to nothing. For these that came fresh and lusty undertook the whole weight of the conflict: which was neither long nor doubtful. The enemies were put to flight, and in disorder made haste to recover their camp. And when as the Romans advanced against them with banner displayed, they quit their place and retreated, gathering themselves round into heaps in the farthest part of the camp: and as they would have fled out, they stuck fast in the narrow gaps and passages of the gates: a great part of them leapt upon the bank, to climb the rampier, if haply either from the higher ground they might descend themselves, or get over any where and escape. By chance in one place where the bank was not well rammed, the rampier was surcharged with the weight of so many standing upon it, and so tumbled down into the trench. Whereupon, they set up a cry all together, That the Gods had made them way to escape, and by that means indeed they saved themselves, but more of them unarmed than armed. In this battel, were the forces of the Tuscans once again utterly abated: in so much as, after they had capitulated and promised a years pay, and corn for two months, the Dictator permitted them to send Embassadors to *Rome* for a treaty of peace. Peace was denied, but truce for two years granted: and the Dictator with triumph returned into the City. I find in some writers; that *Herruria* was by the Dictator quieted, without any notable battel, only by composing the variance and debate of the Aretins, and reconciling the family of the *Licinii* with the Commons.

*M. Valerius* upon his Dictatorship became Consul. Some have believed that he was created without his own will, yea, and while he was absent, and that the said Election was held by the Interregent. But howsoever it was, out of all question, he bare the Consulship with *Apuleius Paulus*. Whiles *M. Valerius* and *Q. Apuleius* were Consuls, all was well quieted abroad: for the Tuscans of one side, partly upon their ill success in war and partly by reason of their truce, were forced to be still and in repose. The Samnites also on the other side, being well tamed with the overthrow of so many years together, repented not yet and were not weary of their new league. At *Rome* likewise the Commons were quiet, and found themselves much eased, and discharged of a great number of bale and poor people, which were withdrawn and sent away into Colonies. But because their rest should not be every where entire and perfect, there arose a quarrel between the chief and principal men of the City, as well the Nobles as Commons, and that by the suggestion and instigation of *Q. and Cn. Ogulnius*, Tribuns of the Com. Who having sought occasion and matter every way to accuse and blame the Nobility unto the Commons: when they saw all means assayed in vain, at length entered into an action, whereby they kindled and set on fire not only the meanest, but even the chief heads of the Commons such as had been Consuls, and triumphed: who wanted no promotions and honors, but only Sacerdotal dignities and Prelacies, which as yet were not indifferently common to both States. They proposed therefore a Law, That whereas at that time there were but 4. Augurs, and as many Prelats or Bishops, and forasmuch as they thought it good, that the number of Priests should be increased, there might be chosen to the rest, 4. Bishops, and 5. Augurs, all out of the body of the Commons. But how this Colledge or Fellowship of Augurs, was reduced to the number of four, but by the death of two, I can not find: since this is certain, that among the Augurs the number must be odd: namely that the three ancient tribes, *Rhameses*, *Tities*, and *Luceres*, should have each one their Augur: or if they needed more, they should with equal number increase chiefe Priests: like as they were augmented and multiplied, when as five being put to four, made up the number of nine: that is to say, for every tribe three. Howbeit, because they were chosen out of the Commons who should supply, and make up the number: the Nobles took it as grievously to the heart, as when they saw the Consulship parted equally in common: but they made semblance as though this indignity pertained to the Gods more than to them: who would themselves see, that their holy service and sacred mysteries should not be polluted. And as for them, this only they could do, namely, pray and wish, that no calamity thereby should light upon the common-weal. But less earnest were they in opposing themselves and making resistance, for that they were used already in all such broils and contentions to have the worst and they saw besides, that their adversaries shot not at that (which in time past they could scarce hope for) namely, the greatest honours and dignities: but that they had already obtained all, for which they had strived so long in so doubtful terms of hope, to wit, manifold Consulats,

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Censorships, and Triumphs. Howbeit, the contention and dispute in debating and arguing to it and to the law proposed, was maintained (as men say) between *Ap. Claudius* especially, and *P. Decius Mus*: and after they had contested and discoursed in their Orations pro & contra, the same reasons in manner, touching the rights and liberties pretended by the Nobles and Commons, which sometimes had been alleged, both for, and against the law *Licinia*, at what times as it was set on foot for the Commons to be Consuls; *Decius* (as it is said) represented in open audience the very resemblance and shew of his father, in such manner, as many of them who were then present at the assembly, had seen him: to wit, girded and apparelled in Gabinus robe, standing over his javelin, in which gesture, habit, and fashion, he offered himself to voluntary death, for to save the people and legions of the Romans; "Seemed (quoth he) *P. Decius*, that I then was Cos, as pure and religious in the fight of the immortal Gods, as if *T. Manlius* his colleague had been likewise devoted and offered? and might not the same *P. Decius* have rightly been chosen, to execute the publick divine service and sacrifices of the people of Rome? or is it all the fear and doubt, that the Gods would give less ear to his prayers, than to *Ap. Claudius* or doth *Ap. Claudius* with more devotion serve God privately, and worship the Gods more religiously, than himself? Who was there ever that repented or misliked of the vows, which in many Consuls and Dictators of the Com, either at their first setting forth to their armies, or in time of war and battel, pronounced for the Common-wealth? Reckon and count the chief Captains, year by year, since the first time that the Commons began to have the leading and conduct of the wars: number all the triumphs ever since: it will appear that the Commons are no whit abashed, and have no cause to complain of their own nobility. And this I know for certain, that if any new sudden war should arise, the Senat and people of Rome would repute no more hope and confidence in the ancient *Patritii*, than in the Com, for to bethe Captains and Commanders. This being so, quoth he, what God or man can think it an indignity, to adorn those persons also with the titles and ornaments of Bishops and Augurs, whom ye have honoured with chair of Ivory, with the long robe bordered with purple, with the coat of arms embroidered and branched with the palm tree, with the gown or mantle of purple, wrought with divers colours, with the chaplets and coronets of triumph, and with the victorious branch and garland of lawrel; whose houses ye have beautified above the rest, with setting up the spoils of enemies? Or who can think much, if he be seen with a sacrificing cup, or holy-water pot, and with a crozier staff, and his head veiled, either to kill a sacrifice, or to take Augury by flight of birds from the cattle hill: who hath been adorned and decked with the ensigns and ornaments of the great God *Jupiter*, and hath ridden in a gilded chariot through the City into the Capitol? Or in whole Title, inscription and title over his image, men shall with content, read Consulship, Priesthood, and Triumph: will not the same abide to see and read, that ye have added therunto, either Augurship, or Pontifical dignity? I verily for my part hope (without the displeasure, and with reverence of the Gods be it spoken) that we by the beneficence of the people of Rome are such, as for our quility and worthiness, may and will yield no less credit and honor to our Priest-hoods than we shall receive thereby: and who desire, in regard of the honor and service of God, more than for our own sakes and proper interest, to have the means, That whom we serve and reverence in private, those we may also worship and honor publicly. But why have I hitherto pleaded the cause, as if the *Patritii* were entirely alone intitled and invested in the prerogative of Sacerdotal Dignities; and as though we were not already possessed of one right honorable and principal Priest-hood? We see that the Decemvirs for celebration of sacrifices, and for interpretation of *Sibylla* her Prophecies, and other the fatal destinies of this people, the Prelats also and Ministers of *Apollo* his sacrifice, and other Holy Ceremonies, are of the Commons. Neither was there any injury done unto the *Patritii* at that time, when for to gratify the Commons, the number of the Duumvirs was increased; those I mean, who should oversee (as superintendents) the offering of sacrifices. And now at this present they have no greater cause to complain, if the Tribuns, a stout and brave man hath added five places more of Augurs, and four of Bishops, unto which commoners may be nominated: not to dispossess you of your rooms, or to displace you, O *Appius*, but that men of the commons might assist you in the function and ministry of divine service and Church matters: like as they do their part, and perform good service in human and civil affairs. And be not ashamed, O *Appius*, to have him for your colleague in the Priest-hood, whom you might becom to have in Consul or Censorship, your companion and fellow; unto whom being Dictator, you might be Collonel of Horse; as well as he to you in your Dictatorship. Those ancient Nobles in old time (our progenitors) admitted into their number and order, a Sabine stranger, the very head and top of your nobility, one *Ap. Claudius*, or *Ap. Claudius* (chose you whether.) You must not think much then, to accept us into the number of Priests. We bring with us many honorable titles, even all the same that make you so proud, and O to bear your head aloft. *L. Sextius* was the first Commoner, created Consul; and *Q. Publilius Philo* the first Collonel of Horse. *C. Rutilius* was the first Dictator and Censor, and *Q. Publilius Philo* the first Prætor. We have heard this song evermore founding in our ears, That to you alone pertaineth the taking of Antipia: that you only are of noble descent and gentility: that ye and none but ye, by right and duty ought to manage the affairs, and the sovereign government, both at home and abroad: and yet always hitherto the commons in their places and charges, have done and sped as well as the *Patritii*, and henceforth ever shall (I doubt not.) What? heard ye never

A "it spoken, that the *Patritii* were at first made and created, and not descended from Heaven: but such as were able to name their father and grandfire; that is to say, even free men jilt, and no more? What? I my self can nominate already mine own father to have been a Consul, and shortly shall my son be able to alledge his grandfire. There is nothing else, O *Quintus*, in the matter whereupon we stand, but that we may obtain all which hath been denied us. For the Nobles desire only to maintain a idle and to contend, and care not greatly what issue their contentions come unto. As for me, I do advise, and this would I have, That (to the good profit, and happy estate of you all, and the weal publick) this law may pass under your affirmative voyce [*Miser. Absis.*] Then presently the people commended the Tribes to be called to a scrutiny: and loon it appeared, that the law would without all doubt be accepted: but that day was lost, by the opposition and negative of some Tribuns. Howbeit, the morrow after, they were afraid to cross it: and then with exceeding content of all hands it passed clear. So there were created Prelats or Bishops; first, *P. Decius Mus* himself (that is pleaded for the law) with *P. Sempronius Sophus*, *C. Martius Rutilius*, and *M. Livius Denter*. Likewise five Augurs of the Commons, to wit, *C. Gentius*, *P. Aelius Pater*, *M. Minutius Esus*, *C. Martius*, and *L. Publius*. So there were eight Prelats in number, and nine Augurs.

The same year, *M. Valerius* the Consul, procured the law of appealing to the people, more surely to be established and confirmed. This was now the third time after the deposition of the Kings, that this one Act was revived: and alwayes by the same house or family of the *Valerii*. The Cause of offering the same so often, was no other I suppose, than this: for that the mightiness of some few great men of the *Patritii*, was more powerful than the liberty and freedom of the Commons. Only the Law *Portia*, seemeth to have been enacted for to save the back and sides of Citizens from whipping, because that it awarded and set a grievous punishment upon him, that either had beaten or killed a Citizen of Rome. The Law *Valeria*, which forbid, to scourge or behead any man whatsoever, that made his appeal, had this annexed only, that if any one had trespassed and proceeded farther, it should be decreed, *Leandly and naughtily done*. Such was the modesty and reverence of men in those dayes, that this one addition (in my conceit verily) was supposed to be a sufficient bond to strengthen the Law. But now adays, would a man scarcely threaten his servant or slave in that manner.

D The same Consul made war, without any worthy or memorable exploit, against the *Equians* that rebelled: who (setting aside their stout and proud Romacks) had nothing left of their ancient fortune and estate. The other Cos, *Appianus*, besieged the Town \* *Nequinum* in *Umbria*. The place was difficult and hard to get up, and on the one side steep down right (whereas now standeth *Narnia*) so that it was impregnable either by assault, or countermines and scones whatsoever. Whereupon, the new Consuls, *M. Fabius Pater*, and *T. Manlius Torquatus*, entred upon this enterprize, left undone and unfinished by the former. Now when all the Centuries nominated with one voyce *Q. Fabius* for the Consulship of that year, even without his own suit and seeking; *Maecr Licinius* and *Tiberus* do write, that he himself laboured to have that charge put off, and reserved unto a year of more war: alledging, that for the present he would serve the Common-wealth in better stead, by bearing some civil office in the City: and so neither dissembling what he rather desired, nor yet seeking for it, he was made *Edile* of the Chair, with *L. Papirius Cursor*. But, to let this down for a certain truth I dare not: because that *Piso*, a more ancient Writer of Chronicles, saith, that the *Ediles* Curule of that year, were *C. Domitius*, *Cn. F. Calpurnius*, *Sp. Carvilius*, and *Q. Fabius Maximus*. That surname, I suppose verily, gave occasion of the error in the *Ediles*. Whereupon ensued a tale (sorting to that error) mixed and compounded of the Elections of *Ediles* and Consuls together. The same year was held a solemn survey and purging of the City by sacrifice, called *Lustrum*, by *P. Sempronius Sophus*, and *P. Sulpicius Aferrius*, and two Tribes more were added to the rest, *Asiensis*, and *Tarentina*. And thus much concerning the affairs at Rome.

F But now to return to *Nequinum*; after much time spent in long and lingring siege before the Town two of the inhabitants, whose houses joyned close to the wall, undermined the ground, and by a secret way came as far as the corps de guard of the Romans. From whence they were brought before the Consul, and promised him to let in and receive what garrison and troop of armed men he would, within the City. This offer was thought neither to be neglected and refused, nor yet rashly to be credited. So with the one of these twain (for the other was kept behind as an hostage) two other spies were sent by the same mine to discover the train. By whose relation, when it appeared sufficiently, that all was safe and without danger: by the leading and guiding of the traitor aforesaid, 300 armed men by night entred the City, & seized that gate which was next unto them: at which being broken open, the Consul and the Roman army without resistance, made entry and surprised the City. In this sort *Nequinum* was reduced to the obedience of the people of Rome. A Colony was thither sent to Frontier against the *Umbrians*, called of the \* *Rivers* name [which runneth under it] \* *Narnia*. And the army with a rich prize was brought again to Rome.

The same year the *Tuscan*, contrary to the tenure of the truce, made preparation for war. But whilst they were busily occupied otherwise, it fortune, that a puissant army of Gauls invaded their marches, and for a while altered their designments. Afterwards, by the means of money, whereof they were full and bare themselves mighty, they fought to make the Gauls, of enemies to become their friends, and solicited them to band together, and so jointly to maintain

\* The same  
that *Narnia*.

\* *Nar*, now *Nr*.  
\* *Noni*.

tain war with the Romans. Their society and friendship the barbarous people refused not; only, if they stood upon the sum what they should have for their hire. Which being agreed upon and received, and all things else in a readiness for to go into the field: when the Tulkans wilted them to follow after, they flatly denied, that they had received any consideration for to make war upon the Romans: but whatsoever they had taken, it was because they should not wait the Tulkans Land, and by way of hostility and force of arms, do any violence upon the inhabitants: howbeit, if the Tulkans were minded to employ them, they would be willing to serve; but for no other reward and recompence, than to be admitted into part of their territory; that at the length they might have some certain place of abode, to settle themselves in. Many Diets and consultations hereabout were held by the States of Tulkans, but nothing resolved and concluded: not to much, if for that they feared to part with some of their Lands, as because they were in great dread every one and abhorred, to have dwelling by them such neighbours, descended from so savage a race and cruel Nation. Thus were the Gauls let go and dismissed, having away with them a huge mass of money, which they got without any travel or peril of theirs.

\* Max. An.  
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The bruit of the Gauls tumult and insurrection, together with the Tulkans war, caused no little fear at Rome. Whereupon, more hall was made to conclude a league with the \* Picene people. T. Manlius the Consul had the charge of the Tulkans war allotted unto him. Who frankly was entered into the confines of the enemies, but as he was training and exercising amongst the Horcemen, he ran his Horse with full career, and suddenly as he turned about, was cast off, and presently lay for dead: and so the Consul, three days after his fall, ended his life. Which the Tulkans taking hold of, as a good ominous token and presage, got heart and were very jolly: saying, that the Gods had in favour of them, begun this war. This was heavy news at Rome, both for the loss of so brave a personage, and for the time, wherein so unhappily it fell out: so as, the assembly held (by the advice of the chief Peers) for to substitute a Consul in his place that was deceased, frightened the Senators from choosing a Dictator. All their sentences, and all the centuries gave with M. Valerius to be Consul: who was the man, whom the Senat was about to have picked for Dictator. Then forthwith, they ordered him to go into Tulkany to the army. Whose coming unprespected and kept under the Tulkans: so as not a man durst once go out of their trenches and hold. Even their very fear was as good as a siege unto them: for that the new Consul neither by wasting the fields, nor firing their houses in such sort, as every where, not only the small villages, but also, the good and well-peopled Towns were seen to smoke and burn again, could draw them forth to fight.

This war continued longer than men thought: but behold, there arose a bruit of another; (which, considering the mutual losses of both sides, was for good causes greatly to be feared) upon intelligence given from the Picenes their new allies, namely, that the Samnites were about to take arms and rebel, and had solicited them also to do the same. The Picenes were highly thanked for this, and a great part of the Senators care was diverted now from Tulkany to the Samnites. The dearth besides of corn and victuals troubled the City: and driven they had been to extremest famine, if Fabius Maximus (as they have written, who are of opinion that he was *Edile* that year) by provident purveying and diligent conveying of corn, had not been as careful and industrious, in the supplying of victual now at home, as many times before in war affairs. The same year there was an Interregnum, but upon what occasion, it is not known. The Interregens were App. Claudius and after him P. Sulpicius, who held an Election of Consuls, and created L. Cornelius Scipio, and Cn. Fulvius.

In the beginning of this year, there came Orators from the Lucans to these new Consuls, for to make complaint, That the Samnites, who by no conditions and means could induce them for to band and take arms with them, were entered into their confines, and made wast of the country; and by very often provoked them to war, saying, that the Lucans had long ago over-shot and passed themselves that way: but now they were so fully resolute, that they could find in their hearts sooner to abide and endure all kind of calamity whatsoever, than ever after to offend and displease the Roman name. They besought the Senat therefore, to receive the Lucans into their protection, and also to keep and defend them from the violence and injury of the Samnites. And for themselves, albeit entering into war already with the Samnites, they were of necessity obliged to be faithful and true unto the Romans: yet for better security they were ready to put in sufficient hostages. The Senat was not long consulting hereabout: but all with one consent were of opinion, to make league with the Lucans, and to summon the Samnites to make amends and restitution. The Lucans, besides a courteous and gracious answer, were accepted into the league. Then were there Fecial Heralds dispatched to the Samnites, to give them warning for to depart the territory of the Roman allies, and to withdraw their forces out of the confines of the Lucans. But the Samnites sent out certain messengers to meet them upon the way, and to denounce unto them, that if they presented themselves in any Council within Samnium, they should not depart again with safeguard of their persons. When these news were heard at Rome, both the Senat advised, and the people allowed, to make war upon the Samnites. The Consuls parted their Provinces and charges between themselves. To Scipio fell *Hetruria*, and the Samnites to Fulvius: and so they take their journey divers ways, each one to the war allotted unto him. Scipio looked for no other, but a lingering war at the enemies hands, and like to the defensive service of the former year: but behold, they with an army well appointed and

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A arranged, encountered him and gave him battle near to \* Volaterra: where they fought the better part of the day, with much bloodshed on both sides: and whilst they were doubtful which way the victory went, the night came between. But the morning after betwixt both who were winners, and who were losers. For the Tulkans in the still and dead time of the night dislodged, The Roman Consul coming forth into the field, and seeing by the enemies departure, the victory contested: went forward to the camp: which he found empty of men, but full of rich pillage, (for they had fearfully and in great haste abandoned their tents) and was madder thereof. From thence he retired his forces into the territory of the Faliscans: and after he had left at *Faleris* all his bag and baggage with a meetly garrison there; lightly appointed, he marched forward, and with a running camp wasted the marches and territories of his enemies. He put all to fire and sword: drove away booties from all parts: and left not the ground only, wast and desart, but set fire also upon Cities and borough Towns. Only he forbore to assault the great and strong Cities, into which fear had driven the Tulkans for refuge. Cn. Fulvius the Consul on the other part fought a noble battle in Samnium, near \* Bovianum, and the victory was no whit doubtful. After which he assailed Bovianum, and not long after *Aspidena*: and both Cities he won by force. The same year was there a Colony brought to \* Caracoli within the territory of the *Æquiculi*. And Fulvius the Consul triumphed over the Samnites.

Whenas now the time of the Consuls Election drew near; there was a rumour raised, that the Tulkans and Samnites were levying and enrolling of great and mighty forces: that openly in all their Assemblies and Diets, the Princes of the Tulkans were checked and reproved, for that they had not waged the Gauls to war, whatsoever it had cost them: that the Magistrates of the Samnites were blamed, for exposing that army as it were a prey unto the Romans, which had been provided against their enemies the Lucans. For now seeing that the enemies both with their own powers, and also with the help of their allies, were come to war; they should not be able to match them, having their forces thus redoubled. Now albeit there were other famous and renowned persons stood to be Consuls, yet this new fear and affright turned all men to be come favourers of Q. Fabius Maximus: who at the first made no suit, and afterwards, seeing the inclination of their affections, refused also to be Consul. "Demanding what they meant to trouble and molest him, so aged a man as he was, and one, who as he had gone through all labours and travels of this world; so he had passed also the rewards, and recompences of his travels: alledging, that neither strength of body, nor vigor of spirit could always continue the same, and last for ever: and besides, he feared fortune her self, lest haply he might be thought of any of the Gods too pious and favourable unto him, and more permanent than the ordinary train and course of this world would permit. Therefore, like as himself had grown up after the glory of his elders, and succeeded them, so he saw and beheld with joy of heart, others also rising up after him, and to succeed him in the like glory: and as there wanted not at Rome high promotions and advancements for hardy and valiant men, so there failed not brave men of worth for to receive those honors and dignities. But by this refusal of his so modest, so just and reasonable he whetted and kindled more and more their earnest affections and favours towards him, which he thinking to dull and quench, with the reverent regard and awe of the laws, commanded a statute to be read, wherein it was not lawful for one and the same man within ten years to be created Consul twice. But scarcely for the noise that the people made, could this law be heard read: and the Tribuns of the Com. said, that this should be no let: for they would prefer a bill unto the people, that he might be discharged and dispensed withal from the Statutes in that behalf. Howbeit he stood stiffly in his refusal: demanding of them to what purpose and end were the laws made, if by the very makers thereof, they might be thus deluded and made of no force? For so (qd, he) laws ruled not, but were over-ruled. But nevertheless, the people went to a scrutiny and began to give their voices: and as every Century was called into the rails, they named and chose Fabius Consul, without sticking at the matter. Then at last, overcome with this general accord and consent of the whole City: God say Amen (quoth he) O *Quirites*, to that you do and are about. But for as much as you will have your wil and dispose of me at your pleasure, do me this favour yet, that I may have the choosing of my Colleague. I beseech you make Consul with me, P. Decimus, a man approved unto me already, with whom, I have fought well in the fellowship of another office: a man I say, answerable otherwise to the greatness of his name, and worthy of his fathers virtue, from whom he is descended. This favour which he requested, seemed unto them just and reasonable. So all the Centuries behind, created Q. Fabius and P. Decimus for Consuls.

The same year the *Ædiles* served process upon very many Citizens; for holding and possessing of more Lands, than by Law was limited: and none in a manner was able to acquit himself hereof. Which was a great bridle and restraint to their unmeasurable avarice. As the new Consuls, Q. Fabius Maximus the fourth time, and P. Decimus Mus the third time, conferred and laid their heads together about their charges, that the one should take in hand the Samnites, and the other the Tulkans; and consulted what forces might serve and be sufficient for this or that Province and exploit: and to whether war either of them were the more meet and sufficient Leader: certain Embassadors, from *Sutrinus*, *Nepes*, and *Faleris*, advertised them, That the States of Tulkans, were now consulting in their Diets, about a Treaty of peace: which was an occasion, that they turned all their preparations and forces into Samnium. The Consuls being gone forth, to the end they might have the readier provision of grain and

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to *Romulea* they go. Where likewise, without mure and platform, without warlike engines of battery, so soon as they advanced their engines, and approached the walls, they could by no violence be driven from thence, but set up ladders in all halt, at the next place that every man could find, and so scaled up the walls. Thus the Town was won and ransacked. To the number of 2300 slain, and 6000 taken prisoners. The souldiers having got an exceeding booty, were forced to sell it, and make all away, as before: and from thence without any rest at all given unto them were they led to *Ferentinum*, yet they marched thither with exceeding courage and cheerfulness. Howbeit, there they found more difficult and perilous service: for the walls were with all forcible means defended, and the place it self was both by mans hand, and natural situation, luredly fenced: but yet the souldiers now being fleshed, and enured to spoil, overcame all difficulties. Three hundred men about the walls were slain: and the sackage fell to the souldiers share. The greatest part of the honor in assailing and winning of these Cities, is ascribed in some Chronicles to *Fabius Maximus*. For they write, that *Marcia* was won by *Decius* won, but *Ferentinum* and *Romulea*, by the conduct of *Fabius*. But some attribute the glory hereof unto the new Consuls. And then are, that give the glory not to both, but to the one of them, to wit, *P. Volturnius*, unto whom befall the Province of *Samnium*.

Whiles these affairs thus went in *Samnium* (by whose leading and managing it skils nor) in the mean time a mighty war was preparing in *Hetruria*: and that, of many nations band together: the principal author whereof was *Gellius Egnatius* Samnit. The *Tuiscans*, in manner all, had taken arms and levied their forces, and the neerer society, caused also the people of *Umbria* adjoyning to take their part: besides, *Gauls* also were waged for money to aid: all which multitude assembled together, and met in the *Samnitis* camp. The news of which sudden and unexpected tumult, being brought to *Rome*: for so much as *P. Volturnius* the Consul, with the second and third legions, and with 15000 confederates, was gone already into *Samnium*: it was thought good and determined, that *App. Claudius* with all speed possible, should go into *Hetruria*: and alter him, two *Roman* legions followed, to wit, the first and fourth, with twelve thousand allies: who encountered not far from the enemy. But more good was done there, in respect that they came thither betimes, (so the end that the fear of the *Roman* name might keep in awe certain nations in *Hetruria*, which already intended war) than for any exploit performed either skillfully or luckily, under the conduct of the Consul. Many skirmishes there passed in places of disadvantage, and at times inconvenient: in so much, as the enemy took more heart, and conceived greater hope every day more than other: and now it grew welcome to this point, that neither souldier could in well recken of the sufficiency of Captain, nor Captain trust upon the loyalty of the souldier. In three several Annals I find, that *Appius* dispatched his letters to his fellow Consul, and sent for him out of *Samnium*: howbeit, I am loth to set this down, being so uncertain as it is: seeing that the very Consuls themselves of *Rome*, who now the second time were coupled together in onegovernment, contested, and openly jarred about this point: whiles *Appius* denied staidly that he sent any scrip at all, and *Volturnius* again avouched, that he was sent for by *Appius* his letters. *Volturnius* by this time had won three Castles in *Samnium*, wherein were slain three thousand enemies, and almost half so many taken prisoners: and composed besides the seditious and quarrelly of the *Lucans*, which arose from the Commons and needy persons: and that, with the exceeding good contentment of the chief and principal personages of the country, by the means and mediation of *Q. Fabius* the Proconsul, who was thither sent with the old army. This done, he left *Decius* to wait and pill the country of the enemies, and himself with his forces marched toward his Colleague into *Hetruria*. Who at his first coming, was received generally with all the joy that might be. For mine own part, I suppose verily, that as *Appius* had good cause to carry an angry stomach with him, in case his conscience bare him witness, that he wrote not unto him: so again, if he had need of his Colleagues aid, he shewed an illiberal, unkind, and unthankful nature of his own, in that he would so dissemble, and not be known thereof. For being one forth to meet him, before they had well greeted and saluted one another, How now, quoth he, *O P. N. Volturnius*, is all well? How goes the World in *Samnium*? What hath moved you to abandon and leave your own charge and province, and to depart? *Volturnius* made answer, that in *Samnium* all things went well and chiefted prosperously, and that himself was now come, as sent for by his letters: which if they were counterfeit, and that there were no need of him in *Hetruria*, he would presently turn his ensigns, and be gone. *Mary*, quoth he, and good leave have you: you may be gone when you will, and no man holdeth you: and ill becometh it is, that you who per adventure are not able to wield and manage your own affairs of war, should glory thus, and make your boast that you are come hither to help others. Hereat *Volturnius* should reply again and say, It is well, and God send us good luck: I had rather lose my labour, than ought should have happened, whereby one Consul's army were not sufficient to deal with *Hetruria*. Now as the Consuls were parting asunder one from the other, the Lieutenants and Colonels of *Appius* his army, came and stood round about them both: "some requested their own General, that the aid of his Colleague which ought to have been accepted by them if it had been required: now that it was league which ought to have been refused and rejected. But the more offered so willingly, and of his own accord, should not be refused and rejected. But the more part encountered *Volturnius*, as he was ready to go his way, and earnestly besought him not for any forward contention, and debate with his companion, to betray the common-weal. For if any overthrow or misadventure should happen, the blame would be imputed rather to the for-

A "faker than the forsaken: and now things were come to this pass, that the honor or dishonor of the war in *Hetruria*, prove it well or ill, should fall upon *L. Volturnius*: for that no man would enquire of the words and language that *Appius* gave him, but of the fortune and success of the army: and albeit *Appius* had given him his farewell and passport, the weal publick and the army held him still by the sleeve, and for proof hereof, let him but make trial of the souldiers hearts and affections. Thus with remonstrances, persuasions, and hearty prayers to the one Consul and the other, they drew them both in manner against their wilko to pass in publick audience before the whole army. Where they grew to longer speeches and discourses, but to the same purpose and effect, as before in the hearing and presence of a few. Now when *Volturnius* (as having the better cause) seemed to reply, and that with good grace & words enough, against that singular eloquence of his Colleague: and that *Appius* in trumping and taunting manner, gave out and laid, That they were beholden to him, and might con him thank, that of a dumb and tongue-tied Consul they had one now, that was so ready and eloquent: and who in his former Consulship, and specially in the first months, could not open his mouth, and speak a word, was now of a sudden become an Orator, and able to make pitiful and popular Orations: then replied *Volturnius* and said, "Would God, with all my heart, you rather had learned of me to fight valiantly, then I of you to speak finely: and in conclusion, he said, he would tender him an offer, which should determine and put out of all doubt, whether of them twain, were, not the better Lawyer and Orator (for at this present the Common-weal stood not in need of such) but the better warrior and Captain General. Whereat therefore, there are it, *Hetruria* and *Samnium*, it shal be in your choice: (qd. he) to take one of them, whether you will, and I my self will with my own army, make war in the other. Then began the souldiers to cry aloud unto them, that they would jointly enter both upon the *Tuiscan* war, which content and accord of theirs, when *Volturnius* had perceived, "Forasmuch (qd. he) as I have once mistaken and misinterpreted the will of my Colleague, I will not in any case stand in doubt and be ignorant of your minds too: Let me know therefore by a shout of yours, whether you would have me tarry or depart? Whereat they set up such a note, that it gave an alarm to the enemies, and raised them out of their camp: and presently they caught their weapons up, and came forth into the field. *Volturnius* likewise caused the trumpets to sound, and the standards and ensigns to be brought abroad. Then *Appius* (as it is reported) seeing plainly, that whether he fought or safe still, the victory would be ascribed to his Colleague, stood in aammering and suspence for a while: but afterwards fearing, let that his own legions also would follow *Volturnius*, gave likewise unto his men the signal of battle, which they so instantly called for. But neither they, nor the enemies were well arranged and in good order: for both the leader of the *Samnitis* (*Gellius Egnatius*) was gone a foraging abroad, with some few cohorts and bands with him: whereupon the souldiers rather of their own head, than by conduct and direction of Captains, began to charge: and also the *Roman* armies were not both lead forth together, nor yet had time enough to be marshalled accordingly: for *Volturnius* first gave the charge before that *Appius* could come to encounter the enemies: whereupon, the forefronts were not equally matched together: and as if some fortune had exchanged the enemies, that they were wont to fight withal: the *Tuiscans* presented themselves to *Volturnius*: and the *Samnitis* who stayed awhile (for that their General was absent) affronted *Appius*. It is reported that *Appius* in the very heat of the skirmish, was seen in the front of the foremost ensigns, to lift up his hands to Heaven, and pray in this wise, "O Lady *Bellona*, if thou give us victory and the honor of this day then, be sure, I vow here unto thee at this hour, a fair Temple. When he had thus prayed, as if the goddess had put life unto him, and animated his courage, both himself matched the valour of his Colleague, and his army answered the virtue of their Commander. For he performed the devoir and part (indeed) of a brave General. The souldiers likewise, for fear that the other army should begin the victory, endeavored and steined all that ever they could: Whereby, they disarrayed, discomfited, and put to flight the enemies, who could not easily abide any extraordinary force and violence, more than they were wont to meet withal. And so with pressing hard upon them still that retreated, and chasing them hotly that were scattered in flight, they beat them into their camp. There, by the coming in of *Gellius* and the *Sabellian* bands, the battle for the time was freshly renewed. But when they also, within a while were discomfited, then was the camp assaulted by the conquerors. Thus whilst *Volturnius* for his part entered with banner displayed unto the very gate, and *Appius* ever and anon reiterated the name of *Bellona* the victress, and all, to set on fire and inflame the courage of his souldiers: there was neither trench nor rampier that could hold them back. So the camp was won and sacked, and a huge pillage therein found, which was given all to the souldiers. Seven thousand and three hundred enemies were slain, 2120 taken prisoners.

During the time that both Consuls, and the whole puissance of the *Romans*, were thus more bene and employed in the war within *Tuiscany*: there were new forces raised in *Samnium*, to waite the marches of the *Roman* Dominion: who taking their way through the *Vestins*, into *Campania* and the country of *Faleria*, drave huge prizes and booties away. And as *Volturnius* by great journeyes returned into *Samnium* (for by this time *Fabius* and *Decius* were come to an end of their prorogued government) the bruit that was blown abroad of the *Samnitis* army and their foraging of the territory of *Capua*, turned him out of his way, to the defence of his allies and confederates. So soon as he was entered into the country *Calturnum*, both he himself saw the fresh marks and tokens of great damage and desolation: and also the *Calenians* advertised him, that

the enemies carried with them already so excessive a prey and booty, that they were scarce able for it to march in good order, and that their Captains began openly to speak and say, that the better course they could take, was presently to retire *Sannitum*, there to leave their prizes and booties, and so to return afresh to their homes and make new expeditions; and not to commit an army, so laden and overcharged, to the fortune and hazard of a battle. Which words, albeit they sounded much to a furth, yet he thought it meet to look better into the matter, and to build upon a surer ground, and therefore he sent certain light Horsemen, to intercept some foragers as they straggled and were scattered one from another in the fields. By whom he learned, after much questioning with them, that the enemies encamped by the river *Vulturnus*, and from thence at the third watch, would let forward on their journey directly into *Sannitum*. After he had sufficient intelligences and advertisements concerning their things, he dislodged and put himself upon his way, and encamped so far from the enemies, as his approach by being too near could not be known, and yet he might be able to surprise them as they should issue in disorder out of their camp. So a good while before day, he marched towards the enemy: and sent such as were well been in the Officer tongue, to listen and learn what they did. Who being intermingled with the enemies (which was an easy matter in that night garboil and confusion) they found that the engines were set forward, not sufficiently accompanied with armed men for defence; and that the whole pillage with the guard and convoy thereof, was now going forth, and marched carelessly like a sort of vile and base lozels, every man thinking of his own particulars and running on his own head, without consent of others, and with little or no direction and government. This was thought the meetest time to let upon them: and now it drew near day. Whereupon he commanded the trumpets to sound the charge, and let upon the march of the enemies. The *Sanniti*, incumbered as they were, and pestered with their booty, and few of them here and there in armour, began, some of them to double their pace and to march faster away, and drive before them the booty: some stood still, and wist not whether they were better to go on forward, or retire again into the camp. But while they thus trifled and stayed, they were environed and surprized by the Romans: and by this time they had gotten over their rampier: much killing there was, and confusion in the camp. The *Sanniti*, as they marched, besides that they were troubled with the assault of their enemies, were also disquieted with the sudden escape and revolt of their prisoners: who being some of them loose, looked also those that were bound: while others of them, caught up their weapons which were fastened to the packs, and being confusedly intermingled in the march, made a greater and more fearful garboil and havoc, than the very battle of the enemies. And more than that, they performed one memorable and notable Act above the rest. For as *Statius Egnatius* the General, went about the ranks and files encouraging the soldiers to fight, they let upon him, scattered the Horsemen asunder, that accompanied him, environed him about, and took him as he sat on Horseback, and haled him to the Roman Consul. Upon which tumult and stir, the foremost ensigns of the *Sanniti* were called back, and the battle which in manner was done, now began afresh: yet could not they any long time resist and hold out. Slain there were about six thousand: two thousand and five hundred taken prisoners. Amongst whom, were 4 Colonels and 30 Ensigns: and (that, wherein the victors took contentment) of captives, 7000 and 400 hundred were again recovered: with an exceeding great booty which they had got from their allies: whereunto, by proclamation were called, all that could lay any claim, or pretend a right, to seize upon their own goods, and to receive the same by a day appointed. And look what parcels could not be owned or challenged by the true owner, was given away to the soldiers: who were compelled to make sale thereof, to the end, that they should not let their heart upon any thing but war.

This passage of the territory of *Capua*, had raised great trouble and stir in *Rome*. And at the very same time also, it chanced, that there came news out of *Hebrunia*, how that upon the withdrawing of *Volumnius* his forces out of those parts, all that country was up afresh in arms: that *Gellius Egnatius* the *Sanniti* Captain, and the *Umbrians* likewise, were moved to revolt: and the Gauls also solicited with great sums of money. At this bruit the Senat being affraid, commanded an abstinence or vacation of term, and that all sorts of men should be mustered: and not only the free born natural citizens, and the flower of the youth were preit and sworn, but certain companies also of the elder sort, yea, and bands of *Libertins* newly enfranchised, were inrolled by the hundreds. Likewise they sat in Council about devising means for defence of the City: and *P. Sempronius* the Pretor, had the whole government of the State. But the Senat was partly eased and discharged of this care, by the letters of *L. Volumnius* the Col, which gave intelligence that the foragers of Campain were defeated, slain and put to flight. Thereupon were decreed in favour of the Consul, for this exploit by him achieved, solemn processions, and the abstinence of term again was remitted, which had continued for eighteen dayes space: and the procession afore said, was right joyfully performed. Then began they to devise about garrisons for defence of the country thus wasted and overrun by the *Sanniti*. And agreed it was, that two Colonies should be sent about the *Vesin* and *Faler* castles: one to the mouth of the river *Liris*, which Colony was called *Minturna*, the other in the *Vesin* forefront and streights, adjoining to the *Faler* country; where *Synope*, a Greek Town sometime stood, and afterwards was called by the Romans there inhabiting, *Sinuess*. The Tribuns of the Com, had in charge to ordain by an Act of the common people, that *P. Sempronius* the Pretor should choose certain Trium-

\* Natarum, or  
Vulturum,  
\* About mid-  
night.

\* Cohortes, i. of  
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\* Traiecto.

\* Sinuessa, vel  
E. ch. de Monte  
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virs, about the sending and translating of inhabitants into those Colonies. But much ado they had to find those that willingly yielded to be inrolled Coloners, supposing indeed that they were sent thither, not to inhabit Land and ground for their best behoof, but to lie in garrison, and to stand upon their guard in those frontiers, which were continually molested by warlike enemies. From the care of these affairs, the Senat was withdrawn, by occasion of the *Tulcan* war, whereof the rumour daily encreased: and letters also came thick from *Appius*, who warned them not to neglect the rising of that country: which letters imported, that four nations had united their forces, and banded themselves together; to wit, *Tuscani*, *Sannitum*, *Umbrians*, and the Gauls: that they were already encamped in two places: for that one was not able to receive so great a multitude. Upon these occasions, as also for that the time drew near of Election of Consuls, *Lucius Volumnius* the Consul was called home to *Rome*. Who before that he called the Centuries for to give their voyces, having assembled the people to an audience, discoursed before them at large, concerning the greatness of the *Tulcan* war. "How that afore time, when he him self and his brother Consul warred there together, it was of so great importance, that neither one leader, nor yet one army was sufficient: and by report, the *Umbrians*, and a mighty power of Gauls were afterward combined unto them. So that they should remember, that they were to chuse that day two Consuls, against four Nations. As for himself, but that he was certainly persuaded and assured, that the people of *Rome* would with a general consent declare him Consul, who at that time, without all controversy was counted the principal Captain and best leader of all others, he would forthwith nominate a Dictator. No man durst, but the *Q. Fabius* was the man, who by the assent of all, was meant and destined to this charge: and him together with *Volumnius*, both the prerogative tribe, and all those that were called first, every one, nominated to be Consul, *Fabius* made a speech by way of excuse, in substance, like as he had done before, two years together: but afterwards seeing he was overcome with the general agreement of the people, he framed it so in the end, that he required *P. Decius* to be his colleague: "Alleging, that he would be instead of a good prop and stay to him in his old age: how he had found by experience in one Consulship and two Consulships, born jointly together with him, that there was no surety and defence of the Common-wealth to the concord and agreement of those that are companions in government. And to any other new Colleague besides him, hardly could an old mans mind fore and frame. Altho that he would and could more easily impart his mind and purpose to one, whose humor, condition, and behavior, he had been already acquainted with. The Consul, himself confirmed his Oration, and accorded therunto; as well, in regard of the commendable parts and deserts of *P. Decius*, as also of the good that proceeded and ensued upon the managing of war-affairs, by the concord and unity of the Consuls: and of the hurt which hapned and followed upon their disagreement and dissention: "and therewith he shewed how near they were of late to utter peril and destruction, through quarrels between him and his brother *Appius*: "admonishing *Decius* and *Fabius* both to live so, as with one mind and heart they affected and intended the same things. He added moreover and said, they were men of Action both, born for war and to be soldiers; for martial feats renowned already: but for to maintain contentions of words and quarrels of the tongue, altogether rude and unskilful, and such natures, (said he) were fittest to make Consuls. As for nimble heads and fine wits, deeply seen in points and quicks of law, full of their eloquent terms, such as *Ap. Claudius* was; those were meet to be made Lord Presidents of the City and chief Justices in the common place, for to sit in judgment of causes, and see the execution of laws. Thus in handling of these matters was that day spent. The morrow after, according to the Consuls appointment, was the Election held, both of new Consuls, and also of Pretors. *Q. Fabius* and *P. Decius* were created Consuls, and *App. Claudius* Pretor, all absent. And *L. Volumnius* by Act of the Senat, and grant of the Commons, had his government prorogued, and continued in his charge one year longer.

The same year were many strange fights and prodigious monsters seen: for the turning away of the dangers fore signified and menaced thereby, the Senat decreed supplications and Letanies for two dayes together. Wine and incense for the sacrifices, was allowed at the publick charges of the City, and in procession went both men and women in great number, with much reverence, to visit the Holy shrines, and there to do their devotions. These solemn supplications were more renowned and memorable, by reason of a contention that arose among the dames of the City, in the Chappel of *Lady Pudicitia Paritrix*, which standeth in the beast-marker, by the round Church of *Hercules*. The Noble mens wives would not admit into that Chappel *Virginia* the daughter of *Antius*, who, notwithstanding she was nobly descended from the race of the *Paritrix*, yet had espoused *Volumnius* the Consul, a Commoner, and was married (forsooth) out of the family and rank of the *Paritrix*. Whereupon, there began some short and uttered shrewd words to be dealt between: and so (as women commonly are soon angry and let on fire) there grew to heart-burning and hot contention. Whiles *Virginia* alleged and said that the being a Gentlewoman and *Paritrix* born, and a chaste and honest Dame, was entered in the Chappel of *Paritrix* Chastities: over and besides, she had not been noted for Bigamy; but was the wife of one only husband, unto whom she was given and brought a pure maid: and as for her husband, and his dignities which he had born, his noble acts that he had achieved, the had no cause to complain, or be ashamed, may rather, she gloried therein right greatly. After this, she accumulated these magnificent and glorious words, with a generous and brave a deed. For in the

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long street where she dwelt, she set by and cut off a part of her dwelling house, as much as would serve for an Oratory or petty Chappell; and there erected an Altar. And when she had assembled the wives of the Commoners together, and had complained of the injurious dealing of the Patrian dames; "This altar (quoth she) do I dedicate unto *Pudicitia Plebeia*: and all you here I exhort, that with what emulation, the men our husbands, in this City contend about feats of valour and arms, who may do best: so likewise the Matrons and wives strive and excel in continence and chastity; and that ye will labour and endeavour, that this altar may have the name to be frequented, and resorted unto, with more reverence and devotion, yea, and if (it be possible) of more chaste women, than that other of the Nobility. And so it fell out indeed, that from that time, this altar also had the same rites (in a manner) and ceremonies as the other, which was more ancient: in such sort, as no wife, but of approved honesty and chastity, and wedded but to one husband during her life, might be allowed there to sacrifice and offer oblations. But this religious order and institution, in lapse and process of time was prophaned afterwards and divulged, and the altar frequented by them that were stained and infamous, and not only by matrons of name and quality, but also by women of all sorts and degrees, until at last through disuse it grew to be utterly forgotten, and came to nothing.

The same year the *Ædiles Curule*, *Cn.* and *Q. Ogulnius* accused certain Usurers, who were convicted, and their goods forfeit and confiscated. And of that which came into the common chest, they caused to be made a brazen portal in the Capitol, and silver vessels forth to furnish out three tables in *Jupiter* his Chappell: also the image of *Jupiter* himself in the Lantern or frontispiece of the Capitol, sitting in his chariot drawn with four steeds. Moreover, at the Fig-tree *Ruminalis*, they erected and set up the images of the founding babes, the first founders of the City, pendant at the teats of a shee-wolf. They paved also with square stone, the cauley and high way from the gate *Capena*, unto the Temple of *Mars*. The *Ædiles* likewise Commoners, *L. Ælius Papius*, and *Q. Fulvius Curvus*, of the forfeited money which they levied of the graziers or farmers of the City pastures, who were condemned and fined, exhibited certain pageants and plays, and set up golden bolles in the Temple of *Ceres*.

After this, *Q. Fabius* the fifth time Consul, and *P. Decius* the fourth, entered their government, who now had been companions together in three Consulats, and in one Censorship, men renowned, not more for the honor of their noble exploits in war, which was right great, than for their loving agreement and concord. Which unity of theirs was not perpetual to the end; by occasion I suppose, of the contention of the States that came between, rather than of any difference betwixt themselves. For the *Patritii* laboured, that *Fabius* should have the Province of *Tuiscan* bestowed upon him; and the Commons were as earnest with *Decius* to put the matter to a Lottery, extraordinarily: and the Commons there was in the Senat. But afterwards, seeing that *Fabius* was able there to do more and make a greater side than his Colleague, the matter was brought again before the people. In which assembly, few words passed between the parties themselves, being martial men both, standing more upon deeds than words. *Fabius* gave out and said: "That it was an indignity, that another should gather fruit under the tree through the wood *Ciminia*, and had given entrance and passage for the Roman war, through defalt and wild forefalls. What meant they then to trouble him, a man of those years, with this place of charge, in case, they minded to give the conduct of this war to any other General but himself? No doubt, but by little and little he upbraided them covertly and cast in their teeth, for chusing unto him an adversary, and not a companion in government: yea, and charged *Decius*, that he repented and envied the good concord, wherein they had lived together, during the time of three Magistracies already. Finally, he aimed and reached at no farther matter than this, but if so be, they thought him worthy of the Province, thither to send him. For as he had been at the appointment and pleasure of the Senate, so would he be at the ordering and direction of the people. On the other side, *P. Decius* complained of the injury offered by the Senat: for that the Nobles had endeavored to their power, and done their best that no Commons might have access to honourable places and dignities: and after that prowess and valour had got the upperhand, and prevailed so, as even in those kind of men virtue wanted not her due reward and honour: there were means sought, that not only the voices of the people were deluded and made vain: but also the very awards and arbitraments of fortune, were transferred to the wills and pleasures of those few. All Consuls before him had their provinces by lot: and now the Senat by their absolute authority, without casting lots, gave unto *Fabius* the charge of his province. If it be (saith he) to honour the man: verily, he hath so well deserved both of my self and of the Commoners, that I favour highly and tender the glory of *Q. Fabius*: provided always, that I get not a shining lustre, by a foil of my disgrace and dishonour. And who will ever doubt, where there is one difficult and dangerous war, and the same precisely and absolutely charged upon one Consul, without ordinary and lawful calling: but that the other Consul findeth for a Cypher, and is reputed either needless, or good for nothing? As for *Fabius*, like as he gloried in his service and noble Acts achieved in *Tuiscan*, even so would *Publius Decius* also illustrate do the semblable: and peradventure, he should be able to put out and quench that fire once for all, which *Fabius* left behind him, so covered and raked up, as that oftentimes it suddenly brake out again, and yielded forth new flames and blazes. In conclusion, he could be content to

Debate between *Decius* and *Fabius* for their Provinces.

yield the titles of honour and all rewards of vertue unto his Colleague, in the reverent regard of his old age, and majesty of his person: but for any hazard or jeopardy that might be presented unto them, he neither at this time gave place, nor ever would (with his good will) to him or any man else whatsoever; and if he got no other good by this contention, yet would he obtain thus much at the least, that the people should hold their own, and dispose of that abso- lutely at their discretion, which was in their power: rather then permit the Nobles to gratify any one therewith at their pleasure. And herewith he prayed *Jup. Opt. Max.* and all the immortal gods, that even as they vouchsafed to bestow upon him and his Colleague equal valour and happiness in the conduct of their war, so they would afford them one and the same right and authority and rule. For, surely it was in nature meet and reason, for example good and profitable, and for the credit and fame of the people of *Rome* much material, that such should be Consuls, as by either of their guidance and conduct, without exceptions, the war with the *Tuiscans* might be administered as it ought to be. *Fabius* then, having besought the people naught else, but that before the Tribes were called in to give their suffrages, they would hear the letters of *App. Claudius* Pretor read, which were brought out of *Tuscan*, departed out of the assembly. So the Province of *Tuscan*, without casting lots, was awarded unto *Fabius*, with no less content of the people, then of the Senat. Hereupon, all the younger sort (in manner) ran unto the Consul, and offered their service of themselves, and gave their names to be enrolled, so desirous were they to serve under that Captain. Which multitude being thus stocked about him: Four thousand footmen (quoth he) and six hundred horse, and no more, am I minded to take up and levy. As many therefore, as to day and to morrow, will present themselves and give their names, will I accept of, and take with me: more care have I to bring you all home rich and wealthy, then to have numbers of souldiers to fight my battels. Thus went he forth with a competent Army well appointed, and so much more confident, and in hope of good success, by how much less he stood upon the great number; and directed his journey to the Town *Abarna*, where *Appius* the Pretor encamped, and from whence the enemy was not far distant. A few miles on this side, the fewellers or wood-purveyors, accompanied with a good guard of souldiers for their convoy, met him: who seeing the Sergeants go before, and understanding that it was *Fabius* the Consul, with joy and cheerful hearts, thanked God and the people of *Rome*, for sending unto them such a General. After this, when they came all about the Consul to salute and welcome him, *Fabius* demanded whether they went? who answered, To purvey wood and jewel. Say ye so? (quoth he) and have ye not your camp emptied and fortified? Yes, cried they all, and that with a double rampart and ditch, but yet are we in exceeding fear. Then (quoth he) ye have wood and timber enough. Go ye back again, and down with the trench and palisade. Who returned into the camp, and as they were plucking up the rampart, they gave the alarm both to the souldiers that tarried behind in the camp, and to *Appius* himself, and made them afraid. Then every man said to one or other as they came, that it was by the express commandment of *Q. Fabius* the Consul that they did so. The morrow after they removed the camp: and *Appius* the Pretor was dismissed and sent away to *Rome*. After which time, the Romans abode no where in standing camp: for he said, it was not good and commodious for an army to make abode in any one place; but that it was better and more wholesome both for the agility and health of their bodies, to have a running camp, to be ever marching, and changing the air and the soil. But their journeys were no other; then the winter would permit; which was not yet past.

In the beginning of the Spring, *Fabius* having left the second legion at *Clusium*, which in old time was called *Camars*, and appointed *L. Scipio* Pro-pretor, to be governor of the camp, he returned himself to *Rome* for to consult about the war: were it of his own accord and motion, because it appeared evidently in view of eye much greater then it was reputed before; or that he was sent for by order from the Senat: for there be writers that affirm both the one and the other. Some would have it thought, that he was called back again by *Appius Claudius* Pretor, who both at the Council Table in the Senat House, and also before the body of the people (like as he had continually done by letters) enforced the fear and terror of the *Tuiscan* war, saying, that one General and one Army, were not sufficient to make head against four Nations: that it would be dangerous and doubtful, whether they jointly in one body gave battel unto one, or maintained war apart in divers quarters: that one man was not able to perform and manage all at once. As for himself, he had left behind him two Roman Legions and no more, and with *Fabius* there were come not full five thousand in all, of horse and foot together. His opinion therefore was, that with all speed, *P. Decius* the Consul, should go to his Colleague into *Tuscan*, and *L. Volturninus* have the charge of *Sannium* in the meantime. But in case the Consul had rather go into his own Province, then he advised, that *Volturninus* took his way directly, with a full and complete Consular Army into *Tuscan*, to the Consul. When this discourse of the Pretor had moved a great part of the House, then *P. Decius* spake (by report) to this effect: That all should be left entire and free to the disposition of *Q. Fabius*, until such time as either himself in person (if it might stand with the weal-publick) were come to *Rome*, or sent one of his Lieutenants by whom the Senat might be informed, and truly understand the poyle and importance of the war in *Tuscan*; what forces were requisite, and how many Leaders and Captains were expedient and needful, *Fabius*, so soon as he was returned to *Rome*, both in the Senat House, and also in the audience.

of the people, held a middle course in all his speech; that he might seem neither to encrease, nor yet to diminish the rumor of the war: and in assuming to himself another Captain, he pretended, that he condescended therunto, in regard of other mens fear, more then for his own safety, or for any danger that the State was like to incur. Howbeit, if they would allow him a condutor and companion in war, how might he forget *P. Decius* the Consul: of whom he had so good proof and experience in so many Magistacies, which they had born and administered together. Of all men in the world he loved none better, and would make choice of no one sooner: and having *P. Decius* with him, he would never think his forces too few about him, nor his enemies too many before him. But if peradventure he give him *L. Volturnus* to be his assistant, The determination of all was referred over to *Fabius*, both by the people and Senat, and also by the Consul himself. And when as *Decius* shewed and testified, that he was ready to take a journey either into *Samnium* or *Tuscan*, there followed such a joy and gratulation of all men, as if they had conceived in their spirit a victory afore-hand, and even now, had decreed for the Consuls, not a doubtful war, but a glorious triumph. I find in some writers, that *Fabius* and *Decius*, presently upon the entrance into their Magistracy, went into *Tuscan*, without any mention of calling lots for their charges and provinces, or of the contention between the two Collegues, which I have set down. There belome again, who having laid abroad these debates, stayed not there, but over and besides have added a surmise of matter, touching the invidies of *Appius* before the people, against *Fabius* in his absence; as also the obstinate stubbornness of him being Pretor, against the Consul, to his very face: moreover, another contention and variance between the two Consuls: whilst *Decius* endeavoured to bring about, and was instant that each one should keep him to his own Province allotted unto him, and hold it. But all writers agree in the course of the history, from the time that both Consuls went out to war, and to forward.

But before that the Consuls arrived in *Tuscan*, certain Gauls called Senones, came with a great power before *Clusium*, ready to give assault unto the Roman Legion and the camp. But *Scipio*, who was left Governor thereof, thinking it necessary to help out the small number of his men, by advantage of the ground, led his army up to the hill between the town and the camp. But (as it falleth out in such sudden cases) he had not discovered aforehand the wayes and passes all about; but inconsiderately went forward, and engaged himself up to the top and pitch of the hill, which the enemy was master of already, by another side. Thus was the legion assailed on the back and beat down, and thus was it enclosed and environed round by a multitude of enemies, and put to the sword. Some writers there be who report, that the whole legion perished there, so as not one escaped alive to carry tidings. Also, that the Consuls who now were not far from *Clusium*, had no news brought them of this overthrow, before the horsemen of the Gauls were in sight, who carrying the heads of them that were slain, come hanging before at their horsepoirets, others flinging aloft upon their lances, braved and triumphed singing and chanting songs of joy, after their manner. Some write that they were the Umbri and not the Gauls, and that the defeat and misfortune was not so great: also that when the foragers for the camp under the leading of *L. Marcius Torquatus* a Lieutenant, were compassed about by the enemy; then *Scipio* the Pro-pretor came forth of the camp to succour and rescue them, and that the Umbrians who first had the better, afterwards when the battell was renewed, suffered the foil and were overcome, and that as well their prisoners as their booty was taken from them. But more probable it is, that this overthrow was given by the Gauls, then the Umbrians; for that as divers times afore, so that year especially the City was troubled with the tumults and risings of the Gauls. Upon this defeat, over and besides, that both the Consuls were gone to war with four legions, and a great power of Cavalry of natural Romans, and a thousand horsemen of *Capua*, chosen out of purpose for that war, and sent unto them, with a greater power also of Allies, and of Latins then of Romans: there were two other armies not far from the City of *Rome*, opposed to frontier and make head against *Tuscan*: the one in the Faliscan territory, the other in the Vatican. *Cn. Fulvius* and *L. Posthumus Megillus*, both Pro-pretors, were commanded to keep a standing camp in those parts. But the Consuls by this time, having passed over the mountain *Apenninus*, were come to the enemies within the country of the Sentinats. And there about four miles off, they lay them down and encamped. Then the enemies, after much consultation, resolved in the end upon this point: not to be intermingled all in one camp, nor come into the field and hazard all their forces at once in one battell: But that the Gauls should take the Samnits unto them, and the Umbrians join with the Tuscans. The day of the battell was appointed. The Gauls and Samnits had the charge to maintain the fight: and in the time of battell the Tuscans and Umbrians were commanded to assult the camp of the Romans. But their designs and purposes were altered by reason of three Clusian fugitive traitors, who by night stole away privily unto the Consul *Fabius*, and disclosed the intents and enterprise of the enemies: who were sent away with rich rewards, to the end that every hour, upon new plots and devices that should be determined by the enemies, they would give them an inkling and certain intelligence. The Consuls write unto *Fulvius* and *Posthumus*, that the one should advance and come forward with his army, out of the Faliscan country; and the other out of the Vatican directly unto *Clusium*: and that with all their forces, they should overrun and destroy the enemies country. The rumor of these rodes & invasions, caused the Tuscans to remove out of the

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Sentinat territory, to the defence of their own frontiers. Hereupon the Consuls made speed to strike a battell in their absence. And for two dayes space they skirmished continually with the enemy, and challenged him to the field: but for those two dayes, no worthy deed of importance was achieved. A few on both sides were slain, and hereby were their courages rather provoked, and their tomaks whet to a full set battell then any trial or hazard made of the main chance. Upon the third day into plain field they come with all their power. When both armies stood ranged in battell array, there fortune a Hind to be chased out of the mountains, and to run away before a Wolf, even through the midst of the plains between both armies: then, parted both these wild beasts under the Hind took her way to the Gauls, and the Wolf his course to the Romans. The Hind had given him through all the tanks and fleshes but the Hind was killed among the Gauls. Then a Roman souldier, one of the forefront, who was to fight before the Ensigns: There will the fight (quoth he) there will the slaughter be, where you see the beast sacred and dedicated to *Diana* die dead: but here on this part, the martial Wolf, consecrated to *Mars*, having with victory gone clear away safe and unwounded hath put us in mind of our martial Nation and of our first founder, the son of *Mars*. The Gauls put themselves in the right wing, the Samnits in the left, Against the Samnits, *Fabius* marshalled the first and third Legions, in the right point: and *Decius*, the fifth and sixth in the left, affront the Gauls. For the second and fourth served in *Samnium* under *L. Volturnus* Pro-consul. At the first shock and encounter, the battell was to indifferently fought, and with to equal force, that if the Tuscans and Umbrians had either shewed themselves in the field, or assailed the camp, the iols and overthrow mult needs have light in either place, whereas they had bent their forces. Howbeit, although hitherto the conflict of battell went equal and indifferent, and that as yet fortune had not determined, which way the world on line and give the victory; yet they fought not alike, in the right and left wings. For the Roman under the conduct of *Fabius*, rather warded the enemy warily, and stood upon their guard, then offered to charge lustily: so as they maintained fight, and drew it at length until it was very late in the evening, because the Captain was enforced and perswaded of the Samnits and Gauls both, that being as they were in the first skirmish very hot and furious, it was fittest to keep off at length and at staves end. As for the Samnits, their courages would abate and fall by any long conflict, and the bodies of the Gauls, (who of all other can least away with travel, & heat especially) would turn all to sweat, & melt away: who at the beginning fight more fiercely then men but in the end more faintly then women. Against that time therefore when the enemy used to fail & give over, *Fabius* had kept his souldiers in breath & rested their strength fresh & lusty. But *Decius* being very eager & hot by reason of his youth and courage of heart, laid on lustily at the first, and spent upon the enemies all their force & vigor he had: and for that the Infantry seemed to fight but coldly, he set the Cavalry a work: and himself personally in the thickest throng and troop of most valiant and hardy Knights, exhorted and brought the foremost gallants of those lusty youths, to join with him & to charge upon the enemy: saying that they should carry away a double honor if by the means of the men of arms, the victory began at the left wing. Twice they forced the Gauls horsemen to turn side and back: but when as they were engaged farther within, and were now fighting hard pell mell among the squadrons of the horsemen, they beheld a new and strange kind of fight, which troubled and terrified them. For the enemies standing all armed upon chariots & wagons, with a great noise of their steeds, and rumbling of the wheels, ran full upon them & mightily terrified the horses of the Romans which had not been acquainted with such uncouth & strange noises. So the horsemen who had the upper hand before, & were at point of victory, were now with a foul fear discomfited and scattered, as if the hideous furies of hell, & the devil himself had been amongst them. Whereupon they fled suddenly & not looking before them were overthrow both men & horse. By this occasion the ensigns of footmen were distressed & disordered, and many of those that were ranged in the front before the ensigns, were by force of horse & wagons driven cross through the battailons, trodden under foot, and their guts squashed out. Herewithall the battailons of the Gauls footmen, seeing their enemies thus scared followed on apace, & gave them no time of breathing. *Decius* cried out aloud to his men, Whither flie ye? Or what hope have ye to save your selves by flight? *Decius* opposed himself against them that retreated and fled: *Decius* rallied those that were disbanded and scattered: but seeing that by no force or means he could stay them, thus amazed & astonished as they were; he called upon his father *P. Decius* by name, and said: Why do I stay any longer the fatal death that is destined to my house & name? It is given to our race & family, to be sacrificed in lieu of propitiatory sacrifices for to assuage & save the publick weal from dangers menaced & threatened unto it. Even now therefore, will I offer the legions of the enemies to be sacrificed: & with my self to *Dione Telus* and other infernal gods. When he had spoken these words, he commanded *M. Livius* the high Priest (whom as he marched into the field, he straightly had charged not to depart from him) not to pronounce: and say that form of words, whereby he should devote, offer, and betake himself to death, together with the legions of the enemies, for to save the army of the *Quirits* and people of *Rome*. Which when he had done by the same form of prayer and in the same habit wherein his father *P. Decius* at the river *Volturnus* in the war against the Latins, called himself to be offered to death: and besides these solemn prayers, added moreover these words: That he gave before him. Fright Flight Murder, Massacre Bloodshed, Ire and Wrath of gods in Heaven & fiends in Hell: and that he would with deadly maledictions and execrable curses smite the ensigns, weapons, and armors of his enemies: and that one and the same place, should give

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both himself, and also the Gauls and Samnites together with him, plague, perdition, and destruction. After these cursed, horrible, and detestable speeches against his own person and his enemies; look where he saw the thickest ranks of the Gauls, thither he spurred his horse, and rode in amongst them: where amidst the pikes, javelins, and swords, he was presently slain. Then could it hardly be seen, that the battle was any longer fought by power and help of man. The Romans so soon as they had lost their Captain, (which at all other times is wont to smite a terror into them) stayed their flight, and were willing and contented to renew the battle afresh. The Gauls, and especially that troop which stood about the Consul, fared as though they had been out of their wits, flung their darts from them (I know not how) to no purpose, and in vain: some of them stood still, as it were benumbed, forgetting both to run away, and to fight still. But on the other side the high Priest *Livius*, with whom *Decius* had left the sergeants, and whom before his death he nominated and ordained to be Proprietor, cried out, as loud as he could, that the Romans had the victory, and by the death of the Consul, were acquit and excused from all other fatal danger: but as for the Gauls and the Samnites, they were destined and forfeited (as it were) to mother *Tellus* and the infernal spirits. And now *Decius* (quoth he) haied after him, and calleth to follow him, the army that with him was devoted, cursed, and offered: now all the enemies are full of suries and fearful fright. Then, as these aforesaid began the skirmish again, behold there came unto them, *Cornelius Scipio*, and *C. Marius* with a supply of incoors from the rearward; who by commandment of *Q. Fabius* the Consul, were sent to aid and rescue his Collegue. Where they heard of the worthy end of *P. Decius*, a noble example to encourage them to adventure all hazards in the service of their country and Common-wealth. Therefore, when as the Gauls stood close and thick together, opposing their targets before them, ranged and joined one over another featherwise, so, as to deal with them affront, and to cope together at hand strokes, was thought a difficult and dangerous matter; then, by the commandment of those two Lieutenants, the darts and lances which lay strewn upon the ground, between the two armies, were gathered up, and flung against the pavoisade or tortoise-sense of the enemies targets abovehead. And by reason that these javelins and spears light and stuck fast, some in their targets, and some in their very bodies, it hapned that their knot was broken, and the battailon (as huge and close as it was) disbanded, in such sort, as many of them, notwithstanding their bodies were untouched and unhurt, flew down allonced one upon another. So how fortune altered the case, and changed all in the left wing of the Romans. But in the right, *Fabius* (as is before said) at the first, lingered and drew on the day: but afterwards, when as he perceived, that neither the enemies shouts, nor their manner of giving charge, nor yet the darts and javelins which they lanced, had the same vigor and force, as before he commanded the Captains of the horsemen to wheel about with their Cornets, and to flank the Samnites, that upon a signal given, they might charge them overthrow with all the violence they could, whilst his own Legionary footmen by little and little advanced forward, and brake the ranks and disordered the enemy. When he saw once, no resistance made, and that without all doubt, they were wearied and out of breath: then he gathered together all his subsidiary companies of the rearguard, which he had reserved until that time and business, fresh and in heart: and at once, both let forward the Legions, and gave the horsemen also a signal to set upon the enemies. But the Samnites could not endure this violent charge, but ran as fast as ever they could to recover the camp fast by the battailon of the Gauls, leaving their fellows behind them in fight to pay the reckoning. The Gauls having likewise made a target-sense, stood thick and close together under it. Then *Fabius* advertised of the death of his brother Consul, commanded a wing or Cornet, to the number almost of 500, horsemen of *Capua*, to withdraw themselves out of the conflict, to cast about and to play upon the backs of the Gauls: after whom, he caused the *Principes* of the third Legion to follow; and wheresoever they espied the ranks of the enemies by force of horsemen disordered and broken, there, to second them, and press on still, and kill them whilst they were in disarray, and afraid. Himself vowed a Temple to *Jupiter Victor*, together with the spoils of his enemies. Which done, he advanced straight forward to the camp of the Samnites. Thither all the multitude of them were driven in great fright and disarray. And for that the gates were not able to receive so great a multitude, crowding together, they that were kept out, and could not get in, by reason of the throng of their fellows, began again to fight under the rampart. Where *Gellius Egnatius*, the General of the Samnites was stricken down and slain: after this, the Samnites beaten within their rampart, were killed every one, and their camp after small resistance won. The Gauls behind their back were environed and cut in pieces. That day were slain of enemies five and twenty thousand, and 8000 taken prisoners. Howbeit, this victory cost the Romans blood: for of *P. Decius* his army, there died 7000, and of *Fabius*, 1200. *Fabius* then having sent out to seek out the body of his Collegue, gathered up all the spoils of the enemies into an heap, and burned them, to the honor of *Jupiter Victor*. But that day could not the Consul his body be seen, by reason it was covered and hidden under heaps of the Gauls that lay there dead. The morning after it was found and brought again with many a tear of all his souldiers. Then *Fabius* setting all other matters for the time aside, solemnized the burial and funeral obsequies of his fellow Consul, with due commendation and condigne praises, and with all honor that could be devised.

In Tuscany also about the same time, *Cn. Fulvius* Proprietor, had fortunate success to his hearts desire: for besides great damage done to the enemy, by invasions & rodes into the country, he fought

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also a notable battel: wherein of Perusins and Clusins were slain above 3000, and twenty men signs won. The Samnites, as they fled through the territory of the Pelignians, were by them intercepted and enclosed: and of five thousand, they were left but one thousand. Great is the fame of that day, and of the battel that was fought in the Samnite territory, if a man hold him only to the truth, and make no more of it than it was. But some have overreached a little, and written, that the enemies were 40330 foot, and 46000 horse strong: also, that they had a thousand chariots or waggons, reckoning and comprising the Umbrians and Tuscans withal: who also (as they say) were at the battel. And to encrease also the power and forces of the Romans, they report, that *L. Volturnus* Proprietor, was a Commander, together with the Consuls, and that his army was by him with the Legions of the Consuls. But I find in most Chronicles, that this victory was achieved by the two Consuls only. *Volturnus* in the meantime warred in Samnium, and having forced and driven the army of the Samnites, to take the hill *Tifernum*, nothing afraid for the disadvantage of the place, discomfited them, and put them to flight. *Q. Fabius*, having left the army of *Decius* behind him in Tuscany, reduced his own legions into the City, and triumphed over the Gauls, Tuscans, and Samnites. His souldiers followed him in his triumph, who in their rude military rhymes and songs, celebrated no less the brave and noble death of *P. Decius*, than the worthy victory of *Quintus Fabius*. And they revived the memorial of his father late deceased, comparing him in equal degree, for the issue and event, as well publick as privat, with the praises of his son. Of the booty and pillage gained from the enemies, the souldiers had given unto them \* 82 Aspes peece, with a livery cloak, and coats a good reward for a souldiers service in those days.

For all these notable victories achieved; yet neither the Samnites nor the Tuscans were at quiet. For, both the Perusins began to rebel, so soon as the Consul had away his army: and also the Samnites came down to forrage and spoil into the territory of *Ugentia* and *Formianum*, and another way into *Esternum*, which lie along the river *Vulturum*. Against them was *Appius Claudius* the Pretor, sent with *Decius* his army. And *Fabius* in Tuscany, which began new war, slew four thousand and five hundred Perusins, took prisoners 1740, who were ransomed for \* 300 Aspes a peece. The rest of the spoil was all bestowed upon the souldiers. The Legions of the Samnites being pursued hard at heels, partly by *Appius Claudius* Pretor, and partly by *L. Volturnus* Proconsul, met D all together in the territory of \* *Stella*. Where both the Samnite Legions abode, and also *Appius* and *Volturnus* joined and encamped together. There was a sharp and cruel battel fought on both sides. The Romans were incited with anger and choler against those that had so often rebelled: the other, upon a desperate mind were resolute to hazard the utmost. So there were slain of the Samnites, 16300; 2700, taken prisoners, and of the Romans there died two thousand seven hundred.

This year so fortunate in war, was by reason of pestilence much afflicted; and for certain prodigious tokens, full of care and perplexed. For it was reported, that in divers places there rained earth: and that in the army of *Appius Claudius*, there were many lightning & blasted with lightning. In regard hereof, the books of *Sibylla* were perused and sought into. The same year *Q. Fabius Gurgus*, the Consul his son, fined and punished by the people; certain wives who had been convicted and condemned before the people, of Adultery: which money so raised by their fines, he caused to be built the Temple of *Venus*, which standeth near the Cirque or Race.

There remain yet behind certain wars of the Samnites; whereof we have now continued our history in these four books, for the space of six and forty years; ever since that *M. Valerius*, and *As. Cornelius* were Consuls, who were the first that warred in Samnium. To let pass therefore, and not to trouble the readers, with a prolix narration of the alternative overthrowes given and received between both nations (so many years one after another), for all which calamities and losses their hearts and courages could not be daunted or conquered: the very last year, the Samnites, in the Samnite country, in the Pelign territory, at *Tifernum*; and in the territory of *Stella*, were defeated both by themselves, with their own legions, and also mingled with others; and that, by four armies, and four Roman Captains: first the bravest and most noble General of all their nations: saw their confederates and allies in war: the Tuscans, Umbrians, and Gauls, in the same predicament as themselves, not able to stand and maintain their estate any longer, either by their own power, or with help of foreign forces; yet for all this, would they not abstain from war, so little weary they were of defending their liberty, although it were unfortunately choosing rather, to be vanquished, than not to attempt the winning of victory. Who is he, that would not think it irksome, and tedious, either to write or read this long and train of wars, which they in fighting were never wearied?

After *Q. Fabius* and *P. Decius*, succeeded Consuls *Li. Posthumius Megillus*, and *M. Antilius Regulus*. To them both, was committed charge of Samnium, for that the brutt went, that the enemies had prepared three full armies, the one to go again into Tuscany, the second to invade and over-run alreth the territory of *Capua*, and the third to defend their own frontiers. *Posthumius* by reason of sickness remained at Rome; but *Antilius* went presently with an army forth, to the end that he might surprize the enemies on a sudden in Samnium, before they had taken the field; for so the Senat had given direction: and he found the enemy in the way to meet him, as if it had been so of purpose before by them determined, ready there to keep him from entrance and so far off were they from waiting the lands of the Samnites, that they could not once enter into

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their confines; nay, the Samnites debarred them from departure thence, into the peaceable parts, and territories of their allies. Now when as they were encamped affront one against another; that, which the Romans being so often conquerors, would hardly have adventured, (see how utter despair driveth men to rash projects and extremities) the Samnites attempted: even to give assault upon the Romans camp. And albeit this so venturous enterprise sped not well in the final effect, yet was it not altogether in vain attempted. Thence chanced to be a foggy mist, which continued a good part of the day, so thick and palpable, as men could not see before them, I lay not, so far as without the trench, but not so much as those that came close to speak one to another. The Samnites hereupon taking the advantage fit for an ambushment, before it was full day light, and the lame much overcast and dim with the mist, came as far as the *Corps de guard* of the Romans, who in the gates and entrance of the camp warded but negligently: being thus taken on a sudden, they had neither courage nor strength enough to resist. At the back-side of the camp, they assaulted the great gate *Decumana*, seized the Quæstor's pavilion, and that quarter about it: where the Quæstor himself (*L. Opimius Pansa*) was slain, and thereupon the alarm was given. The Consul, being with this tumult raised, commanded two bands or cohorts of allies, to wit the one of Lucanians, and the other of Sueffians, which haply were next hand, to defend and guard the Pretors pavilion, and that quarter. In the mean while he marched with the legionary bands along the high broad street in the camp, called *Principalis*, and before they had buckled and fitted their armor about them, they were ranged in battel array; and had knowledge of the enemy, by the ear and oncries, rather then by the sight of the eye: neither could they give an estimate what number they were. At the first, as doubtful of the event, and mistrusting their fortune, they retreated, and received their enemies in, and let them come even into the middle of the camp: but then the Consul cried out, and asked, Whether they meant to be turned out of their own ramparts and holds first, and alter have a new piece of work to assail and win them again? So, they set up a shout, and put all their might together, and first made resistance only and kept their ground: but afterwards they set forward, and pressed upon them: and having once beat them back, they drave them afore them; with the same fear, that they themselves began, yea, and chased them out of the gate and the trench: but to proceed further, for to pursue the chase, they durst not, for fear of some ambushment, by reason of the misty and troubled weather, concealing themselves with the saving of their camp and no more: and so they retired within their ramparts having slain to the number welnear, of three hundred enemies. Of Romans, as well those that were in the first *Corps de guard* and Sentinels, who kept the watch, as of those that were surprised about the Quæstor's lodging, were killed 230. This bold adventure of the Samnites speeding so well, made them take better heart: so as they would not permit the Romans to encamp farther into the Country, no, nor so much as to go a foraging into their territory: whereupon they were compelled to retire again, and to purvey forage in the quiet and peaceable quarters of their friends about *Sora*.

The bruit of all these occurrences more troublesome and fearful then truth was, being come to Rome, caused *L. Posthumius* the Consul, before he was well recovered of his sickness, to take the field: but ere he departed the City, he proclaimed the *Rendezvous* at *Sora*, for his souldiers there to meet. Himself now dedicated unto the goddess *Minerva*, the Temple, which in the time of his Curule Edileship he took order to be built, with the money raised of certain fines taken on persons condemned. Then took he his journey to the army, and so went forward from *Sora* directly into *Samnium*, to the camp of his brother Consul. But the Samnites distrusting themselves, as not able to withstand two armies, were dislodged, and departed back: and the Consuls also parted one from another, sundry ways, to waste the country, and assault the towns. *Posthumius* at his first coming, assayed by meer force to assail the town *Milunia*, and seeing he could do small good that way, at length by rolling trenches and platforms, he approached close to the walls, and wanted: and albeit the town was thus forced, yet there continued a sharp and long fight in all streets and parts thereof, from the fourth hour of the day until the eighth, with doubtful and variable events for a good while: but in the end the Romans became masters of the town. Of Samnites were slain 3200 and 4100, were taken prisoners: besides the gaining of other booty and pillage. From thence, he led forth the legions to *Ferentinum*, but the inhabitants with their bag and baggage, and all that ever they could drive or carry, had quit the town in the still night, and departed in great silence at a contrary postern gate, which opened from the camp of the enemy. The Consul so soon as he was come, at the first approached the walls, as well appointed and provided of all things, as if he should have found as much to do, as at *Milunia*: but afterwards, perceiving all silent and desolate throughout the City, seeing neither men nor munition within the towers and upon the walls: he held back his souldiers, desirous and greedy to enter upon the bare walls, so abandoned and disarmed of defence: and doubting to fall headlong ere he were aware, into the ruins of some hidden and privy ambush, he commanded two Cornets of the Cavalry of Latine confederates, to ride about the walls about the counter-carp, and well to view and consider all places. The horsemen finding one or two gates next together standing wide open, and in the very same ways that led from thence, the fresh tracks and footing of the enemies, as they fled by night, rode softly neerer and neerer to the gates: and there they might see straight afore them safe entrance, and the City lying open even from one end to the other: whereupon they brought word back to the Consul, that the City was abandoned, and the

\* From seven of the clock in the morning, until two in the afternoon.

An enemies gone: which was very evident and apparent, as well by the very solitude thereof, as the new and fresh marks and traces of their dislodging and departure: as also by the stuff and goods that lay here and there scattered all abroad, whilst they halined fearfully in the dark, to take their flight. The Consul upon this report, with his host drew to that side of the town, which the horsemen were at: and pitching down his ensigns not far from the gate, commanded five other horsemen to enter into the City: giving order, that when they had gone forward a pretty way, three of them should stay behind in the lamaplace, if they saw all safe and out of danger: and the other two, bring him word what they had seen and found. Who being returned, made relation that they were gone so far as they might see about them every way into all parts, & could perceive Nothing but silence and vast desolation all about, both far and near: then forthwith, the Consul entered the City, with certain cohorts lightly appointed, and charged the rest in the mean while to fortifie the camp. The souldiers being once entered, fell to break open the doors: where they found a few silly old folk, and some feeble and diseased persons, with such moveables as were hard to be comigned and transported: those they rifled, and ranfack: and by certain captives they understood, that divers other towns thereabout, were all with one accord fled and gone: and as for their own countrymen, they departed at the first watch of the night, and they thought no other verily but that in the rest of the Cities, they should find the like emptiness and solitude. And as the prisoners said, so it proved indeed: and the Consul possessed himself of those forlorn and abandoned towns.

C. The other Consul *M. Attilius*, had so easie war for his part: who as he was marching with his Legions toward *Luceria*, which he heard was besieged by the Samnites: the enemy encountered and met him in the very entry of the frontiers, and gave him battel: and the anger and indignation on both parts, but the end and issue more heavy and dolorous on the Romans side: both because they were not used to be vanquished: and also for that in the very loose and retreat, rather then in combat and skirmish, they found that many more were hurt and slain of their part. Which fearful fight and terror, as it began in the camp, if it had surprized them in the conflict, it would have been an heavy day with them, & no doubt they had received a notable overthrow. And even then, being as it was, they had a careful night, and full of anguish, thinking verily that the Samnites would presently assault their camp, or at leastwise that in the morning betimes they must of necessity fight with the conquerors. But the enemies, as their loss was less, so their heart and courage was never the more: For so soon as the day brake, desirous were they to be gone without any battel. Howbeit there was but one way, & that lay close and near to their enemies; which they were not so soon entered into, but they made shew a lay off, as if they marched straight to the assault of the camp. The Consul commanded his men to arm, and to follow after him without the ramparts. To his Lieutenants, Colonels and Captains of the Allies, he gave several charges to do as he thought needful and requisite. They all promised to execute any direction whatsoever: but they said wistly, that their souldiers hearts were done, that they had watched and sit up all night, amongst the grievous wounds and uncomfortable groans of them that lay a dying: and no doubt if the enemy had come before day against the camp, so daunted were they, that they would have abandoned their colours: and even now for very shame and nothing else, they forbore indeed to run away, but otherwise their hearts were gone, and they clean spent. The Consul hearing this, thought good to go about himself in person, unto every one of his souldiers, and to speak unto them: and even as he went with any of them, and saw them go backward, and going about so coldly to take arms and weapon in hand: he checked and rebuked them crying aloud, and asking why they sat still? why they loitered and made such delay? saying, that the enemies would come to them within the very camp, and cut their throats, unless they made more haste to fall forth: yea, and forced they should be to fight before their tent doors, if they would not give battel without the trench and ramparts. They that are armed (saith he) and will fight manfully, shall obtain undoubted victory: but the unarmed and naked man that attendeth the enemies coming, must either die for it, or endure captivity. As he rated and rebuked them in these terms, they answered straight against that they had enough of yesterdays work, and were utterly done: and had neither strength nor blood left them in their bodies: and now the enemies (say they) seem more in number then they were the day before. Amid these speeches the army approached: and being now but a little way off, they might take a full view of them more certainly, and see every thing. Whereupon they said confidently, that they saw the Samnites to bring with them their stakes and pales to cast a palisado, no doubt, round about their whole camp. At this, the Consul cried out upon them for very shame to suffer so foul a reproach and disgrace of a most dastardly enemy. And that we be (quoth he) better and empaled within our own camp, there to die for hunger and famine with shame, rather then by edge of sword (if there be no other remedy) with honor, like men? The gods speed us well (quoth he) and their will be done: and do every man as he thinks best: as for *M. Attilius* the Consul, he is resolved even himself alone (if no man else will follow) to meet the enemy in the face, rather be beaten down and die amongst the Samnites ensigns, than see the Roman camp besieged with a trench cast, and rampart raised about it. The Lieutenants, Colonels, and all the bands and Cornets of the Cavalry, yea, and the principal Centurions of the foremost companies liked well of this, and accepted the Consul his words. Then the souldiers for stark shame, full faintly take weapon in hand, and as slowly, God wot go forth of camp. And thus in long ranks and files: not close united together but broken here and there, with hea-



vy cheer, and as men half vanquished already, they marched after a sort toward the enemy, who was neither in hope nor in heart better reioiced and feel'd then they. For to soon as the Samnites discovered the Roman Standards, suddenly from the vanguard to the rereguard, there went a muttering and bruit from one to another, that the Romans were come forth (the only thing they always feared) to empeach and stop their passage, so as now there was no way for them to fly and escape from them, and save themselves, but must either die in the place, or slay their enemies and make a land even over their bodies. All their packs and fardels, they cast together upon an heap in the midst: and being armed as they were, every man ranged and murthered themselves in their own arrays. Now there was a very little space between the two armies, and they stood looking one upon another, waiting when their enemies would begin to give the first charge, and set up the first shout. But neither of both had any flook to fight. And surely on both sides, they had gone sundry ways untouched, and without any blows given or taken, but that they feared both, lest if they had dismarched of one part first, the other would have come upon them. Thus of themselves they began a faint fight, as unwilling and loath thereto, with an uncertain and unequal shout: neither stirred any man one foot. Then the Roman Consul, to begin the skirmish, sent out some few Cornets of horsemen from a side, without the battailions: whereof the most part fel from their horses, and others were disarrayed and put out of order: whereupon both Samnites ran out to kill those that were fallen, and Romans also to rescue their fellows. Then the skirmish began a little to wax hot: but the Samnites advanced forward in greater number far, and bettiried themselves (as it seemed) more lustily: and withal, the Roman horsemen being disordered and in confusion, kept with their horses affrighted trod under their feet the footmen that came to rescue. Who beginning once to fly, caused the whole Roman army also to turn their backs. And now the Samnites played upon the backs of the Romans, as they fled: whereat the Consul rode before a gallop to the camp gate, where he bestowed a good *corps de guard* of horsemen, opposite in the way: and made proclamation, that whosoever came toward the camp, were he Samnite or were he Roman, should be taken and used as an enemy. With these and such like threats, he put himself against the fouldiers, that marched so fast in heaps to the camp. Whither away farrh, (quoth he to every fouldier that he met) even here shalt thou find men in arms to fight withal: here shalt thou meet with thine enemy, as well as in the field behind: no entering here into the camp without victory. So long as thy Consul liveth: chuse therefore whether thou hadst rather fight with thy own contrinmen or thine enemies. Whiles the Consul entertained them with this welcom, the horsemen also with spear in left, and bent bull against them, came all about, charging the footmen upon their peril to turn again to batel. Thus not only the Consul his vertue and prowess served in good stead, but fortune also went on their side: for the Samnites followed not the chafe so hard, but that the Romans had both time and ground enough to turn about their enigns, and to direct their battailions from their camp against the enemy. Then one encouraged another to go to batel again. The Centurions matched the banners out of the bearers hands, and advanced them forward: declaring to their fouldiers, how few the enemies were in number, and how disorderly and out of all array they came against them. In this while the Consul lift up his hands to heaven, and with a clear and audible voice, vowed a Temple to *Jupiter Stator*, if so be the Roman army flayed their flight, and by renewing the conflict should kill and vanquish the Samnites Legions. Hiercupon endeavored they on all hands, the Captain and fouldier, both horsemen and footmen, to re-enforce the batel. And even the very gods from heaven seemed to have a special regard of the Romans at that time, so quickly the dice turned, and the enemies were repulled from the ramparts, and within a small while forced again to the very place where the batel began. Where by reason of their fardels and packs which they had heaped together in the midst, and now lay in their very way, they were stopped in their very passage, and for fear lest their goods should be rifled and spoiled, they cast a ring round about their bag and baggage. Then the Roman Infantry afront, and the Cavalry behind, compassed them, and charged upon them right fiercely: where in the midst between, they were either slain or taken. The prisoners were in number 7300. who were all put naked under the yoke, and sold: the number of them that were slain was about 4800. The Romans for all this had no great list to boast and brag of their victory, for the Consul taking view and account of his loss thele two days, found by computation, that he misl'd 7300.

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Whiles these things thus passed in *Apulia*, the Samnits with another power, assayed to surprize and get again *Interamna*, a Colony of the Romans: situate upon the Latine high-way: but when they could not be masters of the town, they overran and plundered the territory: and having got a good booty of men, women, and cattle, on which another: whiles they were driving the same before them, together with certain Coloners whom they had taken prisoners, they light upon *Confal* as he returned with victory from *Luceria*: where they not only lost their spoil, but were themselves slain as they marched disorderly in long files. The *Confal* made proclamation, That every man should repair to *Interamna*, for to own and challenge his own goods, and to receive the same again: and there, leaving his army, went to *Rome*, against the Election of new Magistrates. When he laboured instantly for a triumph, he was denied that honor: both for that he had lost so many thousands, and also because he had put his captives under the gallows, and sold them, without farther imposition,

The other Col. *Posthumus*, wanting subject matter of war to work upon among the Samnites, passed

A passed with his army into Tuscany: and after he had first pill'd and spoil'd the Volscinians territory, he gave them battle not far from their walls, who issued forth to defend their frontiers: where there were 2200, Tuscans slain: the rest, by reason that the City was too near, escap'd and saved themselves. Then led he his army into the territory of *Felsum*, where he not only laid the fields waste, but won the town also: took prisoners above two thousand, and slew under two thousand before their walls. Howbeit, in that year, the peace obtained in *Herrania*, was more honorable and renowned then the war had been. For three of the strongest and most puissant States, even the very Capital Cities of Tuscany, to wit, *Volsinii*, *Persica*, and *Arctium*, desired accord. And having conditioned with the Consul, and promised, to find his soldiers clothing and corn; so they might have leave to send Orators to *Rome* to treat for peace, obtained at length a truce of forty years. And for that present, each City was fined to pay \* 500000 Ailes. For these acts done, the Consul having requested triumph of the Senat, for manner and fashion, rather then upon any hope to speed; and perceiving some of them to deny him flatly, as pretending that it was to late ere he departed the City; and other some, for that without order and direction of the Senat, he passed out of *Sannium* into *Tuscany*; and that partly his adversaries, & partly the friends of his Collegue, who might take some comfort and contentment, that he also had the repulse with him, were against his triumph: My Masters (quoth he) you that are Senators of *Rome*, I will not be so far from myself: your honor and majesty, as that I will forget my self to be a Consul: and by virtue of the same authority of commission, wherewith I have conducted and managed these wars: for so much as, I have happily brought them to end, and subdued *Sannium* and *Tuscany*, achieved victory, and obtained peace: triumph I will, and ask you no leave. And with that he departed out of the Senat. After this, there arose a debate and dissention among the Tribuns of the Commons. Some of them said, they would enterpole their negative that he should not in this manner triumph, and give to illa precedent. Others gave out, that they would assist him in his triumph, maugre the heads of all their Collegues. After much ado, the matter was referred unto the people, and the Consul being therein called, alleged, that *L. Horatius*, and *Mar. Valerius* Consuls, also *Caius Marius* Ratulus of late days, even the father of him, who then was Censor, triumphed without the authority and approbation of Senat, only by the ordinance of the people. Over and besides, he added and said, that himself also would have moved the people therein, but that he knew that the Tribuns of the Commons, who were become vassals and slaves to the Nobles, would have nipped and crossed the bill. As for himself, he protested, that he did and would account of the will and favour of the people, agreeing together, as well as of all their Acts and Decrees whatsoever. So the morrow after, by the assistance of three Trib. banded against the opposition and negative voices of seven-yea, and against the general resolution of the Senat, he triumphed: and all the people with great joy solemnized and celebrated the honor of that day. But the records do vary much about the acts and affairs of this year also, *Claudius* writeth, that *Posthumius* having won certain towns in *Sannium*, was after in *Apidia* discomfited and put to flight: and that himself in person being hurt, was with some few besides, driven to take *Luceria* for refuge: and that it was *Artinius*, that fought in *Tuscany*, and triumphed. *Fabius* contrariwise saith, That both Consuls were in *Sannium*, and at *Luceria*: and that one of the armies was transported into *Tuscany*: but which of the Consuls had the conduct thereof, he hath not set down withal: also, that before *Luceria*, there were on both parts many slain: and how in that battle, there was a Temple vowed to *Jupiter Stator*, like as *Romulus* had done before in times past: howbeit, before this time, there was no Temple erected, but only a *Fanum*, [i. a place pronounced, destined, and consecrated before to build a Temple on.] But in this year at last, the City being now twice bound and obliged to perform one and the same vow, made a conscience of it, and moved the Senat to decree and take order, that the house and temple aforesaid should be edified accordingly.

After this year, there succeeded a brave and noble Consul, *L. Papyrius* <sup>Consul</sup>, as well in regard of his fathers glory, as his own reputation. Also a mighty great war, and such a victory as never any General was the like at the Samnitis hands before that day, but *L. Papyrius* against the Consuls father. And as it fell out, they made the like preparation for war, with the same endeavor and sumpture of almost costly and brave armor, as before time. Moreover, they used the help and favor of the gods besides, by a strange kind of induction and institution of the soldiers, binding them to take their oath, after an old ceremonial custom, as it they were to take orders in some holy mysteries; yea, and levied musters throughout all *Samnium*, after a new form of a law and edit: That whoeuer of the younger sort and serviceable men, fit to bear arms, shewed not themselves, and gave attendance at the Generals appointment and proclamation, and whoeuer departed without his leave and licence, his head should be forfeit unto *Jupiter* as accursed and damned. Which done, the *Rendezvous* was appointed at *Aquilonia*, for all the forces to assemble. Where there gathered together, to the number of forty thousand fighting men, even the whole flower and manhood of *Samnium*. There, about the midst of the camp, was a plot of ground set out, well fenced and enclosed all about with hurdles and boards, and the same covered all over with linnen cloaths: the place was two hundred foot square, every way. Then there was a solemn sacrifice celebrated and divine service said, according to an order read out of an old book made of linnen. and the same by certain Priest, one *Ovinus Paccius*, a very aged man : who avouched, that he set these sacred and holy ceremonies from the old ancient Religion of the Samnitis, according to the manner and custom, which in times past their ancestors had used, at what time as they completed



and offend the enemy. Neither had they sustained and held out the first shout, charge and shock of the Romans (as having now for certain years past been used ever more to go away defeated and vanquished) but that a mightier fear imprinted and settled in their heart roots, held them perform from running away: for they ever had continually represented in their eye, the whole turn of that secret sacrifice: of those armed sacrificers and Priests with naked swords that hideous butchery of men and of brute beasts, lying slain one with another in their blood intermingled together: of the Altars besprinkled and stained with the lawful shedding of the one, and the detestable effusion of the other: of the dreadful and horrible execrations; and to conclude, of that frantic, furious, and detestable form of words, composed and devoted to the detestation and malediction of their line and race. Being fast bound, I say, with these bonds for fleeing away, they stood to it, and stirred not back, fearing their own countrymen more than the enemies. The Romans from both points, and from the middle and main battailon charged ho-ly, beat them down, killed and cut them in pieces, thus amazed and astonished as they were with dread of gods and awe of man. Small resistance made they, as who only feared to die and run away: so as by this time, there was execution and havoc made of them almost to the very Standards. At which very instant, there appeared overhurling from the one side a dust, as if a mighty army had raised it to their march: namely, *Sp. Nautius* (or as some say, *Othavius Metus*) who had the leading of certain Cohorts called *Aleria*, mounted upon Mules, which on purpose made a dust greater, then for that number they were. For those varlets and new horsemen, as they sat on their Mules and Sampter-beasts, drew after them trailing on the ground, boughs of trees full of branches and leaves: and first, there appeared in the fore-front (as it were, through a duskiness and dim light) their armour and guidons: but the dust behind them, rising higher and thicker, made shew of a troop of horsemen flanked an army of footmen: wherewith not only the Samnits but Romans also were deceived. And the Consul himself, to avoid the error and bear them down it was so: cried aloud amongst the foremost Ensigns, so as his voice reached unto his enemies. That *Cominium* was won, and his Brother Consul was come with victory: and therefore, they should endeavour and enforce themselves to get the day, before that another army should win the honour out of their hands. Thus cried he out on horseback galloping among the ranks to and fro. Then he commanded the Colonels and Centurions, to make a way for the men of arms. Himself afore, had wilked *Trebonius* and *Ceditius*, that when they espied him to bear his spear upright and to shake it, then they should with all the might they had, put forth the Cavalry and charge the enemies. Every thing was done, at a beck, according as they were directed and instructed before-hand. The ways were made wide between the files. The horsemen flung out, and with spear in rest charge upon the middle battailon of the enemies, and brake their arrays whersoever they charged. *Volumnius* and *Scipio* seconded them with the Infantry: and while they were dismayed overthrow them, and bare them to the ground. Down went these Lianen Cohorts now, when God and man fought against them, and were discomfited: and as well those that took the oath, and the other that were unworn, fled a main; and without respect of one thing or other, feared none but their enemies. All the footmen that escaped the battel, were beaten into their camp at *Aquilonia*. The Gentlemen and the men of arms fled toward *Revinum*. The Cavalry of the Romans pursued the horsemen, and the Infantry chased the footmen. The wings took divers ways, the right toward the camp of the Samnits, the left unto the Town. *V. Lumnus* was somewhat before, and got the Camp. *Scipio* found more resistance in the City: not for that vanquished men, as they were, had more courage and resolution, but because that walls are stronger to endure an assault, and better to keep out armed men, then a plain trench and rampart. For, from the Couraine, with stones they beat and repelled the enemy. *Scipio* foreseeing well enough that they should be longer about the assault of a strong and fenced town unless he dispatched the matter quickly and went through with it, in their first affright and confusion, before they took heart again: demanded of his soldiers, If they could take it well, and abide to see the camp won by the other point of the battel, and themselves (being likewise Conquerors) to be repelled from the City Gates? When they all cried, No: and said they would never endure that disgrace: himself with his target over his head, approached the gate, the others following after under a target-sense, rush into the City, thrust down the Samnits about the Gate, and gat to the Walls: but to engage themselves farther into the City, they durst not, being so few as they were. The Consul himself at the first knew nothing of all this, but was occupied about the retreat, and rallying of his men: for now the sun was well near down; and the night coming on apace, caused every thing even to the very victors to seem dangerous and suspicious. But when he was advanced farther, he saw on the right hand the camp taken: and on the left, he heard a confused cry and tumult in the City, compounded of the noise of fighting men, and frightened persons: and even at that instant, it fortuned, that they skirmished at the gate. Then he rode on, neerer and neerer, and saw his own men upon the Walls, howbeit nothing yet fully performed: but through the rash adventure and fool-hardiness of some few, an overture only made, and some advantage got of performing a great piece of service and worthy exploit. Whereupon, he commanded the forces that were retired to be called, and with banner displayed to enter the City. So soon as they were in, they took the next quarter to the Gate, and for that the night approached, there they rested, and went no farther. But even in that very night, the enemies abandoned the Town.

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A There were slain that day before *Aquilonia* 30340 Samnits, and 3870 taken prisoners: and of field enigens they went away with 90. Moreover, this is reported and recorded of *Papirius*, that there had not been lightly seen a General in any battel more lightome, chearfull, and merry: were it of his own natural disposition, or upon assured confidence of victory. Upon which courage and resolution, he could not be re-ckoned from battel, albeit there was some question and it ran time as the manner is to vow temples to the immortal gods: he vowed unto *Jup. ter Victor*. If so he that he defeated the Legions of the enemies, to present him with a cup of a sweet and pleasant mead, before he drank any strong and heady wine of the grape: which vow the gods accepted and liked of, and turned the ill preiudge of the Auspices to good.

The other Consul had as good speed at *Cominium*: For at the break of day he approached with all his forces to the walls of the town, and invested it round about: and set round guards at the gates, for fear they should issue or sally forth. And even as he was about to give the signal of assault, there came a messenger post from his fellow Conf. who in great affright brought word of the coming of twenty cohorts to the succour of them within the City: which both kept him short from giving the assault, and caused him to call back again part of his forces, which were arranged and ready under the counter-carp to assail the defendants. Then he gave charge to *Decius Brutus Scaevus*, one of the Lieutenants, to take the first legion, and twenty cohorts of the wings, and other horsemen, to make head against the rescue of the enemies aforesaid; and whersoever he met them, there to impeach them, yea, and if occasion served, to give them battel; and in no case to suffer that power to come to *Cominium*. Himself commanded that ladders should be reared on every side of the town, and under a fence of targets approached the gates. So that in an instant the gates were burst open, and the walls scaled on every part. The Samnits, as their hearts served them well enough to keep the enemies from entrance, before they saw any armed men upon the walls: so, after they perceived, that they were assailed not aloof with stones and darts, but fast by and with hand-strokes: and how that they, who hardly and with great difficulty from the plain gat up the walls, having now gained and surmounted the place (which they most feared before) could fight at ease from aloft with their enemy, who was not able to match them in the even ground: quit their towers and walls, and gathered all together in the market place, and there for a while tried the utmost hazard of battel. But afterwards throwing down their weapons, 15400 of them yielded themselves to the Consul his mercy. There were slain 4380. Thus went the game at *Cominium*, and thus at *Aquilonia*.

In the mid way between these two Cities, where a third battel was looked for, the enemies were not to be found. And when they were seven miles off from *Cominium*, they had a counter-march from their own country-men, and were called away, and so came not to the rescue, neither in the one battel nor the other. In the shutting in of the evening, when it began to be dark, being within the fight of the Camp of one hand, and *Aquilonia* on the other: they might hear a like noise and cry from both parts, which caused them to pause. But afterwards, when they were over-against the Camp which was fired by the Romans; the flame spreading far abroad declared the defeat of the Samnits more evidently, and staid them there for going farther. In which very place they laid down here and there in their armour (as they were) and passed a restless and unquiet long night, expecting (and yet fearing) the light of the day. At the dawning whereof, and so soon as it began to peep, while they were uncertain and doubtful what way to take, they hapned to be discovered by the cavalry of the enemies: and suddenly in a fearful amazement and affright, they took them to their heels and fled in great disorder. Those horsemen having pursued the Samnits, who in the night season escaped out of the town, chanced to espy this forelaid multitude, and perceived they were neither entrenched, nor defended with a good corps de guard. This company was deflected also even from the walls of *Aquilonia*: wherupon by this time the legionary footmen likewise made after them: but they could not overtake them in the chase, so fast they fled: howbeit the horsemen cut off some, and slew two hundred and fourscore in the tail of the rearguard. In this affright they left much armour behind them, and eighteen ensigns, and so the rest of the army saved themselves, and as well as they might in so fearful confusion, recovered *Revinum*. The joy of these two Roman armies was wonderfully increased, to see one another have so good and fortunate success in their enterprises. Both the Consuls, by each others advice and consent, gave their towns thus won unto the soldiers to be lacked and rifled: and after the goods were out, to set fire on the empty houses: in such wise, that in one and the same day both *Aquilonia* and *Cominium* were burnt to ashes: and the Consuls, with mutual congratulation and joy, as well between their Legions as themselves, feasting one another joyned both their Camps in one. Afterwards in the fight of both Armies, *Cervilius* highly commended and praised his soldiers every one as he deserved, and rewarded them with gifts accordingly. *Papirius* also for his part, who had performed many andundry skirmishes as well in the field and battel, as about the winning of the Camp and forcing the City, bestowed by way of honour upon *Sp. Nautius*, and *Sp. Papirius* his brother-son, as also upon four Centurions and the band of the *H. Bat. or* Javelineers, bracelets and coronets of gold: and namely, *Nautius* for that he bare himself so worthily in that journey and expedition, wherein with his counter-carp troop of horsemen upon Mules, he so terrified the enemy, as if he had conducted a main army of men at arms: and young *Papirius* for his good service with his cavalry as well in the battel and con-

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fiſt, aſſo in that night, wherein he forced the Samnits to flee ſecretly, and quit the City *Aquidunum*: the Centurions and ſouldiers; in this regard, that they were the firſt who ſeized the gates and walls of that town: as for all the horſemen, in conſideration of their manifold travels, and brave exploits ſhewed in ſundry places, he gave them bracelets and little horns of ſilver. This done, ſo far as it was time now to withdraw their army from out of *Samnium*, either both twain, or one of them alone; they ſate in Coun. ill and conſultation thereupon: and thought it was the better courſe (to the end that the Samnits might be brought lower, and their fate more ſenſibly decayed) to go forward ſtill, and charge them with greater force and reſolution, and to purſue the reſt that was behind; that *Samnium* might be delivered up to the Conſuls their ſucceſſors, utterly tamed and ſubdued: ſince that the enemies now had no army abroad in field, like either to give or abide another battel; and there remained but one manner of making war, even to beſiege and aſſault their Cities and ſtrong Towns: by the winning and ſubverſion whereof, they might with the pillage enrich and make their own ſouldiers for ever, and withall impoveriſh their enemies, and make a hand of them quite, being now at the laſt caſt forced to fight for Church and Home. Hereupon the Conſuls diſpatched their letters to the Senat and people of *Rome*, containing the effect at large of all their exploits; and then divided themſelves, and took two ſeveral waies: *Papirius* marched with his legions to the ſiege of *Seppinum*; and *Carvilius* with his to beſiege *Volturnum*.

The Conſuls letters were read and heard with exceeding joy, as well in the court of the Council of the City, as in the Common Hall of aſſemblies; and this publique contentment and rejoycing was ſollemnized with general proceſſions, for the ſpace of four daies, and with marvellous zeal, affection, and devotion of private perſons in particular. And to ſay a truth, this victory was to the ſtate of *Rome* not only great and honourable, but alſo of great conſequence, in regard that it fell out in ſo good and commodious a time. For even then, news came, that *Tuſcanus* was revolted and rebelled, and men began to caſt in their minds, and diſcourſe how they ſhould do (in caſe ought ſhould hap but well in *Samnium*) to withſtand theſe ſeas and invaſions of the *Tuſcans*: who taking heart, and preſuming upon the Samnits, and their curſed and execrable oath, by vertue whereof they were obliged to fight to the utmoſt extremity, embraced the occaſion and opportunity of taking arms again, whilſt both the Conſuls and the whole forces of *Rome* were diverted and withdrawn into *Samnium* and there employed. The Embaſſadors of ſome of the *Tuſcan* allies and confederats, were by *M. Attilius* the Prætor brought into the Senat, and had audience given them; where they complained, that their ſervitudes were over-run, burnt, and ſpoiled by the *Tuſcans* their next neighbours; and all becauſe they were unwilling to revolt from the people of *Rome*: humbly beſeeching the LL. of the Senat, to defend and protect them againſt the violence, wrong, and outrage of common enemies. Anſwer was returned unto the Embaſſadors: That the Senat would have regard, that their allies ſhould have no cauſe to repent of their faithfull allegiance, and conſtant loyalty; and that ere many daies went over their heads, the *Tuſcans* ſhould taſte of the ſame cup that the Samnits had begun unto them. Howbeit, they would have been ſlack and cold enough in dealing with the *Tuſcans*, had not freſh news come, that the *Falſci* alſo, who had for many years continued in amity and friendſhip with the people of *Rome*, were combined with the *Tuſcans*, and entered into arms, as well as they. The near neighbourhood of this nation, gave an edge to the Senators, and what them on, to take care and ordain, that their Feall Herolds ſhould be addreſſed thither to demand reſtitution and amends for harms done: which being denied, and no goods reſtored; by the advice and authority of the Senat, together with the grant of the people, war was proclaimed againſt the *Tuſcans*: and the Conſuls were commanded to caſt lots, whether of them ſhould paſs out of *Samnium* with his forces, unto *Tuſcanus*.

By this time now *Carvilius* had won *Volturnum*, *Palumbinum*, and *Herculanum*, towns appertaining to the Samnits *Volturnum* was forced within few daies: *Palumbinum*, the ſame day that he came before the walls: but at *Herculanum*, he fought two ſeverall battels, with doubtful and uncertain iſſue, yea, and with more loſs of his own part than of the enemies. But afterwards, he pitched his camp before the town, beleaguered the enemies, and kept them within their walls, gave the aſſault, and won it in the end. In theſe three towns there were either taken priſoners or ſlain in all, to the number of ten thouſand: but ſo aſt through fear the greater part by far, ſuffered themſelves to be captives, rather than to dye on the edge of the ſword.

The Conſuls caſt lots for their Provinces; and it fell unto *Carvilius* to go into *Tuſcanus*, as the ſouldiers wiſhed and deſired, who could no longer away with the rigour of cold weather in *Samnium*. As for *Papirius*, he found a greater power of enemies, and more reſiſtance, before *Seppinum*. Many a time he was fought withall in battell arranged: oft ſkirmiſhed with in his march: yea, and oftentimes under the very walls, the enemies ſallied out againſt him from the Town, in ſuch ſort as he could not tell what to make of it: for neither was it to be called properly a ſiege alone, nor yet altogether a battell fight: conſidering that the enemies were no more protected and covered themſelves, by the ſtrength of their walls: than the walls were defended by force of arms, and men of war: howbeit in the end, what with fighting and what with ſkirmiſhing, he lodged them within the City ſo as they durſt come abroad no more, but kept themſelves cloſe, and were beſieged indeed: and after long ſiege, as well with forcible aſſaults, as by trenches, baſtis, and rampiers, he was maſter of the town: and therefore after he was poſſeſſed of it, upon anger and choler

A choler that they had ſo long ſtood out and put him to ſo much trouble, that there was more blood ſhed; and ſeven thouſand died by the ſword, whereas under three thouſand were taken up all their goods in ſome few Cities, was given to the ſouldiers. And now lay the ſnow thick all over upon the ground: neither could men endure abroad in the field without houſe and harbor: was decreed by the general voice of all men, that he ſhould triumph: and ſo he triumphed whilſt he was in his Magnificence, with great magnificence, and impetuous pomp, as thoſe daies would afford. For as well his footmen as horſemen marched and paſſed by in a ſhew, adorned with their gift and prizes obſequious. Many a clivick, valaire and murale garland was ſeen worn that day. Much looking and wondering there was at the ſpoils alſo of the Samnits armour and apparel: won before him, which were commonly ſeen, and well known in the publique places of the City: pompous entrance of his into the City, certain captives and priſoners of noble blood deſcended, ſtore of Braſs Bullion in Ingots, and not coined, was carried in ſhew, amounting to the weight of 24000 33 pound; which waſh of braſs or copper was ſaid of the ranſome of priſoners. But the ſilver which was got in the ſackage of the towns came to 1330 pound weight and above. All whole booty given to the ſouldiers: and the diſcontentment and heart-burning that grew thereat, was ſo much the greater in the common people, by reaſon they were charged before with an humour brought into the City-Chamber, ſuch lums which he had gained from the enemy, there ſign their due wages paid and diſpatched. Moreover, whilſt he was Conſul, he dedicated the Temple of *Quirinus*, which his father, being Dictator, had vowed: for, that himſelf owed it in the very time of the battel. I find not in any ancient writer: and certainly in ſo ſhort a ſpace, he could not poſſibly have built and finiſhed it. He trimmed it beſides, and garniſhed it with the ſpoils of the enemies, whereof there was ſuch ſtore and abundance, that not only the foreſaid Temple and the market-place were therewith ſet out and bravely decked, but they were diſtributing of their Churches and publique places: After the triumph ended, he brought his Army to *Samnium*.

In this mean while, *Carvilius* the Conſul, having at his firſt coming given the aſſault unto *Trojanum*, a City in *Tuſcanus* granted licence to 470 of the richeſt Citizens, to depart from thence, and by compoſition, to pay a great ſum of money unto him. The reſt of the multitude ſell into his hands, after he had won the town by mere force. This done, he ſold five Caſtles, ſituate in places of great ſtrength: where were ſlain of enemies 2400, and not all out 2000 taken priſoners. He granted to the *Falſci* (who ſued for peace) truce for one year, and yet to make preſent payment of 100000 Alſes, and to diſcharge the ſouldiers wages for that year. After theſe exploits atchieved, he departed to his triumph: which as it was leſs honourable and glorious than that of ſo, it we conſider withall, the *Tuſcan* war, it was equat and comparable unto it every way. Of the ſpoils he brought into the common Cheſt 300000 pound: of the ſurpluſſage of the pillage ſame goddeſſe, he cauſed the Chappel of *Fortuna* to be built, near unto the Temple of the ſame goddeſſe, dedicated by King *Servius Tullius*. To the ſouldiers that ſerved on foot, he gave of his booty 102 Alſes a piece, and twice as much to every Centurion and horſeman. Which re- Colleague before him. And ſo gracious was this Conſul; that he protected and ſaved *L. Volturninus*, a Tribune of the Commons, ſled for his laſt help, to his Lieutenantſhip (as they ſay) and avoided thereby the danger of their judgement: for that during his abſence in that charge, his ac- culation might be ſet on foot and followed, but brought to a final end and definitive ſentence, it could not be.

After this year expired, the new Tribunes of the Commons entered their office: and for theſe there was ſuppoſed ſome error in their creation, the fifth day after were other choſen in their ſtead. The ſame year there was a *Luſtrum* or ſolemn ſurvey of the City, held by *P. Cornelius Avienus* and *M. Marius Rutilius* Cenſors. In which were numbered and aſſeſſed 262322 ſols of Roman Citizens. Theſe were in order the fix and twentieth Cenſors from the beginning: and this was reckoned the nineteenth *Luſtrum* after the firſt inſtitution. In this year, and never before, the ſpectators of the Roman Games and Plaies, in regard of their happy ſucceſs in wars, ſtood adorned with wreaths and garlands of flowers upon their heads: and then came up the ſaſhon at *Rome*, borrowed from the manner and cuſtome of Greece, to honour thoſe with branches of the ſame tree, who won the prizes, and were victors in thoſe ſolemn Games.

The ſame year the *Adiles Curule*, who exhibited the ſaid paſtimes and exerciſes of aſtivity, paved

\* For ſaving of a Citizens life in battel, made of graſs.

\* For moun- ting ſit over the rampier of the enemies Camp, ſhallow- ed like the pales in a rampier.

\* For ſcaling over the walls ſit of an ene- mies City: and formed to the manner of the cun- or bat- tlements of a wall.

\* Two millions five hundred thirty three

Alſes in value, and of length ſixty ſix ft. 10 in.

13 ft. 4 in. within a ſtair- thing.

3990 pound ſelling after five ſhillings an ounce.

312 li. 10 ſh.

1637 li. 15 ſh. 7 d. 4. 1/2.

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## The Breviary of L. Florus to the sixteenth Book.

\* The inhabi-  
ants of Mes-  
sina.

\* East opium.  
Faith 291000.

**T**he first rising of the Carthaginians, with the beginning of their City, are in this book related: Against whom together with Hiero King of the Syracusians, the Senat of Rome ordained to send aid unto the Mamertines: and about arguing and debate about this point, whilst some persuaded, & others again dissuaded: the gentlemen of Rome, who served on horseback, then first created, & raised, and bare themselves bravely in many battels and to good purpose against Hiero: who at length craved peace, and had it granted. The Censors held a Lustrum, and numbered the people: and enrolled 372224 Citizens of Rome, into the subsidy book. D. Junius Brutus was the first that ever represented combats of sword-fencers at the sharp to the utterance, in the honour of his father late deceased. One Colony was planted at Afernia. This book comprehendeth besides, the good success of the affairs against the Carthaginians and the Volscinians.

## The Breviary of L. Florus for the seventeenth Book.

**C**neus Cornelius the Consul, being surpris'd and environed with a fleet of Carthaginians, and under colour of a party, detained for and called unto them: was villainously taken prisoner and kept still with them. Cn Duillius the Consul fought with happy success against this their foreaid fleet: and was the first Roman Captain that rode in triumph, for a naval victory at sea. In regard whereof this honour for ever after was done unto him, That when he supped forth in any place of the City: he was need homo to his own house: he wait should sound, the households all the way, and a man go before him with a burning torch. L. Cornelius the Consul won a field in Sardinia against the Islanders together with the Corsicans, and Hanno the General of the Carthaginians. Atilius Calatinus the Consul, having unadvisedly engaged his army within a place of great disadvantage, where as the Carthaginians lay round about in ambush, retired and escaped by the valour and industrious means of M. Calpurnius a Colonel: who with a regiment of 300 foot valourously sallied out, and turned all the forces of the enemies upon himself. One Annibal a Carthaginian Commander, upon the defeat of the Armado, whereof he was Admiral was by his own soldiers: trussed up and crucified. Attilius Regulus the Consul, having in battell at sea vanquished the Carthaginians, sailed over into Africa.

## The Breviary of L. Florus upon the eighteenth Book.

**A**tilius Regulus the Consul flew in Africa a serpent of a mighty and wonderful bigness, but with the exceeding loss of his soldiers. And after many encounters and battels with the Carthaginians, when the Senat by reason of his so happy conduct and management of the wars, sent no other to succeed him, he dispatched his letters unto them, and complained thereof: and among other pregnant reasons, he alleged for to have a successor to come unto him, this was one: That the little inheritance and living which he had, suffered a waste, by the default or cowardice of his bailiffs of husbandry. Meanwhile, as if fortune had been disposed and sought means to shew a notable example in the person of this one man Regulus, as well of adversity as prosperity, he was overthrowen in plain field, and taken prisoner by Xan-Mithippus, a renowned Captain of the Lacedamonians, whom the Carthaginians had waged, and sent for to aid them. After this the sundry shipwracks of the Roman Navy, eclipsed, obscured, and disgraced all the other exploits that the Roman Captains had fortunately achieved before, as well by land as sea. T. Cornucanius was the first High Priest or Arch-Prelate, created out of the body of the Commons. M. Sempromius Sophus and M. Valerius Maximus the Censors, when they made a review of the Senat, caused thirteen, and took their embroidered purple cloaks from them. They held a survey also of the whole City, and entered into their subsidy book 387117 Roman Citizens. Regulus being sent from the Carthaginians to the Senat of Rome, to treat a peaceable accord, or if he could not obtain so much so deal about the exchange of prisoners one for another, bound himself by an oath to return again to Carthage, if he shed not for the exchange aforesaid. And being come to Rome, himself dissuaded both the one and the other: howbeit to accomplish and perform his promise by oath given, he made return accordingly, and by the Carthaginians was despitefully put to cruel torture, and so died.

## The Breviary of L. Florus to the nineteenth Book.

**C**aius Caelius Metellus, in consideration of his fortunate conduct of the wars against the Carthaginians, rode in a most state and magnificent triumph: wherein were shewed and led captive thirteen chief Captains of the enemies, and 120 Elephants. Claudius Pulcher the Consul, who made the adverse presages of the Auspices would needs hazard a battell, commanded the sacred Pallies to be doffed and drucken over the head in the water, so (if they would drink) since they refused to cat their O meat: and received an overthrow at sea, in a conflict with the Carthaginians. For which he was called home by the Senat, and commanded to nominate a Dictator: whereupon he declared C. Glaucia, a base companion, and a person of the meanest degree and quality: who being constrained to resign his Magistracy, yet notwithstanding afterwards belied the games and plates in his mantle of estate. Atilius Calatinus was the first Roman Dictator, that led an army out of Italy. An exchange was made of Roman captives for Carthaginians. Two Colonies were transported, namely, to Fregella, and to Brundisium.

**A** the territory of the Salentins. Another Lustrum was taken by the Censors: wherein were reckoned of Roman Citizens 251222. Claudia, the sister of that P. Claudius, who in contempt and despite of the Auspices fought a battell to great loss, fortified upon a time, as she came from the great places to be crowned in the trust and press of people: whereupon she cried out with a loud voice, Would God my brother were alive again, and had the charge of another Armado: for which words she had a good fine set on her head, and paid it. Two Prators were now created, the first that ever were at Rome. Caelius Metellus the High Priest kept perforce within the City A. Pothumius the Consul, because he was besides the Flaminio Mars: and would not suffer him to be Non-resident, and assist him with his charge. After sundry battels and conflicts that many Roman Captains had against the Carthaginians, C. Lucutarius the Consul obtained the honour of the small victory, when he had defeated their Fleet: and made it full end of the first Punic war. The Carthaginians therefore sued for peace, and had it granted. At what time as the Temple of Veita was on a light fire, Caelius the High Priest recovered and saved out of the flame the holy reliques, Two Tribes were added to the rest, Velina and Quirina. The Faliscii rebelled, & with-in six daies were subdued, and brought under subjection.

## The Breviary of L. Florus to the twentieth Book.

**A** Colony was planted at Spoletum. An army was led against the Ligurians [i.e. Genoaies], which was the first time that they were warred upon. The Sardinians and the Corsians, who revolted and took arms were subdued. Tuccia a Vestal virgin and a Volary was condemned and executed for her incest or whoredom. War was proclaimed against the Illyrians, for that they killed one of the Embassadors which were sent unto them, and being defeated, confessed themselves subject to the Romans. The number of the Prators was increased from two to four. The Gauls inhabiting beyond the Alps (toward France) who came down and entered into Italy, were overthrowen and put to the sword. In which war the Romans had by report of the Lטים and other confederates, and allies to the number of 300000 fighting men that served under them. The Roman forces passed then first over their river Padus [i.e. Po], where the French Infubrians [i.e. Lombards] after certain discomfures were glad to be rated by reason, and rendered themselves. Mar. Claudius Marcellus the Consul, having slain Vitidmarus the General of the Lombards with his own hands, went away with the honour of the third rich and royal spoils got from the enemy. D. The Illyrians were subdued: so were the Illyrians also, after they had revolted and put themselves in arms: and were so tamed, that they came under obedience. The Censors held a Lustrum, and took account of the number of the Roman Citizens, and found in all 270000. The Libertini (or slaves emancipated) were reduced into four tribes by themselves: to wit, Equilina, Palatina, Suburrana, and Collina: whereas before time they had been dispersed indifferently, and mingled among the rest. C. Flaminius the Consul paved the high way called Flaminia, and built the great Cirque or Theater named Flaminio Circus. And two Colonies were established within those Territories that were conquered from the Gauls to wit, Placentia, and Cremona.

## The one and twentieth Book Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation of the City of Rome.

## The Breviary of L. Florus upon the one and twentieth Book.

**I**N this book are rehearsed the acts which passed in Italy, as touching the second Punic war, and how Annibal, the Chief Commander of the Carthaginians, contrary to the accord of alliance, passed over the river Iberus: by whom Saguntum, a City belonging to the allies of the people of Rome, was in the eighth month of the siege forced by assault. For to complain of those wrongs and injuries Embassadors were sent to the Carthaginians. And for that they would not make satisfaction and amend: therefore, war was proclaimed against them. Annibal having passed over the mountains Pyrene, and discomfited the Volscians who made head against him, and would have enpeached his passage, mounted the Alps, and after he had passed through them with great difficulty and pain, and repulsed also the French mountaineers in sundry skirmishes and battels, he descended into Italy: and near the river Ticinus, discomfited and disarrayed the Romans in a battell. Quodvult, in which conflict, when P. Cornelius Scipio was wounded, his son (the same who afterwards was surmounted Africanus) rescued him, and saved his life. G. Annibal after he had defeated the Roman army a second time, near the river Trebia, passed over the Appennine where his soldiers were mightily afflicted and distressed, by reason of foul weather and violence of storm and tempest. Cn. Cornelius Scipio sped well in his war against the Carthaginians within Spain, and took prisoner Mago, the General Commander of the enemies.



## The one and twentieth book of T. Livius.

**T**He same may I well say, in the Preface and entrance of this one part of my work, which most writers of histories have promised and made profession of, in the beginning of the whole, to wit, That I will write the most famous and memorable war that ever was, even that, which the Carthaginians under the conduct of *Annibal* fought with the people & State of *Rome*. For neither any other Cities or Nations are known to have warred together more wealthy and puissant than they: nor at any time ever were they themselves so great, so strong in forces, and so mighty in means, as now they were. Moreover, they came not newly now, to wage war, without knowledge of the prowess and martial skill, one of another: for trial they had made thereof sufficient already, in the first punick war, Besides, so variable was the fortune of the field, so doubtfully were their battels fought, that neerer loss and danger were they, who in the end won the better, and achieved the victory. And to conclude, if a man observe the whole course and proceeding of these their wars, their malice and hatred was greater in a manner than their forces: whiles the Romans took foul scorn and disdain that they, whose hap before was to be vanquished, should unprovoked begin war with the Conquerors; and the Carthaginians were as male-content, and thoroughly offended, as taking themselves not withstanding they were overcome, to be abused too much at their hands by their proud, insolent, and covetous rule over them. Over and besides all this, the report goeth, that *Annibal* being but nine years old, or thereabout, came fawning and flattering as wanton children do to his father *Amilcar*, that he would take him with him into *Spain*; at what time, as after the African war ended, his father was offering sacrifice, ready to pass over thither with an army: where he was brought to the altar side, and induced to lay his hand thereupon, and to touch the sacrifice, and so to swear, that so soon as ever he were able, he would be a professed and mortal enemy to the people of *Rome*. Vexed (no doubt) at the heart, was *Amilcar* himself, a man of high spirit and great courage, for the loss of the Islands *Sicily* and *Sardinia*: for not only *Sicily* was overhastily yielded (as he thought) as despairing too soon of the state thereof, and doubting how it should be defended: but also *Sardinia* was by the cunning and fraudulent practice of the Romans surprised out of the Carthaginians hands, whiles they were troubled with the commotion and rebellion of *Africk*; and a Tribute besides imposed upon them. He being disquieted I say, and troubled with these griefs and discontents, so bare himself for five years space in the *Africk* war, which ensued immediately upon the peace concluded with the Romans; and likewise after, in *Spain*, for nine years together, enlarging ever still the dominion of *Carthage*; that all the world might see, he intended and designed a greater war than that he had in hand: and if God had spared him longer life, it should have been well seen that the Carthaginians under the leading of *Amilcar*, would have made that war upon *Italy*, which afterward they waged by the conduct of *Annibal*. But the death of *Amilcar* happening in so good season [for the Romans] and the childhood and tenderness of *Annibal* together, were the cause that this war was put off and deferred. In the mean time, between the father and the son, *Ardubal* M. bore all the rule for the space almost of eight years. This *Ardubal* had been *Amilcar*'s minion, grown highly into his grace and favour, at the first (as men say) for the very prime and flower of his youth; but afterwards, in regard of the singular towardsness of a brave and haughty mind, which soon appeared in him, and for his forwardness to action, he was preferred to be his son in law, and married his daughter. Now, forasmuch as he was *Amilcar*'s his son in law, he was advanced to the sovereign conduct of the war, with no good liking at all and consent of the Nobility and Peers, but by the means and favour only of the Barchin faction, which bare a great stroke, and might do all in all, among the soldiery and the common people. Who managed all his affairs, more by policy and sage counsel, than by force and violence: and using the authority and name of the Princes and great Lords of those countries, and by entertaining friendship with the chief Rulers, won daily the hearts of new nations still, and by that means enlarged the power and signory of the Carthaginians in *Spain*, rather than by any war and force of arms. But for all this peace with those States, he was never the more sure of his own life at home. For a certain barbarous fellow, for anger that his Master and Lord was put to death, slew him in open place: and being laid hold on by them that were attendant about *Ardubal*'s person, he kept the same countenance still, as if he had escaped and gone clear away: yea, and when he was by cruel torments all mangled and torn, he looked so cheerfully and pleasantly on the matter, as if he had seemed to smile; for his joy of heart surpassed the pains and anguish of his body. With this *Ardubal*, for that he had so singular a gift and wonderful dexterity, in soliciting and annexing unto his dominion the nations aforesaid, the people of *Rome* had renewed the League, upon these two capitulations and conditions: first, that the river *Iberus* should limit and determine the seignories of them both: *Item*, that the Saguntines, seated in the midst between the territories of both nations, should remain free, and enjoy their ancient liberties.

No doubt at all there was now, but when a new Commander should succeed in the room of *Ardubal*, the favour of the people would go clear with the prerogative voice and choice of the soldiery: who presently brought young *Annibal* into the General's pavilion, and with exceeding

*Ardubal* killed.

The wonderfull constancy and resolution of a slave.

A ding great acclamation and accord of all, saluted him by the name of Captain General. For this you must understand, that *Ardubal* by his letters mitive had sent for him, being very young, and hardly fourteen years of age; yea, and the matter was debated first in the Council-Houle at *Carthage*, where they of the Barchine side laboured and followed the matter earnestly, that *Annibal* should be trained in warfare, and grow up to succeed his father in equal prowess & greatness. But *Hanno* the chief man of the contrary faction; "It is but meet, and reason (quoth he) that *Ardubal* doth demand: and yet for mine own part I think it not good, that his request should be granted. When they mused and marvelled much at this so doubtful speech of his, and will not without contruction to make of it. "Why then (quoth *Hanno*) to be plain, That flour and beauty of youth, which *Ardubal* himself yielded and parted withal, sometimes unto *Annibal*'s father, for to use or abuse at his pleasure: the same he thinketh by good right he may challenge and have again, from the son, to make quittance. But it befecmeth not us for to acquaint our young youths with the Camp, that under the colour, and instead of their military instruction and teaching, they abandon and give their bodies to serve the lust and appetite of the Generals. What? Is this the thing we fear, That the son of *Amilcar* should tarry too long ere he see the excessive grandeur and sovereignty of his father, and the theahtely shew as it were of his royalty? Or doubt we, that we shall not soon enough see in all dutifull allegiance his natural son unto whose son in law, all our Armies have been left (as it were) in lawfull right of inheritance? Nay, I am of opinion, and this is my judgment, That this youth be kept in awe at home, under obedience of laws, under civil Magistrates, and learn a while to live in equal concord with the rest of the Citizens and subjects: for fear lest at one time or other, this little spark do burn outright, and raise a mighty flame. A few, and those were, in a manner, all of the best fort and soundest judgment, accorded with *Hanno*. But, as commonly it is seen, the greater number over-weighed the better.

Thus *Annibal* was sent into *Spain*, and immediately at his first coming, drew all the whole army after him: so highly he was regarded and beloved. The old soldiery believed verily that *Amilcar* was alive again, and come amongst them: they thought they beheld and saw the same vigour and spirit in his countenance & visage, the same quickness and liveliness in his eyes, the same proportion, feature and lineaments of his face. And afterwards, within short time, he had so wrought and wound himself into their favour, that the late remembrance of his father was the least matter of all others, that won him grace and love among them. Never was there one and the self-same nature, framed and fitted better, for two things that are in quality most contrary: namely, to rule, and to obey. Whereby, a man could hardly discern and judge, whether he was more dear unto the General for the one, or to the Army for the other. For neither *Ardubal* would make choice of any one before him, when there was some valiant service or brave exploit to be executed: nor the soldiery put more confidence in any other Leader, nor to go more boldly and resolutely to any enterprise, than under him. Most forward he was and hardy to all hazards and dangerous adventures: right provident and wary again, at the very point of peril and jeopardy. No travell was able to weary and tire his body: no pains-taking could daunt and break his heart. He could away with heat and cold alike. For his diet and feeding, he measured both his meat and drink by his naturall appetite, and not by pleasure and delight (some taste, for sleeping, for waking, day and night was all one with him. When he had once performed his service, and finished his exploit: if there were any spare time after, therein would he take his rest and repose: and that should not be upon a soft bed neither, nor procured with great curiosity by still silence, and making no noise about him. Full often many a man hath seen him lying on the hard and bare ground, under a good soldierys jacket and homely cockat cast over him, even among the sentinels and corps de guard. For his apparel, it was not more costly nor braver than his fellows and companions: many, in his armour and hories he loved ever to be goodly be-seen above all other. Amongst footmen and horsemen both, he would always be a great way foremost. And to conclude in giving a charge upon the enemy, and to begin to battell, he was by his good will ever the first: and when the fight was done, the last man seen to retire out of the field. Of these his noble qualities and manly virtues, he had not so many, but there were as great virtues and imperfections in him again, to counterpoise the same. Cruelty most savage and inhumane, falsehood and treachery more than Punick: no truth, no honesty, no fear of God, no regard of oath, no conscience, nor religion.

Disposited thus as he was, and inclined by nature, to virtues, and vices, he served full three years under General *Ardubal*. During which time, he omitted and forgot no one thing that was meet either to be executed or enterprised by a man that was himself another day to be a Captain and chief Commander in the wars. From the very first day that he was chosen and declared Lord General: as if at the same instant *Italy* had been the Province assigned unto him, as if, I say, he had received Commission to war with the Romans, he thought good to make no delays, for fear lest haply whiles he lingered and slacked the time, some mischance might prevent his designs and cut him short, like as it had overtaken his father first, and *Ardubal* afterwards: but presently determined to make was upon the Saguntines, by assailing whom, the Romans no doubt were touched, and would take arms and enter into the quarrel. But first he led his army into the marches of the *Oleades* (a nation beyond *Iberus*, rather siding and taking part with the Carthaginians, than under their jurisdiction) that he might not seem to have shot at the Saguntines and intended

\* *Amilcar* the father of *Ardubal* was the son of *Barchin*, from whence came the Barchin faction so often named in this story. The speech of *Hanno* in the Senate of *Carthage*.

The naturall disposition of *Annibal*.

His virtues.

His vices. \* Ordinary in Carthaginians.

A people within the kingdom of *Toledo* in *Spain* near the City *Oscus*.

intended ought against them directly: but that by order and course of his affairs, after he had subdued the countries bordering upon them, he had been drawn (as he were) for vicinity and neighbourhood (like to that war and to join them also with the rest into the Empire. And first he wan by force, and lacked *Carthage*, a rich City, the best town and chief place of all that nation. Whereupon, other meaner and smaller Cities also, for fear came under his obedience, and yielded to pay tribute. His Army then after these victories, and enriched with spoil and pillage, was brought back to new *Carthage*, there for to winter. Where he made sure unto him the hearts and affectionate love, as well of his own countrymen as of the allies, partly by bestowing the pillage liberally among them, and partly, by making true payment of soldiers wages for the time past. And then in the very prime of the spring, he went forward to war upon the *Vaccii*. He forced by assault *Hermanica* and *Arbucula*, two Towns of the *Carthage*, *Arbucula* by the manhood and multitude of the Townsmen held out a long time. But certain fugitives that were fled from *Hermanica*, having rallied the merchants, and joined with other exiled persons of the *Oleades*, a nation the summer before subdued, raised also the *Carpetans* to take arms: and set upon *Amilial*, in his return from the *Vaccii*; and not far from the river *b Tagus*, troubled and disordered his march, heavily charged with spoil and booty. *Amilial* forbore to fight, and encamped himself upon the bank of the river: and so soon as the enemies were in their first sleep, and all still and hushed, passed over with his Army at the flood: and after he had pitched his Camp so far off from the river side, as that his enemies might have room enough to march away besides him, he determined to let upon them as they should pass over the river: To his horsemen he gave commandment to charge upon the Regiment of footmen, so soon as they perceived them to have taken the water: and upon the bank he arranged forty Elephants against them. There were of the *Carpetans*, counting the aids and succours of the *Oleades* and *Vaccii*, 100,000 strong: an Army invincible, if they had fought on even and indifferent ground. Who being both by nature fierce and courageous, and for multitude confident: presumptuous besides upon their imagination that the enemy was retired for fear: supposed that the only stay of their victory was, because the river ran between: and setting up a shout and out-cry, without direction of any Leader, in all disorder they ran into the river here and there, every man what way was next him. Now from the other side of the bank, a great troop of horsemen were entered into the river, encountered them in the middle of the channel and fought with great advantage. For whereas the footmen unsteady, and not able to keep fast footing, and hardly trusting the flood, might easily be cast aside and overturned, even by naked horsemen if they did but put forth and prick forward: their horses it skilled not how the horsemen on the other side having their bodies at liberty, and able to wield their weapons, with their horses under them standing sure even in the midst of the streams and whirlpools, might with ease either fight close hand to hand, or assail the enemies aloof. Many of them besides perished in the water: some by the whirling waves of the river were driven upon the enemies, and by the Elephants trodden under foot, and crushed to death. The hindmost, who might with more safety recover their own bank, after they were rallied together into one from divers places, as fear had scattered them: before they could upon to great a fright, take heart and come again to themselves, *Amilial* who with a four-square battalion had entered the river, forced to retire from the bank: and when he had wasted the country, within few daies brought the *Carpetans* also under his obedience.

And now all beyond *Iberus* was subject to the Carthaginians, the *Saguntins* only excepted. With whom as yet he would not seem to war: howbeit, to minister some cause and occasion thereof, quarrels were picked, and seeds of dissensions sown between them and their neighbors, namely the *Turdetans*. Unto whose aid, when he was come, that was himself the sower of all the variance, and had set them together by the ears: and when it appeared plainly that it was not a matter of right to be tried by law, but an occasion rather fought of fight and open war: then the *Saguntins* sent their Embassadors to *Rome*, to crave aid against that war, which doubtless was at hand. The Consuls at that time of *Rome*, were *P. Cornelius Scipio*, and *Tiberius Sempronius Longus*, who having brought the Embassadors into the Council House, and propounded matters unto the LL. there, concerning the weal publique, and decreed to send their Embassadors into *Spain* to take survey, and looke into the state of their allies: who also if they thought it meet, should give *Amilial* warning, not to meddle with their confederates, and molest the *Saguntins*; and withall, to fall over to *Carthage* into *Africa*, and there make relation of the complaints and grievances of the allies of the people of *Rome*: when, if by this Embassage was decided, but yet not sent, news came sooner than all men looked for, that *Saguntum* was already besieged. Then was the matter propounded new again before the Senate. Some were of mind to dispatch the Consuls unto the Provinces of *Spain* and *Africa*, with commission to make war both by sea and land. Others thought better to send all their forces wholly into *Spain* against *Amilial*. There were also gain of opinion, that so great and weighty an enterprise was not to be handled over head, and rashly to be attempted: but rather that they should attend the return of the Embassadors out of *Spain*: and this advice that seemed most safe, was held for the better, and took place. And therefore so much the sooner were the Embassadors *P. Valerius Flaccus*, and *Q. Brutus Paenophilus*, addressed unto *Amilial* before *Saguntum*, with direction, from thence to go forward to *Carthage*: (in case he would not desert and give over war) and for to demand the Captain himself, for amends and satisfaction of breaking the league. But while the Romans were amused about these consultations & decrees,

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A decrees, *Saguntum* was by this time with all forcible means assaulted. This City of all other most wealthy and rich, stood beyond *Iberus*, situate almost a mile from the sea. The inhabitants are said to have had their beginning out of the Island *^ Zacythus*: and some among them, were descended from *Ardea*, a City of the Rutilians: but they grew within short time to this puissance and wealth of theirs, partly by the fruits and revenues of their lands, and partly, by the traffic and gain of their merchandize, and commodities transported by sea, as also by the great affluence and increase of people, and lastly by their straight rule of discipline, whereby they observed their troth and loyalty with their allies, even to their own ruine and small destruction.

*Amilial* after he had invaded their confines as an enemy, and by way of hostility, with his Army overran and wasted their country, besieged and assailed the City three waies. There was one canon or angle of the wall shooting out into a more plain and open valley, than any other place all about: against which he meant to raise certain mantles or fabrics, under which he might approach with the Ram to batter the wall. But as the place far from the wall, was even enough and handsome for such engines of battery to be driven upon: so after that they came to the proof and execution indeed, the succels answered nothing to the enterprise begun. For besides that there was a mighty tower over-looked and commanded them the wall it felt (as in a place doubted and suspected) was more fortified and raised higher there than elsewhere: and also the chosen youth and ablest men were bestowed to make more forcible resistance, where there was like to be most trouble and danger. And first with shot of darts and quarrels, and such like, they put the enemy back, and would not suffer the pioneers and labourers in any place to entrench, or raise rampiers in safety. In process also, they shot not from the wall only and that towers, and shewed themselves there in arms for defence, but also their hearts served them to fall forth, and to break into the guards of the enemies, yea, and to enter upon their trenches and fabrics. In which skirmishes there died not many more *Saguntins* than *Carthaginians*. But so soon as *Amilial* himself, approaching unadvisedly under the wall, fortuned to be wounded grievously in the forehead of his thigh, with a dart or light javelin, and therewith fell to the ground: they all about him fled so fast and were so scared, that they had like to have given over quite and abandoned their mantles, and other fabrics aforesaid. After this, for some few daies, while their General was under cure of his hurt, they lay at siege rather, than followed the assault. In which mean time, as they rested from skirmish, they ceased not to invent new devices, and to prepare new fabrics. Whereupon the assault began again more hot than before: and in many parts at once they fell to raise rolling mantlets, so many and so thick that some places would not receive them: and withall to drive the Ram against the walls. *Amilial* had men good store, for it is thought he was 100,000 in Camp strong. The townsmen with devising means to defend, and see to every place, began to have their hands full: but all would not serve. For now were the walls beaten with the Rams, and many parts thereof shaken and battered: and at one place above the rest, by continual battery there was in a breach, as the town lay open and naked to the enemy. After that, three towers, and all the wall between fell down with a mighty and horribly crash, inasmuch as the Carthaginians thought verily that with that rush the town had been won: by which breach, as if the wall had protected both

E parties before, they ran forth together on each side to fight. The battell was not like to a tumultuary skirmish, such as are wont to be about assaults of Cities, by the occasion and advantage of the one part or the other: but a very set and ranged field (as it were) in an open ground, between the breaches of the wall, and the houses of the town, that stood a pretty way distant within. Of one side they were pricked forward with hope, on the other with despair: while *Amilial* thought verily that he was master of the town already, if he held on but a little longer; and the *Saguntins* seeing their town bare, and void of walls, opposed their bodies in the breach, nor one stepping back a foot, let in the space between he should let in the enemy. The more fiercely therefore, and the thicker and closer that they fought together on both parts, the more were wounded: and there was not a dart could light in vain between their bodies and their armour, but it did mischief. The *Saguntins* used a weapon called *Falarica*, in manner of a dart, which they let fly and lanced from them having a long shaft or steel, round and even every where toward the one end, where it was headed with iron, and bound about with tow, and smeared with pitch. The iron head was three foot long; that it might pierce both barnes and body through. But the greatest fear that it did was this, although it stuck fast in the target, and entered not into the body, that being driven and flung, when the middle part was set on fire, by the motion thereof as it flew, it gathered much more fire, forced the soldier to forsake his armour, and exposed him unarmed and naked to the shot following. Well, the fight continued doubtful a long time, by reason that the *Saguntins* took better heart unto them, because they had rested beyond their hope and expectation: and the *Carthaginians* took themselves vanquished, for that they had not got the victory, and better hand: whereupon the townsmen all at once let up a cry, and beat the enemies back to the very breaches, and ruins of the wall, and from thence thrust them out clean, while they were thus encumbered and affrighted, yea, and at last discomfited them put them to flight, and chased them as far as their Camp.

In the mean while news came, that there were Embassadors arrived from *Rome*: unto whom *Amilial* dispatched certain messengers to meet with them at sea side, and to give them to understand, That neither they might safely with security of their persons come among the broiles of so many barbarous & fierce nations: nor their Master *Amilial* amidst those dangerous and troublesome

The description  
of a weapon  
or dart, called  
Falarica.

The Orator  
of Hannu in  
the Senat of  
Carthage.

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Ages, and the  
Jews in old  
time Szas.  
\* A City in  
Sicily, situate  
upon an high  
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name, Trapani,  
or Monte S.  
Juliano at this  
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become affairs, had any leisure to attend or give audience unto embassages. He knew full well, that the Embassadors being not received and entertained, would straight to *Carthage*. Whereupon, he addressed beforehand his letters and curriers to the chief of the Barchine faction, to frame and prepare the minds of that side, so, as they of the other part might not gratify, or do any thing in favour of the Romans. By which means, besides that they were neither admitted by *Annibal*, nor audience given them, that embassy also was in vain, and took no effect at *Carthage*. Only *Hannu* notwithstanding the whole body of the Senat was against him, spake with great silence and silent of it hearers, by reason of his authority and reputation, and pleaded to the point of the breach of League, in this wife: "I have, quoth he, foretold and warned you in the name of the gods, and of the love of the gods, who are the witnesses and judges of covenants and confederacies. I have, I say, admonished you, that ye should not send *Amilcar* his son, or any of his breed unto the Camp: for that neither the ghost and spirit, nor the progeny and race of that man can ret and be quiet: nor the Roman league will ever be assured and established, so long as there remained one alive of the Bar. hine name and family. But sent ye have, for all my words, unto your armies, a youth boiling in ambition, enflamed with a covetous desire of being a King, and one that seek no other way thereto, but by raising one war after another, to live guarded with armies and legions about him. In which action of yours, ye have as it were ministered dry fuel, and put oil to the fire: ye have, I say, fed that fire, wherewith ye now all are set a burning. Your armies now besiege *Saguntum*, from which by covenant and virtue of the League they are debarred. Within a while and shortly will the Roman legions lie in siege before *Carthage*, under X the conduct and guidance, no doubt, of those gods, by whose support and aid in the former war, they were revenged for the breach of the accord and alliance. What? know ye not yet, either your enemy, or your selves, or the fortune of both nations? This good Captain and gentle General, forsooth, of your making, would not admit and receive into his Camp Embassadors coming from our allies, and in the behalf also of our allies: wherein he abolished the law of Nations, as howbeit, they having taken a repulse, from whence even the very Embassadors of enemies, are not wont to be repelled, are come unto you, and by virtue of their League demand amends of trespass and restitution or satisfaction for their damages. And presuppose the State be not touched nor culpable in this Action, they require no more: but to have the author himself in person, who is the offender. The more gently they deale, and the longer it is ere they begin, the more obdurate they will be, and continue with greater rigour (I fear me) if they once begin. Set before your eyes the Islands *Ægætes*, and *Eryx*: and what for these four and twenty years past, ye have endured both by land and sea. Neither was this beardless boy our Captain then, but his father *Amilcar* himself, even a second *Mars*, as these his supporters would have him. But what of that? We could not then, according to our league, hold our hands, and let *Tarentum* in Italy alone: like as now we are doing with *Saguntum*. Therefore, both God and man took the matter in hand, and vanquished us in the end: and when we were at arguing and debating the case with discourse of words about this point, Whether Nation of the twain had broken the league? the event of war, as an indifferent and equal judge, awarded victory where the right was. And *Carthage* it is, against which, *Annibal*, even now hath reared maners, rowers, and other engines of assault: even now, battereth and shaketh he *Carthage* walls with the Ram. The ruins of *Saguntum* (God grant I be a false Prophet) will fall upon our heads, and the war begun with the Saguntins, we must maintain against the Romans. How then? (will some man say) shall we yield *Annibal* unto them? I know well how small my authority is in this point, by reason of the old grudge and enmity between me and his father deceased. Howbeit, as I rejoiced, that *Amilcar* was dead, for that if he had lived still, we should ere now have warred with the Romans: so this very youth an imp of his I hate and detest as the very fury and fire-brand of this war: whom I would have by my good will, not only to be rendred unto them, for to purge and expiate the breach of league: but if no man would challenge him for to be punished, I would award that he should be carried and transported as far as there is sea or land, and to be sent away thither from whence we might not once hear of him again and where he might never trouble the quiet and peaceable state of this City any more. Over and besides my opinion and resolution is that some Embassadors be sent present by to *Rome*, to satisfy the Senat: and others also, with a message to *Annibal*, that he withdraw his forces from *Saguntum*: and with commission to render up *Amilcar* himself into the Romans hands, according to the tenour of the League: and a third Embassy likewise to the Saguntins, for to make restitution and amends for their harms and losses already sustained. When *Hannu* had made an end of his speech, it was altogether needless, that any one man there should make reply, and debate the matter with him by way of Orator: the whole Senat was so possessed already and wrought for *Annibal*: and with one voice they blamed *Hannu*, and founded it out. That he had made a bitter speech, and more favouring of an enemy, than *Flaccus V. Ierius* himself the Roman Embassador. After this, the Roman Embassadors had this answer returned. That the war began by the Saguntins, and not by *Annibal*. Also, that the people of *Rome* offered them injury, in preferring the Saguntins before the most ancient alliance of the Carthaginians. While the Romans thus spent time in sending Embassages, *Annibal* having wearied his men, what with skirmishes, and what with trenching and raising mounds and labricks, he gave them rest some few daies and bestowed certain good guards to ward and keep the mandriers and of her engines of battery. In the mean season he encouraged his souldiers, and kept their

hearts

A hearts on fire, partly, by pricking and provoking them to anger against their enemies, and partly, by drawing them on, and alluring them with hope of great rewards. But after he had once in a general assembly made proclamation, That the spoil and pillage should be the souldiers share: they were all so enkindled and enflamed, that if presently he had founded the signal of battel, it seemed, that no force in the World had been able to resist them. The Saguntins, as they had not over labouring night and day, for to make up anew wall and counter-mure, on that side of the Town which lay open by reason of breaches. But after this, grew the assault more hot and furious than before: neither wist they well (the shouts and alarms were so divers and dissonant on every side) whether to come first, or where was most need of help and succour. *Annibal* himself was present in person to encourage and exhort his souldiers, where as the rounding Tower was driven which was so high, that it overlooked all the mures and counter-fabricks of the City, and being on one approach near the wall's, furnished as it was in every loft and story, with ordnance of quarrel shot brakes, and other artillery, beat the defendants from off the walls, so as none durst abide upon them. Then *Annibal*, taking the time, and supposing that he had now a good opportunity presented unto him, sent about 500 Africans that were pioneers with pick-axes, mattocks and such like tool, to undermine the wall, yet, and to dig into it from the very foundation. And that was no hard matter to do, for that the cement or mortar was not hardened and bound with lime, but tempered with earth and clay, after the old manner of building: and therefore the wall came tumbling down before it was hewn and wrought into: and through the wide breaches, whole troops of armed souldiers entered the Town: and withal, they seized one high place above the rest, whereto they planted their artillery and ordnance of flings and brakes, and cast a Cable to overlook all. The Saguntins likewise raised another mure within along that side where the Town was yet not taken: so that on both sides they made fortifications, and also fought brought their Town daily into a smaller compass. And by that means, as also by reason of the long siege, as scarcity and want of all things grew more and more, so the expectation of forrain aid and succour was every day less than other: the Romans their only hope, being so far off, and their enemies so near on every hand. Howbeit, the sudden rode and journey of *Annibal* against the Oretans and Carpetans, refreshed for a while their troubled and afflicted spirits. These two Nations being risen upon a discontentment of a freight multer and rigorous levy of souldiers, had staid and detained those Multer-masters, that had in commission to take up all sufficient and able men for the wars, and so, made some show and fear of rebellion: but being prevented in the beginning by the speedy coming of *Annibal*, were soon quiet, and laid down their arms. But the assault of *Saguntum* continued nevertheless. For *Maharbal*, *Himilco* his son, whom *Annibal* had first behind as Lieutenant, so bestowed himself, that neither the Townsmen nor the enemy found him, or absence of the General. This *Maharbal* had made some fortuitous skirmishes, and with three rams shaken a good part of the wall, so as he shewed to *Annibal* at his return, all lying along and every place full of fresh ruins. Whereupon the army was presently brought against the very Castle of the City, where began a cruel and bloody conflict, with the slaughter of many on both sides, and one part of the said fortrefs was forced and won.

Afterwards there was some treaty of peace and agreement, by means of two persons, *Alcon* a Saguntine, and *Alorem* a Spaniard, and some small hope there was of it. *Alcon* supposing he could somewhat prevail by way of request and entreating, without knowledge of the Saguntins, departed away by night to *Annibal*. But after that he saw, that with all his weeping he could do no good, but that heavy and intolerable articles and capitulations of peace were exhibited, as from a wrathful conqueror, of an Orator, proved to be a very traitor, and remained still in the camp with the enemies, saying, that he was sure to die, whosoever should move the Saguntins to peace, under those conditions. For demanded it was of the Saguntins, *Impunito* to make restitution to the Turdetans of all harms and losses. Item, to deliver up all their gold and silver. Item, to quit the Saguntins would appoint. When *Alcon* avouched plainly, that the Saguntins would never accept of peace with these conditions, *Alorem* replied again and said, That seeing all things else now failed them, their hearts also must needs come down, and fall like wife: and therewith promised him thereof. At that time he served *Annibal* as a private souldier: howbeit a public friend he was, and an host and guest of old to the Saguntins. Who having in sight of all men yielded up his self desired before the Governor and Provost of *Saguntum*. Thither came running presently, a number of all sorts of people: but after the rest of the multitude were commanded to void *Alcon* unto them. "If *Alcon* your countryman and fellow citizen, as he came from you to *Annibal* for to treat about peace, had likewise brought back again unto you from *Annibal* the conditions and article of peace, needed not to have taken this journey: who am come unto you neither as an Orator from *Annibal*, nor yet as a fugitive. But seeing he hath remained with the enemy, either through your default or his own, I know not whither, if he pretended and fained causes

\* The inhabitants of Oretana.  
\* In the realm of Tartarus.

The Orator  
of *Alcon* a  
Spaniard, in  
the Senat of  
*Saguntum*.

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To the hearing of this Oration the people had flocked about, and by little and little entered mingled their own assembly with the Senators: and all of a sudden the chief of them withdrew themselves and departed, before answer was given: and brought all their silver and gold, as well publick as private, into the market place: and when they had cast it into a great fire made hastily for that purpose, most of them threw themselves into it headlong after. Whereupon there being a fear and trouble already throughout the whole City: behold another outcry besides and noise was heard from the Castle. For a certain Tower that had been a long time battered and shaken, fell down: and at the breach thereof, a band of Carthaginians made entry, and gave sign to their General that the City was abandoned of the ordinary Watchmen and *corps de guard* of the enemies, and altogether lay open and naked. *Annibal* supposing it was no wisdom to neglect and slack to good an opportunity, with all his forces at once assailed the City, and won it in the turning of an hand: and presently gave order that all above fourteen years of age should be put to the sword. A cruel commandment, no doubt, but yet needful, as afterwards it was well seen in the end and upshot of it. For who would have spared and taken pity of those, that either shut themselves with their wives and children into their houses, and burnt them over their own heads, or in their armor, gave not over fight before they died? Thus was the Town won with exceeding store of pillage within it. And albeit much was spoiled on purpose by the owners, and that in the massacre and execution they had no respect of age in the fury of their anger: and for all this, the prisoners fell to the soldiers share: yet certain it is, that of the goods sold in port-sale, there arose a good round piece of money: and much rich household stuff and costly apparel was sent to *Carthage*.

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Sicily.

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The Oration  
of a Senator in  
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"to that accord which C. Laetantius your Consul first made with us, because it passed neither by consent of the nobles, nor grant of the people. Whereupon, there was another league new drawn out, and by publick appointment enacted. If you then, be not tied to observe your leagues, unless they be authorized by the nobles, or ratified by the people, no more can the league of Asdrubal oblige us, which he concluded without our privity and knowledge. Forbear therefore to speak either of Saguntum, or Iberus; and what your mind hath so long conceived, let it hatch now at length, and bring it forth. Then Q. Fabius the Roman Ambassador, having made a hollow lay within the plait and fold of his side gown, Here quoth he, within this lapet, we present and offer war and peace unto you, take whether ye will. At which word, they all cried out at once with as great stomach and boldness: Many even which you will your self. Whereat he let his robe loose again: Why then, there is war, quoth he, take it amongst you. Let come say they all again, and welcome be it; and as willingly as we accept thereof, so shall we follow and manage it as thoroughly.

This direct demand, and round denouncing of war, seemed more for the honor of the Romans; than to make much dispute and argument about the right of the cause, and of the covenants; a vain matter before, but now especially, after the winning and destruction of Saguntum. For if the question were to be decided by words and reasoning, that league of Asdrubal which was exchanged for the former of Laetantius, was not the same nor the tenor thereof to be compared: seeing that in the accord of Laetantius, this branch and proviso was expressly added; [That it should stand good, and be ratified, if the people approved thereof:] but in this of Asdrubal, there was no such condition at all: and besides, the covenant for so many years space during his life, was so established and confirmed, and no word to the contrary; that when the very maker and author thereof was dead, there was no change and alteration. And yet, put case they should have stood upon the former alliance; the Saguntines were therein well enough comprised and provided for: in that the allies of either part were excepted and comprehended. For neither was this clause added; [They who at that time were allies:] nor yet were they excepted against, who afterwards should become, or be admitted allies. And seeing that it was lawful to entertain new confederates, who is it that would judge it reasonable, either that no man should be received unto amity for any good desert whatsoever; or being once received into protection, should not be defended accordingly: Provided always, that no allies of the Carthaginians should either be solicited to rebellion, or received again, if of themselves they once revolted.

The Roman Ambassadors: as they were commanded at Rome passed the seas from Carthage into Spain, for to visit all the Cities, and to see whether they could either draw them to their society, or withdraw them from the Carthaginians. And first they came to the Barginians, where being courteously entertained (for weary they were of the Carthaginians government) they thrust upon many other nations beyond Iberus, to have a desire to change for a new world. From thence they came to the Volicians, whose notable answer reported throughout all Spain, turned away all other States from banding with the Romans: for thus in a solemn assembly a sage and ancient rather among them framed his answer. "With what face can ye (Romans) require us to prefer your friendship and amity before the Carthaginians? seeing that the Saguntines who did the same, have been more cruelly by you their allies betrayed, than by their enemies the Carthaginians destroyed?"

"By my advice go and seek you confederates there, where the woful calamity and misery of Saguntum is not known. The lamentable ruins of which City, as it is a doleful example, so it shall be a notable warning to all nations of Spain, that no man ever after repose trust in the protection and society of the Romans. Whereupon, they were commanded to depart the borders of the Volicians immediately, and in no Diet or Council of Spain, had they afterwards any better entertainment, and more courteous language. Thus having in vain gone through all Spain, they took their way into Gaul: where they saw a strange sight, and a fearful fashion: for all in armour (such was the guise and manner of the country) they came to their publick assemblies: and there these Ambassadors after they had set out in goodly words the greatness and glory of the people of Rome, and highly magnified their large empire and dominion, and thereupon made request, that they would not give the Carthaginians leave, who minded to make war upon Italy, nor to pass through their Cities and Towns: heret they set up such a laughter, with a certain grumbling and murmuring, that scarcely could the youth be filled and quieted by the Magistrates and Elders: so foolish, so foolish, and shameless seemed this demand. In their conceit: that they should once imagine that the Gauls were such Asses, as they would be content (rather than to let the war pass into Italy) to avert and turn it upon themselves, and to suffer, yea, and offer their own territories to be spoiled and foraged, for the safety (or sooth) of other mens Lands, who were but meet allies and strangers unto them. The noise and uproar being at length hushed and appeased, this answer was returned to the Ambassadors: "That neither the Romans had deserved so well, nor they Carthaginians so ill, at their hands, that they should take arms either for Romans, or against Carthaginians. But contrary-wise they were advertised, that some of their nation, whereby the people of Rome driven out of the marches and confines of Italy, put to pay tribute, yea, and endured other outrages and indignities. The like demands and answers passed to and fro in other Councils and Assemblies of Gaul: neither could they meet with any friendly entertainment, or have peaceable words given them, before they came to \*M. offia: where, after diligent inquiry, and faithful search made by their allies, they had true advertisements, that Asdrubal

The answer of one of the principal Volicians in Spain, to the Roman Ambassadors.

\* M. offia.

Aforehand had wrought the hearts of the Gauls to his own purpose, and was possessed of them: but they understood withal, that they were not like to continue long in good terms of kindness and favor unto him, (so fierce and savage, so untractable are they, and untamed by nature) unless their Princes and Rulers be ever and anon well fed and plied with gold, whereof that nation of all other is most greedy and covetous. The Roman Ambassador, having thus gone their circuit over all the States of Spain and Gaul, returned to Rome: not long after that the Gauls had taken their journey into their Provinces: where they found the whole City possessed with the expectation of war: to rise and rampant was the rumor and bruit abroad, that the Carthaginians were already passed over the River Iberus.

B Annibal after the winning of Saguntum, had retired himself to winter in new Carthage: and there having intelligence what had been done and decreed as well at Rome, as at Carthage [in Africa] and that he was reputed not only the Captain General and Conductor, but also the very author and cause of all this war: so soon as he had delayed and sold the rest of the booty and pillage that remained, thought good now to make no longer delays, but assembled the souldiers of the Spanish Nation, and to them he spake in this manner. "My truty friends and loyal confederates, I am persuaded, that ye your selves do see as well as I, now that all the States of Spain are in peace and quietness, that either ye are to make an end of souldiery, and all our forces to be cast off and discharged from service: or else that ye must remove the war into other Lands. For so shall these Nations prosper and flourish, and not only enjoy the blessings of peace, but also reap the fruits of war, if we will seek to gain riches, and to acquire glory and honor from others."

C "Sine therefore we are to war shortly far from home, and doubt it is, when you shall see again your houses, and whatsoever there is dear unto you: if any of you be desirous to visit home, his wife and children, kinsfolk, and friends, I give him licence and free passport. But I command you withal, to shew your selves here again before me, in the beginning of the next spring: that with the help of God, we may in hand with that war, whereby we shall purchase both worship and wealth. There was not one in a manner but well accepted of this liberty so frankly offered by himself, and were desirous to have a sight of house and land both for that every one already longed for their friends and kindred, and so far in farther time to come, a greater misfortune and cause of more longing after them. This rest all Winter time, between their travels past, and those they abide and endure all new pains whatsoever. So in the very prime of the spring, according to the Edict afore said, they all assembled together again, Annibal having taken a muster and survey of the aids that were sent unto him from all those Nations, went to \*Gades; and there, to Hercules he paid his old vows, and bound himself to new, if the rest of his enterprizes should proceed well and have good success. After this, dividing and casting care indifferently, as well for offensive as defensive war, doubting lest whiles he went by Land through Spain and France into Italy, Africa should lie open and naked to the Romans from Sicily side: purposed to forfise and make that part sure with strong garisons. In lieu whereof, he sent for fresh supply out of Africa, (specially of Archers and Javelottiers, and those lightly armed: to the end, that the Africans might serve in E Spain, and the Spaniards in Africa) like (both the one and the other) to prove the better souldiers, far from their own countries, and being bound as it were, with mutual and reciprocal pledges. So he sent into Africa 13850 footmen, armed with light targets, and 870 slingers of the Islands \*Baleares, 1200 Horsemen also out of sundry Nations, which forces he disposed, partly for the defence of Carthage, and partly to be divided through Africa, for the guard thereof. He sent withal, certain Commissioners into all their Cities to take up souldiers, and enrolled 4000 of his chosen youths, who should be brought to Carthage, there to lie in garriison, and to serve for ignorant how the Roman Ambassadors had visited the same round to see how they could solicit brother Asdrubal, a valiant and hardy man; and furnished him with good forces, especially out of Africa, to wit, 11850 Africans footmen, 300 Ligurians, 500 Balear Islanders. To this power of footmen, three hundred Horse of the \*Libyphoenicians, a Nation mixt of Carthaginians and Africans, Of Numidians and Moors, that coast upon the Ocean, 1900, with a small corner of fourteen Elephants besides. Moreover, there was a fleet allowed him for the defence of the Sea-coasts. For by what forces and service the Romans had before got victory, thereby it was likely, that they would still maintain and continue their wars, so Gallies therefore of five banks of oars, more but two and thirty, fitted and well appointed with rowers and mariners, and so were the

The speech of Annibal to his Spanish souldiers.

\* Cadix, or Calet, or Calet.

\* Two Islands, Maliceia and Minorca. Of some, Columba and Nura.

\* Within the Kingdom of Tunis.

\* Inhabitants build it grid.

\* Hitiona or Mequinfa. The vision of Annibal.

From Gades, the army of Annibal returned to winter in Carthage: and from thence he passed by the City \*Erovis, and marched forward with his forces to Iberus and the Sea-coasts. Where it is reported, that in his sleep he dreamed, and saw a vision namely, a young man of divine shape and semblance, saying, That he was sent from Jupiter to guide him in his voyage into Italy, and willed him therefore to follow him, and in no wise to turn his eyes from him one way or other. Also, that at the first he being scared and affrighted, durst not look either about or behind, but followed him still: afterwards (as men by nature are curious) when he cast and discoursed in



his mind, what it might be, that he was forbidden to see behind him, he could not hold and rule his eyes, but must needs look back: and then he beheld behind him, a serpent of large greatness coming again, and all the way as it went, to bear down trees, groves, and thickets: and after all that, he perceived a great storm and tempest ensuing, with mighty thunder-claps. Now when he was desirous to know what this so great contention and strange light might signify, he heard a voice, saying, That it betokened the ruins and wasting of Italy: willing him therefore, to go still onward with his voyage, and search no further into the secrets of the Gods, but leave them to the hidden destinies. *Annibal* right joyous at this vision, passed over *Iberus* with his whole power, divided into three parts having left certain before him with gifts and rewards into all parts whereas he should march with his army, to gain the hearts of the Gauls; and withal, to seek out and discover the passages of the *Alpes*. So he crossed the River *Iberus* with 90000 foot, and 12000 Horse, strong. After this, he subdued the *Bergetes*, the \* *Bargunians*, \* *Auelians*, and \* *Aquitain*, which lyeth under the hills *Pyrenae*. The government of all these Nations, he let over to *Hanno* that he might have at his command the freights which joyed *France* and *Spain* together. Unto whom he allowed 10000 footmen, and 1000 horse, for to defend and keep in obedience those countries. After that his army was on foot and began to march through the forest *Pyrenaeus*, and that there ran amongst the barbarous people a more certain bruit, That they were to make war with the Romans; three thousand footmen of the *Carpetans*, returned back: and for certain it was known, that they departed not, for fear so much of the war, as the tedious journey and unpassable wayes of the *Alpes*. *Annibal*, considering that either to recal them or to keep them by violence, was a dangerous matter: for fear lest thereby he should provoke the fiercer marks of the rest; sent home again above 7000 of them, as he perceived to be weary, and to have no mind to the service; and made semblance withal, that the *Carpetans* were by his leave discharged. And doubting lest long stay and ease there, might tempt his soldiers, and give occasion of mutinies, with the rest of his forces he passed *Pyrenaeus*, and pitched his camp before the Town \* *Ilberis*. The Gauls, albeit they were advertised, that it was Italy, at which *Annibal* stood; yet became the bruit was blazed, That the Spaniards beyond *Iberus*, were for to be subdued, and strong garrisons placed in their Cities: certain Nations of them, for fear of servitude and bondage, rose up in arms, and ascended together at \* *Rufino*. Which being related to *Annibal*, he fearing more that they would stay him in his journey, than endanger him in fight; sent certain Orators or Embassadors to their Princes and great Lords, to signify unto them, "That himself in person would gladly parley with them, and that it should be in their choice whether they would come nearer to *Ilberis*, or himself go forward to *Rufino*: where, being near together, they might more easily meet and confer. For as he was willing to receive them into his camp, and would be glad to see them there: so he would not think much of his pains, to repair unto them himself, as one that was thither come, as a friend and guest unto *France*, and not as an enemy; and would not by his good will draw a sword (if the Gauls would let him alone) before he were entered within *Ilberis*. And thus much verily passed by messengers and couriers between. But so soon as the Lords of *France*, who presently removed their camp to *Ilberis*, were come willingly enough to *Annibal*, as being bribed and corrupted with money and presents, they gave his army good leave to pass through their confines along the Town *Rufino*.

In Italy this while, the Embassadors of *Marseilles* had brought no other word to *Rome*; but that *Annibal* was only gone over *Iberus*: but, by that time, the Boi had stirred up the Insubrians to mutiny, and were revolted themselves, even as if he had passed the *Alpes* already: which they did not so much upon old ranour and malice to the people of *Rome*, as for that, they took it ill and were discontented, that there were Colonies brought lately into the Gauls country, to be planted about \* *Padus*, \* *Ilcen* and *Cremona*. Whereupon they arose suddenly, took arms, and entered by force into those places, and made so foul work and fearful havoc, that not only the country people and villagers, but also the three Roman Commissioners called *Triumvirs*, to wit, *Cainus Lucilius*, *Ant. Servilius*, and *Titus Aemilius*, who were come to set out the Lands and territory to the said Colonies, not trusting the walls of *Placentia*, fled to \* *Mutina*. That *Lucilius* was one of them, it is not doubted: but some records have *Q. Acilius* and *C. Herennius*, instead of *A. Servilius* and *T. Aemilius*; and others again, nominate *P. Cornelius Afrius* and *C. Papirius Mafius*. It is uncertain also, whether they were the Embassadors sent to the \* *Bois*, to reason or expostulate the matter, that had above offered them, and were evil intreated; or that the *Triumvirs* above said, were set upon and assailed as they were measuring out the Lands. But whiles they were thus besieged at *Mutina*, and those Boians lying at siege (a nation unskilful altogether in the feat of assaulting Towns, and likewise of all other most cowardly, to attempt any martial exploits) whiles they lay idly about the walls, and never once advanced against them, they began to make shew of a treaty for peace. Whereupon the Roman Embassadors or Commissioners, being by the chief of the Gauls called out to parley, were not only against law of nations, but with breach also of their faithful promise, and word which they had given that time, apprehended: and the Gauls said plainly, they would not let them go, unless their hostages were delivered them again. These news touching the Embassadors being reported and *Mutina* with the garison in danger: *L. Manlius* the Praetor, in great anger and indignation, brought his army in more hast than good order, before *Mutina*. There were in those dayes great woods about the high way, and most part of the country

\* The people of *Pertus*,  
\* *Moulin* in *Ca-*  
*polonia*.  
\* *Galenus*.

\* *Granada*, or  
*Almaria*.

\* *Rouffillon*.

\* The river  
*Po*.  
\* The City  
*Placentia*.  
\* *Medusa*.

\* *Bois*.

A wilds and wasts, not inhabited: where he having engaged himself without his espials, was intrapped within an ambush; lost many of his men, and hardly recovered the open champion country. There he incamped himself strongly: and for that the Gauls had no heart to assault, nor hope to win the camp, his soldiers' courages were refreshed: albeit it was well known that they had received a shrewd foil, and knew their forces to be much impaired. Then began he to march on, in his journey itself. And so long as he led his power through the open country, the enemies were not in sight: but when they were entered the forests again, they set upon the rearward of them: where, besides the great fright and damage of all the rest, 800 Roman soldiers were left dead in the place, and the enemies went away with six ensigns. But afterwards the Gauls ceased to molest *B* and trouble, and the Romans gave over to fear. So soon as they were passed, and escaped the rough, umbrous, and unpassable forests. And the Romans being now able in the open and champion country to march with safety, made halt to get to \* *Tanetes*, a village near unto the *Po*. There within a fort which they made for the time, with the help and provision of victuals by the river, and the aid also of certain Gauls called \* *Brixians* they defended themselves against the enemies, whose number daily increased. After this sudden tumult was reported at *Rome*, and that the LL. of the Senat were advertised, that besides the war with the *Carthaginians*, the Gauls were up in arms: they gave order, that *C. Attilius* the Praetor should go (with one Roman Legion, and four thousand allies: who were enrolled by the Consul in a new levy) to aid *Manlius*: who without any skirmish (by reason that the enemies were fled for fear) came to *Tanetes*: who *Cornelius* having newly levied one Legion in lieu of that which was sent with the Praetor, departed from the City of *Rome*, and passing with 60 Gauls along the coasts of *Tuscany*, *Liguria*, and forward of the *S. Iser*, shortly arrived at *Massila*, and encamped near the next mouth of \* *Rhodanus*: (for the river is divided into many branches, and so discharged itself into the Sea) being not fully of belief that *Annibal* as yet had passed over the mountains *Pyrenae*. But when he understood that he was ready, even then to pass *Rhodanus* also; and doubting in what place to encounter and meet him, his people as yet not well recovered, after their being sea-sick: he sent before, 300 select men of arms, guided by the *Maffians*, and certain Gauls that came to aid; for to discover all, and to take a full view of the enemies lately without danger.

*Annibal* having appeared the rest of the country, either for fear or by means of money, was now come into the country of the \* *Volcans*, a puissant people and a valiant. These inhabitants along both the banks of *Rhodanus*; and mistrusting that they were not able to defend their Lands against the *Carthaginians*, on that side of the River which lay to them: because they might have the manner that ever they had, and kept the bank on the other side. The rest of the inhabitants near to the River, and even those also in those territories *Annibal* had (of force already, both he himself with gifts allure to get together from all parts shipping, and to frame new vessels: and they themselves likewise were as willing to have his army transported, and their own country eased and delivered (they cared not how soon) of so great a multitude of troublesome guests. Whereupon, there was got together an huge number of lighters, barges, and boats especially, which were made in hast without great workmanship; in which the people inhabiting thereby used to transport wares and commodities from one to another. Other new wharves also, the Gauls began first to make of the hollowed trunks of trees: and after them, the soldiers for that they had both store of timber and saw the workmanship both swift and easy, made in hast certain bottoms, in which as they were, like troughs without form or fashion, regarding no handiwork at all, so they would both float on the water, and receive burden, in which they might convey over themselves and that which they had.

Now when they had prepared and made all ready for their passage, the enemies on the other side right against them, kept and covered all the banks along with men and Horse, putting them to much trouble and fear. *Annibal* therefore to withdraw them from that place, commanded *Hanno* the son of *Bomilcar*, at the first watch of the night, to go up the stream along the river side, one dayes journey, with part of the forces; and those most of them Spaniards: and wheresoever he first could espie a convenient place, to cross the river, and to land as secretly as he could: and then Hereunto were appointed certain Gauls for guides: who from thence conducted them some 25 miles above, to a little flood compassed about with the river, which here spread out in breadth by place of passage. There, in half they cut down and hewed timber, and made boats to set over Horse and man and other burthen. The Spaniards made no more ado, but fastning their apparel to vessels of leather like bladders, full of wind, and laying their bucklers thereupon, sat aloft and passed over nimbly. The rest of the army also, with joyning planks and troughs together, was set over. Where having encamped near the river, as being weary with their night journey, and toilsome work, they rested one day to refresh themselves, whiles their Captain studied and was occupied to execute his commission and his intended service in good and convenient time, the morrow after they removed from thence, and gave knowledge by smoke that they were passed over and not far off. Which when *Annibal* perceived, for that he would not lose the vantage of that time, he gave signal to his men also to get over the water. Now had the footmen already their boats prepared and fitted. And the companies and ranks of barges (which to receive and break

\* *Tanetes*.

\* *Of Brixia*.

\* *Rhodanus*.

\* *Avignon*.

break the force of the current from above, transported the Horsemen, besides the Horses that swam after) made for the small boats that passed beneath, a gentle and calm water. For a number of Horses swam after the ships, haled by the bridle reins which were tied to the poulds, besides those, which being saddled and bridled, and fitted to serve the men of arms so soon as ever they were landed, were belloyed in barges and ferry boats. The Gauls stood upon the bank with loud whooping, hollowing, yelling and linging after their manner, who shaking their targets over their heads, brandishing and flourishing their iwords in their right hands, shewed themselves ready to receive them, albeit to great a number and World of barges and boats full in their eye over against them, together with an hideous roaring of the water, might have scared them: besides sundry noises of mariners and soldiers, who laboured and strived to break the power and force of the water, and who being on the other side of the bank encouraged their fellows that were passing over. And thus frightened enough as they were, with the tumult and noise presented before their faces: behold there arose a more fearful and terrible outcry behind their backs, upon the forcing and winning of their camp by Hannu. And himself in person came soon after: so that they were put in fear on both sides. For not only out of the ships there was a great multitude got to Land, but also a power at their backs unlooked for, came forward and charged them. The Gauls, after they had made some resistance, and saw they were easily put back; brake through, where they espied the way to lie most open, and so in great fear they fled divers wayes into their Towns and Villages. Annibal then, having conceived over the rest of his forces by leisure, cared no more now for any French firs and tumults, and so encamped himself. But for the transporting of the Elephants, I suppose there were sundry devices: and certainly, how ever it was, the thing is diversly recorded. Some say, that when the Elephants were gathered together upon the bank, the most courageous and fiercest of them all, was chafed, angered, and raised of purpose by his master or keeper: and when he was puried of the beast, and to save himself fled from him, and took the River, thereupon the Elephant followed after him as he swam, and so drew after him the whole drove of the rest: and as any one of them (feeling the depth) failed to wade, the very force of the River carried him to the other side. But it is more credibly and certainly reported, that they were conveyed over in certain barges: which as it was a safer way and surer course before it was practised, so when it was done and past, it was more easily credited. They caulked therefore one vessel or barge, 200 foot long, and 50 foot broad, to reach from the strand side to the shore into the River: which because it should not be carried down with the course and stream of the water, they fastened to the bank above with many strong ropes, and like as it had been a bridge, they covered it over with earth, that the beasts might boldly go thereon as upon the firm ground. Now there was another barge full as broad, but of length only 100 foot: fitted and appointed to pass the River, and was tied and coupled thereto: and when as the Elephants (driven after the females going before) upon the steady barge, as it had been upon a canley, were gone over into the latter which was fastened unto it: then presently was it loosed from the bonds wherewith it was slightly tied, and so haled and drawn by certain galley boats, directed withouts through to the other bank. Thus when the first were landed, they went for more still, until they were all set over: and verily, so long as they were driven on still, as it were upon a long bridge, they nothing feared: the formoit only were afraid when the barge was loosened, and they parted from their fellows, and so were carried away into the wide and deep River, where thronging and struggling together, and jostling one another, they made some trouble, whilst they that were outmost gave back from the water afmuch as they could, until such time as very fear (when they saw all about them nothing but water) caused them to be quiet. Some of them all like raging beasts as they were, and angrily, fell out into the River, but by reason of their heaviness, they stood sure, and calling their Governors, they fought the sounds foot by foot, by little and little, and got safe to Land.

Whiles the Elephants were thus transporting over, Annibal in the mean time had sent 500 Numidian light Horsemen to the Romans camp, as espials to discover the ground, where they were to learn what forces they had, and listen after their designs and purposes. This wing and troop was encountered by three hundred Roman Horsemen, sent as is aforesaid, from the mouth of Rhodanus: where there was a more cruel skirmish than for so small a number, for besides many hurt, there were slain on both sides in a manner alike: but in the end, the fear and flight of the Numidians gave the victory to the Romans, being now already much travailed and wearied: whose part (being the winners) were slain 60, not all Romans, but some Gauls: and on the loser side who were overcome, there dyed above 200. This beginning and prognostication as it were of the war, as it portended and prefigured an happy end and success of the whole unto the Romans, so it shewed plainly, that the victory would hang long in equal balance, not without much effusion of blood, and danger of their part. The conflict being thus determined, they returned each one to his own Captain. As for Scipio, he could not resolve to take any course himself; but according as he saw the plots and enterprizes of the enemy, so to frame his own. And Annibal again being uncertain whether to go forward with his journey begun, into Italy, or to give battle unto the first army of the Romans that came in his way and met him: was drawn away from all present conflict by occasion of the coming of the Embassadors of the Boii, and of a great Lord and Potentate, called Matidus, who promising to be his guides unto him in his voyage, and companions in his perils, thought it good, and gave advice to invade and set upon Italy first of all before any

A any other war, whilst forces were entire in heart, no where put to the hazard, and to give them as it were the first handle. The common multitude of the Carthaginians (for that the former war was not clean forgot and out of remembrance) feared verily their enemies, but more their infinite journey and the Alps especially, the name wherof to men not experienced, was very fearful & terrible. Whereupon, Annibal being now resolute to march onward in his journey, and to pass into Italy, assembled his people to an audience, and by sundry means, as well by way of rebuke, as also by "indocile flight or new fear hath possessed your hearts, that ever before now have been undunted; who have lived in many years, and always won the victory; who departed not out of Spain; who that all those Nations and Lands, which lie enclosed between two divers Seas, were brought in subjection to the Carthaginians; who taking indignation and great disdain, that the people of Rome should require all those to be yielded unto justice (as offenders and malefactors) that had besieged Saguntum, have thereupon passed the river I erus, with this intent: even to destroy and extirp the Roman name, and to let free the whole world out of their servitude and bondage: no man thought it long then of his travel from East to West, from the setting of the sun, to the rising of the same: now when as ye see the greater part (by far) of our journey done and past, the forest and mountain of Pyreneus, amid most fierce and cruel nations tumultuous: that great river Rhodanus, passed over, mangle the hearts of many thousand Gaul, that would have impeached your passage, yea, and the force of his main stream over come now Italy, when you are within the sight of the Alps, to the other side whereof lieth Italy, close by the way, it were and hand full tired at the very gates of the enemies. Why? what other thing take ye the Alps to be but high hills? And imagine they be higher than the cliffs of Pyreneus, what there is no land (I am sure) that reaches up to heaven, and no place for men unapproachable. But for the Alps, they are inhabited and they are tilled, they breed and feed living creatures and cattle: and are they a cessible indeed, and passable for some few, and unpassable for whole armies? These very Embassadors whom you see here, flew not over the Alps with wings, neither were their ancestors time out of mind born and bred there, but came from other parts as strangers and inhabited Italy before: yea, and oftentimes have gone over the same Alps in huge multitudes, together with their wives and children, in manner of travellers and pilgrims that seek new countries to inhabit: what should there be unspeakable then or impossible for the armed souldier, crying about him nothing but instruments of war? For the winning of Saguntum, what perils were adventured, what travails were endured and swallowed for eight months space? Should any thing then seem so hard and difficult as to slay them in their emprise once begun, who aim at no less than to conquer Rome, the head City of the world? And have the Gauls indeed forced and won that in times past, which the Carthaginians despair now to come unto? Therefore, either ye must confess yourselves inferior in stomach and valor to that nation, which so oft (these dayes passed) by you have been vanquished: or else make reckoning with assured hope, that the goodly fair fields that lie between Tyberis and the walls of Rome, are the end of your journey. When in these terms he had exhorted and encouraged his souldiers, he commanded them to take their repast and repose, to cherish and refresh their bodies, and to prepare themselves for the march. The morrow after he departed cross from the banks of Rhodanus, and entered the inland parts of France: not for that it was the more direct way to the Alps, but because he thought the further he went from the Sea side, in so much less danger he should be of meeting the Romans, with whom he was not minded to fight, before he was arrived into Italy. After that he had travelled four dayes journey, he came to an land, where the two rivers Arar and Rhodanus, issuing out of sundry parts of the Alps, and taking a direct course, after they have run through a good part of the country fall at length together and meet in one and the ground lying between is called by the name of the land. Neer there, inhabit the Allobroges, a Nation even in those dayes nothing inferior, either in wealth and puissance, or in fame and reputation to any people or State of the Gauls whatsoever. But at that very time there was some discord and variance among them, by occasion of two brethren who were at strife for the crown and Kingdom: the elder (whose name was Brancus), and had before enjoyed the Seignory) was deposed and thrust out by his younger brother, and a lusty crew of the youth; who as they had self right on their side, so they were the mightier. The deciding of this variance, was referred and put over unto Annibal, in as good and fit a time for his purpose, as he could have wished: and he (forsooth) was made the umpire and judge, to determine whether of them should be King: who restored the elder to the Kingdom: like as it would have been adjudged by the award of the Senators and Nobles of the country. For which benefit and good turn, he was served with visitation, and store of it, things abundantly, yea, and with rayment and apparel, which he was driven to provide aforehand, for the name that went of the Alps, which for their coldness were in great need.

Having thus appeased the debate of the Allobroges, and minding now to set forward to the Alps, he would forgo the direct straight way, but turned on the left hand to the Triarins, and from thence passing by the frontiers of the Vocontians, he marched into the Triarins; and never was he stayed or impeached in his journey before that he came to the River Druntius, which he descending also out of the Alps, is of all other rivers in France most hard to be passed over: for although it carry with it a mighty force of water, yet will it bear no vessel, because it is kept and restrained with no banks, but running at once by many divers channells, maketh ever new

\* The River Saone.

\* The people of Seny according to Strabo, said Paganus, but Diodorus, since Marcius Rhodanus, and others.

\* Entrenched in Pyreneus, said Paganus, but Diodorus, since Marcius Rhodanus, and others.

new foords, and caſteth up new thieves and whirl-pits, (for which cauſe alſo a footman hat he much ado to wade therethrough, and knoweth not the foords) beſides, it rolleth down round ſtones and pibbles, whereby there is no ſure nor ſafe footing for him that would wade through. And it chanced at that time, that it ſwelled and was riſen high by fall of rain, and by land-floods, and caſteth them to have very much to do, that paſſed over it: and over and beſides all other difficulties, they were of themſelves troubled and diſquieted through their own fearfullneſs and ſundry cries which they made. *Publius Cornelius* the Conſul, about three dayes after that *Annibal* diſlodged from the bank of *Rhodanus*, was arrived with his army (arranged in a ſquare battell) as far as the place where the enemy was lately encamped, purpoſing without any ſtay to give him battell. But ſeeing the hold abandoned, and that he was not like to overtake him, being ſo far gone forwards; he returned to his ſhips at Sea, ſuppoſing by that means, with leſſe danger and difficulty, to encounter *Annibal* as he defended from the *Alps*. But left that *Spain* (which was the Province allotted unto him) ſhould be left diſarmed of Roman ſuccours, he ſent his brother *Cn. Scipio* with the greateſt part of his forces againſt *Aſdrubal*: not ſo much to defend their old allies, and procure new, as to drive *Aſdrubal* out of *Spain*. Himſelf with a very ſmall company returned to *Genoa*, with intent to guard *Italy*, with that army which was about the *Po*.

\* Geni.

*Annibal* being departed from *Druentia*, marched for the moſt part through the champion countries, and came in peace and quietly, to the foot of the *Alps*, for any trouble from the peſants that there inhabited. And albeit he had ſome knowledge of the *Alps* before by report, (which uſeth to make things that are uncertain, much more than indeed and truth they are) yet ſeeing now neer at hand the height of thoſe Hills, and the ſnows, entermingled along with the ſkie: the rude and miſhapen houſes ſet upon rocks; the cattel, ſheep, oxen, and hories, ſinged with cold; the people with long thagg'd hair, and without any trimming, both living and liveleſ creatures, even parched, ſtiff and ſtark with froit; and all things elſe more ſtrange and ſilvaoured, than can be ſpoken: then began his ſouldiers to fear aſreſh. So ſoon as they advanced forward, and began to march up the ſtiff cliffs, there appeared over their heads the mountain people, who had ſeized the Hills: who if they had kept the ſecret and hidden vallies, and ſuddenly all at once charged upon them, they would have made a ſoul ſlaughter of them, and put them to flight. Then *Annibal* commandeth the enſigns to ſtand ſtill, and ſent certain Gauls afore, as eſpials; by whom he underſtood, that there was no paſſage that way: whereupon, he pitched his camp amongſt thoſe craggy and ſteep rough places, upon as large a plain and valley as he could find. Then by the ſame Gauls (who much differed not in tongue and manners from the other, and had entermingled themſelves in talk with the mountaineers) he underſtood, that they kept the paſſage, but in the day time, and ſlpt away in the night every one to his own harbour. So at the break of day he mounted thoſe ſteep hills: as if he would openly in the day time march through the ſtreights. Thus having ſpent the day in making ſemblance and ſhew of one thing, and intending another, he encamped himſelf ſtrongly in the place where he had reſted and ſtaid: and ſo ſoon as he perceived, that the mountain people were departed from the ſteep hills, and kept not ſo ſtrict watch and ward: after that he had made ſhew of fires, more than for the number of thoſe that remained behind: and left with the Cavalry all the bag and baggage, with the greateſt part of the footmen: himſelf in perſon took unto him the nimbleſt, moſt active, and valiant ſouldiers lightly appointed, and with all ſpeed paſſed through the ſtreights aforeſaid, and encamped on the very hills which the enemies before held and beſet. Then in the morning betime his camp diſlodged: and the army behind, began to march and ſet forward. By which time the mountaineers, at the ordinary ſignal given, came forth out of their Cattles and Forts, and met at the ſuſal place of their accuſtomed guards: but then all at once they might ſee ſome of the enemies over their heads, to have gained their own fortrels, and others alſo marching in the way. Both which objects at one time preſented to their eyes, made them blank and to ſtand ſtill in a mule a good while. But afterwards, when they ſaw *Annibal* his army, diſtreſſed in the ſtreights, and in great trouble and diſorder among themſelves in the march, by reaſon eſpecially the hories were ſo affrighted: ſuppoſing, that the leaſt fear and terror (beſides) that they could procure, would be enough for their enemies overthrow and conſuſion, they croſſed the rocks overthwart, and (as they were accuſtomed and uſed to them) ran to and fro, up and down through the blind and un haunted by ways. But then verily, the Carthaginians were much encumbered, as welly by their enemies, as alſo by the diſadvantage of the place, and more ado there was among them (whiles every one ſtrove who ſhould firſt eſcape the danger) than with the enemy. There was nothing that diſordered and troubled the army in the march, ſo much as their own hories, which (by reaſon of the diſſonant and divers cries, that the echoes between the woods and vallies redoubled) were affrighted: and alſo if any of them chanced to be ſtricken, galled, or wounded; they kept ſuch wining, and ſinging about them, that they overthrew and made great havock of men, and of all ſorts of carriage. Beſides, the preſs was ſo great, and the freights of both ſides ſo ſteep and craggy, that many a man was thrown down head-long a mighty height: yea, and ſome of them armed: and the lumpter hories and beaſts for carriage eſpecially tumbled down amain with their load, as if a houſe or Caſtle had come down with a miſchief. Which, although it were terrible to behold, yet *Annibal* ſtood a while ſtill, and kept his own men together, for fear of encreaſing this diſorder and affright. But after that he ſaw his army diſbanded and marching in diſarray, and that it was to no pur-

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A poſe to lead his army ſafe through the ſtreights, if he loſt the carriages: for fear hereof, he ran down from the higher ground, and albeit, with the violence of his charge, he diſcomfited the enemy, yet he encreaſed the trouble and fear of his own people. But that was ſoon appeaſed in a very moment, after the ways and paſſages were once cleared, by reaſon of the Mountaineers that were ſled: ſo that within a while the whole hoſt paſſed through, not only at eaſe and leiſure, but alſo in a manner without any noiſe at all. This done, he ſeized upon a Caſtle, which was the chief ſtrength of that country, with other villages lying about it: and for three dayes ſpace he victualled and maintained his whole army, with the Cattel of his priſoners. And for that he was now neither moleſted with the Mountaineers, who were at the liſt diſcomfited, nor greatly encumbered with the difficulties of the ways, in thoſe three dayes he did a good deal of ground, and journeyed a great way into the country: until at the length he came to another coaſt well peopled (for ſuch Mountain and Hilly quarters;) where he had like to have been overtaken, not by open force, but even in his own profeſſed cunning: firſt, by a ſubtile praſtice, and after by a ſecret ambuſh. Certain ancient men, the Rulers and Governours of the Cattles, repaired unto *Annibal* as Orators, ſaying, That they having been taught and made wiſe, by the profitable example of other mens harms, made choice, rather to trye the amity, than prove the force of the Carthaginians: and therefore were willing to do his commandment, and be at his devotion: requeſting him to take at their hands victuals and guides for their journey, yea, and hoſtages alſo for better aſſurance of promiſes to be performed. *Annibal* neither overthiſtly believing them, nor yet churliſhly diſtruſting and reuſing their offer, leiſt being reſected and caſt off, they might become open and profeſſed enemies; gave them good language, and a courteous answer, received the hoſtages whom they gave, accepted victuals, which they had brought with them to maintain his army by the way, and followed their guides, but ſo, as his army was not diſtraſted in their march, as if he had been amongst his friends, and in a peaceable country. Firſt, went in the van-guard the Elephants, and the Horſemen; himſelf marched after with the flower and ſtrength of his Footmen, looking all about him with an heedful eye. So ſoon as he was entered a narrow paſſage, which of the one ſide lay under a ſteep Hill: that commanded them aloft, the barbarous people roſe out of their ambuſh from all parts at once, both before and behind, and charged upon him both a far off and neer at hand; yea, and rolled down mighty huge ſtones upon them as they marched. But the greateſt number came behind upon their backs: againſt whom he turned and made head with the power of his footmen, and without all peradventure (if the tail both of his army, had not been ſtrong and well fortified) they muſt needs have received in that lane and ſtreights, an exceeding great overthrow. And even then, as it was, they came to an extremity of danger, and in manner fell into a preſent miſchief. For whiles *Annibal* made long ſtay; and doubted whether he ſhould engage the Regiment of footmen within the ſtreights, for that he had not left any ſuccours in the rear: regard to back the footmen, like as himſelf was a defence to the Horſemen: the mountaineers came overthwart, and flanked them; and breaking through the files of the battell, beſet the way, and croſſed upon him. So that *Annibal* took up his lodging for one night, without his carriages and Horſemen. The morrow after, when as the barbarous people ran between them more cowardly afore, he joyned his forces together, and paſſed the ſtreight not without great damage and loſſe: but with more hurt of the lumpter Hories than of men. After this the Mountaineers (fewer in number and in robbing wiſe rather than in warlike ſort) ran in heaps one while upon the van-guard, other while upon the rereward, as any one of them could either get the vantage of ground, or by going one while afore, and by ſtaying another while behind; win and catch any occaſion and opportunity. The Elephants, as they were driven with great leiſure, becauſe though theſe narrow ſtreights, they were ready ever and anon to run on their noſes: ſo what way ſoever they went, they kept the army ſafe and ſure from the enemies: who being not uſed unto them, durſt not once come neer. The ninth day he won the very tops of the *Alps*, through by-lanes and blind cranks: after he had wandred many times out of the way, either through the deceitfulneſs of their guides: or for that when they durſt not truſt them, they adventured raſhly themſelves upon the vallies, and gueſſed the way at adventure, and went by aim. Two dayes abode he encamped upon the tops thereof, and the ſouldiers wearied with travel and fight reſted that time: certain alſo of the lumpter Hories (which had ſlpt aſide from the rocks) by following the tracks of the army as it marched, came to the camp. When they were thus overtoiled and wearied with theſe tedious travels, the ſnow that fell (for now the ſar *Vergily*, was ſet and gone down out of that horizon) inſealed their fear exceedingly. Now when as at the break of day the enſigns were ſet forward, and the army marched ſlowly, through the thick and deep ſnow; and that there appeared in the countenance of them all, ſlothfulneſs and deſperation: *Annibal* advanced before the ſtandards, and commanded his ſouldiers to ſtay upon a certain high Hill, (from whence they had a goodly proſpect and might ſee a great way all about them) and there ſhewed unto them *Italy*, and the goodly champion fields about the *Po*, which lie hard under the foot of the Alpine Mountains: ſaying, That even then they mounted the walls not only of *Italy*, but alſo of the City of *Rome*: as for all beſides (ſaith he) will be plain and eaſy to be travelled: and after one or two battels at the moſt, ye ſhall have at your command, the very Caſtle and head City of all *Italy*. Then began the army to march forward: and as yet the enemies verily themſelves adventured nothing at all, but ſome petty robberies by ſealth, as opportunity and occaſion ſerved.

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Howbeit they had much more difficult travelling down the hill, than in the climbing and getting it up; for that most of the passages to the *Alps* from *Italy* side, as they be shorter, so they are more upright: for all the way in a manner was steep, narrow, and slippery, so as neither they could hold themselves from sliding, nor if any tripped and tumbled never to little, could they possibly (they haggard) recover themselves and keep sure footing, but one fell upon another, as well Horle as Man. After this they came to a much narrower rock, with crags and rags so steep down-right, that hardly a nimble souldier without his armor and baggage (do what he could to take hold with hands upon the twigs and plants that there about grew forth) was able to creep down. This place being before naturally of itself steep and pendant with a down-fall, now was hoked and dammed up with a new fall of earth, which left a bank behind it of a wonderful and monstrous height. There the Horsemen stood still as if they had been come to their wayes end: and when *Annibal* marvelled much what the matter might be that stayed them so, as they marked not on word was brought him that the Rock was unaccessible and unpasseable. Whereupon he went himself in person to view the place, and then he saw indeed without all doubt, that although he had fetched a compass about, yet he had gained nought thereby, but conducted his army, to passe through wilds and such places as before had never been beaten and troden. And verily that (of all other) was such as it was impossible to pass through. For, whereas there lay old snow untouched and not trodden on, and over it other snow newly fallen, of a small depth: in this soft and tender snow, and the same not very deep, their feet as they went, easily took hold: but that snow, being once with the going of so many people and much thrugging, for that they could not tread sure upon the slippery ice: and again going as they did (down hill) their feet sooner failed them: and when they had helped themselves once in getting up, either with hands or knees: if they chanced to fall again, when those their props and stayes deceived them, there were no twigs nor roots about, whereon a man might take hold, and rest or stay himself, either by hand or foot. And therefore all that the poor beasts could do, was to tumble and wallow only, upon the slippery and glasse ice, and the molten slabby snow. Otherwhiles also they perished, as they went in the deep snow, whilst it was yet soft and tender: for when they were once flidden and fallen, with flinging out their heels, and beating with their hoofs more forcibly for to take hold, they brake the ice, through: so as most often, as if they had been caught fast and fettered, stuck still in the deep, hard frozen, and congealed ice. At last, when as both man and beast were wearied and overtired, and all to no purpose, they came upped upon the top of an hill, having with very much ado cleared the place aforehand for that purpose: such a deal of snow there was to be digged, shovelled, and thrown out. This done, the souldiers were brought to break that rock, through which was their only way: and gain'd the time that it was to be hewed through, they felled and overthrow many huge trees that grew there about and made a mighty heap and pile of woods: the wind served fitly for the time to kindle a fire, and then they set all a burning. Now when the rock was on fire and red hot, they poured thereon strong Vinegar for to calcine and dissolve it. When as the rock was thus baked (as it were) with fire, they digged into it, and opened it with pick-axes, and made it decent gentle and easy, by means of moderate windings and turnings: so as not only the Horle and other beasts, but even the Elephants also might be able to go down. Four dayes he spent about the leveling of this rock: and the beasts were almost pined and lost for hunger. For the hill tops for the most part are bare of grafs: and look what forage there was, the snow overhilled it. The dales and lower grounds have some little banks lying to the sun, and rivers withal, near unto the woods, yea, and places more meet and befitting for men to inhabit. There were the labouring beasts put out to grafs and pasture, and the souldiers that were wearied with making the wayes, had three dayes allowed to rest in. From thence they went down into the plain country, where they found both the place more easy and pleasant, and the nature of the inhabitants more tractable.

In this manner: and by this means principally, entred the Carthaginians into *Italy*, five months after they departed from new *Carthage* (as some write:) and within fifteen dayes overcame and passed the *Alps*. What power *Annibal* had, when he was arrived in *Italy*, the historians do not agree. They that speak with the most, write that he was 100000 foot, and 20000 horse strong: they that make the least of it, say they were 20000 foot, and 6000 horse, *L. Cincius Alimachus*, who hath delivered under his hand, that himself was taken prisoner by *Annibal* (a writer of great authority) would induce me sufficiently to believe him, but that he setteth down the number confidently, by adding to the rest, the Gauls and Ligurians. He recordeth, that counting them, the Infantry was 80000, and the Cavalry 10000, which was conducted into *Italy*. (but likely it is that from all parts there came more thither than so, and so some Authors do report) and that he heard from *Annibal* his own mouth, that after he had passed *Rhodanus*, he had lost 36000 men, and a great number of Horles and other beasts of burden. when he was come down into the Taurins Country, which was the next Nation in *Italy*, adjoining to the Gauls. Which being a thing agreed upon amongst all, I marvel to much the more, that there is any doubt, on which side he went over the *Alps*: and that commonly it is believed, that he passed by a place called *Penninum*, and that thereupon the top of the *Alps* took the name, and was so called. *Claudian* faith, he took his way over by the top of *Cremona*: both which passages surely would have brought

A brought him not into the Taurins country, but through the mountain forrests, unto the Gauls called *Libui*. But neither is it probable, that in those days the same passages were open into *France*: considering, that the wayes which lead to *Penninum* were environed with nations half Germans. And certainly the Veragrains, who inhabit this very top (in case a man may build ought upon this conjecture) never knew that these mountains took the name of any passage of the Carthaginians, that way: but of some one place consecrated in the top of the hill, which the pealans and mountaineers called *Penninum*.

Very happily and fitly it fell out for the enterprise of his first designments, that the Taurins the next Nation he came unto, made war upon the Insulubrians. But *Annibal* being busied in refreshing his army (that now had most feeling of their harms which he had caught before) could not arm the same to the aid and gratifying of either party: for ease after travel, plenty upon scarcity, good keeping and delicate, after loathsome fastings, did by a sudden change greatly alter and dis-temper their lean and pined bodies, well near savage and wild grown. Which was the cause that *P. Cornelius* the Consul, being arrived and landed at *Pisa*, after he had received of *Annibal* *Attilius* an army of new and raw souldiers, fearful for some shameful disgrace and defeat lately received, made haste and highed him to the *Po*, for to give battle unto the enemy before he were well refreshed and in heart again. But by that time that the Consul was come to *Placentia*, *Annibal* had dislodged and removed his camp, and won by assault the chief City or Town of the Taurins, because it willingly yielded not to accept of his amity and protection: and surely not by fear only, but also of voluntary good will, he had gained unto him the Gauls that inhabited about the *Po*, but that the sudden coming of the Consul interrupted and surprized them, as they were calling about to spie some opportunity of rebellion. So *Annibal* dislodged, and removed out of the Taurins country, with this opinion, that the Gauls especially, being doubtful as yet what part to take, would follow him being present in place. Now were the armies in manner one in fight of the other, and the Generals approached nigher together: and as they were not yet well known one unto the other, so they had already both of them a great opinion, and reciprocal admiration one of the other. For as *Annibal* was much renowned, and his name right well known among the Romans, even since before *Saguntum* was lost: so *Scipio* was taken of him, and reputed for some singular and excellent man, in that he especially above all other, was chosen General against him. D Which mutual conceit and impression they had, they augmented themselves one to the other: for that *Scipio*, albeit he was left behind in *France*, yet he met *Annibal*, and was ready to make head against him, so soon as he was passed the *Alps*: and *Annibal* again, because having enterprised to great an adventure, as to pass the *Alps*, and now brought the same to good effect, but *Scipio* to prevent *Annibal* in crossing the *Po* before him, removed his camp to the river *Ticinus*: and for to encourage his souldiers, before he brought them forth to battle, he made an Oration unto them, and began in this manner,

"My valiant souldiers and trusty friends, if I were now to lead that army into the field, which I have with me in *France*, I would have forbore to make any speech at all unto you: for to what purpose needed I to exhort, either that Cavalry, which so valiantly had vanquished the horle-men of the enemies at the river *Rhodanus*: or those legions, with whom I followed in chase as it were, even these very enemies, and whose falling off and refusing battle, I take to be a confession of victory? But now for as much as that army, being indeed levied for the province *Spain*, serveth with my brother *Cn. Scipio*, under my name and commission, where it pleaseth the Senat and people of *Rome*, they should be employed, to the end that ye might have a Consul to be your Captain, against *Annibal* and the Carthaginians, I have willingly offered my self to this war. If being then, your new Captain, and you my new souldiers, meet it is and convenient I should use a few words unto you. And to the end you should not be ignorant, either of the manner of this service, or quality of your enemy: with those men ye are to fight, whom in the former Punick war ye overcame both by land and sea: of whom for these twenty years ye have received tribute; from whom ye have won (as the due wages and reward of the war) *Sicily* and *Sardinia* both, and them do hold and occupy. In this battle therefore, both you and they are to carry that mind, and so to be affected, as winners and losers are to be before never think that it is valor and hardihood that provoketh them now to fight, but meer necessity and compulsion enforceth them to the field. Unless you will believe, that they who when they had an entire army and unfoiled, refused battle, should now have greater hope, and take more courage, after they have lost two parts of their horse and foot, in the very passage of the *Alps*: and of whom, there have more perished in a manner, then remain alive. But will some man say, True it is, few they are in number, but stout in heart, and tall of hand, whose strength & puissance no force is hardly able to abide. Images they are, nay, far more truly the very shadows of men, and no better: with hunger bitten, with cold starved, lost for want of keeping, spoiled with fastings, and filthy ordure, bruised and weakened amongst hard rocks and craggy cliffs: over and besides, joints and marrow dried up and burnt, their sinews shrunk, hard, and stiff again with cold and chilling snow, their limbs tinged with bitter frost, their armor crushed, bruised and their weapons broken: their horles, no other then lame jades and poor hedge-bound Ties. See what horsemen, to what footmen ye are to fight withal. Believe me, ye shall have the very reliques and last remnants of enemies and not enemies indeed. And I assure you, nothing fear I more than this, that before ye shall skirmish with this kind of enemy, it will be thought that the *Alps* already have vanquished

"vanquished and defeated *Annibal*. But peradventure it was so meet, and reason would, that  
 "the gods themselves without mans help should against that Captain and nation, which had bro-  
 "ken league and covenants begin the war first let it in good forwardness, and bring it to the point  
 "of an end: and then we, who next to the gods have been offended and wronged, should smite  
 "the same thus begun to our hands, and brought to so good a pail. I fear not that any man here  
 "doth think, that I utter these brave and glorious words only for to hearthen you, and that my  
 "self think otherwise in heart: then I speak with tongue, I might have gone my self well enough  
 "into *Spain*, my proper and peculiar province, (where I had been sometime) and with an army  
 "of mine own: I should have had my brother there, both a counsellor to me in my difficulties, and  
 "a companion with me in my dangers. I found *Alarbal* rather then *Annibal* mine enemy, and I  
 "no doubt the affairs and charge of the war far less then here. But when I failed by the coast of  
 "*France*, and upon the bruit and news of this enemy was set a land, I sent my Cavalry before, and  
 "removed camp as to *Rodanus*, and in a batel of horsemen (for with that part of my forces  
 "it was my hap to encounter and fight) I discovered the enemy: and for that by land I could  
 "not overtake him. In many, so hastily they marched away, like men that fled) I was fain to return  
 "to the sea, and embark again to my ships: and with as great expedition and speed as I could  
 "make (considering to great a compulsion about office and land) at the very foot of the *Alps*, I was  
 "ready to encounter and affront him. Can it be thought then that whiles I hunted and avoided  
 "fight, I fell by chance, and at unawares upon this dread and redoubted enemy? or rather that  
 "I followed him hard at heels? and challenged him, to draw him forth unto a battel, thereby to  
 "have it decided who should have the victory in the end? I would gladly make trial, whether  
 "of a sudden the earth hath brought forth for these twenty years. Carthaginians, of another  
 "kind of new stamp: or whether they be the same that fought near the islands *Ægates*, and  
 "whom ye sent away and let go from *Eryx*, altered after the rate of 18. \* deniers a piece, and no  
 "more and fain would lie, whether this *Annibal* be the son, or nephew of *Hercules*, to undertake  
 "his own news and voyages, as he with himself: or one, left by his father, a tributary, a vassal, and  
 "a slave of the people of *Rome*: who but that he is so engaged in conscience for the outrage and  
 "and treachery committed in *Spain*, none would have some respect and regard, if not of his mi-  
 "five country (conquered and subdued, yet of his own throne of the peace and covenants writ-  
 "ten by his father *Annibal*, and his own hand) *Italy* (I say) who at the commandment of our  
 "Consul, removed his garb from *Eryx*, who leaving and forsaking, received with sorrowful  
 "heart the grievous and heavy conditions of peace imposed upon the conquered Carthaginians:  
 "who capitulated and covenanted to abandon *Sicily*, and to pay a tribute to the people of *Rome*: I  
 "would have you therefore (my hardy forerunners) to fight against him, not only with the same cou-  
 "rage as you do with other enemies, but in a certain heat of anger and indignation, as if you should  
 "see your own servants and slaves on a sudden to rise up in arms against you. We might well if we  
 "had been so minded, when they were enclosed and shut fast within *Eryx*, have put them to the  
 "utmost extremity of all worldly pain, and famished them. We might have passed over *Æthiops*  
 "victorious Armado into *Africa*, and within few days forced and razed *Carthage*, without any  
 "battel fought. We pardoned them at their humble request, and took them to mercy: we let them  
 "out where they were besieged and beleaguered; and notwithstanding that they were by us sub-  
 "dued, we made peace, and contracted amity with them: and afterward, when they were mole-  
 "sted and distressed with the Africans war, we counted them within our protection. In recom-  
 "pence of these good favours and demerits, they come against us, under the leading of an humo-  
 "rous brain-sick and furious young man, to invade and assail our country. And I would it had  
 "pleased God, that we had all this war for our honor only and reputation, and not for our safety  
 "and our lives. But we are to fight now, not for the holding and possession of *Sicily* and *Sardinia*,  
 "as in times past: but for our irrechold, and the inheritance of *Italy*: and that which more is  
 "there is no army behind our backs to withstand and make head against the enemy, if we chance  
 "to fail of victory: neither are there any more *Alps*, which while he is getting over, we might have  
 "leisure in the mean time to assemble and prepare new forces. Here in this very place (soldiers)  
 "most we stand to it, and make resistance, as if we were fighting under *Rome* walls. Let every man  
 "think that he is not only to defend and ward his own body, but to protect his wife and little chil-  
 "dren: and let every regard and take care, not for his privat affairs and domestical charge,  
 "but often consider this, That even now the Senat and people of *Rome* beholdeth and seeth our  
 "hardy deeds, and look how our force and valor now speedeth and furetheth it self, such from  
 "henceforth will the state and fortune be of that City and Empire of *Rome*.

These words had the Consul to the Romans. But *Annibal*, supposing that his men were first to  
 be encouraged by representation of some deeds, & then exhorted with words: having marshalled  
 his army in a round compass (as it were) to behold some spectacle in a Theatre: he set in the midst  
 of them all, the prisoners mountaineers, bound (as they were) hand and foot: and casting down at  
 their feet the armor and weapons of the Gauls he demanded of them by a truchman, or interpreter,  
 Which of them (upon condition to be eased of his bands, and to have armor, and an horse of  
 service, given him for a prize of victory) would enter into combat, and fight at the utterance for  
 his life. And when they all answered with one voice. That they would with no better, and not one  
 of them but called for a sword, & required to fight: and therupon, the lots were shuffled to be cast,  
 & not one there was but wished himself to be the man, whom fortune would chuse for the combat.  
 Then

A Then every man as his lot fell, in token of cheerfulness and contentment of spirit, leapt for joy  
 among his fellows that rejoiced in his behalf, fell a dancing after their manner, and so (hastily)  
 took arms and weapons: all the while that they were in fight there appeared such affection and  
 disposition of mind, as well in them that were in the same fate and condition, as also in those  
 who stood there as spectators only in the multitude to look on; that no less happy and fortunate  
 were they accounted, who's chance it was to die in the place, then those who had the upper hand.  
 Upon the fight of some couples that were thus matched in combat, he dismissed them: and whiles  
 he saw them in this good mind, so well affected and resolute, then he assembled them all together  
 to an audience, and thus by report he spake unto them.

B "My valorous soldiers, if in the consideration of your own fortune, ye will anon but bear  
 "that mind, which even now ye shewed in beholding the example of the state of others: the jour-  
 "ney is ours, and we have the victory. For that was not a dumb shew and bare pageant, but a ve-  
 "ry mirror and pattern of your own condition: and I wot not, whether fortune hath compassed  
 "about with harder bonds and greater necessities, your own selves, or your prisoners. On both  
 "hands, as well the right as the left, enclosed ye are, and shut up within two seas: and have not so  
 "much as one ship to embark in for to escape away, and save your selves. Before you need at hand  
 "is the *Po* a greater river; and more violent then *Rodanus*; behind you are the *Alps* to hem you  
 "in: the *Alps* I say, which ye hardly passed when you were in heart and lusty. Here must ye  
 "either get victory (sirs) or lose your lives, even where ye have first encountered your enemy: and  
 "the same fortune, which hath laid upon you necessity of fight prelenteth and protereth unto you  
 "C (if you go away with victory) such rewards, as men use not to wish for greater and more hono-  
 "rable at the hands of the immortal gods. If by our manhood and valour we should but reco-  
 "ver and win again *Sicily* and *Sardinia*, which were got from our fathers: those were rewards  
 "and prizes sufficient: but now, over and besides, what riches or treasure the Romans in so many  
 "triumphs have gathered, laid up, and held in possession, all that will be ours yea, and the owners  
 "of their selves withal. Go to it then a Gods name and take arms, in assured hope of gaining  
 "so rich a booty and reward. Ye have all this while been long enough a courting and chasing  
 "the wild beasts in the wide and desert mountains of *Æstania* and *Chiberea*, and have seen  
 "no recompence and fruit of your travels and dangers: it is now high time for you to serve in  
 "D the wars for good pay and rich rewards, and to receive great wages and prizes for your labour  
 "and painful service; you that have measured so long a voyage, passed over so many mountains  
 "and rivers, and marched through so many armed and warlike nations. Here is the place where  
 "fortune hath set down the utmost bound, and pitched the farthest point & limit of your labors:  
 "here will they give you a condigne recompence and salary, after you have served and followed  
 "the wars the full time by order and law required. Never think that the victory will be so hardly  
 "achieved, as the war in name is counted difficult. For oftentimes an enemy of small or no re-  
 "coring and regard, hath given a bloody battel; yea, most noble States, most renowned and  
 "glorious Kings, have in the very turning of an hand been overthrown. For, setting aside this  
 "goodly, gay, and glittering name only of the Romans, what is there wherein they are worth  
 "E to be compared? To say nothing of that continual warfare of yours, for 20 years ipa e with such  
 "valour and happy success: even from *Hercules* pillars, from the Ocean, from the utmost bounds  
 "of the earth, through so many nations of *Spain*, and most fell and cruel Gauls, ye are come thus  
 "far with victory. And now shall ye fight with an army of new and untrained soldiers, who no  
 "longer ago then this very summer, were beaten, put to the sword, vanquished and besieged by  
 "the Gaulish army (to say a truth) not known at all to their own Captain & as little acquainted  
 "with him. And to speak of mine own person, if not born yet at leastwise brought up in the very  
 "tent and royal pavilion of my father (a most noble warrior and renowned Captain of his time)  
 "who have subdued *Spain*, conquered Gauls, overcome not only the people of the *Alps*, but that  
 "which is much more, the very *Alps* themselves. Should I make comparison between my selfe,  
 "and this half-year Captain, who hath abandoned and left his own camp and army? Unto  
 "whom, if a man should this day, present the Carthaginians and Romans together, without  
 "their ensigns and colours, he could not tell, I dare well say, of whether army he were the lea-  
 "der and Consul. For I make no small account, I tell you of this (my tall fellows) that there is  
 "not one of you all, who hath not many a time and often seen and beheld my self in person, per-  
 "forming some warlike and military exploit; and unto whom I (as beholder and eye witness of  
 "his valor) cannot recount the time and place of his worthy deed & service. Then ye praised and  
 "commended me, then ye rewarded & honored me with divers gifts & presents. And even I (who  
 "have been a soldier trained up and taught by you, before I was your General) will march in  
 "battel against them, that know not one another, and are unknown likewise unto their Captain.  
 "Which way soever I turn and cast mine eyes, me thinks, I see all full of courageous stomach, and  
 "of forcible puissance. The footmen, old bearen and practised soldiers: Janes and men of arms, with  
 "bard horses, and the light horsemen likewise, chosen forth of most hardy and valiant Nations:  
 "of one side, most faithful and resolute allies; on the other, doughty Carthaginians, ready to  
 "fight, as well in countrie defence, as also for most just and due revenge. We come of our  
 "selves to make war, and we defend into *Italy* with banners displayed, resolved to fight with  
 "so much more courage, as they commonly who are assailants, have greater stomach and more  
 "hope then the defendants. Over and besides, our hearts are kindled, and our minds pricked



on and provoked with sense of injuries and indignities. First and foremost they required, that your General should be delivered unto them, as a condemned prisoner at the bar: then they would have had all you that were at the assault of Saguntum, yeilded up into their hands, to be put to most extream torturs & execution. A people they are, full of all excessive cruelty, insolent and proud beyond all measure: they would have but all in their power, and at their disposition: they must prescribe, limit, and set down, with whom we should war; with whom we may make peace: restraining and enclosing us within the terms and bounds of hills and rivers: which, forsooth, we must not pass: and they themselves keep not the limits, which they appoint. Pass not (say they) Iberus in any wise: meddle not at all with the Saguntines: come not near them, Saguntum standeth upon the river Iberus, step not one foot forward, we advise you. If I sufficeth not their turn, that they have taken from us our ancient Provinces, Sicily and Sardinia, unless they may have away Spain too. And if I should depart from thence, and quit that Realm also, they would not stay there, but will pass over straight into Africk: nay, they have sent over this year already two Consuls, the one into Africk, the other into Spain: nothing have they left for us, but that which we can win and hold with the sword's point. Well may they be cowards, and play the idle larks, having a place of refuge to retire unto, who in their own country and ground may be received, when they take their heels and run through ways without danger, to save themselves. As for us, it stands us upon to play the men, and to make account of no mean designs between victory and death, but upon certain despair of all flights: sides, either to obtain victory: or if fortune shall fail and give us the foil, chuse rather to die fighting, than to be killed flying. If this be settled and deeply imprinted in your hearts, if this be your resolution, I will say once again, The day is yours. A more poynt and sharper goad, than this, to provoke men to victory, never gave the immortal gods to any whatsoever.

When by these Orations, the soldiers hearts of both sides were inflamed to fight, the Romans made a bridge over Ictinus: and for defence of the bridge, erected a sence and fort thereupon. But Annibal while the enemies were buie at work, sent Maharbal with a Cornet of Numidians, to the number of 500, eight horsemen, to overrun and waste the territories belonging to the allies of the people of Rome: commanding him withal to make as great spawe of the Gauls as he could, and to sollicit and perwade their Nobles and Lords unto rebellion. After the bridge was finished, the Roman army passed over into the Insubrians country, encamped themselves upon certaine hills, five miles off from a village where Annibal also lay in camp: who seeing there was abated toward, sent speedily for Maharbal back again, and the horsemen: and thinking belike, that he could never say enough to his soldiers, and admonish them sufficiently to do well and animate them to fight, he called them all again together to an audience: where he proposed, and promised unto them openly, certain assured rewards, the hope whereof might incite them to fight manely. Inprimis, that he would endow them with fair lands in Itchy, Africk, or Spain, where they would themselves to have, and to enjoy to him and to his heirs for ever, as free hold in frank tenure, without service: if any one would chuse to have money rather than land him he would content with silver. Item, of the allies, as many as hereafter were delirous to be enfranchised Citizens of Carthage, they should have their free burgeoisie: & those that had a mind rather to return home again, he would endeavor and bring about that he should live so well, as not one of them would wish for to exchange his state with any of his neighbors and countreimen whatsoever. Last of all, look what bond-servants attended and followed their masters, to them he promised freedom: and that in lieu of them, he would deliver again unto their masters, two for one, of the slaves taken captives in war. And that they might be assured, that he would perform all these promises, he held with his left hand a Lamb, and in the right a flint stone, and prayed solemnly, That if he failed herein, Jupiter and the rest of the gods, would so kill him, as he slew that Lamb: and presently after his prayer done, he smote the Lamb on the head, and dasht out the brains. Whereat they all every one, conceived and embraced assured hope unto themselves, that the gods said Amen and were on their side: and supposing that the only way of enjoying their hopes, and obtaining their rewards, was, because they had not fought already: with one heart and voice they called for battel.

The Romans for their part were nothing so lusty: for besides other things, they were affrighted with new prodigies and fearful sights. For it hapned that a Wolf entered their camp, & after he had worried and torn those that came in his way, escaped unhurt. Also a swarm of Bees settled upon a tree that grew over the General's pavilion. Which strange tokens being purged and cleared by an expiatory sacrifice, Scipio with his Cavalry and darts lightly appointed, went toward the camp of the enemy to view their forces, and to observe how many and of what condition and quality they were: and there he encountered Annibal, who also was gone forth with his horsemen to discover the country about. At the first they lay not one another but afterwards, by reason of the thick dust that rose upon the march of so many men and horses, they knew that enemies approached near. On both sides the battallions made a stand, and every man buckled himself to the skirmish. Scipio placed his Archers and horsemen of the Gauls in the forefront: the Romans and strength of Allies, he bestowed behind for succours in the rereguard. Annibal let in this battel, his great barbed horses with his lances and men of arms, and strengthened the wings with Numidian horsemen. The very first charge and onset was scarce done, when the Archers afore said retired among the rereguard in the second battailon: by occasion whereof, the horsemen alone fought a good while in equal

A qual battel: yea, and afterwards, because the footmen that were intermingled among troubled and disordered the horses, many either fell, or else alighted from their horses, to go thither where they saw their fellows to be environed and overcharged. The conflict became very doubtful in many places until such time as the Numidians (who were in the wings) wheeling about by little and little, shewed themselves behind the backs of the Romans: this fearful sight troubled them greatly, and the fear was encreased by reason of the Consul his hurt: the extreme danger whereof, was put by and avoided by the rescue of his son (then a very stripling as yet, and scarce had any hair upon his face) this youth is he, who had the honor of happy ending this war, summoned afterwards (upon the noble victory and memorable conquest over Annibal and the Carthaginians) Africamus. But the Archers were they that fled fastest away, even those whom the Numidians let upon first. The rest that were horsemen, keeping thick and close together, recovered their Consul within their files into the midst of them: and protecting him not only with their weapons, but also with their bodies, brought him back safe unto the camp: retiring all the way neither disorderly, nor like fearful men over hastily. The honor of saving the Consul, Calpurnius attributed unto a bond slave of Liguria. But I verily would rather believe it of the son: which also the greater number of authors do affirm. but the common lame goeth of the said bond slave. This was the first battel with Annibal: wherein it easily appeared that the Carthaginians were better in Cavalry, and therefore the open plain field such as were between the Po and the Alps, were not to good for the Romans to fight in. The right following therefore, Scipio commanded his soldiers secretly without any noisic to truss up bag and baggage, and to dislodge: and removed from Ticinus, and made haste to Po: that whiles his boats were not yet unloosed one from the other, in which (as upon a bridge) he had brought over his army, he might without any trouble and pursuit of the enemy, conduct the same back again. And they came to Placentia before that Annibal knew they were departed from Ticinus: howbeit, he took leave of them that made stay on the higher side of the bank, as they were too slow about disjoining and loosening the forehead bridge of boats: upon which he could not pass over, by reason that when both ends were let loose, the planks and all, went down the water with the stream. Calpurnius writeth, that Mago with his horses, and Spanish footmen, presently, swam over the river: and that Annibal himself led over his army at the upper foords of Po: for which purpose, he set the Elephants along on a row to break and bear off the violence and stream of the current. A thing surely that they were hardly able to do, who were skilful and by long experience knew the nature of the River very well. For it soundeth not like a truth, that horsemen with their armor and horses safe, could overcome so great a rage of the river, although we should grant that all the Spaniards gat over upon blown bladders or leather vessels, and besides, they had needed many days to fetch a compass for to find the foords of Po, over which, the army (laden with carriage) might be conveyed. But those authors carry more credit and authority with me, who write that scarcely in two days they found a place to make a bridge (of planks joined together) over the river, and that Mago and the Spanish light horsemen were sent that way over before.

Whiles Annibal on this side of the River, staid in giving audience to the embassages of the Gauls, he conducted over the regiments of footmen more heavily armed: in the mean while, Mago and the horsemen, after they had passed the river, marked one \* days journey apace toward the enemies at Placentia. And Annibal (few days after) encamped himself strongly six miles from Placentia: and the morrow after in the fight of the enemies he put his men in array, and made them offer of battel. The night following there was a petty massacre committed in the Romans camp by the Gauls that came to aid: but greater was the garboil and tumult, then the harm indeed. For about 2000 footmen, and 300 horsemen, having slain the warders at the gates, fled away to Annibal: whom he spake courteously unto, and when he had drawn them on, in hope of great gifts and rewards, he dismissed every one into his own City and Countreys to sollicit and perwade their countreimen to side with him. Scipio taking that massacre as a foretoken and overture to the Gauls revolt in general: and supposing, that now being once guilty and tainted with this offence, they would in a madnes run all to take arms and rise. Although still he were fore of his late wound, yet the night following at the relief of the fourth watch, he marched stilly, and removed his camp near the river Trebia, into the higher countries, and hills, that were more troublesome for men of arms. But he wrought not so closely and without the knowledge of the enemy, as he did at Ticinus. For Annibal having sent out, first, the Numidian light horse, and then all his Cavalry: without question had disordered and endamaged the rereward, but that the Numidians for greediness of prey and booty, diverted aside, and turned into the tents, abandoned and forsaken of the Romans. Where, whiles they spent time in ransacking and rifling every corner of the camp (and when all was done, could find no pillage worth the stay) the enemy escaped their hands. And when as they had espied that the Romans were newly got over Trebia, and pitched out a plot for a camp, they intercepted a few of them that lingered about the river, and slew them. Scipio not able now to abate any longer the grief and pain of his wound, by reason of the shaking and shogging of his body as he travelled, and thinking it good to expect the coming of the other Consul his Colleague, (whom he heard already to be sent for out of Sicily) chose out a place near thier which seemed most safe for to encamp in, and it he fortified. Annibal also lay not far off in camp: who as he was proud upon the late battel of horsemen, so was he perplexed for want of victuals, which scarcity encreased upon him every day more and more.

\* About 25 English miles, as appeareth before in this book.



as he travelled through the enemies country, finding in no place provision aforehand. Whereupon, he went to *Clisidium*, a town wherein the Romans had bestowed and laid up great store of grain: where, as he prepared with violence to force the town, there appeared some hope of treason; by corrupting of *P. Brundisius*, the captain of the garrison there, and that with great sum of money; for in consideration only of 400. peeces of gold given unto him, *Clisidium* was betrayed unto *Annibal*: the very storehouse and garner of corn that the Carthaginians had, all the while they were in leaguer near *Trebia*. Upon those prisoners that were taken when the garrison and fort was betrayed, he exercised no cruelty, because that in the beginning of his affairs, he would win himself a name and opinion of clemency.

Whiles the war by land continued thus at *Trebia*, there had been some warlike exploits achieved both by sea and land about *Sicily*, and the Islands that lie against *Italy* near unto it, both by *Sempronius* the Consul, and also before his coming. Twenty galleys with five ranks of Oars, and a thousand armed men, were sent from the Carthaginians to invade and waste the coasts of *Italy*. Nine of them arrived at \* *Liparae*: eight fell with the Island of \* *Vulcano*, and three were driven by tempest into the Straights of *Sicily*. Against them being destroyed within kennings, there were twelve ships let out from \* *Messana*, by *Hiero* King of the Saraceni, who hapned at that time to be in *Messana*, attending the Roman Consul his coming and without any resistance made he boarded those three ships, and brought them away into the Haven of *Messana*. By those that were taken prisoners, it was known, that besides the twenty ships afore said, left against *Italy* (of which Fleet they were) 35 galleys of five course of Oars, made sail for *Sicily*, to solicit and persuade the old allies there to revolt. Item, that the especial point and design that they shot at, was to seize upon \* *Lilybaeum*: but they thought verily that by the same gulf or tempest wherein they were scattered, that other Fleet also was cast upon the Island *Aegades*. And according to this intelligence, the King from *Messana* a writeth to *Emilius* the Roman Pretor or Governor of *Sicily*, advising him to keep a strong garrison in *Lilybaeum*: whereupon the Lieutenants and Colonels about the Pretor, were sent from him with all speed to all the Cities about, to give order, that their people might be in readines, to keep good ward, and above all, to hold *Lilybaeum* sure. And for preparation of war, there were forth victuals and meat ready dressed, to the end that upon the signal given at an hours warning, without all delay, they should a shipboard: also that all that dwelt along the coast, should from their sentinels, watch-towers, and beacons, cry when the enemies fleet approached. Now (albeit the Carthaginians of purpose stayed the course of their ships, that they might come just before day to *Lilybaeum*) they were discovered, both for that the Moon shone all night, and also because they came under sail which they had hoisted up. So soon therefore as the signal was given out of the Sentinels and watch-towers, & alarm cried in the town, the mariners were soon embarked the soldiers also were bestowed, some to man and guard the walls, and guard the gates, others to lie in the ships. But the Carthaginians perceiving, they were to deal with them that were provided for them, (as being advertised of their coming) forbore to enter the haven until day, and employed the time in striking sails, in untackling their ships, and preparing them for a battle. When it was broad day light, they retired into the deep, to have sea room enough to fight: and that the enemies ships might have free egress out of the haven. The Romans for their part refused not battle, comforting themselves with the remembrance of the valiant exploits performed in that very place, and trusting also upon the number and valour of their soldiers. They were not so soon launched into the open sea, but the Romans were desirous to grapple, and to come close to hand fight: but contrariwise, the Carthaginians held off aloof, willing to proceed by cunning and policy more than by strength and meer force; and to make trial rather of the nimbleness and agility of their ships, then either of the prowess of men, or goodness of armour: for as their Fleet was insufficiently furnished, and to the full, with a multitude of mariners, so was it ill provided of soldiers: and wheresoever they grappled together, and came to hand-fight, they had not an equal number of men armed to hold play with the enemies: which being once perceived, the Romans gathered heart, and redoubled their courage, by reason of their number; the other side again were discouraged and out of heart, for their default of soldiers. Inasmuch as seven Carthaginian galleys were soon invested round and boarded, the rest fled. Of soldiers and mariners together, 1700. were in them taken; amongst whom, there were three great Gentlemen of Carthage. The Roman fleet still entire and whole, save one vessel only that was wounded and pierced (yet able to be brought back) returned into the haven.

Presently after this battle, and before that they of *Messana* had knowledge thereof, *T. Sempronius* the Consul arrived at *Messana*: and as he entered within the sound, King *Hiero* met him with a fleet well furnished and richly decked, and coming forth of his royal ship into the Admiral of the Consul's he welcomed him, and rejoiced for the safe return of his men and ships, and prayed God that his voyage into *Sicily* might prove happy and fortunate. Then shewed he unto him the present estate, and the affairs of the Island; opened the designs of the Carthaginians; and promised withal, that with as good a mind and sound heart, as in the former war against the Carthaginians when he was a young man, he had aided the people of *Rome*; to now in his old age he would assist them; and for proof hereof, he would of his own free cost furnish both the Consul's legions, and also the mariners with corn and rayment. Among other matters he informed him how *Lilybaeum*, and other Cities on the sea coast were in great danger, by reason of

\* *Liparae*, one of the Islands *Eolie*.

\* *Vulcano*, another of the same Islands, \* *Messana*.

\* *Messana* a City in *Sicily*, and a Cape there, called the Eye of *Sicily*.

A some among them that desired a change and alteration. Whereupon the Consul thought good to make no delay, but to set sail with all speed to *Lilybaeum*, whom the King and his royal fleet accompanied: and as they were sailing, tidings came of the foresaid battle before *Lilybaeum*, and how the enemies ships were either scattered and put to flight, or boarded and taken.

The Consul having bid King *Hiero* adieu, with his fleet (set sail from *Lilybaeum*, leaving behind him the Pretor to defend the coast of *Sicily*, and crossed the sea himself to the Island \* *Melita*, which was held by the Carthaginians. At whose coming, *Amilcar* the son of *Gisco*, Captain of the garrison there, rendered himself and 2000. soldiers within a very few, together with the Town and the Island. From whence, within few days he returned to *Lilybaeum*: where the prisoners (excepting certain noble persons of high parentage) were by the Consul and the Pretor both sold openly in port-a-le. When the Consul thought *Sicily* on that coast sure enough, he set sail from thence towards the Islands of *Vulcano*, for that the bruit went that a fleet of Carthaginians there lay at road: but there were no enemies to be found about those Islands: for it chanced they were already passed over to waste along the river and coast of *Italy*; and having forsook the territory of \* *Vibo*, they put the City also in great fear. As the Consul returned back again to *Sicily*, tidings came that the enemy had made rodes into the country of *Vibona*: and he received letters also from the Senat, concerning the coming of *Annibal* into *Italy*, and therefore that he should with all speed possible aid and succour his Colleague. The Consul being at once troubled with many cares, presently embarked his army, and by the Adriatick sea, sent them away to \* *Ariminum*. To *Sextus Pompeius* his Lieutenant, he gave the charge of 25 Gallies for the defence of the territory of *Vibo* and the sea-coast of *Italy*. With *M. Emilius* the Pretor he left a fleet augmented to the number of fifty sail: which done, and all things set in order in *Sicily*, himself with ten ships coasted along *Italy*, and arrived at \* *Ariminum*, from whence he put himself in his journey, and marched with one army to the river *Trebia*, where he joined with his fellow Consul. Now were both Consuls, and the whole puissance and force of the Romans opposed against *Annibal*, so as it appeared plainly, that either with that power the Empire of *Rome* might be defended or else all their hope was gone. Howbeit, one of the Consuls being weakened and discouraged with the defeat of his horsemen in one battle, and dismayed besides with the hurt he had received in his body, desired to have the fight deferred: but the other coming fresh and lusty, and thereby more hardy, would abide no delay.

It tell out so at that time, that the Gauls inhabited all the Country between the two rivers *Trebia* and *Po* who whiles these two most puissant nations were at strife and warred held off as neutrals, and favoured neither side, making full account of the good will and grace of that part which should have the better. The Romans because they would now make no stir, and have no more irons in the fire, took the matter well enough: but *Annibal* was very much therewith offended, giving out very often, that he was sent for by the Gauls for their deliverance and liberty. Upon this indignation and displeasure, and for that also he would feed his men with booties, he commanded 2000 footmen, and a thousand horsemen, most of them Numidians, and some Gauls among, to overrun and spoil all the country forward, even to the banks of *Po*. The Gauls standing in need of help, and having until that time kept themselves in doubtful teams, were forced to turn from those that offered them wrong, and to encline and cleave unto the Romans that should revenge their injuries and protect them. Whereupon they sent Embassadors to the Consuls, requesting the Romans help for their land, which by reason of the exceeding fidelity, and too much loyalty of the inhabitants toward them, was now endangered. *Cornelius* liked neither the cause, nor yet the time to deal in such affairs: he had the nation besides in suspicion and jealousy, as well for many treacherous parts, as also (in case he would or could forget all other low pranks of theirs) for the same disloyalty and falseness of the Boians. *Sempronius* contrariwise thought it the surest bond to keep their allies in faith and allegiance, to defend those that came first to band and side with him. But notwithstanding his Colleague cast doubts and held off, yet he sent his own Cavalry, and a thousand well near of footmen darters amongst them, to guard the country of Gaul beyond *Trebia*: who coming suddenly upon the enemies, and charging them at unawares, as they came scattered afield, and out of order, yea, and most of them laden with spoil, mightily affrighted them, and made a foul slaughter and pursued them in flight, as far as to their standing camp, and corps de guard. From whence (nevertheless) they were beaten back by the multitude that issued forth: but by new succors from their own companies, they renewed the fight again. The fight afterward was doubtful and variable: and although they made a saving bargain on both parts yet the common voice gave the honor of victory (such as it was) to the Romans rather than the enemies. But no man made a greater matter of it, and reckoned it more to the full, than the Consul himself. "He joyed, he made his boast, that he had got the better, with the help of the same forces, which under the conduct of the other Consul, came by the worse. And now (saith he) the soldiers are comforted and refreshed well enough, and none there is but my brother Consul that would have the battle deferred: who no doubt is more hen-hearted than boldly hurt: and for the remembrance and smart of a little green wound, quaketh to hear of the field & of all things cannot away with edge-tools. But we must not thus sit still here and wax aged for the pleasure of one cratie and sickly person. For what reason is it, that we should drive off longer, and spend more time in vain? What other Consul expect we to make up the third? or what army besides should we look for? The Carthaginians lie encamped in *Italy*, and well near within the view and sight

\* *Melita*.

\* *Vibona*, or *Vibona*.

\* *Ariminum*.

\* *Sextus*.

"of the City of Rome; and it is neither *Sicily* nor *Sardinia* taken from them by conquest, nor Spain on this side *Iberus*, which they shoot at, to win again: but that the Romans should be thrust out of their native soil and country wherein they were born, that is their drift and designment. Oh how deeply (quoth he) would our Fathers sigh, how heartily would they groan, they who were wont to manage war about the walls of *Carthage*, if they should see us their off-spring and children, two Consuls with Consular and royal armies in the midst of Italy, frightened thus and panting for fear within our camp? And that *Annibal* hath lubbard and brought under his subjection all the country between the *Alps* and *Apenninus*? These and such like speeches uttered he to his Collegue, as he sat by his beds side, where he lay sick: thus spake he, as in an open audience, in the Coss, pavilion and all that quarter, to the soldiers. The time also of the Election of magistrates at Rome, being so near at hand, let him forward for fear, lest the war should be deferred unto the new Coss, and the opportunity withal, of winning all the honor to himself whilst his Collegue continued sick, pricked him on. Whereupon, for all the contradiction of *Cornelius*, which he nothing weighed and regarded, commandment he gave to his soldiers to be ready to give battel anon unto the enemy. *Annibal* as one that knew and saw well enough what was bet and faine for his enemy, could hardly imagine or conceive any hope to himself, that the Consuls would enterprize any thing rashly, or without advisement: but when he understood by hear-say, that which afterwards by good proof and experience he found true, namely, that the one of them by nature was hot, haughty, proud, and furious; and supposing, that he was the prouder and more furious for the late good deed he had of his forragers: made no doubt and distrust of the happy success and issue of a battel, whensoever it should come. Marry, careful he was, that no good time and opportunity presented unto him, should be overlapt: but to try the hazard and fortune of the field, whilst the enemies soldiers were raw and untrained, and the better and wiser man of the two Generals, was unmoved for service, by reason of his wound as yet uncur'd and the courages of the Gauls lusty and forward: for well he wist, that a mighty number of them would the more unwillingly follow, the further they were drawn from their own home. *Annibal*, I say, hoping that by these and such like occasions, a battel would be soon offered: desirous also himself to bid battel, if the enemy itaid long: and being advertised besides by the Gauls, his espials (whom he employed to hearken out and learn what he desired to know, and thought them more sure, because they served in both camps) that the Romans were ready for the field: then began he (crafty Carthaginian as he was) to seek out a convenient place for an ambush. Now there was in the mid way between, a river running within the borders, having very high banks of either side, and there ore lying close hidden, and all about overpied with moony weeds, with briars, brambles, and brush-wood: as for the most part, such forrest places are overgrown withal. Which when *Annibal* in person had ridden about, and well viewed, perceiving that it would afford lurking holes handom enough even for horsemen there to be hidden. This shal be the place (quoth he to his brother *Mago*) which you shall keep. Chuse therefore out of all the horse and foot a hundred lusty fellows of each: and see you repair with them to me at the first watch, for now is it time to take repast, and to refresh your bodies. And with that he sent out to the camp the Criers, to call the soldiers to supper. And long it was not, but *Mago* was come with his chosen men, I see (quoth *Annibal*) ye are goodly men of perion, and sufficient, And that ye may be as able in number, as hardy in courage, elect ye also out of the Cornets of horse and squadrons of foot, nine a piece, such as your selves to fort withal. *Mago* shal show you the ground where ye must lie in ambush: you shal find the enemy as blind as beetles, altogether unacquainted with these feats and cunning devices.

Thus *Annibal* having committed unto *Mago* a thousand horsemen and as many footmen himselfe times in the morning, willed the Numidian Cavalry, when they were passed over the river *Trebia*, to ride braving before the gates of the enemies, and by darting and shooting into their guards to provoke and draw them forth to fight: with this direction moreover, when the skirmish was begun, to fall off, and seem to retire by little and little, and so to train them on this side the river. This charge had the Numidians. But the other Captains, as well of foot as horse, were commanded to let their Companies all to their breakfast: which done, to arm themselves, and with their horses ready saddled, to attend the signal of battel. *Sempronius* upon the alarm and hurlyburly of the Numidians, as being forward and desirous of fight, first brought forth all his horsemen, and bare himself bold and confident in that service: after that fix thousand footmen: and at last, all his whole forces: and led them to a place which before he had designed and appointed in his mind. It fell out to be in Winter, about the midst of December, and a snowy day it was in those parts lying between the *Alps* and *Apenninus*. Now by reason of the rivers and moors so near both horse and men were exceeding cold: also for that they were hasty on a sudden, called forth tall, and unprovided of all means against the cold, they had never a whit of heat left in them: and the nearer they came to the air and vapour of the river, the sharper cold pinched and pierced them through. But when as once they followed upon the Numidians that gave back, and were entered into the water (which by reason of the rain that fell by night was risen breast-high) they were not so soon gotten out again of the river, but all their bodies began to chill, and he first again for cold that scarcely they could hold their weapons: and withal, as the day went further on, for very hunger they fainted. But *Annibal* his soldiers, who in the mean time had made fires before their tents, and had oyl sent them to every company, for to supple and soften their joints

And limbs, and taken their repast, and eared at leisure: when they heard say, that the enemies were passed the river, with hearts courageous and bodies fresh and lusty, take them to their weapons, and come forth to fight in ordinance of battel. The *Balcears* and light armed men, to the number almost of 8000, he ranged before the standards in the front: after them he placed the footmen, better appointed and armed to the proof, even the very strength and manhood of all his forces: about the wings he set 10000 horsemen, and behind those wings, he divided and appointed his Elephants both on the one side and the other.

The Consul *Sempronius* seeing his horsemen following the chase on the spur, and out of order: and how at unawares they were charged again by the Numidians, who upon a sudden turned and B made head upon them, founded the retreat: and when they were rallied about him, he compassed his footmen with them. The Romans were in number 18000, of Allies and Latines 2000, besides the aids of the *Cenomani*: which Nation of the Gauls only, continued faithful and true to the Romans. With these forces came they into the field, and began the battel. The first charge of the skirmish was given by the Islanders of *Baleares*, upon whom, when the legions made head with greater violence, their light armed men were quickly brought into the wings: which was a cause that the Roman horsemen presently were uncharged and distressed. For whereas of themselves they were but 4000, horse, and hardly able to withstand the shock often thousand horsemen of the other, the Romans also were wearied, but most of the Carthaginians fresh and untainted: over and besides, they were overwhelmed with a cloud (as it were) of darts, flung and shot by the *Baleare* Islanders: Moreover the Elephants which appeared aloft from the hindmost ends of the wings frighted the horses especially, and not only with the strange sight, but also with as uncouth a scent and favor, made them flee every way. The battel of the Infantry was equal in courage of heart, rather then in strength of body: which the Carthaginians, (as having a little afore taken repast) brought fresh with them into the field: but contrariwise the Romans were tiring and weary, and for cold even stark and benumbed. Howbeit their stomachs would have served to have held out and withstood to the end, if they might have fought with footmen only. But both the *Balcears*, having disordered the horsemen, flanked them with their flory, and also the Elephants by this time were entered into the middle battalion of footmen: and withal, *Mago* and the Numidian light horse (so soon as this battailon was unawares gone past their armament and lurking holes) stare up and arose from behind, and put them in exceeding trouble and fright. Yet for all these inconveniences and disadvantages (so many on every side) the main batel a good while stood unmoving and stirced not, but kept the array, and especially (beyond the expectation of all men) against the Elephants. For certain footmen placed for the purpose by flinging of darts forced them to turn head: and when they were once turned forwards, they followed hard upon them, pricking and galling them under the tails. In which place by reason of the tender skin they are soon wounded. Whom when *Annibal* saw thus feared and ready to turn upon their own part, from the main battel to the flanks and outflanks, he commanded them to be driven unto the left wing upon the Gauls that came to aid, and presently enforced them to run away. The Romans seeing their auxiliary Gauls put to flight, were driven into a new fear. Whereupon fighting now as it were in a ring and round on both sides, there were among them to the number also of 10000, who seeing no way else to escape, brake through the middle battalion of the Africans, which was strengthened with the aid of the Gauls, and that with a great slaughter of their enemies: and seeing they neither could return into their camp (the river being between) nor for the rain well discern how to succour their fellows, they took the way straight to *Placentia*. After this, the rest brake forth in all parts. They that took the river either perished in the streams and whirl-pools: or such as made stay to enter, were by the enemy overtaken and slain. But as many as here and there fled scattering through the fields, following the footing and tracks of the battailon that retired back, came to *Placentia*. Some for fear of the enemy, adventured boldly to take the river, and being once over, recovered the camp. The rain and snow together, and the intolerable cold killed many, as well men as beasts: and in manner all the Elephants. The Carthaginians followed the enemies in chase as far as *Trebia*, and there gave over: and returned into the camp so clumsey and frozen, as scarcely they felt the joy of their victory. By reason whereof, the night following, when as the guard of the Roman camp, and the remnant of that great company of soldiers passed *Trebia* with float-boats and flat barges, the Carthaginians either perceived them not indeed for the noise the tempestuous rain made, or for weariness and sore wounds were not able to stir, and therefore made semblance, as though they knew not of it. And so whilst the Carthaginians were at rest, the army was by *Scipio* the Consul brought (in a still march) to *Placentia*: and from thence having crossed the *Po*, came to *Cremona*, because one Colony alone should not be charged with the wintering of two armies at one time.

G Upon this defeat and overthrow, there arrived such fearful tidings at Rome, that they believed verily and looked for no other but that the enemy would come with banner displayed straight to the very City: and that there was no hope nor help left behind to defend their gates and walls from assault and violence. For seeing that the one Consul was vanquished at *Ticinus* and the other also, who was called unto him out of *Sicily*: since both Consuls, and two consular armies were thus defeated, what other Captains, what Legions remained now to be sent for, to aid? As they were in this agony and fear, *Sempronius* the Consul came home: who with very great danger had passed through the enemies Cavalry, which was spread here and there all about, to fetch in booties: and

and more by venturous hardihoods then good advice and hope, either to mislead them unprovided, or to resist if he had hapned upon them, he got away. And after he had held the assembly for election of the Consuls (the only thing above all other for that present most desired) he returned into his standing camp to winter in. Now there were created Consuls, *Cn. Servilius*, and *Cn. Flaminius* the second time.

Howbeit the Romans were not in quiet within their wintering camp: for the Numidian horsemen ranged about, and made excursions into every quarter, and (those who troubled and emperched them, more then they) the Celtiberians and Portugals. Whereby all convoy of victuals from every part was stopped, but only that which came by the *Po*, in keels and such like vessels. Neer to *Placentia* there was a merchants town, both fortified strongly, and also well furnished with a good garrison: upon hope to force that castle or town, *Annibal* went with his horse and foot, lightly armed; and supposing that to carry the matter covertly, would avail much to the effecting of his purposed enterprise, he came upon them in the night; howbeit he was not so close and secret, but he was discovered by the watch: who suddenly set up such an alarm, that it was heard as far as *Placentia*. Whereby, the Consul somewhat before day was there with his Cavalry, having commanded the Infantry to march on after, ranged in a square battalion. In the mean while the horsemen skirmished, wherein *Annibal* was hurt, and departed out of the skirmish, by which means the enemies were frightened, and the Cattle and hold manfully defended. After few days that he had taken his ease, before he was well cured of his wound, he went forward to assault *Vicentia*. That was a town full of merchandise (or market town) and had been fortified by the Romans in the Gauls war, whereupon the people bordering thereabout on every side, went thither to make repair, and much frequented the same: and even then for fear of rodes and excursions many of the Peasants and rural people retired themselves thither for refuge. This multitude (such as they were) upon the report of the valiant holding and defence of the fort by *Placentia* were encouraged, and took arms, and went forth to encounter *Annibal*. And in the midway they chanced to affront him and skirmish. In no battle array, but as they marched disorderly: whereas they were on the one side, none but a rude and confused sort; and on the other side, both a Captain that might trust his soldiers, and soldiers also that might reckon upon their Captain, there were to the number of 3000, discomfited and put to flight, even by a few of their enemies. The morrow after, they yielded themselves and received a garrison within the walls: and so soon as upon commandment to give up their armor, they had obeyed and so done; presently a signal was given unto the conquerors to sack and spoil the town, as if it had been forced by assault: where there was nothing often and omitted any calamity whatsoever, that might afford in such a safe memorable matter & sufficient argument for writers to record. So pitiful examples were practised upon the poor wretched, of all loofness and lust, cruelty, and inhuman pride and outrage. And the were the expeditions and enterprises of *Annibal* achieved for this winter time.

After this the soldiers took repose, but no longer then the intolerable cold lasted: For immediately upon the very first and doubtful tokens of spring; he departed from his wintering hold, and led his army into *Tuscany*, purposing to adjoin unto him (either by force or love) that nation also, as well as the Gauls and Ligurians. But as he passed over *Apenninus*, there arose so terrible a storm and tempest, and surprised him, that it surmounted well-near the foul trouble and encumbrance endured in the *Alps*. For the wind and rain together did beat and drive upon their very faces. At the first, for that either they were to lay away their armor, or else in striving and labouring to march on against the weather, and by the whirly-puffs of wind turned round about, and ready to be borne down, they stood still: but when as now the violence and fury of the storm, stopped their breaths, suffered them not to take their wind at will, they were fain to turn their backs, and sit them down on the ground for a time. Then, the sky thundered aloud, and made an horrible noise, and amid those terrible cracks redoubled, it lightened thick. Whereupon they lost their hearing and seeing; and for fear, all of them became astonished. At length it poured down and thereby the wind and storm encouraged more forcibly upon them. Whereupon they were driven N to this necessity, even to pitch their camp, even in that very place where they were so suddenly caught and overtaken by tempest. But that was to them the beginning of a new toil and travel: for neither could they spread and display ought, nor pitch any thing surely: neither would that which was pight down continue and abide the wind, which rent and tare, and broke every thing, and hurried it clean away. And within a while, the water that fell, and by reason of the wind was raised aloft, being congealed once upon the cold tops of the hills, turned into a kind of hail and snow together, and came upon them with such a force, that leaving all things else, the men were forced to lie along, groveling upon their faces, rather stifled and smothered, then covered with their billings. Hereupon ensued a frost, so violent and outrageous, that of that miserable and pitiful heap of men and beasts, that lay there along, there was not one for a good while could raise himself up himself when he would, by reason, that for stark cold their sinews were benumbed, that they could hardly bend and bow their joints. Afterwards, at length, when with bestirring and chasing their limbs, they got some heat, and came again to themselves, and that here and there in some places they began to make fires: every one that had no means so to do, ran and fled to the furor and help of others. Thus for two days they remained there pinned up as if they had been besieged. Many a man and beast, and seven Elephants also of them that remained after the battle at *Trebia*, were starved and perished.

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A By occasion hereof, *Annibal* departed from *Apenninus*, back again toward *Placentia*: and when he had marched ten miles on his way, he let him down and encamped. The morrow after he led against the enemy 12000 foot, and 5000, horse. *Sempronius* the Consul also, being now returned from *Rome*, refused not battle: and the same day, the enemies were distant but three miles asunder. The morrow after they fought on each side most fiercely and courageously, and with variable event and fortune. At the first-on set, the Romans had the better hand, so far forth, as that not only in fight they overcame their enemies, but also after they had discomfited them, and put them back, they chased them into their camp, and anon assailed the same. *Annibal* having ordained some few to defend the rampart and the gates, retired the rest thick and close together into the midst of the camp, and commanded them to give ear and be inventive to the signal, when he would have them issue forth. Now was it the \* ninth hour of the day, when the Roman Consul having toile and wearied his soldiers to no purpose, and seeing no hope to win the camp, founded the retreat. Which so soon as *Annibal* heard and saw the light withal to slack and wax cold, and the enemy retired back from the camp, presently sallied forth himself with the whole strength of his Infantry, for he had sent out his horsemen both on the right hand and the left after the enemies. There had not been lightly a more fierce and cruel battle struck, and more memorable for the final mischief of both parts, if the day would have given them time to have fought longer. But the night parted the fray, which was hotly begun with exceeding stomach and courage. Whereupon, the confronting and charging one of another, was more eager then the laughter bloody between them; and as the fight in manner was equal, so they parted with loss alike. For of each side there died above six hundred footmen, and half as many horsemen. But the loss on the Romans side was greater than in proportion of the number, because certain of the degree and calling of Knights, and five Colonels, and three Captains of the Allies, were slain.

After this journey, *Annibal* went into the country of the Ligurians, and *Sempronius* to *Lucca*. To welcome *Annibal* at his first coming into *Liguria* there were desired unto him two Roman Questors or Treasurers, *Cn. Fulvius*, and *L. Lucretius* who were intercepted by the Ligurians: & taken in a train of ambush, with two Colonels, and five others besides, whose fathers by calling were as good as Senators fellows: and this was done, because he should shew himself the better, that the peace and amity contracted with them, would be faithfully kept and observed.

D Whiles these things thus passed in *Italy*, *Cn. Scipio* who was sent into *Spain* with a fleet and army for sea and land; having set sail from the mouth of *Rodanus*, and compassed the mountains *Pyrenei*, arrived at a place called *Emporia*: where he disembarked and landed his forces and reduced unto the Roman Empire all the country, beginning at the *Lacertans* and so from thence all the sea coast as far as to the river *Iberus*, partly by renewing their ancient leagues, and partly by devising means to contract new. Whereupon, there arose a great name of him for his clemency: where he prevailed not only with the States by the sea side but also amongst the inlanders: and mountainers, even to the nations that were more fierce & savage: with whom he not only made peace, but also wrought them so, that they took arms in his quarrel; and there were levied from among them, certain strong cohorts and bands for to aid and succour him. *Hanno*, whom *Annibal* had left for defence of that province, was not ignorant hereof: and therefore, before all was gone, and the country alienated, he thought good to meet with this mischief: and having pitched his camp in sight of the enemies, set his men in ordinance of battle. The Roman Captain likewise resolved not to defer the fight: knowing that so, he might be forced to encounter both with *Hanno* and *Asdrubal*, and rather yet he desired to deal with them one after the other single, than at once with both. But this battle was not so much dangerous, six thousand enemies were left behind slain, and two thousand taken prisoners, together with those that were left for the guard of the camp. For both the camp was forced and won, and also the General himself with certain guards was taken prisoner. Moreover *Scissum*, a town neer unto the camp, was won by assault: howbeit the spoil and pillage of the town were matters of small worth and value; namely, the household stuff, and such pelf and trumpery of barbarous people, and certain poor base slaves. It was the camp that enriched the soldiers: by reason that not only the army which was now vanquished, but that also which with *Annibal* served in *Italy*, and left behind them about *Pyreneus*, all good things to speak of, that they set store by, because they would go lightly, and not be encumbered with carriages. Before any certain report of this overthrow came to *Asdrubal*, he had passed over *Iberus* with 8000, footmen, and 1000 horsemen, as purposing to make head against the Romans at their first coming: but when he heard how the field was lost, and the camp withal, he turned his journey to the sea. And not far from *Tarraco*, he found the soldiers of the *Armado*, and the mariners besides, wandering and stragling over the fields (for usual it is, that happy success should breed careless negligence) whereupon he sent out his horsemen every way, and with great laughter and flight he chased them to their ships: and not adventuring to make any longer stay thereabout, for fear to be surprised of *Scipio*, he retired back to the other side of *Iberus*. *Scipio* also upon the first report of these new enemies, having rallied his forces together in great haste, after he had slightly chastised a few Captains, and left behind him a small garrison at *Tarraco*, returned with his fleet to *Emporia*. He had no sooner departed from thence, but *Asdrubal* was there in his place; and having induced and incited the State of the *Ilergetes* (who had given hostages to *Scipio*) for to revolt and rebel, even with their own youth wasted the territories of all those that continued faithful confederates to the Romans. Afterwards, when *Scipio* was routed

\* Three of the clock after noon.

\* *Tarragona*.

rouled once out of the place where he wintered, the enemy retired again, and quit all the country on that side *Ilerus*. Then *Scipio* having in hostile manner invaded the countries, abandoned and left by him that was the author and cause of their rebellion, and by that means the nation likewise of the *Ilergetes*, after he had driven them all within *Athanasia*, which is their capital town, he laid siege unto it round about, and within few days brought the whole feignory of the *Ilergetes* under his obedience: and besides a greater number of hostages then before (which they were constrained to deliver) he condemned them in a good round sum of money. From thence he went forward against the *Auletanes*, near to *Iberus*, being associates also to the *Carthaginians*: and having beleaguered their City, he fore-layed and interpreted the *Lacerans* as they came by night to succour their neighbors, not far from the town, even as they were at the point to enter in. There were slain of them 12000, and therewith well-near all diarmed, fled every way scattering here and there over the fields home to their houses. All the help and defence that they had who were within, was only the foul and cold winter weather, evermore naught and hurtful to assailants that lie forth. The siege lasted thirty days, during which time, seldom fell the snow less then four foot deep, and so covered the pentiles and mantlets of the *Romans*, that when the enemies flung fire and sundry times thereupon that alone saved the same, & nothing else. In the end, upon the depairure of their Prince *Amurcius*, who was fled to *Afric*, they yielded, upon condition to pay twenty talents of silver, & so *Scipio* returned to *Tarraco*, thence to winter.

\* 3750 pound sterling, according to the 1-15 Antick Talent.

\* The goddess Hope.

\* *Pescara*.

\* 1440 l. ster.

\* 15. day of March.

\* Of eight Ton and better.

But that year, at *Rome* and about the City, were many strange and prodigious signs seen, or at leastwise (a thing usual when mens minds are once touched with religion, and given to make (scumple) many were reported, and soon beleaved. Among which, this was one: that a babe of condition free born, and but half year old, cried with a loud voice in the herb market to *Triumphe*. Also in the bealls market, an Ox of himself undriven, climbed up to the third loft or story of an house, and from thence being frighted with the stir and noise of the dwellers by, cast himself down. Moreover, there was seen in the welkin or element, the resemblance of a navy of ships; and the Temple of Lady *\* Spes*, standing in the herb market, was smitten with lightning. Likewise at *Lavinium* the spear of *Juno* shook and brandished of itself: and a Raven flew into *Juno's* Church, and lighted upon the very Shrine or Altar of *Juno*. In the territory of *\* Amittum*, in many places were seen men, as it were, in white garments, but only afar off: for as folk went neerer and neerer, they appeared not, and could not be met withal. In *Picenum* it rained stones: and at *Cerv* the lots were found diminished: and in *Gaul*, a Wolfe drew forth a watchman his sword out of his scabbard, and carried it away. For other prodigious tokens, order was given to the Decemvirs to peruse the books of *Sibylla*. But for the raining of stones in *Picenum*, there was ordain a Novendial feast for nine days: and for the expiation of the other prodigies, the whole City in manner was occupied in their devotions. And now above all other things the City was solemnly purged, and greater beasts killed in sacrifice in the honor of those gods, for whom they were ordained, and a present of gold weighing 40, pound, was carried unto *Juno* at *Lavinium*. And the dames and matrons of *Rome* erected amolent image of brass for *Juno* in *Aventinum*: and at *Cerv* where the lots were diminished, was appointed a Lectistern, and a procession (or supplication) to *Fortune* in *Algidum*. At *Rome* also there was a Lectistern solemnized to *Jove* (the goddess of youth) and a solemn procession at the church of *Hercules*. Moreover, express commandment was given to all the people, to make procession and supplication at every Altar and Shrine of their gods. And to god *Genius*, they sacrificed five greater beasts, And *C. Atilius Serranus* the Pretor, was commanded to pronounce a solemn vow, in case the Common-weal continued in the same good estate, ten years, and decayed not. These portentous prodigies thus expiated, and vows made according to *Sibylla's* books, called mens hearts mightily of their religious fear. Then one of the elect Consuls, to wit, *Flaminius*, to whom were allotted those Legions which wintered at *Placentia*, sent an Edict with Letters to the Consul, that the Army should bein camp at *Ariminum*, upon the \* Ides of March. His purpose was, to enter into his Consulship in the Province, remembering the old contentions and debates which he had with the Nobles, first when he was a Tribune of the Commons, and afterwards when he was Consul, as well about the Consulship (of which, they would have deprived him) as also, about the triumph, which they denied him. Hated he was besides of the Senat, for the new Act or Law, which *Q. Claudius* (a Tribune of the Commons) had made, to pre-judicial to the Senat: and only *C. Flaminius* (of all the Nobles, supported it and set it forward: namely, That no Senator, or father of a Senator, should have a Ship at Sea, bearing above 300. Amphores: for that was thought sufficient to transport their commodities and fruits to *Rome*, rising out of their Lands and livings. And as for all other gain by traffick, it was not beleeving a Nobleman and Senator. This matter having been debated with great contention, caused the proposer of this law (*Flaminius*) to incur much evil will and displeasure with the Nobility, but it procured him the affection and love of the Commons, and in process of time a second Consulship. Supposing therefore, that with iterating the Auspices, and putting him to take the prefages anew by the flight of birds, and by finding other delays, upon occasion of the Latine holy days, and one business or other belonging to the Consuls charge, they would detain and keep him back still in the City, he set a countenance, as though he would take a journey like a private person, and so departed secretly into the Province. Which thing, when it was once blazed abroad, made the Nobles who were afore maliciously bent against him, to be angry anew: and they gave out, that it was not the Senat only, that *C. Flaminius* wanted

against, but the immortal Gods also. For he, who before time had been made Cof, without regard of taking Auspices, and having the approbation of the birds, when he was reclaimed and called both by God and man out of the field, obeyed not: and now, having a heavy conscience, surcharged with offences past, hath fled from the Capitol and the solemn nuncupation and making of vows, for that he would not upon the ordinary day of entering his Magistracy, visit the Temple of *Jep. Opt. Max.* nor (because he was odious to the Senat, and they likewise hated of him alone) see them and ask their advice and counsel: nor proclaim the Latine Holy-dayes, and celebrate to *Jep. Latiatus*, the solemn yearly sacrifice upon the *Alban Hill*: nor yet, after he had entered into the Capitol by the lucky flight and token of birds, pronounce his vows there, and depart from thence in his rich coat-armour toward the Province. They said moreover, that he was slight and insolently away like a drudge that followeth the camp, without the enigns and ornaments of authority, without Sergeants and Officers, as if he had been banished, and so left his country, minding belike to enter his government more for the honor and dignity of *Arminum* than of *Rome*, and to put upon him his purple robe of estate, embroidered with scarlet rather in an hostelry and common Inn, than in his own house. They all every one opined and judged that he should be recalled and brought back again peremptorily, yea, and be forced personally at home to perform all duties belonging to God and man. before that he went forth to the Province and to the army. About this embassy (for they thought meet to send Embassadors) went *Q. Terentius*, and *M. Aemilius*: but they prevailed no more than in his former Consulship the letters missive had done, which were sent from the Senat. A few days after he entered his office, and as he was sacrificing, the Calf or young Bullock being already fittick, got away from the hands of the sacrificers, and spotted many of the standers by with blood. But they that stood far off, not knowing what the matter was of that stir, fled away, and ran to and fro: which of most men was judged a foretoken and preface of some great affright and trouble. After this, when he had received the two legions of *S. Serranus* the Consul of the year before, and other two, of *C. Atilius* the Pretor, he began to conduct his army into *Tuscany* by the way of *Apenninum*.

## The two and twentieth Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

#### The Breviary of L. Florus upon the two and twentieth Book.

**A** Nnibal came into *Hetruria*, after he had lost one of his eyes by occasion of continual watching in the marshes, through which he marched four dayes and three nights without taking his repose or sleep. *C. Flaminius* the Consul a rash and inconsiderate man, went forth, contrary to the warrant and approbation of the Auspices, and caused the field-ensigns to be digged out of the ground, when otherwise they could not be plucked up: and being mounted on Horseback, fell with his head forward from his horse. His fortune was to be surprised in an ambush by *Nnibal*, which he had laid for him near the Lake called *Thrasymenus*: where he and his army were defeated, and fell upon the edge of the sword. Six thousand *Romans*, who broke through and made an escape, notwithstanding the faithful promise that *Maharbal* had made unto them, were by the falsehood of *Nnibal* put in prison. When upon the news of this overthrow, there was great mourning and sorrow at *Rome*, there forsook two mothers to die for very joy, that beyond their hope and expectation, they recovered their sons, and saw them alive, whom they supposed to have been slain in that field. In regard of the fore-said defeat, there was vowed a sacred spring, according to the books of *Sibylla*. After this, when *Q. Fabius Maximus* the Dictator sent against *Nnibal*, would not come to a set battel with him, for fear he should hazard in fight the soldiers lately terrified and daunted with adversities, overtook him, against an enemy lusty and proud of so many victories, and by making head, and opposing himself only against *Nnibal*, emperched his attempts and enterprises. *Minutius* the General of his Horse, a man of a proud spirit and brain-sick humour, with charging the Dictator, and accusing him in the people for a fearful and cowardly person, prevailed so much, that by vertue of their power and authority, he was joynt in equal commission and command with the Dictator. By means whereof, the army and the forces were parted indifferently between them, and *Minutius* gave the enemy battel in a place of great disadvantage, whereupon his Legions were distressed & in great hazard: but *F. Maximus* came in time to his rescue with his part of the army, and saved him out of the present danger. By occasion of which goodturn, he was overcome, and his stomach came down, inasmuch as he was content to join in camp with him, and saluted him by the name of Father: commanding all his own soldiers to do the same to their fellow soldiers, and *F. Maximus*, *Nnibal* after he had fled and overrun *Campa*, chanced betwixt the Town *Castellum*, and the mountain *Calicula* to be inclosed and compassed about by *Fabius*: but by a device of firing little bins of dried sticks, unto oxen horns and setting them on fire, but to flight and to disperse the guards of the *Romans* which kept the streights of *Calicula*, and by that means gave through the passage of that forest. The same *Nnibal*, at what time as he made

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verence he had of the Gods themselves: which rashness, as it cost him nought, but was ingrafted in him by nature, so fortune had nourished and maintained the same with prosperous success in his affairs at home, and wars abroad; so as it appeared evidently, that since he respected neither God nor man, and deigned not to take their counsel and advice, he would go rashly to work, and do all in haste, hand over hand, without discretion. And to the end he might be more forward to plunge himself headlong into their infirmities and imperfections, *Annibal* deviled to anger him, and to move his patience. Leaving the enemy therefore on his left hand, he put himself into the way to *Segula* to wait and spoil the country of *Tesfary*; and shewed to the Consul a far off, what foul work and havoc he possibly could make, with fire and sword. Then *Flaminius*, who of himself would not have relied and fate still, in case *Annibal* had been quiet; seeing once the goods of his allies and friends, harried and driven away even before his eyes, and thinking it tended greatly to his shame and dishonour, that a Carthaginian should march thus at his pleasure, through the mids of *Italy*, and without any impeaching and controulement, to pass on forward, even to besiege and assault the walls of *Rome*; when all others about him sitting in council, gave advice for profit and safety, rather than for shew and bravery; namely, to pause awhile, and expect the coming of his Colleague, that they might with joyned armies, with one heart, and with common accord of council, conduct and manage the war: and in the mean time, with the Cavalry with Auxiliary or aid, soldiers lightly armed, repress the enemy, and slay him from spoiling so licitously at his pleasure; in a great chafe and choler he rose up, and departed out of the Council, and presently founded the march, and gave the signal of battail: and withal, "Nay we were best (quoth he) to remain and sit here till before the walls of *Aretium*: for this, be like, is our native country, and here is our place of habitation: as for *Annibal*, let him escape forth of our hands, and wast all *Italy*; let him spoil afore him, and over-run all with fire and sword, until he be as far as *Rome* walls: and let not us, in any case once stir from hence, before that the Senators send for *C. Flaminius* from *Aretium*, as sometimes they called *Cimbri* from *Vul*. With these and such like reproachful and taunting words, he commended in all his standards and ensigns to be plucked up, and called for his horse. He was not so soon mounted on his back, but the Horse fell presently, cast the Rider over and over, with his his head forward; and there lay *Flaminius* the Consul under foot. As they all, that attended about him, were astonished and troubled in mind, at this unlucky prelude and fore-token, in the very beginning of his enterprise: word moreover was brought unto him, that one of the port-ensigns was not: he to pull up his ensign, do what he could, and putting his whole strength into it. The Consul turning to the messenger. What? hast thou any letters besides (quoth he) from the Senat, to prohibit me for giving battail? go thy ways, and bid them dig up the ensign, with help of spade and mattock: if their hands be so benumbed for fear, that they can not pluck it up: and with that began the army to march. The principal Leaders and Captains, besides that they agreed not, but gained this courage, were much dismayed and terrified with this twofold prodigious sign: but the common soldiers rejoiced and took great pleasure, to see this forwardness and animosity of their General: having an eye rather to the end of their hope, than to the cause which they had to hope for. Now *Annibal* walked in all manner of hostility that he could devise, the territories between the Town *Catonis*, and the lake *Thersymenus*, and all to what the edge of the Consuls stomach, to chafe his hot blood, and to provoke him for to be revenged, for the harms and wrongs done to his good friends and allies. And come already they were to certain places, naturally made as it were for an ambush, whereas the lake *Thersymenus* lieth hard at the foot of the Hills of *Carnia*: for there is between, but a very straight and narrow passage, as if there had been left so much space of ground, only for that purpose, and nothing else. For if a man go but a little further, the plain lieth more open, and groweth larger, and from thence the hills begin to arise aloft. *Annibal* in the open ground pitched his camp, for himself with his Africans only and the Spaniards to lodge in, and made abode. The Balaerians, and the other light armed soldiers, he led about behind the Mountains: the Horsemen he placed at the very gullet of the straight passage, where the little hills handlemely covered and hid them close: to the end that, so soon as the Romans were entered in, when he had put forth his horsemen against the gullet of the straight, all might be enclosed within the lake and the Mountains. *Flaminius* being come to the lake the day before at the Sun setting: the morrow after, before it was full day light, without discovery and clearing the coasts by any scouts and espials sent out before, passed through the freights. After that his army began to be spread and displayed more at large, as the plain opened wider, he espied and perceived those enemies only which he had before his face: for the ambushes lay close hidden, both behind his back, and over his head. *Annibal* having once got the enemy (as he would) enclosed thus within the lake and the Mountains, and environed with his forces, gave the signal to them all for to charge: who came down every man the nearest way he could: and so much the more were the Romans affrighted and troubled with this sudden occurrent, by reason that the mist which arose out of the lake, was setled thicker in the plain, than upon the hills: whereby the Companies and Squadrons of their enemies coming out of many Vallies, were seen well enough one of another, and therefore more joyntly gave the charge all at once together. The Romans hearing the cry and shout which arose from all parts, before they could well discern and see, perceived themselves compassed all about and surprised, and were assailed both afore, and on their flanks, ere they could put themselves in battail-ray, as they ought, make

The battail at  
Thersymenus.

A their armour and weapons ready, and draw their swords. When all the rest were thus amazed, and at their wits end, the Consul alone, for all this imminent danger, shewed himself nothing daunted or afraid, but set in order the ranks and files which were shuffled and blended together, according as time and place would give him leave: and marshalled his soldiers, (who turned every way as they heard the loud and divers noises,) and in the best manner he could devise, he comforted and encouraged them, willing them to stand to it, and fight like men, for that there was now no means else to escape. "All the vows and invocations upon the Gods for their help; would not serve, but only it was mere force and mere manhood must do the deed: and they were to make way by dint of sword, through the midst of their enemies battailons: and the less men feared, the less danger commonly beideth them. Howbeit, by reason of the noise and hurlyburly, neither counsel nor command could be heard: and so far off were the soldiers from knowing their own Ensigns, their ranks and places, that scarcely their heart would serve them to take arms, and to buckle them, as they should, fitly for fight: in such sort, as some of them were surprised and born down laden rather with their harness, then covered and defended therewith. And in so great a mist and darkness, more use they had of ears than eyes: for at the groines of their wounded fellows, at the blows and strokes upon the bodies and armour resounding again, at the confused shouts and shrieks of hardy and fearful men one with another, they turned their faces, and cast their eyes every way. Some as they would have fled, light into the press of those that were fighting, and there were set fast: some again as they returned for to fight, were born backward by companies that ran away. Afterwards, when they had assayed in vain every way to get forth, and law well, that on both sides and flanks the mountains and the lake: that afore and behind, the enemies battailons hemmed them in, then they knew evidently there was no hope of life but in their right hand and force of arms. Then every man became a Captain, and encouraged himself to fight manfully: so as the battail began afire, not in order by the *Principes*, *Hastati*, and *Triarii*, nor according to the accustomed manner, whereby the vanguard should fight before the main battail and the standards, and behind them the rereguard, and that the soldier should keep his own legion, his own cohort, band, and company; but at a venture, even as it happened, so they went to it and buckled, pell mell: and as every mans heart served him, so he marshalled himself to fight, either before or behind. Their courage and animosity was so ardent, their spirits and minds so impetive to the battel, that being as there was, a terrible earthquake at the very instant, which overthrew and turned upside down, a great part of many Cities in *Italy*, turned aside the courses of great Rivers out of their channels, and drove their streams against the current, forced the Seas into fresh Rivers, yea, and overturned Mountains with mighty falls, and laid them flat: yet there was not a man who fought in that battail, that once heard or perceived it. The conflict lasted almost three hours. Sharp it was in every place, but about the Consul most cruel: and look in what place soever he saw his men distressed and in hazard, there courageously he aided them. By reason that the flower and bravest gallants followed him, and was himself for his own person goodly beate in his rich armour, he both assisted the enemy most furiously, and also defended his own citizens as valiantly; so long, until a certain Infubrian, a man of arms (*Dacurus* was his name) one that knew his viage well enough; This is (quoth he) to his countrymen: the Consul that defeated our army, put to the sword our Legions, wasted our territories, and he that destroyed and sacked our City. Now will I offer him as a sacrifice out of hand to the ghosts and spirits of those our fellow citizens, who by his means have been piteously slain: and therewith setting spurs to his horse, he rode through the thickest troop and press of his enemies: and when he had first slain his Elquier outright (who opposed his body between, and let himself against him, seeing him coming so furiously) he ran the Consul quite through the body with his lance. And when he would rather than his life have disarmed and rifled him, the *Triarii* steep with their targets over his corps, and to keep him off. Hereupon from hence first many began to flee: but anon, neither deep lake nor high mountain, could impeach and stop their fearfull flight: like blind men they ran and sought means to make escapes, were the lane never so narrow, were the hills never so steep and craggy, horse and man, man and armour, fell headlong one upon another. A number of them seeing no way else to escape, entered into the Lake by the swift edges and shallow brims thereof, waded so far, and went up so high, that they left their heads and shoulders only above the water. Some there were, who unadvisedly (such was their fear) sought to save themselves by swimming. Which being an endless piece of work, and beyond all hope, their wind and breath failing them, they were either stifled and swallowed up of the gulfs, or after that with too much haste, they had over-laboured and toiled out themselves, they did what they could to swim back again, and with much ado to recover the Land: and there, by the enemies Horsemen who had taken the water, were they killed every where, and cut in pieces. Six thousand or thereabout, of the vanguard, who lustily broke through the mids, mugged the heads of their enemies, unwitting of all that was done behind, escaped safe out of the gullet: and having seized the top of a little hill, there they stood, and might hear only the cries of men, the rattling and rustling sound of their armor, but how the battel went or sped, neither could they know, nor yet discern for the thickness of the dark mist. But now, when they were come to some odds and one side went down and had the worse, by which time the heat of the sun had broken and dispatched the mist, and the bright day appeared; then through the clear light, the hills and dales shewed evidently the havoc & overthrow that was made, and how the



the Roman army was foully difcomfited and defeated. For fear therefore, that the enemy (having it defied and feen them a far off) fhould fend out againft them the Cavalry, up they went with their Ensigns in all hafte, and got them away with all fpeed poffibly they could. The morrow after, when over and befides all other calamities, they were in danger of extreme famine, and that *Maharbal* (who with all his power of ftorie purfued them by night, and overtook them) had given his faithful word and promife, that if they delivered up their armour, he would fuffer them to depart in their fingle garments, they yielded themfelves. Which promife *Annibal* faw performed as truly, as all Carthaginians ufe to do, and falfc Carthaginian as he was, he clapt them all into prifon, and hung irons upon them. This is that noble and famous battel fought at the Lake *Thrafymenus*: and of thofe few overthrowes that the Romans had, the moft memorable of all others. 15000 Romans were there flain in fight: 10000 were fcattered: and flying through fundry parts of Tufcany, gat to *Rome*. 1500 of the enemies loft their lives in the field. But many more of both fides afterwards died of their wounds. Others there be that report much murder and flaughter on both fides. For mine own part (befides that, I love not to write vain untruths, nor any thing without good warrant, and yet the humour of writers for the moft part is too much given that way) I have followed for mine Author *Fabius* efpecially, who lived about the time of this war. *Annibal* having enlarged without ranfome as many of his prifoners as were Latins, and put the Romans in freight ward, culled out from among the heaps of his enemies that lay one upon another, the dead bodies of his own men, and commanded they fhould be buried: and having with great care and diligence made fearch alfo, for the dead corps of *Flaminius* to inter it, he could never find it.

At the fift news in *Rome* of this overthrow, the people ran together in exceeding fear and trouble into the common place of Affemblyes. The Wives and Dames of the City, went up and down to and fro in the ftreets, and enquired of whomfoever they met, what fuddain calamity this was, whereof the bruit went; and what was become of the army? And when as the multitude afsembled thicke (as it were) to a publick audience, turning to the Comitium and the Senat-Houle, and called upon the Magiftrats: at length fometwhat before the fun-fet, *Marcus Pomponius* the Pretor (came forth and faid, A great battel hath been fought, and we have loft the field. And albeit they heard of him no more than this of certainty, yet they filled one anothers ears with rumors, and caried home with them thefe news, to wit, that the Conful was killed, and a great part of his army with him flain: that there were but a few left alive, and thofe either fled and fcattered up and down in Tufcany, or elfe taken prifoners by the enemy. And look how many calamities & misfortunes follow the overthrow of an army, into fo many cares and perplexities were the fpirits and minds of all thofe plunged, who had any kinfok that ferved under *Flaminius* the Col. all the whiles they were ignorant, what was the tortune of their friends, And no man knew for certain, what he was to hope for, or to fear. The morrow and certain dayes following, there flood at the gates a fere of people and thofe were women more than men, waiting to fee their friends themfelves, or thofe that could tell tidings of them: and ever as they met with any, they would flock about them, and be very inquisitive: neither could they be picked away from them of their acquaintance and knowledge before they had questioned every particular circumftance, from point to point in order. There might a man have feen an alphabet of faces, in thofe that departed from the miffengers, according as the tidings was joyful or woful: there might a man have feen a number coming about them to accompany them as they returned to their houfes either rejoicing for their good hap, or comforting them for their miffortune and calamity. The women efpecially, as well in joy, as alfo in sorrow, were in their extremities. One above the reft (as it is reported) ftanding at the gate upon the fuddain fight of her fon alive & fafe fell down dead at his very feet. Another who had received an untrue report of her fons death, as the fat mourning at home within in her houfe in great forrow of heart, fo foon as ever the faw him coming into the houfe, for exceeding joy yielded her laft breath, and died. And for certain dayes the Pretors kept the Senators together in Comitium, from the fun-rifing to the fetting, confulting under whole conduct, and with what forces they might be able to withftand the poffiffance of thofe victorious Carthaginians. But before they were thoroughly relieved, of any determinat purpofe and counfello be taken, fuddainly there arrived other news of a fecond lofs, namely, that 4000 horfmen under the leading of *C. Curiatius*, the Proprietor, fent from *C. Scipio* the Col. unto his Colledge, were inclofed by *Annibal* in *Ariftria*. For whether they had taken their way, upon the news they heard of the battal at *Thrafymenus*, The brute and rumor hereof hammered diversly in mens heads. Some, whole minds were poffeffed already with grief of a greater calamity, thought the lofs of that Cavalry but fmall, in comparifon of the former defeat: Others efteemed that which happened, not according to the importance of the thing it felf, but like as it fallerh out in the natural body of man, that if it be craffe and weak every occasion, be it never fo fmall and light, is more offensive unto it, and fooner felt, than a greater caufe and object in a found and ftrong conftitution: even fo, when any crofs or adverfity happeneth unto the politick body of a City or *City*, difeafed (as it were) and fickly, weare not to meafure & weigh the fangs by the greatness of the accidents, but according to the feeble and decayed altoge, able to enquire and abide no new matter. that may furcharge and grieve it, whatfoever. And therefore, the City of *Rome* took her felf to the foveraign falve and approved remedy, which the had long defired, and yet not applied and ufed of late, namely, to the nomination of a Dictator. And became the Conful himfelf was abfent, by whom alone it was thought he might

A might be named: and by reafon that *Italy* was fo overfpread and forlaied with the Punick forces, there might no courier be well difpatched, nor letters fafely fent unto him: and for that the people had not authority of themfelves to create a Dictator, they therefore elected a Pro-dictator (a thing that was never feen and practised before that day) namely, *Q. Fabius Maximus*, and for his General of the Cavalry, *M. Minutius Rufus*. There had commiffion from the Senat, to fortify the walls and Towers of the City, to plant and beftow guards thereon, where they thought meet, and to cut up and break down the bridges upon the great rivers: fhewing hereby, that fince they were not able to keep and defend *Italy*, they were now to fight for houfe and home, and to guard the very City.

*Annibal* in this mean time was come directly by the way of *Umbria*, as far as to *Spelutium*. And after he had grievoufly wafted and fpoiled the territory, he afkaid to give affaunt to that City: but from thence he had the repulfce with the lofs of many of his men. And gueffing by the ftrengh of that one Colony (where he fped but badly in the attempt of it) how great and difficult the enterprife might be of affailing the City of *Rome*: he turned another way into the *Picene* country, not only abounding in plenty of all kind of corn and grain, but alfo affording rich fpoil and pillage: which the hungry and needy fouldiers foraged and caried away greedily, beyond all meafure. And therefore certain dayes he kept a ftanding camp, and refrefhed his fouldiers, toiled as well with winter journeyes and boggy wayes as alfo in the late battel, which was more joyous and fortunate in the loofe and parting, than fight and caly in the conflit and fighting. After he had relied and refrefhed his fouldiers fufficiently, who took more pleafure in booties and prizes than in eate and repofe, he dilodged, and journeyed forward: waiting and fpoiling firft the *Pretutian* and *Adrian* territories, and then the *Martians*, *Marrucins* and *Peilignians*: and all about *Apulia* and *Lucania*, being a region next adjoining unto *Apulia*.

*Cn. Servilius* the other Conful, having had fome light skirmifhes with the Gauls, and won from them one mean Town of fmall importance, after he was advifed on, e of the death of his Colleague and the defeat of the army, fearing even then what danger might betide the walls of his native country, left peradventure he fhould be abient in the hazard of the main chance, put himfelf in his journey toward the City of *Rome*. *Q. Fabius Max.* the Pro-dictator aforefaid the fame day that he entred his office, afsembled the Senat, and began firft with matters of religion, and concerning the Gods: and after he had laid open unto the LL. of the Senat, that the Conful *Flaminius* had invited more in the neglect and contempt of Divine ceremonies, and the Aupices, than D otherwise in rafhnefs and for want of skill in feats of war: and that the Gods themfelves were to be confulted about the purging and expiation of fins and offences, and what might appeafe their wrath: againe and obtained this one point, That the Decemvirs were commanded to repair unto the books of *Sibylla* (a thing not ufually decreed: but when ftrange figns and prodigious wonders are reported) who having perufed, the books of deftinies, made relation and informed the Senators, firft, That the vow made unto *Mars* for the good fucces of that war, was not performed with due complements, and therefore ought to be a accomplifhed anew, and in more ample manner: alfo, that the great Games and Plaies fhould be vowed unto *Jupiter*, with Temples likewise to *Venus Erycina*, and to *Ment*. Moreover, that a folemne fupplication and a Leftitern fhould be celebrated, and a facred Spring vowed, if the Gods granted them an happy end of war, and the Common-weal to remain in the fame eftate, wherein it flood before the war began. The Senat gave order, that forasmuch as *Fabius* was to be employed in the wars, *M. Aemilius* the Pretor, fhould have in charge to fee all the premiffes performed with all good fpeed, according to the will and mind of the Colledge of the Bifhops or Prelats. Thefe Ordinances of the Senat being enacted, *Lucius Cornelius Lentulus* the Arch-prelate, with the advice of the whole Colledge of the Prelates, thought good and gave advice, that firft above all other things the opinion and pleafure of the people (as touching the facred Spring) fhould be known, for that without the voyces and content of the people it could not be vowed: And in this form of words was the bill propounded unto the people. *Pleafeh it you, that this grace may pafs, and the thing done with your affent in this wife: if the fate of the people of Rome and the Quiriters, for five years next enfuing, continue fafely preferved in thefe wars, as I desire it fhould, then that the people of Rome, and Quiriters perform an oblation and gift vowed and promifed: namely, in the war betweene the people of Rome and the Carthaginians: and in the wars with the Gauls on this fide the Alps: to wit, that the encreafe which the Spring fhall yeild and afford, out of fheep and fwine, goats and kine, and all things that fhall be prophane be facrificed unto *Jupiter*, accounting from that day that the Senat and people fhall fo ordain: Item, that he which fhall facrifce, may do it when he will, and in what manner he will: and in what fort fo ever he fhall facrifce, that it may ftand for good and rightfuf. If haply it die, that fhould be facrificed, let it be counted prophane, and not as wick: If any man fave or maim, or kill the fame unswares, let it not be imputed unto him as criminal: If any perfon conceal away the fame or hide it out of the way, let it not be imputed for mifdeanes unto the people, nor to him from whom it fhall be fo follen or hidden. If one chance by ignorance to facrifce upon an unlucky & difmal day, let it be accounted good and lawful, whether by night or day, whether bond or free fhall facrifce, let it be broken and held good. If before it the Senat and people fhall ordain thefe facrifices to be done, or fhall facrifce, let the people be affoiled and difcharged freely therefore. And for the fame purpofe, were the great games (before vowed) performed with the expence of 333333 Affes and one third part of an Aff: befides the facrifce of 300 Oxen to *Jupiter*, & of white Oxen and other facrifices, unto many other faines. After thefe vows pronounced and made accordingly, the fupplication was proclaimed: & in proceffion there went with their wives & children,*

\* *Marea Antio.*\* *Abnegro.*  
\* *Chalchitli.*  
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children, not only the multitude of the City, but also of the country, so many as had their private estate, any way depending upon the publick. The Lectistern likewise was prepared and trimmed, and continued for three days: and the Decemvirs deputed for holy ceremonies had the ordering thereof. The sacred beds were openly to be seen: one for *Jupiter* and *Juno*, another for *Neptune* and *Minerva*: a third for *Mars* and *Venus*: a fourth for *Apollo* and *Diana*: a fifth for *Vulcan* and *Vesta*: and a sixth for *Mercury* and *Ceres*. Then were the Temples vowed: unto *Venus Erycina*, *Q. Fabius Max.* the Dictator, vowed one Temple. For so it was delivered from out of the books of destinies, that he should vow it, who had the sovereign rule in the City, and unto \* *Mens*, *Annius* destinies, that he should vow it, when the Church matters touching Religion were finished the Dictator vowed another. Thus when Church matters touching Religion were finished the Dictator propounded concerning war and the State: namely, with what Legions and how many the Senat thought good to withstand the victorious enemy. And a decree passed, that he should receive the army at the hands of *Cn. Servilius* the Cos. and enrol besides of the citizens and allies, as many horsemen & footmen as he thought convenient: and that he should do and order all things at his own discretion, for the good of the Common-weal. *Fabius* said, That he would adjoin unto the army of *Servilius*, two Legions more: which being levied by the General of the horsemen, he proclaimed that they should meet together upon a certain day at *Tybur*: and when he had published a proclamation. That whosoever inhabited within any Towns or Castles unfenced, should depart into places of safety: and that all should remove out of the villages of that country, through which *Annibal* was to go (but first to set on fire their houses, and spoil their corn, that he might find nothing there when he came) he went himself forward by the high way or cauley *Flaminia* to meet with the Consul and the army. And when he discovered them marching about *Oriculum* by the river *Tyberis*, and saw the Consul with his horsemen coming forward to him, he sent a Sergeant to give warning to the Consul, for to come without his Lictors to the Dictator, who obeyed his commandment. And as their meeting together, represented an exceeding great shew of the Dictatorship unto citizens and allies both, who by reason of discontinuance so long time, had wellnere forgotten that government: behold, there came letters from the City importing news, that certain ships of burden transporting victuals from *Hosia* into *Spain* for the army there, were by the navy of the Carthaginians boarded and taken about the sound or haven of *Cosia*. Whereupon immediately the Consul was commanded to go to *Hosia*, to take up all shipping at *Rome* or at *Hosia*, to furnish them with laylers, and man them with fouldiers, and so to pursue the Armado of the enemies, and to keep the coasts of *Italy*. A mighty number of men was levied at *Rome*. The *Liberals* also, who had children, and were of lawfull age to serve, swore allegiance unto him, to be his true fouldiers. Out of this army of citizens, as many as were under 35. years of age, were shipped: the rest were left behind toward the City. The Dictator having received the Consul's army at the hands of *Fulvius Flaccus* his Lieutenant, went through the *Sabins* Country, and arrived at *Tybur*, whither he had commanded the new fouldiers to repair at a day. From thenceby cross ways he returned into the high way or cauley *Latina*, even to *Prenefte*: from whence (having searched diligently by his espials, all the ways) he led forward toward the enemy, purposing in no place to hazard the fortune of battail, but upon necessity. The very first day that he encamped not far from *Arpi*, within the sight of his enemies; there was no ho with *Annibal*, but without further delay, he came forth into the field in battail array, bad him battail, and offered fight. But seeing his enemies quiet, and no stirring in the camp, he fell to taunting and reviling them: saying, That now at length yet, the martial hearts of the Romans were daunted and tamed; and seeing they refused fight, they confessed plainly, and granted themselves inferior unto him in valor, prowess, and glory: which said, he retired into his camp. Howbeit, chafing and fretting secretly in his mind for anger that he had to deal hereafter with a Captain, far unlike to *Fulvius* and *Sempronius*: and that the Romans now at last, being schooled and taught by their own harms, and so their great cost, had fought out and got a Captain to match *Annibal*: straight ways he began to tear the wisdom of the Dictator, and not his force: but having had as yet no trial of his constant resolution, he fell to disquiet his mind, and to tempt him with often removing his own tents, and waiting the fields of his allies even under his nose: one while he seemed to march away apace out of all fight, another while he would of a sudden stay, and lie close in some by-place and corner, out of the way, to spite when he could take him in some plain and even ground. But *Fabius* led his army, and marched above on the higher grounds, a pretty distance off from the enemy, so as neither he would let him go clean and abandon him, nor yet encounter with him. He kept his fouldiers for the most part within the camp, save only when necessity otherwise constrained. For purveyance of forage and fewel, they went neither few in number, nor straggling afunder. The wards of Horsemen and those that were lightly armed, hanging always in order of battail, and ready prepared and furnished for sudden impressions and tumults, yielded both security to his own fouldiers, and also danger to his enemies, as they ranged all abroad and foraged the Country. In this manner never was the main chance put to the venture all at once of fortune; and the small trials of fight (scuffling and skirmishes (began in safety and security, by reason of the recourse of rescue so near) inured and heartened the fouldiers, frightened with former foils, and made them at length to distrust less either their own valour, or fortune. But *Annibal* was not more discontented and displeased, nor more ready to croffe and thwart these to whose policies and counsels of his, as his own General of horsemen: who wanted nothing else but sovereign command, to overturn headlong the Common-weal: a man in all his designs,

ments violent and hally, and of tongue intemperate. And first secretly among some few, but afterwards openly in the hearing of all men, he termed *Fabius*, in stead of a stayed and sober man, slow and dull: in stead of wary and heedful, timorous and fearful: attributing unto vermes the names of vices of neer semblance: and having a singular dexterity to debate his betters and superiours, exalted himself thereby: a cunning craft, of all others the worst, and yet hath mightily prevailed and sped too well in many that have used it. *Annibal* from *Arpi* passeth into *Sannium*, wasteth the country of *Begentum*, winneth the City *Telsus*, and thith provoketh (of set purpose) the Roman Captain, if haply he could incense him by to many indignities and losses of his allies, and to draw him to fight on even hand.

B Amongst a great number of Italian confederats and allies, whom *Annibal* had taken prisoners at *Iherisimus* and dismissed, there were three Campan horsemen, whom *Annibal* even then had sold on, and allured with gifts and fair promises to win unto him the hearts of their country-men. These brought word unto him, that in case he would lead and bring his army into *Campania*, he should soon be Lord of *Capua*. And albeit the thing in it self seemed greater than the quality of the persons that counselled him thereto: and therefore stood in mammering, one while in good hope and assurance, another while in fear and distrust: yet they perwaded him at last to remove out of *Sannium* into *Campania*. After he had admonished them very often, to see that they made their word and promises good by deed, and commanded them withal to return unto him with some of their principal Citizens and Country-men, he sent them away.

C Himself gave commandment to his guide, to conduct him into the territory of \* *Capuam*: being advised by those that were skilful and acquainted with the coasts of those parts, that if he could gain aforehand that safe and forest, he might exclude the Romans from coming to relieve and succour their confederats. But the ambiguity of the name, and the Carthaginian language far differing from the Latine, caused the guide to mistake *Capuam* for *Capuam*: and to mistaking of his intended journey, he came down, through the *Alfanz*, *Culatinæ*, and *Calene* Countries, into the plain champion region of *Stella*. Where seeing all the coasts environed round about with Mountains and Rivers, he called the guide unto him, and demanded where he was: and when he answered, that he should that day lodge in *Capuam*, then and not before, the error was found; and he knew that he was far out of his way, for that *Capuam* was distant in another Country far off. And after he had beaten the guide with rods, and hanged him up by the head, for an example to terrifie all others, he fortified himself within camp and sent out *Asabalar* with the Horsemen into the Falern Country, to fetch in booty. So they waited and spoiled as far as the waters of *Sinuessæ*. Much harm did these Numidians, but the slight and flight of the people was far greater. And yet notwithstanding that great fear, when all was on a light fire as it were, and nothing but war, the Roman allies continued still firm in their faithful allegiance: and the reason was, because they were ruled under a just and moderate government, and neither refused, nor thought much to be subject unto their betters, the only bond of loyal fidelity. But so soon as he had pitched his camp by the River *Vulturnus*, and that the moist goodly and pleasant Country of *Italy* was on fire, and the Villages every where burned and smoked again; \* *Vulturno*.

E *Fabius* led his power over the ridge of the Mountain *Maffient*, the sedition was like to have broken out again, and certain Captains of the mutiny began to be enkindled afresh. For there had been great quietness, and all was still for some few dayes; because seeing the army march faster than their usual manner was, they supposed verily, that they made more speed and hastened, to save *Campania* from being spoiled and wasted. But when they were come to the former edge and point of the Mountain *Maffient*, and that the enemies were within sight, burning the dwelling Houses of the Coloners and inhabitants of *Sinuessæ*, and likewise of the Falern Country, and all this while not one word of battail: And are we come like indeed quoth *Minutius*, to behold only and to see, and feed our eyes with looking on our allies, consumed and waited with fire and sword: and if we bask at nothing else, can we for shame abide to see the Calamity of these Citizens; here, whom our fore-fathers planted in *Sinuessæ* as coloners there to inhabit, F to the end that all this tract and coast should be safe from the invasion of the Sannits? But behold, it is not a neighbour enemy (the Sannit) that stretch it but a foreign and alien, even the Carthaginian who from the farthest and most remote parts of the world (whiles we stand at a bay, trifle off still and for laziness do nothing), is come forward even hither unto us. And are we so far degenerate (with sorrow of heart I speak it) from our progenitors and fathers, that along with which coast they thought it dishonorable unto their empire, for the Carthaginian Armadoes and ships to fote, sail, and ride; we should see the same now pelted full of enemies, the Numidians and Moors? We, who ere while taking toll from and great diddian to see *Saguntum* besieged, called not only upon men, but also upon the faith of alliances and the Gods to witness: stand still gazing upon *Annibal* marching against the walls of a Roman Colony, and ready to assault it. The smoke of the villages and the fields now on fire, is ready to put out our eyes and to choke us up our ears rebound and ring again with the piteous cries of four allies that weep and lament and calamine unto us than unto the Gods for help. And we here lead our army as if they were a flock of sheep, over the shadowy forests, and hills out of the way, hid among the clouds and thick woods to keep them from the heat of Sun. If *Furius Camillus* had been of mind, by ranging and wandering over hills and forests in this manner, to win again the City out of the hands of the Gauls, as this our new *Camillus* forsooth (sought out of purpose to be our only Dictator

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"Dictator in this our distress and hard estate) goeth about to recover Italy from *Annibal*, *Rome* had been French at this day; which I fearme, if we go thus coldly to work, our ancestors have saved and reserved to often, for *Annibal* and the Carthaginians. But he, a brave man, and a Roman indeed, that very day when word was brought to *Pell*, that he was chosen Dictator by the suffrages of the people, and approbation of the Senators, although *Jannetum* was high enough, where he might have let him down and beheld the enemy at ease, descended into the plain and even ground, and the same day in the very midst and heart of the City, where now *Gualbury* or *Buffa Callicia* standeth, and the morrow after, between *Rome* and *Gaber*, slew the Legions of the Gauls. And what should I say of that, which hapned many years after, when at the streights of *Caudium* we were put under the yoke by the Samnites our enemies? Whether I pray you, did *L. Pappus* see for seek out the mountains of *Samnium*, or rather he hard upon *Lucerna* and besiege it, provoking and challenging the victorious enemy; and thereby shooke off the yoke from the Romans neck, and laid it upon the proud Samnites? And what other thing else of late dayes but expedition, gave the victory to *Coniul Lullatius*? Who the morrow after that he discovered the enemy, let upon his fleet heavily fraught with victuals: and overcharged as it was with her own munition, furniture and provision, sunk, and destroyed the same, it is meer folly to believe and think by sitting still, by bare prayers and vows, to vanquish and subdue the enemy. Our forces must be put into arms, and brought down into the plain, that man to man may cope and buckle together. By adventuring boldly, by action and execution, hath the Roman Empire grown to this height: and not by these conceits and devices, which fearful cowards term the wary policies of war. As *Mimius* spake these words in preaching wise, a number of Roman Colonels and Horlemen came flocking about him. Yea, and these lusty and rash speeches of his, came even unto the ears of the footmen: So as, if it had lien in the voyces and election of the souldiers, out of all question they seemed willing to prefer *Mimius* before their General *Fabius*. But *Fabius* again regarding always with good eye his own men, no less than his enemies, carrying a resolute mind, invincible ever before of any other, albeit he was well ware, that not only within his own camp, but also now at *Rome*, he heard ill for his temporizing and slow proceedings: yet drew he out the rest of the summer, and held on till the same course and purpose; never altered his former manner: until that *Annibal*, being clean disappointed of long desired battle, brought himself anon and looked about for some place of winterabode, considering, that the country where now he was, rather yielded plenty for the present, than store for long continuance: as standing upon Hortyards and Vineyards, and all things planted, rather for fruits of pleasure and delight, than for necessity and profit. Intelligence hereof being given to *Fabius*, by his spies, for that he knew well enough, that *Annibal* was to return through the same streights, by which he had entered the Faern country: he holdeth and keepeth the hill *Callicia*, with sufficient garrisons and likewise *Capitulum*, a City divided by the river *Vulturnus*, and parteth the Faern and Campane countries asunder. Himself bringeth back his power through the same hills, having sent out to discover and espie 400 Horlemen of confederats, under the conduct of *L. Hostilius Mancinus*, who being one of the crue of these lusty youths, that oftentimes heard the General of the Horlemen giving out abroad brave words and stout speeches, at first went forward in manner of an espial, to discover and espie the enemy from a place of safety and security: and when as he saw the Numidians ranging all about the villages, and slew some of them also whom he took at a vantage, straightwayes his mind wholly possessed and set upon fight; and so forgot the charge and direction of the Dictator, who had commanded him to go forward as warily and as closely as he possibly could; and to retire himself again before he came within sight of the enemies. The Numidians charging and recharging him afront one while, and flying from him another while drew him almost unto their very camp when as both horse and man were overwinded, from whence *Cassius*, who then had the conduct and command of the Cavalry, set out against him lustily upon the spur and before they came within sight, shot put the enemies to flight, and followed them continually in chase almost five miles. *Mancinus* seeing neither the enemy to give over pursuit, nor any hope to escape away, exhorted his men, and turned head upon them, overmatcht as he was every way: where he himself and his choicest Horlemen were beset round and slain: the other taking themselves again to flight, first came to *Cales*, and after through by-lanes and difficult wayes, to the Dictator. That day, as hap was, *Mimius* had joynd himself to *Fabius*, having been sore sent to keep with all strong guard, the forest or pale, which above *Terracina* groweth into a narrow gullet, and reacheth to the sea: for fear lest if the adventure of the way *Appia* were without defence, *Annibal* might enter and invade the country of *Rome*. When the Dictator and the General of Horlemen had joynd their forces together, they encamped upon the very high way, that *Annibal* was to passe with his army. Now were the enemies two miles off. The morrow after, the Carthaginians took up with their army all the way between the one camp and the other. When as the Romans were quartered even under their very trench and rampier, in a place no doubt of great advantage, yet for all that approached *Annibal* with his light Horlemen: and to provoke his enemies, fought by farts and firs, charging upon them, and retiring back again with great nimbleness. The Romans kept still their standing, embastailed as they were. The fight was cold and lingering to the mind and liking of the Dictator, rather than of *Annibal*: and where there were of the Romans part 200 slain, there dyed 800 of the enemies. Then seemed *Annibal* after, to be enclosed and shut up as it were and besieged within \* *Capitulum*, seeing that *Capitulum*,

*Samnium*, and many rich and mighty Nations confederate with the Romans, were on their backs to furnish them with those of victuals. And *Annibal* contrary-wile was like to take up his wintering place, within the crags and rocks of *Formis*, amid the Sands of *Linternum*, and the mossy standing pools. Well witt *Annibal* now that he was laid unto hardly, by the same cunning sleights, that he had used himself. And therefore when as he could not escape away by *Capitulum*, and seeing that he must needs to the Mountains, and passe over the top of *Callicia*: for fear lest that the Romans should let upon his army enclosed in the valleys between the Mountains, he devised a stratagem, by way of a ridiculous illusion, to beguile the eye-sight of his enemies, and to frustrate and deceive them of their expectation: by means whereof, he purposed in the beginning of the night, boldly and by stealth to gain the Mountains. The manner of his crafty device was this. He caused to be gathered out of all the villages thereby many fire-brands: then took he certain bayons or small fagots of bush-wood, dry sticks, and such like trash, and eyed them fast to the horns of the Oxen, whereof he had tame and wild, a great number that he drove before him amongst other prizes gotten out of the country: so as he might make well-near two thousand head. To *Asdrubal* he gave in charge, that so soon as it grew to be dark night, he should drive those Oxen with their horns set a fire toward the Mountains, and especially if he possible could, to the very streights and gullet which the enemy kept. It began no longer to be dark, but *Annibal* with great silence dislodged and removed his camp, and the Oxen aforesaid were driven a good way before the enigms and the army. When they were come to the foot of the Mountains, and to the straight passages, immediately the signal or watch-word was given to fire the Oxen's horns, and to chase them up against the Hill. The beasts, what with fear to see a light fire blazing over their heads, and what with pain to feel the heat now come to the quick flesh and the roots of their horns, fell running up and down, as if they had been mad. By this their gadding thus all at once every way, all the coppies and springs thereabout were set on a light fire, and seemed as if the whole woods and hills had burnt withal: the shaking of their heads also to and fro without stay, made the blaze greater, and gave shew and semblance of men running from one place to another. They who were appointed and set to keep the passages of the streights, so soon as they saw certain fires upon the tops of the Hills, and over their heads, supposing themselves to be entrapped and enclosed with fire on every side, abandoned their hold, and kept their standing no longer: and whereas the flame shone most out, thinking that to be the safest way, they fled them thither, even to the top and ridge of the Mountains. Then and there, they light upon certain of the Oxen wandering astray from their company, and at first seeing them a far off, but not well discerning them, they imagined that they lit fire, and breathed their blazing flames out of their mouths: and wondering at the strange sight, stood still amazed and astounded. But when as afterwards they discovered the device, and found it out to be a subtle and deceitful invention, proceeding from mans brain, they mistrusted which some few strains and ambush, and with an exceeding noise fled away as fast as ever they could, and stumbled upon the vancouriers of their enemies, that were lightly armed. But they were afraid as well of the one side as the other, to begin any skirmish in the night season, and stayed until day light. In the mean while, *Annibal* having conducted his whole army through the streights, and killed some of his enemies in the very pale, encamped himself in the territory of *Alifan*. *Fabius* decryed this tumult well enough, but doubting some privy ambush, and abhorring utterly all night battles, kept his men within the strength of their rampiers. At the break of day there began a skirmish on the side of the hills in which the Romans as being far more in number, had environed on every side the light-armed souldiers of the enemies, and soon defeated them, but that a band of Spaniards, sent back of purpose from *Annibal*, came to rescue them: who being better acquainted with the Mountains, and more light and nimble in running among the craggies and cliffs, by reason of well of the agility of body, as the fashion of their light harness: easily in that kind of skirmish, avoided and shifted from their enemy, heavily armed at all pieces, and used to fight upon the plain, and to stand firmly and keep their ground. Whereupon in the end they parted asunder one from the other, but nothing near on even hand: for the Spaniards in a manner all, were clear away unharmed, the Romans lost some of their men: and so on both parts they returned to their camps. *Fabius* likewise removed, and having basted over the streights of the forest, encamped in an high ground, and strongly situate even over *Alifan*. Then *Annibal* making as though he would march through *Samnium* toward *Rome*, returned back, waiting and spoiling the country as far as to the *Peligni*. And *Fabius* boistered still upon the Hill tops between the army of his enemies and the City of *Rome*: leading his host so, as neither he departed far, nor yet encountered and affronted his enemy. Then *Annibal* turned his way, and departed from the *Peligni*, and retired himself into *Apulia*, until he was come as far as *Gerion*, a City abandoned and forsaken of the inhabitants, by reason that a part of their wall was fallen down, decayed and ruined. The Dictator fortified his camp in the territory of *Larinum*. Now was he sent for home from thence to *Rome*, by occasion of certain solemn sacrifices: whereupon, he conferred and dealt with the General of the Cavalry, not only by way of absolute commandment, but also with advice and persuasions, yea, and as one would say, by prayer and intreaty. That he would trust more upon confident counsel, than doubtful fortune, and be directed and guided rather by him, than follow the steps of *Sempronius* and *Flaminius*: and not think there was nothing done and effected, and make no reckning of this, That the enemy had been







*Fabius his words in the Senate.*

and extolled the valour of the enemy; or rehearsed & reckoned up the losses and foils received forth two years space, through the rashness and unskillfulness of the Commanders: and said withal, that the General of the horsemen was to answer and give account for fighting against his edict and express commandment. "Moreover, (quoth he) if I were in place of sovereign rule and government, & to do all according as I thought good, I would effect and bring to pass within few daies, that men should know, that a good warrior was to make small reckoning of fortune but wisdom, wit, and counsel were to guide and direct all. And for mine own part, I deem it a great honor & glory to have preserved an army in a time of trouble and danger from shame and ignominy, than to have slain many thousands of enemies. After he had made these and such like speeches & reasons to the Senate, *Q. M. Attilius Regulus* for that he would not be present to debate the question concerning the right and authority of his own government, he departed by night season toward the army: even the very day before that the foresaid law should be proponed. The morning came, and the commons were assembled to an audience: wherein men seemed rather secretly in their hearts to malice the Dictator, & to affect and favour the General of the horsemen, than durst come forth and be seen to persuade and let forward that which pleased them all in common. And notwithstanding the bill was exceedingly well liked of, yet there wanted one to give some credit and authority thereunto. At length, one stepped forth to let it on foot, namely, *C. Terentius Varro*, who the year before had been Prætor, a man not only of obscure degree by calling, but also of vile & base parentage descended. His father was (as they say) a Butcher, who kept hog and fold near himself, and trained up his son as his apprentice in the same mechanical and servile occupation. This *Varro* being a young man, and well let by his father (who was grown rich, and gained greatly by his trade) gave him mind and conceived some hope to live more gentlemanlike and took a great liking to the common place, and pleading at the bar: exercising himself in entertaining causes of base persons against the estate and name of honest Citizens and of good reputation by means whereof he grew to be known among the people, and afterwards was advanced to place of worship and honour. And having been Treasurer of the City, and born both *Ædileships*, as well that of the Chair, as the other of the Commons: and at length gone through one Prætorship, he aspired now higher, in hope to be Consul: and full craftily waited his time, and sought to wind himself within the favor of the people by means of the ill opinion and hard conceit they had of the Dictator: & thus he alone went away with all the affectionate love of the Commons. All men that were either at *Rome*, or in the Army, both good and bad, in general (excepting the Dictator himself) received and admitted that bill: as made to his disgrace and shameful reproach. But he with the very same gravity and constancy of heart, endured these injurious courtes & deriding of the people raging against him, wherewith he had born his adversaries slandering & charging him before the multitude: and having received in the way as he journeyed, letters importing the decree of the Senate for dividing his authority equally with the General of the horsemen, and being assured that notwithstanding his commission were parted and communicated with another, yet his skill and sufficiency of conduct and command, remained still with himself: with a mind invincible as well against Citizens as enemies, he returned to the army. But *Mimnius*, who before that time was hardly to be endured, both for his fortunate success and also for the favour of the common sort: now verily beyond all measure and bounds of modesty, vaunted and gloried in that had conquered & got the mastery over *Fabius* as well as over *Annibal*. That *Fabius* (I say) who "in time of distress and calamity, was the only warrior and Captain that could be found out to match *Annibal*: that the superior Magistrate was by the consent & approbation of the people, (a thing never to be found in any record of Chronicles) made but even equal with the inferior: to wit the Dictator with the General of horsemen: and in that City, wherein the Commanders of the Cavalry were wont to quake and tremble at the rods and axes of the Dictator. So conspicuous and evident in the eyes of the world, was his felicity and prowess above all others. And therefore minded was he to follow his own fortune, and to take his time in case the Dictator still continued ingringling in sloth and idleness, condemned in the judgment both of God and man. Wherupon the very first day that he & *Fabius* were met together, he said that they were above all things to determine & let down in what sort they might order this their equal authority of government. He for his part thought it best, that each other day (or if longer time between were supposed better) they should one after the other alternatively have the full and whole command of all for the time in their several turns: that if any occasion of fighting a battell were presented, they might be able to countervail the enemy, not only in counsel, but also in power and strength. *Q. Fabius* liked not of this; supposing that whatsoever lay in the hands and disposition of his rash colleague must needs be subject unto the arbitrement of Fortune. Saying moreover unto him, "That he was indeed to impart unto him government and rule: but not wholly to depart therefrom, and shut himself out. And therefore he would never willingly fall, but to his power, to manage by counsel and discretion one part or other: neither would he divide with him either time or doles, but the forces and armies: that *Mimnius* might have one moiety, and himself another: since he might not preserve all by his own counsel & policy, yet he would endeavour (so far as he could) to save somewhat. And so much he prevailed, that they parted the Legions between them, as the manner of the Consuls was. The first and fourth fell to *Mimnius*, the second and third to *Fabius*. In like manner they divided the horsemen number for number, and the auxiliary footsiders of Allies and Latines. The General of the horsemen would needs likewise that they should be encamped alinder.

*Annibal*

*Annibal* conceived hereupon a two-fold joy, (for he was not ignorant of all that was done among the enemies, partly by intelligence given him from thence by fugitives, and partly by means of his own scouts and spies) for he made this reckoning, both that he should deal well enough with the lavish rashness of *Mimnius*, and handle him in his kind: and also that the prudent policy of *Fabius* was abridged and diminished by the one half. Now there was a little hill between the Camp of *Mimnius* and the Carthaginians: and no doubt there was, but that he who could gain it aforehand should have the vantage of the enemy in regard of the ground. That hill *Annibal* was not so desirous to get without skirmish, (& yet it had been a matter of good importance) as willing thereby to give some occasion of fighting and skirmishing with *Mimnius*, whom he wist very well to be alwaies forward enough to encounter him and make resistance. The plain all between, seemed at the first sight nothing commodious nor good for men that would lay an ambushment, because it was neither over-grown with any woods, nor yet in any part roughly over-spread and covered, so much as with briars and brambles. But in very deed, the ground was naturally made for to cover and hide an Ambuscado: and the rather, because in so naked and bare a valley none would have imagined and suspected any deceitful trains, and forelaying of wait. And yet there were in divers nooks and corners thereof certain hollow rocks and caves, and some of them of sufficient capacity to receive 200 armed men. In these lurking holes there were beloveted 5000 of horsemen and footmen one with another, some in one place, some in another, according as they might commodiously lie there closely hidden. And yet, lest that the stirring of any one that might chance to go forth unadvisedly, or the glittering of armour, should bewray the trains in to open a valley, *Annibal* by sending out at the break of day some few for to seize the afore-said hill, withdrew the eyes of his enemies another way. These at the first view were despised of the Romans for their small number, and every man was desirous to be doing with them, and their fingers itched for to set the enemies back, and drive them from thence. The General himself *Mimnius*, as fool-hardy and forward as he that was most, sounded the alarm, and commanded to go to the winning of the place, braving and threatening of the enemies full vainly. First, he sent forth his light armed men to skirmish, but afterwards, the Cornets of horsemen, set close and jointly together in array: and at the last, seeing the enemies seconded with new succours and supplies, he advanced forward himself with his Legions in order of battell. And *Annibal*, whereforever he perceived his men to be distressed, made out continual fresh aides one after another, both of horse and foot, ever as the fight encreased and grew hotter: so as now he had his full army in field, and they maintained battell on both sides with all their power and main forces. First, the light armed Romans, notwithstanding the disadvantage of the ground, desirous to get up against the hill, (possessed aforehand of the enemy) were put back, and beaten down again: inlomuch as in their retire, they put the horsemen in fear that followed hard upon them, and fled for refuge to the Ensigns of the Infantry. The main battell of the Legionary footmen, among all the rest that were affrighted, only remained without fear, undaunted: and seemed in a plain, yet, and downright field without ambush, likely enough to have held their own, and in no respect to have been over-matched: so courageous they were, and had taken such heart upon their late victory, some few daies before. But the enemies starting suddenly out of their Ambuscadoes, so troubled, disordered, and terrified them, flanking them on both sides and charging withal behind, that neither their heart served any of them to fight, nor their hope remained to fly and escape away. Then *Fabius* hearing the first cry, and knowing thereby that they were in great fear, and seeing besides a far off their battell disordered and in disarray, "I thought even as much (quoth he) and no sooner than I feared, it is fallen out: Fortune I see well, hath over-raught fool-hardiness and taken it tardy. The man, forsooth, that must needs be made equal with *Fabius* in government, seeth by this time, that *Annibal* is his good Master, & his better by odds in prowess and fortune: but we shall find out some other time to chide and to be angry. Come on now, forth with your standards and ensigns, let us wrest from our enemies hands the victory and wring from our Citizens mouths confession of their error and trespass. Now when some of them were slain, and others looked about which way to make escape and flee: *Fabius* with his forces shewed himself as sent down from heaven to relieve them. And before he came to lance one javelin, or began to joyn battell and fight one stroke, he not only flaid his fellows from running away, but also his enemies from further heat of fight. As many of the Romans as were disbanded and scattered asunder all abroad, repaired again speedily from all parts, and rallied themselves to the entire battell: the rest who by whole troops had turned their backs, made head again upon the enemy: and one while giving ground and retiring by little and little, another while standing in a ring and round together stedfast, kept this order by turns: so as now, both they that were discomfited, and those that were unforsaken became reduced into one body of a battell, and advanced their ensigns against the enemy. By which time *Annibal* sounded the retreat, and openly confessed and said, that as he had vanquished *Mimnius*, so he was toiled and overcome of *Fabius*. Thus when the more part of the day was spent with variable fortune, and all retired again to their Camps, *Mimnius* called together his footsiders, and spake unto them after this manner: "I have oftentimes heard it spoken (my good footsiders) that he is the best man and most sufficient, who knoweth himself what is best to do: next to him is he esteemed, that will be ruled and directed by sage advice & counsel: but he that neither hath the skill to advise another, nor the grace to be advised by another, is simply of the worst nature, & good for nothing.

"Since that we therefore are not so happy as to attain unto the highest degree of wit, and perfection of nature, let us content our selves with the second place, and keep a mean between: and whilst we learn to rule, let us settle our selves and resolve to obey him that is wiser than our selves. Let us joy in Camp with *Fabius*, and when we have presented our selves and our engines before his pavilion and tribunal, see that when I salute him by the name of Father (as is becoming his excellent majesty and the benefit by us of him received) that ye also call those soldiers your Patrons, whose valiant hands and trusty arms elsewhere protected you: that this day may give us yet, if nothing else, the honour and name of thankful persons. Having thus said, he gave commandment to pack up bag and baggage, and to dislodge and as they marched in good array toward the Camp of the Dictator, they struck both him and also all about him into a wonder and admiration. And having pitched their engines before the Tribunal: then *Maximian* the General of the horie went forth before the rest: and after he had greeted *Fabius* himself as his Father, and the whole Army likewise saluted those about *Fabius*, by the name of Patrons: "To my parents (quoth he) O Dictator, unto whom I have made you equal in name only (as much as my tongue will give me leave) I am bound and beholden for my own life only and no more: but to you I am indebted for saving both my life, and all these here. The Act therefore and ordinance of the Commons which hath been a clog and burden to me rather than an honour, here of myself I renounce, revoke, and abolish: and (that which I pray God may prove to the good both of you and me, of mine army and yours, as well that which is preferred, as that which is preferred) I do submit and surrender again my self under your command and government, together with these ensignes and legions thereto belonging: beseeching you to pardon me, and to entertain me in the room of the General of the Cavalry, and those here with me, every man in his former place. Then interchangeably they gave their hands one to another: and the soldiers (after the assembly dismissed) were courteously invited, and friendly entertained, as well by them that were unknown unto them as of their acquaintance, and for the day, dolorous, heavy, and almost dismal and accursed, turned to be joyful and festive.

His speech to the Dictator.

So soon as tidings came to *Rome* of these occurrences, and the same confirmed as well by the letters of the Generals themselves, as also by the common voice of soldiers from both Armies, every man, the best he could, praised and extolled *Maximian* up to the sky: whose honour and reputation was as great in the opinion of *Annibal* and the Carthaginians; for then and never before, they found that they had to deal and war in Italy with Romans. As for the two years space before, they set to fight both by Roman Captains and soldiers, that they could be hardly persuaded, that they warred with that Nation, whereof there went to great a fame, and of whom their forefathers had reported such wonders and terrible things. They say also, that *Annibal* as he returned out of the field, gave out these words, "That the cloud which settled on the hill tops, proved so long in the wind that it proved a tempestuous storm in the end.

Whilst these things were doing in Italy, *Cn. Servilius Geminus* the Consul, having sailed about the coasts of *Sardinia* and *Corica* with his fleet, and received hostages both of the one and the other, passed over into *Africa*: and before that he landed in the continent and firm land he wasted the Island *Meninx*, and having received ten talents of silver of the inhabitants thereof, for fear lest their Territory should be consumed with fire, and spoiled as well as the rest: he came to *Africk*, and there let his forces ashore. From thence he led his soldiers and mariners likewise, one with another disbanded and out of order, as if they were to rob and spoil some desert Islands, unpeopled and void of inhabitants. Whereupon they fell unadvisedly into an ambush, and being unskillful of the country, and therewith but few and scattered, they were soon enclosed among many, and with much slaughter and shameful flight were driven and beaten back to their ships. The fleet thus having lost a thousand men, and one Treasurer of the Army among them, called *Sempronius Blasius*, looked in great haste from the shore (which now was overpread by enemies) and held their course for *Sicily*, and at *Lilybæum* was let over and delivered to *Octavius* the Prætor, for to be brought back again to *Rome*, by *P. Sarrus* his Lieutenant. *Cn. Servilius* himself journeyed through *Sicily* by land, and crossed the narrow seas into Italy: for both he and his Colleague *M. Atilius* were sent for by the letters of *Fabius*, to receive the Army at his hands, now that his six-months-sovereign government was well near expired. All the Annals in a manner do record, that *Fabius* was the man, who during his Dictatorship, fought and waged war with *Annibal*. *Cælius* writeth also, that he was created Dictator by the people. But both *Cælius* and the rest either knew not, or else forgot, that the Consul *Servilius*, who then was far from *Rome*, and in the Province of *France*, had the lawful right and authority only to nominate a Dictator: and because the City so affrighted, by reason of that notable overthrow could not stay so long, they were driven to this shift, That there should be created by the people a Pro-Dictator or Dictator his Deputy. But the noble acts and glorious renown of that General, together with the title of his Image, which might recommend his house more honourable to posterity, gained easily this point, and caused the Pro-Dictator to be reputed Dictator, and so called.

The Consuls, *M. Atilius Regulus*, and *Cn. Servilius Geminus*, having received the Army (as is before said) fortified in good time the places for wintering harbour (for it was then the Autumn season) and ended and managed the wars together in great concord, and followed the same policy course, as *Annibal* had done before them. For as *Annibal* made rode at any time to pursue corn, they would meet him just at every turn, in sundry places, and either cut off the tail of his

men,

A men, or intercept and catch them as they went scattering, but never hazard all in one field: the only thing that the enemy shot at by all the means he could devise. And so near driven was *Annibal*, and to those terms of want and scarcity, that but for very shame (left by his dislodging and departure he might be thought to flee) he would have retired back into *Gallia*, as being out of all hope to maintain and sustain his Army with victuals in those parts, in case the new Consuls who next succeeded, should hold on still the same policy and manner of warfare. Winter now approached, and all the war that was continued and settled about *Gerion*: at what time there arrived at *Rome* Embassadors from *Naples*, who brought with them, and presented into the Council-House, forty massive boles of beaten gold: and withall delivered this speech, and said, "That they knew full well, how the Treatise of the people of *Rome* was waited and consumed by long wars. And forasmuch as the said wars were maintained, as well for the defence of the Cities and Lands of allies, as for *Rome*, the very head, mother City, and principal Citadel (as it were) of all Italy, and for the sovereign dominion and Empire thereof: the Neapolitans thought it meet and reason, that what store of gold their ancestors had left unto them, were it for to adorn and deck themselves, or to relieve them in time of need and necessity, with it they were to aid and help the people of *Rome* in their adversity. And if they could have bethought themselves of any other means besides, wherein they might feed and benefit them, they would as willingly and frankly have made presentment thereof: saying, moreover, that the Senators of *Rome* should do them an high pleasure, if they would make account of all that the men of *Naples* had, as their own: and judge them worthy, at whose hands they would vouchsafe to accept a present, much greater, and more precious in regard of the mind and affection of the givers than the substance and value of the thing. The Embassadors were highly thanked, as well for their liberality and munificence, as for the care they had of them: and that boil was only received which weighed least.

About the same time, a Carthaginian spy, who for two years space had walked unknown and unsuspected, was detected and apprehended at *Rome*: and after his hands were cut off, was suffered to depart. Five and twenty slaves were crucified for a conspiracy contrived in *Campus Martius*. The informer was made free, and had 20000 pound of brass bulion given him for a reward. There were also sent Embassadors to *Philip* King of the Macedonians, to demand again *Demetrius Pharius*, who having been vanquished in plain field, was fled unto him. Others likewise were dispatched to the *Ligurians*, as well to exhortate with them and complain, that they had incurred *Annibal* with men, money, and other munition: as also to hearken and learn (seeing they were so near) what the Boians and Insubrians did or went about. Besides, a third Embassy was addressed as far as to *Illyricum*, unto King *Pincus*, to enquire and call for the Tribute, whereof the term was expired and past: and if he were minded to take a longer day, than to receive hostages and pledges of him for security. See how careful the Romans were, and what a provident eye they had, notwithstanding the great war which lay heavily upon their necks and shoulders, to their other affairs: inasmuch as no one thing in the world, how distant and remote soever, was by them neglected. But as concerning religion, and Church matters, they made some scruple of conscience, that the Temple of *Concord* (which *L. Marcius*, L. Deputy in *Gallia*, had vowed two years before in time of a sedition and mutiny of soldiers) was not as yet set out to workmen for to be built or edified accordingly. And therefore two Duumvirs were for that purpose created by *Æmilius* the Prætor, or L. Governour of the City, namely, *Cn. Papius*, and *Cæp. Quintus Flaminius*: who gave order, that the Temple should be built upon the Capitol hill. The same Prætor, by virtue of a decree of the Senate, sent his letters unto the Consuls, importing thus much, That if they thought good, one of them should repair to *Rome* for the creation of new Consuls: and that himself would summon the Parliament against that day which it should please them to appoint. The Consuls wrote back again according to the premises. That they might not depart far from the enemy without damage of State: advising them to hold an assembly for the Election aforesaid, by authority of an interregent, rather than that one of the Consuls should be called away from the wars. But the L. of the Senate thought it better to have a Dictator chosen by one of the Consuls, for the holding of that high Court of Parliament. So *L. Furius Philo*, was nominated Dictator, and he chose for General of the Horsemen *M. Pomponius Mætho*. But these men being not duly and lawfully created were commanded at the forthright end to give over their places, and then the matter grew to an Interregent. The Consuls had their Commission; for government and conduct of the Army, continued and confirmed for one year longer. The Senators named for Interregents, first *Cn. Claudius Cento*, the son of *Appius*; and after him, *P. Cornilius Asina*. During whose Interregent, the Parliament was holden, with much contention and debate between the Nobles and the Commons. The vulgar people endeavoured to advance unto the Consulship *C. Terentius Varro*, a man of their own coat and condition, one crept into good liking and favour with the common sort by opposing himself and contending against great personages, and by other popular practices and courses that he used to win grace among the people: as namely, by abusing the greatness of *Fabius*, and the Majesty of the Dictatorship: for nothing was there else in him, to commend him to the world, but a malicious mind to bring others into disgrace. The Nobles withstood the Commons all they could, to prevent this mischief: That men should not take a custom to be their equals, by means of inveighing and making head against them. *Bibius Herennius* a Tribune of the Commons,

\* *Græcula*.  
The Embassadors of the Senate of *Rome*.

\* 60 pound 7.  
lb. 6 d. 10 l.

\* *Sclavonie*.

\* *Gabior*  
Zeni.  
\* *Ægyli* Her.  
according to  
the lesser Ac-  
tick talent.

\* *Marjalla*.

The Oration  
of Fabius He-  
rentius a Tri-  
bune.

mons, and kinsman to C. Terentius, blamed and accused much not only the Senate, but also the  
Aupurs, in that they forbade the Dictator to finish and go through with the election: and so by  
drawing them into hatred, sought to purchase favour and credit unto Terentius his Candidate,  
who stood to be Consul. First, quoth he, whereas the Noblemen for many years together fought  
occasions of war, and trained Anniball into Italy, the same persons craftily have made a long war  
of it, when it might have been brought to a final end before now. Also, when it was well seen  
that they might have fought a battel with the compleat power of four legions all together, seeing  
that M. Minutius in the absence of Fabius had a lucky day: two legions only and no more, were  
offered and exposed as it were to the enemy to be hewn in peeces: to then afterwards, they  
were rescued and saved from massacre, and the very edge of the sword: to the end that Fabius  
might be called Father and Patron: even he, who to say a truth, first impeached the Romans for  
vanquishing the enemies, before that he saved them from being vanquished. Moreover, the  
Consuls that succeeded, following the same course and artificiall fetches that Fabius pra-  
ctised before them, drew out the war still on length, when they had good means of victory, and  
might have fully finished it. A complot (no doubt) contrived and concluded among all the No-  
bles. And never will they see to make an end of war, before there be a Consul chosen, a meere  
Commoner indeed, to wit, a man never seen afore, and of the first head. For those who are of  
Commoners now made noble, are all alike and of the same profession; they draw all in one  
line, and have learned one lesson; and ever since that they have left to be contemned of the No-  
bility, are faine to despise and disdain the Commonalty. For who seeth not, that in seeking to  
have an Interregne, their only purpose and reach was that the Election might be full and wholly  
in the power and ordering of the Nobles? That was the thing which the Consuls aimed at, in  
staying behind in Camp with the Army: & afterwards when there was a Dictator created against  
their wills for to hold the great assembly for the Election, their drift was, and they wrought to,  
and brought it about in the end, that the Aupurs should give it out and pronounce, that there  
was an error committed in creation of the Dictator. And therefore, faith he, the Commons care  
not of all things away with these Interregnes: & verily, one of the Consulships (at least) ap-  
pertain of right to the Commons of Rome: and no doubt, the people in their free election would  
more willingly make choice of one to be Consul, and confer the dignity upon him, that loved  
rather to win the victory at once, than to continue commander in the Army a long time. When  
the Commons were once enkindled and set on fire with these speeches and remonstanses, albeit  
three of the Patricians were competitors, namely, Pub. Cornelius Merenda, L. Manlius Volfo, and M.  
Emilius Lepidus, and two new Noblemen, who were already familiar and acquainted with the  
Commons, to wit, C. Attilius Serranus, and Q. Elvius Pavius, of whom the one had been High Priest,  
and the other Augur: yet at length was C. Terentius only created Consul, to the end that the elec-  
tion should be in his power, that he might choose unto him a Colleague at his pleasure. Then  
the Patricians having a sufficient tryall, that their Candidates and Competitors were of small force  
and not able to prevail, urged and put forward L. Emilius Pavius, who sometimes had been  
Consul with M. Lelinius, in the condemnation as well of himself as of his companion, escap-  
ed the peril of being burnt and was well singed and scorched, as it were in the fire: a man of all  
others most mitchievously bent against the Commons: him they urged, I say, to stand for a Con-  
sulship, notwithstanding he refused a long while, and alledged many reasons against it. And to the  
next Comitiall or Parliament day, by occasion that all the concurrents and competitors afore-  
said that stood with Varro, gave place and left off their suit, he was chosen to march with the Consul  
elect, for to thwart and cross him, rather than to be assistant unto him in the government. This  
done, they proceeded to the election of Pretors, wherein M. Pomponius Mates, and P. Furius  
Philus were created. Unto Pomponius fell by lot the jurisdiction within the City of Rome, and un-  
to P. Furius Philus, between the Citizens of Rome and foreigners. Two other Pretors besides were  
chosen, M. Claudius Marcellus, to be sent L. Deputy into Sicily, and L. Posthumus Albinus into  
Gallia. All were created in their absence, and excepting Terentius the Consul only, there was no  
Magistracy conferred upon any, who had not aforetime born and exercised the same: for divers  
valorous and hardy men were passed over and left out, because in such a time of trouble, it was  
not thought good to prefer any man to a government, wherein he was raw and unexperienced.  
The Armies also were augmented: but to what proportion they arose, either in Cavalry, or In-  
fantry, I dare not set down any thing for certainty: so greatly do authors vary both in the num-  
ber and quality of the forces. Some say, there was a new supply of 3000 fouldiers enrolled. O-  
thers affirm, that to the five legions there were adjoynd four new besides: so the end they  
might employ nine legions in the wars. Also, that the legions were increased in number both  
of foot and horse: to wit, with the addition of one thousand footmen, and three hundred horse-  
men in every Legion: [for sometime before, a Legion contained 4000 foot, and 300 horse, cal-  
led Quadrata legio: whereas at first Romulus ordained it to be 3000 of the one, and 300 of the  
other] so as a Legion consisted now of five thousand foot, and three hundred horse: and that the  
affectors should double the number of horsemen, and find even proportion of footmen with the  
Romans.

Some Historians have written, that at what time the battell of Cannae was fought, the Ro-  
mans were in Camp 87200 strong. But in this they all agree, that the Romans warred with greater  
preparation, and more force, and fury than in years past, because the Dictator had put them in

A in good hope, that the enemy might be vanquished and subdued at once. But before that these  
new Legions advanced under their ensignes and banners out of the City, the Decemvirs were com-  
manded to go and peruse the books of Sybilla: by reason that men were commonly put in fear,  
and terrified with news of strange fights and prodigious tokens. For the rumour went, that both  
at Rome in the Aventine, and also at Aricia, it rained stones much about one time: and that in the  
Sabins Country (which no doubt portended a great massacre and slaughter) there issued out of a  
certain fountain, waters hot, with much blood: and men were more terrified therewith, because  
it did so many times together. Besides in the street called Esquicia toward Campus Martius, di-  
vers persons were blasted and smitten to death with lightning from heaven. These prodigious  
signs were expiate and purged with due remedies out of the foretold books. Embassadors also  
from the City of Postum, brought unto Rome a present of massie boles of beaten gold. Thanked  
they were, like as the Neopolitans before them, but the gold was not received.

At the same time there arrived at Ostia from K. Hiero a fleet of ships, ready rigged, and furnished  
with store of victuals. The Syracusan Embassadors were brought into the Senate house, where  
they declared, "That K. Hiero, so soon as he heard of the death of C. Flaminius the Consul, and the  
defeat of the Army, took it so heavily, that no proper calamity of his own, or loss incident unto  
his kingdom, could have troubled him more, and toyed him nearer: and therefore albeit he  
knew full well, that the grandeur and courage of the people of Rome, was ordinarily more admi-  
rable in their adversity, than in prosperity and welfare, yet he had felt all those things, where-  
with good friends and faithfull Allies are wont to furnish their associates in time of war, praying  
the L. of the Senat, in any case not to reinforce the same, but to take all in good worth. And first  
somewhat for good luck sake and fortunate preface, they have brought with them the Image of Vi-  
ctory in gold weighing 320 pound: requesting that it would please them to accept the same to  
have and to hold it, as their own for ever. Moreover, they had transported with them \* 5520 lib-  
"Modios of wheat and 20000 of barley: to the end they should be at no fault for victuals, and  
"were ready moreover to bring in more, according as they should need, and to what place they  
would appoint. As for footmen heavily armed, and horsemen he knew well the people of Rome  
would use none but naturall Romans, or at leastwise Latines. But forasmuch as he had seen and  
observed in the Roman Camp, certain aids consisting of light armed footsiders, therefore he had  
sent 1000 Archers and Slingers, a meet and competent power to match with the Balaeres and  
Mores, and other nations that use shot, and to reach their enemies as far off. Over and besides  
these gifts and reall presents, they counselled and advised them, that the Lord Deputy of Sicily  
should pass with his fleet into Affrick, both to find the enemy work, and give him his hands  
full of war at home: and also to afford him less respite, and worse opportunity, to fend aid and  
succour to Anniball. The Senate returned this answer again unto the King: That King Hiero  
had done the part of a right good man, and a singular friend and ally: who ever since that he was  
entered into amity with the people of Rome, hath held on the same courtesies, in keeping his  
faithfull allegiance, and never failed, but at all times and in all places succoured and advanced  
the State and Empire of Rome, with all bounty and princely munificence: which the people of  
Rome took most thankfully, as in right they ought. As for gold some other Cities likewise had  
brought and offered unto them, but accepting only in good worth their kindness received it not.  
But the Image of Victory, and the happy preiudge and omen thereof they gladly accepted: and  
for that blessed Saint, they appointed and dedicated even the Capitol, and Temple of Jup. Opt.  
Max. to be the seat and shrine thereof: that being consecrated in that Cattle and highest for-  
tress of the City of Rome, it might be propice and gracious, and remain firm and fast to the peo-  
ple of Rome. As for the slingers and archers together with the corn they were delivered to the  
Col. Five and twenty galleys, with five ranks of oars to a side, were joined to the Navy which was  
under the conduct of T. Octavius the Pro-pretor in Sicily: who had commission, if he thought it  
good and expedient for the commonweal, to pass over into Affrick. The Consuls having finished  
the musters and levied fouldiers, laid a few daies, until their allies were come with aid from the  
Latines. Then were the Souldiers particularly (a thing never done before) by their Colonels, put  
to their corporal oath, and sworn to make their repair at the Consuls commandment, and with-  
out their leave not to depart: for until that day there passed nothing but a sacramentall p-oke, &  
simple promise in general. For whensoever the horsemen resorted to their Decuries, and footmen  
to their Centuries: both they of the Cavalry in their Decuries, and also of the Infantry in their  
Centuries, (ware after a sort) voluntarily among themselves. That they would not abandon their  
ensignes by way of flight, or upon any fear, nor go out of their ranks, unless it were to fetch either  
some offensive armour, or to limbe an enemy, or to save the life of a Citizen. Which having been  
aforetime a voluntary covenant, & accord between themselves, was now by the martiall Tribunes  
or Colonels, reduced to a formal and solemn oath, and bound the fouldiers to observe them same,  
of necessity. Yet before the ensignes set forward and marched out of Rome, the Consul Varro dealt  
many hot words and brave orations in the assembly of the people, intimating & purporting thus  
much in effect: That the Nobles had called for war in Italy, where it was like to remain long e-  
nough, and to stick close to the ribs of the common-weal, if he were served with many such Ge-  
nerals as Fabius was, "As for my self (quoth he) I shall I throw) vanquish the enemy, the first day  
that I let eye upon him, yea, and finish the war at once for ever. But his Colleague Pavius made  
but one only speech, even the day before they were to take their leave of the City: which was not

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The Oration  
of Q. Fabius  
Max to L. Aemilius  
the Consul.

to wel taken of the people for the present as it is proved true in the end. Wherein he gave *Varron* not hard words, nor girded at him otherwise than thus: "That he marvelled much, how any Captain, before he had experienced either of his own army, or of his enemies, and knew the situation of the place and ground, and the nature of the country, sitting as yet within the City in his gown, could perfectly tell what he was to do in the field, and in arms: and be able also to foretell and set down the very day, wherein he was to encounter and joyn in ranged battell with the enemy. For his own part, he would not call thus beforehand, nor plot his designs and counsels before due time & season, which present occurrences are wont much more to minister unto men, than men to fit them to the occurrences that shall happen. This would he wish with all his heart, That the enterprises taken in hand warily and with discretion, might prove as lucky and fortunate. As for I, inconsiderate rashness, besides that it importeth folly, hath ever to that day sped but ill. Thus it was well seen, that this man of himself inclined to prefer late proceeding & advised counsel, before doubtfully waies & fool-hardy courses: & to the end that he might persevere in that resolution more constantly. Q. *Fabius Maximus* at his departure (by report) bad him farewell, in this or such like manner. "It either you, O *L. Aemilius*, had a Colleague like unto your self, (which I could rather wish for, than that your self were suitable to your Colleague, these my words to you were altogether needless and superfluous. For you twain being two good Consuls, would even without my speech do all things faithfully to the good of the Commonwealth: and contrariwise, if both of you were bad, ye neither would vouchsafe to give ear to my sayings nor ponder in mind my counsels. But now, when I consider your companion what he is, and your self, to be a man of that quality & worth, if you are he to whom alone I am addressed to direct my whole speech: to you, I say, whom he thinks I foresee already, like to be in vain and without effect, an honest man and a good Citizen. For if the Commonwealth be halt and lame but of one side, as great sway and authority will bad projects & leud courses carry as the good sage and whollom counsels. For you are far out of the way and much deceived. O *L. Aemilius*, if you think to be less troubled with *Annibal* than with *C. Terentius*, And I wot not well, but I greatly fear, that you shall have a more cumbrous adversary of the one, than a dangerous enemy of the other. For, with *Annibal* you are to fight in the field and in time of battell only; but with *Terentius* you shall have to do in every place, and at all hours. Against *Annibal* and his Legions you shall make head, and have the help of your own Cavalry and Infantry; but General *Varron* will assail you even with your own footmen. For I be from you in any illenise the late remembrance of *C. Flaminius*, for I love no such unlucky prefiging. Howbeit, he began his mad fits when he was once Consul, and never before: when he was in his Province with command & in the Camp with his Army, and never else. But this *Varron*, even before he stood for the Consulship, and all the whiles he was a sutor therefore, and now likewise, that he is Consul, before that he seeth camp or enemy in field, is horn-mad; and talketh like a man besides himself. What foul work then (think you) will he make, when he shall see himself with armed youths about him in the Camp, who now amongst peaceable Citizens in their gowns and long robes within the City, stirreth to great storms and tempests, cracking and vaunting at every second word of nothing but fight, skirmish, and battell? What a coil, I say, will he keep there, where no looner a word spoken, but a blow given; and when upon direct execution? But in case this man (as he saith flatly he will) fall immediately to strike a battell, either I know not what belongeth to Art military, and have neither skill, or to conduct this kind of warfare, nor any experience of the quality and nature of this enemy, or else there will be another place more noble and memorable by our defeat and overthrow, than was the Lake *Thrasymenus*. But it is no time now to stand upon these terms, and to glorify my self in comparison of this one person who have loved (as it is well known) to exceed and go beyond all measure in despising glory & honour, rather than in desiring and coveting the same. But the truth is this & so it will be found in the end, that the only way to war against *Annibal*, is that which I took and alwaies used. Neither is it the issue and event alone (for that is matter of teacher of fool) which sheweth & proveth this unto us, but even reason it self which hath, and will be still the same and immutable, as long as things in the world hold on as they do. We war, (you see) in Italy, at home, in our own ground and place of residence: all quarters round about us, full of our own Citizens or friendly Allies: who daily help us, and will be ready still to furnish us with armour, men horse, and victuals. Sufficient proof and testimony of their faithfulness have they given us already in our hard distresses and adversity. Space and process of time maketh us better stronger, wider every day than other, and more constant and resolute. Contrariwise, *Annibal* is in a strange and foreign land, in his enemies country, in the midst of all things that are croles and adverse unto him, far from his house and home, far from his native soil, having peace no where, neither by sea nor land. No Cities receive him and give him entertainment no wals he hath within which he can retire himself in safety. Nothing leeth he, whereof ever he goeth, that he can say is his own. From day to day, from hand to mouth, he liveth off pine and spoil. Scarce a third part hath he of those forces, which he transported over the river, *berus*, Hunger and famine hath wasted more of them, than the edge of the sword: and for this small remainder that is left, he is hard and scant provided of food and sustenance. Make you any doubt then but we shall vanquish him, whilst we sit still and take our ease, who day by day decayeth sensibly, and waxeth old and feeble, who neither hath store of victuals to maintain an army, nor supply of men to make up his broken bands, nor mals of money to entertain them.

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"How long was he fain to fight for *Gerion*, a poor little Castle in *Apulia*, as it had been for the wals of *Carthage* it self? Neither will I boast and magnifie my self at all before you O *Aemilius*. Do you but only consider, how *Cn. Servilius* and *Attillus*, the last Consuls, plained mock *Annibal* with him, and deluded him. This is the only way of safety. O *L. Paulus*, which I fear me our own Citizens will make difficult and dangerous unto themselves, more than the enemies can. For you shall have your own souldiers, and your enemies both of one and the same mind. *Varron* the Roman Consul, and *Annibal* the Carthaginian General, will aim and reach at one and the self same thing. And you, being but one man, must make account to resist two Captains; and to fit them you shall well enough, if you will stand firm and hold your own against all brutes and spees, of the people, if neither the vain-glory of your fellow that shall be blazed, nor the infamous rumours that shall be fairly blown abroad to your disgrace, shall once stir you from your constant resolution and maintenance of the truth. Old sayings these be, and common proverbs: That right and true dealing may well be sick, but it shall not die: it may lie bleeding, but shall not miscarry. And he that will despise vain-glory, shall attain in the end to true glory. Let them call you and spare not, fearful for careful, cold and slow for wise and considerate, an ill souldier and ignorant for a skilful warrior and experienced. But be not you dimmed: I had rather hear a wife and sober enemy to fear you, than see foolish and brain-lack Citizens to praise you. Adventure all things boldly, *Annibal* will condemn you: enterprise nothing rashly, he shall dread you. And yet my purpose is not, neither speak I this that you should enter into no action at all: by my meaning and advice is, that in all your doings you be guided and directed by wise reason, not haled and carried away with blind fortune. Order the matter so, that all things lie within your compals, and at your disposition. Stand ever armed and upon your guard. Have your eye about you still, and keepe good watch, that neither you lose any opportunity that shall present itself unto you, nor yield unto the enemy any occasion for his advantage. Take time and leisure, your shall find all things clear, plain easie, and certain. Contrariwise, haist maketh walters: it is ever to seek it foreleeth nought, but is stark blind.

The answer of *Aemilius* to *Fabius*.

The Consul answered to these speeches, with no light som cheer and gladome countenance, as confessing, That all he spake was rather true in substance, than easie in execution. "For (said he) if the General of horsemen were so violent, and not so be endured of you, who were his Dictator and soveraign Commander: what could he shall I take, what shift may I make, what power and authority sufficient, am I like to have, to sway against my feditious, quarrellome, and heady Colleague? For mine own part, in my former Consulship, I hardly escaped a scolding, and much ado I had to pass through the light fire of the flaming peoples doom and heavy censure, wherein I was well scorched and half-burnt. I with all may be well in the end. Howbeit, if any thing shall fall out otherwise than well, I had rather hazard the pikes and darts of the enemies, and leave my life behind me among them, than put my self to be tried again by the voices and suffrages of angry and testy Citizens, *Paulus* had no sooner delivered this speech, but (as the report goeth) he went forth on his journey, and the chief LL. of the Senat accompanied him. The other Commoner Consul was likewise attended of his favourites the Commons, more looked on & gazed at for their multitude and number, than regarded for the worth & quality of their persons. So soon as they were arrived at the Camp, and that the new army was intermingled with the old, they divided the whole army into two camps & ordered the matter so, that the new which was the lesser should be nearer to *Annibal*; and in the old, the greater number and the whole strength and flower of the main forces should be quartered. Then they sent away to *Rome* *M. Attillus* the Consul of the former year, who excused himself by reason of his old age, and desired to be gone. But they gave unto *Cn. Servilius* the charge and conduct of one Roman Legion, and besides of two thousand horsemen and footmen of their allies in the lesser Camp. *Annibal*, notwithstanding he well perceived that the power of his enemies was re-enforced by one half more than before, yet wondrous joyfull he was at the coming of these new Consuls: For not only he had nothing left him of victuals, which from day to day he purveyed for, to serve his present need and no more; but also there was no mote to be had, and nothing remained for to fill his hands with: by reason that after the territory was not safe to travel in, the corn from all parts was conveyed unto the strong walled Towns, and there laid up: so that (as afterwards it was known for certain) he had scarce corn enough for to serve ten daies: and the Spaniards, by occasion of the dearth and want, were at the point to revolt unto the Romans, if they might but enjoy a good and commodious time therefore. Over and besides, to the inbred rashness and over-hasty nature of the Consul, Fortune also ministered matter to confirm him therein. For in a certain tumultuary skirmish (to stop and impeach the forragers and Plunders of *Annibal*, and which began rather by chance, as the souldiers happened to encounter one another, than upon any considerate counsel beforehand, or by direction and commandment from the Generals) the Carthaginians had the foil, and went by the worst: for of them there were 1700 slain: but of Romans and Confederates, not passing 100. And when in the train of victory they boldly followed the chase in disarray, the Consul *Paulus*, who that day had the absolute command (for they governed by turns, each one his day) restrained and staid them, *Varron* thereat chafed and fretted, crying out aloud, That he had let the enemy escape out of his hands: and if he had not thus given over the pursuit, the war might have been ended at once. *Annibal* took this loile and dammage nothing near the heart, but rather made full reckoning, that he had caught

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(as it were) with a bait & fleeth the audaciousness of the fool-hasty Consul, and of the new soldiers especially. For he knew as well all that was done amongst the enemies as in his own Camp; namely, that the Generals were not fittable nor forcing one unto the other: and that of three parts of the army, two in a manner were but raw, fresh, and untrained soldiers. And therefore supposing he had now got place and time favourable unto him, to contrive and compass some stratagem, the night following he led forth his soldiers, carrying nothing about them but their armour; and abandoned the Camp full of all things, as well private goods and furniture, as publick provision: and beyond the next hills, he bestowed secretly in ambush his footmen well appointed in ordinance of battel on the left hand, and the horsemen on the right: and conveyed all his carriages into the middle between two flanks: to the end, that whilke the enemy was buied in filling and ransacking the tents, forlorn (as it were) and forsaken by the flight of the owners and masters, he might surprize him laden and encumbered with bag and baggage. He left behind him in the Camp many fires burning, to the end that the enemies should verily think and believe, that unless a pretended flow of an army in Camp, his purpose was to hold and keep the Consuls amazed till where they were, whilke himself in the mean time might gain more ground and escape further away, like as he had plaid by *Fabius* the year before. When day-light was come, and the Coss, saw, first that the standing guards were gone, and perceived (as they approa) the nearer) an unwonted silence, they marvelled much. But after they discovered certainly that the Camp was abandoned, and no person remaining behind: there was running of all hands, who could run fastest to the pavilions of the Coss, with news that the enemies were fled, in such fear as they left their tents standing entire, and had quit the Camp wholly: and to the end their flight should be more secret and not discovered they had let light fires burning in every place. Then began they all to cry and call upon the Coss, or to command the standards and ensignes to be brought abroad and to lead forth in pursuit of the enemies, and without any stay to make spoil and have of it their Camp. And in truth, one of the Coss, was no wiser than the common soldiers. But *Paulus* replied, and told them ever and anon, that they were to be circumspect and wary, and to look about them what they did for fear of an ambush. Yet seeing the end no remedy, and that otherwise he could neither stay the mutiny, nor rule the Captain thereof: he sent out *M. Strophium* (the Proconsul marshall) with a troop of Lucan horsemen in speciall order to discover the coats and scall, who, having ridden hard to the gates and given order to all the rest for to stay without the fortifications, himself with two horsemen besides entered within the rampire, and having looked and searched every corner adreily, he retired and made relation. That past all peradventure there were knives abroad and a piece of treachery was in hand: for why, there are fires made (quoth he) on that side only of the Camp that looked toward the enemy: the pavilions stand open and all things of price and value which they fear more sore by are left at random even to fit our hands: and we have seen besides in divers places, gliver plates and coins scattered along the way here and there, as it were about laid out to us to buy. These circumstances, as reported, of purpose to withdraw their minds from covetous and greedy desire of pillage: yet them on and kindled them the more. And the soldiers had no sooner cried aloud, that unless the signal were given, they would set forwards without Commanders: but they had a captain straight at hand to lead them the way: For immediately *Proculus* sounded the march. *Paulus* who of himself made slow halt, and perceived besides that the birds in taking the auspice, approved not this enterprise, nor gave good tokens of happy speed, gave order straightwaies that his Collegue should be advertised of the unlucky auspice, who was ready now to set out of the gate with his standard & that in any wise he should stay. Wherewith albeit *Varro* was not well content, yet the late misfortune of *Flaminius*, and the memorableness of overthrow at sea of *Claudius* [*Pulcher*] Consul, in the Punic war, wrought some scruple of conscience and fear in his heart. But it was even the last grace of the gods (if a man may so say) and nothing else, which put by and deferred rather than impeached and inhibited the danger and destruction that hung over the Romans heads. For as good hap was it chanced at the very instant, when the Consul commanded the ensignes to be brought into the Camp, & the soldiers would not obey him two slaves (who served sometime two horsemen, the one a Formian, and the other a Sidicin, and who in the year when *Servilius* & *Attilius* were Consuls among other foragers were taken prisoners by the Numidians) made an escape and fled that day to their old master, *Annil*, who being brought before the Coss, advertised them constantly that the whole army of *Annil* lay close in ambush ad on the farther side of the mountains. The coming of these bondslaves to right and jump as they did, caused the soldiers to obey their Coss. Whereas the one of them, by his ambitious courting and seeking unto them at the first for a Consulship, and afterwards by his unseemly indulgence and pleasing of them, had lost all his majesty and reputation among them.

*Annil*, when he saw that the Romans rather began to stir without advice, than still to run rashly on head to the full, and that his crafty device was disloied and took no effect, returned again into his Camp. Where, he could not for want of corn make abode many daies: and besides not only soldiers (who were not all one mans children) but a confused mixture of all Nations began day by day to plot and enter into new defences, but also their Captain himself was of many minds. For whereas they began with muttering and grumbling, and afterwards with open mouth, to demand and call for their due wages, complaining first of the dearth of victuals, and in the end, of meer hunger and famine: and withall a rumour ran, that the enemy soldiers, and

A and the Spaniards especially, were minded and intended to give him the slip, and to turn to the enemy: *Annil* likewise bethought himself otherwise as it was said, how he might flee into *Gallia*, but so, as he would leave his Infantry behind him at six and seven, and to be gone with his Cavalry alone. As men, I say, were thus plotting and devising in the camp, he retired at length to dislodge from thence, and to remove into the better countries of *Aphra*, where the harvest was more timely: considering withal, that the farther he went from the enemies his soldiers who were by nature light-headed and inconstant, would not easily revolt and flee from him. So he took his way by night, and made fires likewise, and left a few tents standing in sight, that the Romans fearing the like trains and ambush, as before, might keep in, and not stir abroad. But when B as the same *Statilius* the Lucan, having scoured all the coasts, both beyond the camp, and the other side of the hills, and brought word that he had discovered the enemies afar off dimarching, then began they the morrow after to think and consult of making after him with hot pursuit. But albeit both Consuls continued, as ever before, the same men still, that is to say, diversly minded, and persisting in their several resolutions: but so, as all in a manner accorded with *Varro*, and none agreed unto *Paulus*, but only *Servilius* the Consul of the former year: yet according to the opinion and counsel of the major parts, they went both together (for what might hold that which fate necessity driveth) to make *Cunae* much renowned and famous for the notable overthrow and defeat of the Romans. Near this village *Annil* had encamped under the wind *Vulturnus*, and had it on his back: which wind, when the fields are scorched and burnt with drought, is wont C to bring with it clouds (as it were) of dust. Which as it was good and commodious for the camp itself, so it was like to serve in speciall stead, when they should range their battel in order, and fight, with the wind blowing on their back, against the enemy, whose eyes the dust was ready to put out, flying with the wind full in their faces so abundantly.

The Consuls having diligently feared the wayes and tried the passages ever before them, followed *Annil* hard, and so soon as they were come to *Cunae*, had him in sight: where they fortified two camps, of like distance almost aunder, as at *Gerion*: and divided their forces like as before. The river *Aufidus* ran close by both these camps, and yeilded waiting places according as either of them had occasion and need, but not without some bustling and skirmish. But from the lesser camp, which lay on the farther side of *Aufidus* the Romans had more liberty to water, because upon the farther bank there was planted no fence nor guard of the enemy. *Annil* at having possessed himself of a good plot of ground to his mind, commodious and meet for the service of horsemen (in which kind of forces he was invincible) ordered his battalions in array, & by putting out certain Numidian light horse, made a bravado, and bade the Corsuls battel. And even then it fell out, that both the Roman camps were disquieted and troubled anew, what with the mutiny of the soldiers, and what with the disagreement and jarring of the Consuls: whilke *Paulus* laid hard unto *Varro*, and set before his eyes the rashness of *Sempronius* and *Flaminius*: and *Varro* again hit him home, and twit him with the example of *Fabius*, which made so goodly a show in the eyes of fearful, idle, and cowardly Captains: both of them fell to proceling and calling God and man to witness, the one giving out, that the fault was not in him that *Annil* was E now Lord well-near of all *Italy* already, and why? because himself was kept short and tied fast enough by his Collegue, and the soldiers whose hot blood was up, and who were eager of fight, had their weapons even plucked out of their hands: *Annil* so on the other side complaining, that if ought should hap amiss unto the Legions thus betrayed, and offered wilfully and unconsiderately to the danger of doubtful battel, notwithstanding he were not blame worthy but innocent altogether, yet should he be the first that imputed, and be partaker of the mischief and misfortune: and yet he would gladly see, whether they who were so ready and hasty of their tongue to speak, would be as nimble & adive of their hands to fight, when the time came. Thus whilke they spend time in chopping of Logic & quarrelling one with another rather then in good & sober consultations, *Annil* who had flood arranged a good part of the day ready to fight minding to retire his F other forces into his camp, sent forth certain Numidians out of the battel to charge upon the Romans on the other side of the river, who from the lesser camp went for water. These being a disordered & confused multitude, were not fully landed on the bank, but with the shout only & tumult of the Numidians, they were discomfited and put to flight: whereupon the enemy rode farther, even to the standing *Corps de guard*, quartered before the rampart, and hard at the very gates of the Roman camp. This was such an indignity offered to the Romans, to see themselves now thus braved and bearded even in the very camp by the auxiliary soldiers, and the rash force of the enemies, that there was no other thing stayed the Romans from passing the river presently, and embattelling themselves. But only this, that it was *Paulus* his turn that day to have the sovereign command of all. And therefore the morrow after, when it came to *Paulus* his course for to rule, G with any advice of his companion, he put forth the signal of battel, and with all his forces put in order of battel, went over the river. *Paulus* also followed after him, as one who might well enough millike and disallow the purpose of his Collegue, but otherwise could neither will, nor chuse, but second him, and take part in the execution. Being once over the river, they join also the forces which they had in the smaller camp, unto the other: and in this manner they ordered the battel. In the right point which was nearer to the river, was arranged the Roman Cavalry, and after them the footmen. The left point on the outside, was flanked with the horsemen of the affociats: within stood their Infantry: but in the middle part were bestowed the Archers

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\* That is a fearful cask out of the General his pavilion. The memorable battel of *Cunae*.



and loose shot, close to the main battel of the Roman Legions; and of all the rest of light armed H auxiliaries (soldiers, consisted the van-guard. The Consul led both the points, *Terentius* the left, *Æmilius* the right, *Cn. Servilius* had the conduct of the main battel, Now *Anibal* by the break of day, having first before the Balcare flingers, and his other light armor, passed over the river, and marshalled them in battel array, ever as they came to land. The horse as well Gauls as Spaniards, he opposed in the left point, near to the bank, even against the horsemen of the Romans: the right consisted of the Numidian light horse: and the main battel was strengthened and fortified with his Infantry: but in such manner as the Africans flanked both, in manner of wings: and bewitch his Infantry: but in such manner as the Africans flanked both, in manner of wings: and between them were beset the Gauls and the Spaniards in the midlt. A man that had seen the Africans, would have taken most of them for Romans, so armed were they with Roman armor, I gotten much of it at *Trebia*, but most of all at *Thrasymene*. The Frenchmen and Spaniards had targets near of one fashion, but their swords were unlike and far differing. Those of the Gauls were very long and not pointed. But the Spaniard, whose manner is rather to fight with the thrust and to foyn, then to slash and strike edglong, had handsome short cutlasses, and sharp at the point. And after this sort stood these two nations armed before the rest (terrible to behold, both for the bigness of their persons, and also for their habit and attire.) The Gauls all from the navel upward naked: the Spaniards with linnen waistcoats or jackets, glittering wondrous bright, bordered and embroidered with purple and scarlet. The compleat number of all, as well horse as foot, ded the left, *Maharbal* the right, *Anibal* himself in person with his brother *Mago*, conducted the middle battel. The Sun shone sideways upon the flanks both of the one and also of the other army, very indifferent and commodious to both parts, were it that they were so placed and marshalled of purpose, or chanced at adventure so to stand: the Romans with their faces full south, the Carthaginians into the north. But the wind which the inhabitants of that country call *Fulturnus*, arose and blew full upon the faces of the Romans, and raised such store of dust, and drove it so upon their eyes, that it took away their sight and prospect. They cry and shout began on both sides, and the Auxiliary soldiers put themselves first to skirmish, and charged one another with their light shot. Then the left point of the Gauls and Spanish men of arms encountered and ran full upon the right hand of the Romans Cavalry, nothing at all after the order of horse-service: for they were of necessity to affront one another straight forward, as having no room left about them to sling out and ride at large, being flanked on the one hand with the river, and enclosed on the other with the battalion of footmen. Whereupon I say, they were forced to charge full butt from both parts, directly before them, so long as their horses stood close and thrust together: but at length when they began to stir and wince, the riders, man to man, fell to take hold and clasp one another, and every man to pluck his enemy besides his horse, so as now they were driven much what to fight on foot. This conflict was rather sharp then long: and to be short the Roman Cavalry was discomfited and put to flight. And anon, as the horse made an end of their fight, began the skirmish of the foot also. At the first the Gauls and Spaniards equal to their enemies both in force and courage maintained the conflict right hardily, and kept their order and array. At length the Romans cast about and devised on what side, and with what form of a close battalion, to force back that pointed squadron of the enemies, ranged very thin, and by so much the weaker, and bearing out withal, from the rest of the battel. Now when they had once driven them to retreat, and give ground, the Romans pressed on still at one instant: and with the same violence pierced through them as they fled for fear headlong, until they were entered as far as to the very midst of the vanguard and main battel: and finding none able to stand in their way and make resistance, they gained in the end the very reerward of the Africans: who having drawn in from both sides their skirts and wings, stood together strong, and firmly kept their ground. The Gauls and Spaniards continued still in the midlt, somewhat advanced without the rest of the battel. Now when this pointed squadron was driven in by the Romans, and made even and equal fight with the front of the battel, and afterwards upon farther enforcement, gave way for them to press in a lane through the midlt thereof: by that time the Africans charged upon their flanks: and while the Romans unwarily were engaged over far within them, they came about them on the skirts, and within a while having stretched out and spread their wings, enclosed the enemies round on their backs also. Hereupon the Romans who had performed one battel and conflict in vain, were forced to give over the Gauls and Spaniards, whom they had disarrayed and put to flight: and were to begin a fresh fight with the Africans: and that to their own great disadvantage: not only because they being enclosed and pent up in a straight room, were to deal with them that had compassed them all about and were at liberty, but also because they being wearied, were to maintain a new skirmish with those that were fresh in heart, and lusty. And now by this time, in the left point of the Romans battel, where the horsemen of their associates were marshalled to effr: the Numidians they were slain to close fight: which at the first these Numidians began but coldly and faintly, after the deceitful manner of Carthaginians, unto whom they were fast and near neighbours. For 500, of them or thereabout, having besides their usual javelins and darts which they commonly carry, short daggers or spears hidden under their cuirasses and harness, made semblance of riding away from their own companies, and siding to the Romans, with their bucklers at their backs, all of a sudden dismounted from their horses, and throwing their bucklers, targets,

and spears at their enemies feet, were received within the main battel, and from thence conducted to the hindmost in the reerward, were commanded there to abide behind at their back. And until such time as the skirmish joined on all sides, they continued quiet. But when they law every mans eye and mind busied and occupied in the conflict, then they caught up those bucklers that lay strewd and scattered among the dead bodies all abroad, and played upon the battel of the Romans from behind: and what with wounding their backs, and cutting their hamstrings, they made foul work and slaughter among them, and more then that, raised a greater fear and tumult by far. Now when the Romans in one place were frighted and ran away, and in another fought for life, armed only with despair of all means to escape: *Adnabal* who had the charge of that side, B caused the Numidian horsemen, who fought but coldly with those that stood affront them, to be withdrawn from the midlt of the battel, and sent them to pursue the enemies in the chase. And to the Africans over weary now with execution and killing, rather then with any other fight, he joined the Gauls and Spanish footmen to assist them. On the other side of the battel, *Pentus*, albeit at the very first shock and encounter, he was sore wounded by a bullet from out of a sling, yet oftentimes he made head against *Anibal*, and kept his battalions close and thick together, yea, and in divers places renewed the conflict, and evermore the Roman horsemen guarded and protected him. But at the last they left their horses, because the Consul his strength failed him to rule his own, and to fit him. Whereupon there was one brief word unto *Anibal*, that the Consul had commanded his men of arms to light aloof. Then (quoth *Anibal* as the report goeth) Yea, marry: C But how much gladder would I be, if he delivered them into my hands bound hand and foot? And surely the horsemen fought so after they were alighted, as if there had been no doubt, but that the enemy had the victory. Howbeit, although they had the worse, yet they chose rather to die in the place, then to flee: and the victors angered at the heart with them for thus staying the accomplishment of the victory, went down with them, and killed outright all those whom they could not make to give ground and yield. And yet a few such as were wearied with much toil and overcharged with many wounds they enforced to retreat. Anon they were all disbandd and scattered asunder: and as many as could, recovered their horses, and fled away. "Cn. Lentulus Co- lonel (seeing as he rode by) the Consul sitting all agore blood upon a stone. Ah L. *Æmilius* (quoth "he) whom the gods ought of right to regard and love, as being the only gentlest man, and in D "nocent of this day work and unhappy overthrow, take here this horse of mine, while some vigor and strength remaineth in you, Able I am to mount you upon him, to accompany you and protect you also. Come I say, and make not this battel more curled and sorrowful by the death "of a Consul, without it I wot, we have cause enough already, and too much, of dolorous tears and wofull lamentation. Whereunto the Consul made this answer: Give thee thanks, O L. *Cornelius* grace for thy kindness, and God bless thee in this thy virtue and prowess. But take thou heed to thy self, lest by thy foolish pity of me, thou lose that little time which thou hast to escape out of the hands of the enemies. Save thy self, and go thy ways to the LL of the Senat, "and wilt them all from me in general, to fortifie the City of Rome. And man it well with strong guards, before the enemy follow the train of victory, and come against it. But more particular- E ly, let Q. *Fabius* understand, that L. *Æmilius* yet, was mindful of his wholom precepts, all the "whiles he lived, and now also forgot them not at the hour of his death. And suffer thou me to yield unto nature, and let go my last breath, even here among the heaps of mine own slain soldiers, that I may end my days and die neither an accused and guilty person, nor in my Consul- "ship stand up to accuse my Collegue, and to defend mine own innocence, and justify my selfe, by the blaming of another. As the Consul uttered these words, first the multitude of his own citizens in the rout, and then the enemies in pursuit, ran over him; and not knowing who he was, overwhelmed him with javelins and darts good store. As for *Lentulus*, his horse carried him away to a little hill. Then they fled all amain as fast as they could, 7000, recovered the lesser camp, and ten thousand the greater: and upon two thousand put themselves into the village it self of Canna. But because it was an unwalled and fenceless town, they were immediately environed by *Carido* and the horsemen, and so perished every one. The other Consul made no semblance, e, that he was offended or displeased with the companies that thus fled, were it of purpose, or as it chanced; and accompanied with fifty men of arms or thereabout escaped to *Ventusa*. In this battel were slain of Romans (by report) 40000, footmen, and 2700, horsemen: and in a manner, as many besides of Allies, as of natural Citizens. Amongst whom there was one Consul, two Treasurers, L. *Attilius* and *Ennius Bibaculus*, 21, Colonels: some also who had been Consuls, Pretors, and *Ædiles*. Of which number was *Cn. Servilius*, and *C. Minutius Numicius*, who the year before had been Commander of the Cavalry for some certain days. Besides 80, Senators, or such as were Senators fellows, and had borne those dignities, in regard whereof, they were to be chosen Senators. E These served as volunteers and were enrolled among the Legions. There were taken prisoners at this field, as the general speech went, 3000, footmen, and 300, men of Arms.

This is that noble battel, so famous for the overthrow at Canna, and comparable to that defeat at the river *Alia*. For like as this was of less importance, then the other in respect of that which ensued after the conflict, because the enemy stayed his hand, and pursued not his victory: so if we consider the loss of men and defeat of the army, it was the greater, and for the shameful sight more dishonorable. For the running away that was at *Alia*, as it betrayed the City, so it saved the Army: but at Canna, when the one Consul fled, there were scarce 50, of his army that accompanied him

him, and as for the other Consul, whilst he lay a bleeding and dying, all his forces to speak of, took their heels.

The speech of  
P. Sempronius  
Indulgentius to  
his fellow  
soldiers.

Now there being a number in both camps, half disarmed, and wholly without their chief Commanders: the Captains of the greater Camp sent a messenger unto the other, willing them to come over thither, that they might march in one entire company together, and depart to *Cannus* in the night season, whilst their enemies were fast asleep: as partly wearied with long fight and partly charged with wine & good cheer after their joyful victory. This advice some there were that milked at together and rejected. For why (say they) might not they come hither themselves to us, as well as send for us, since we may as soon go to join together? Because, I wot, all the ways between are full of enemies, and they chose rather to hazard the bodies of others, than adventure their own persons in so great danger. Others were not so much displeased for any dislike of the motion, as their hearts failed them to take in hand the enterprise thereof. Then spake *P. Sempronius Indulgentius* a Colonel, "And will ye rather chafe (quoth he) to be taken captive by a most outrageous and cruel enemy? And to have your heads valued at a price? And that Chapmen coming to buy you in open market, should ask every one of you this question, Whether art thou a Roman Citizen, or a Latin Confederate? And so by thy disgrace, reproach, and misery, another man shall get honor, and thy self none. Ye are not (I see well) like to *Lucius Emilius*, who made choice to die valiantly, than to live in shame and obloquy: nor to many other to brave and hardy men, who lie about him dead on the ground by heaps. But before they do to brave and greater troops of enemies betwixt the passages, let us break through these, that in disorder and confusion of array, make to foil our own ranks. The point of sword and edge of courage, is able to pass through enemies, stand they never so thick and close together. We will make a pointed battailon in wedge-form, and pierce through their loose and thin squadrons, as easily as if nothing stood in our way. Go with me therefore as many of you, as are willing to save yourselves and the Common-weal. The word was no sooner out of his mouth, but his sword was out of scabbard, and with a pointed battailon took his way through the midst of the enemies: and when the Numidians flanked them, and shot hard at their right side that lay open to them, they shifted their targets to their right arm, and so escaped, to the number of 600, unto the bigger camp, and forthwith from thence joining to the other greater company, they retired themselves safe to *Cannus*. These exploits were performed by men vanquished, more upon a present fit of courage, as each mans natural instinct guided, or chance led him, than either any sage advice of their own, or command of other.

Now when all the rest came about *Annibal*, immediately upon this noble victory, to congratulate and rejoice with him, yea, and to advise him, that after so great a battle performed, he should the rest of that day, and the whole night following, both refresh himself, and also give rest and repose to his wearied soldiers: *Maharbal*, General of the Cavalry, was of mind that it was no giving over thus: Nay (quoth he) that you may know of what consequence this battle is, you shall break your fast and eat your dinner five days hence in the Capitol. Follow hastily with your horsemen, that they may see you are come, before they hear that you are coming. No, saith *Annibal* again, let carriers on Gods name go alone, and spare not to carry news thereof: Your words are good, and it is a gay matter and plausible you speak of: but the way thereto is longer, and more than I can presently conceive and comprehend: I give you thanks *Maharbal*, and I commend your good mind and forwardness: but we had need to deliberate and pause further upon this point. Ah (quoth *Maharbal*) true it is, I see well, that God hath not endued one man with all gifts. Thou hast the way *O Annibal*, to win a victory, but not the grace to use a victory. And surely, in this one day's delay, as it was certainly believed, stood the safety and preservation of the City & Empire of Rome. The morrow after, so soon as ever the day began to appear, they minded only and intended the gathering of spoils, and to view that great butchery and slaughter: a pitiful and lamentable sight even to the very enemies to behold. So many thousand Romans lay there along in every place, horsemen and footmen pell mell, one with another, according as their hap was to meet together, and either to join in fight, or die in flight. Some were seen to arise up all bloody from out of the midst of the slaughtered bodies, such as the bitter morning cold had nipped their wounds, and made them to start up by reason of their smart, and were by the enemy knocked down again and killed. Other some they found lying along still alive, cut shorter by the thighs & hams, who offered their bare necks & throats to be cut & cauld unto them to let forth the rest of their blood. Divers were found with their heads covered within the earth, who as it appeared, had made themselves holes & gutters in the ground for this purpose, to inter themselves: whereinto they thrust their mouths & faces, & being buried with mould cast over them, were so stifled & choked. But above all the rest there was one that drew every mans eye upon him & made them all to wonder. A Numidian with his nose and ears piteously mangled & cropped, but yet alive, lying under a Roman dead. For when his hands fo wounded as they were, would not serve him to handle a weapon for very anger he fel mad & lay (so long as he had any breath within him) biting his enemy with his teeth.

After they had spent a good part of the day in gathering spoils, *Annibal* marched forward to assault the lesser camp and first and foremost he turned aside the arm of the river that flanked them, and so excluded them from the water. But they all within being over-wearied with toil, and watching and bleeding of their wounds, yielded sooner than he looked for: and covenanted, *Imprimis*, to deliver up their armor and horses: *Item*, to pay 300. *Quondigit* pieces

A peeces of silver, for every Roman: 200, for every one of the Allies: and every bondman 100 a pece. *Item*, that after this ransom paid, they should depart in their single apparel. Thus they received their enemies into the camp, and were themselves put all in ward: but, Allies and Citizens by themselves, apart one from the other. While they trilled time there, there were about 4000. footmen, and 200 horsemen, even as many as either their strength or hearts would serve, who out of the greater camp fled to *Cannus*, some marching in order, others flitting abroad over the fields, which was not the worst way of the twin, and is less safe. And then the camp was surrendered to the enemy, by those that were hurt and heartless, upon the same conditions that the other was. A rich booty was there gotten: and letting aside horses and men, and silver, which they used much in trappings and caparions of their horses, (for soldiers, be ye sure, occupied very little silver, either in their own apparel, or at their board) all the pillage was given to be rifled and ransacked amongst them. Then he gave commandment that the dead bodies of his own men should be gathered together for to be buried. And as men lay, they were to the number of eight thousand, all right valiant and hardy men. Some Authors report, that the Roman Consul also was sought up and interred. As for those, who escaped to *Cannus*, were by the *Cannus* entertained only within the walls, and lodged in their houses: but a noble Lady and a wealthy, named *Busa*, relieved them with some victual, apparel, yea, and money also in their purses for their journey. In regard of which bountiful liberality of hers, after the war was finished, she was highly honored by the Senat of Rome.

C. Now, there were amongst them four Colonels, namely, *Fabius Max.* of the first Legion, whose father had been Dictator the year before: and *L. Pullius Bibalus*, of the second Legion, together with *P. Corneli*, *Scipio*, and *Appius Claudius Pulcher* of the third Legion who had been *Edile* brutally afore: and by general consent of them all, *P. Scipio*, a very young man, and *Appius Claudius* were chosen to bear the sovereign rule, and to have the absolute command and conduct of the army. But as they sat with some few others, in counsel together about the managing of their main affairs, behold *P. Furius Philus*, whose father had been a Consul, gave them to understand that all their consultations were in vain, and that they did but foster and cherish a tooish hope of an overthrow: for the Common-weal was in a desperate case, past all cure, and remediless. Also that certain noble young Gentlemen, of whom *L. Cestius Metellus* was the principal, minded nothing else but to take sea, and were ready to embark, to abandon Italy, and to fly for succor to some King or other. This evil tidings as it was most grievous and heavy in it self: so lasting out as it did, presently upon other misfortunes to suddenly and unlooked for, put them into their dumps, and wonderfully amazed and astonished them all. And when they that were present in place laid their heads together, and thought good to call otherwise counsel upon this point, *Scipio* a young man, even then predestined to be the fatal Captain of this war, answered: What do you here? (quoth he) it is no time now to sit consulting in so great extremity, but leaving all discourses, presently proceed to action, and to do some exploit. As many therefore as are willing to save the Common-weal, take arms and go with me forthwith: for no where are our enemies (to say a truth) encamped against us more, than where such discontents are plotting and contriving. E. Forth he went with a few following after him, unto the lodging of *Metellus* and finding there the young Gentlemen afore said, close together in counsel thereabout: he drew his sword, and brandished it naked over their heads, as they sat in consultation. "I swear before you all (quoth he) and I swear from my very heart, and no man urge me thereto that I for my part will neither forsake the Common-weal, nor suffer any Citizen else of Rome to abandon her. And if I fail waiting and willing, then confound me *O Jup. Opt. Max.* and bring a most shameful end upon my house, my family, and all that I have, swear thou *O L. Cestius* after me, as I have done. Adverse thee: and ye all that are here present take the same oath: for whosoever shall refuse, know he assuredly, that upon him I have drawn this sword. Hereat they being no less terrified, then if they had seen the Conqueror himself *Annibal* in person, took the oath every one, and yee ded themselves unto *Scipio*, for to be kept in ward to serve against *Annibal*.

At the same time, whilst these things were working at *Cannus*, there arrived at *Venusia* upon four thousand foot and horsemen together, such as in their flight had been separated sundry all over the fields, and repaired unto the Consul there. The *Venusians* took order for them all, that they should be gently entertained, and carefully tended, and divided into several hostes: and they followed upon the horsemen, a side caskock, a coat, and 25. *Quondigit* a pece: and given *Quadrantes* to every footman: and armor besides, to as many as wanted. And in all other courtesies of hospitality, both publick and privat, they strove and endeavored that the people of *Venusia* should not in any kind of friendly offices, come behind one woman of *Cannus*. Howbeit in regard of the great multitude the burden and charge lay more heavy upon dame *Busa*: for now their number was risen to ten thousand. Then *Appius* and *Scipio* having intelligence that the other Consul was alive and well, dispatched a messenger presently, to advertise him how many footmen and horsemen there were in all with them: and to know his pleasure what whether he would command the army to be brought unto *Venusia*, or abide still at *Cannus*. But *Varrus* (the Consul) of his own accord brought his forces to *Cannus*. So as by this time, they made a pretty good shew of a Consular army, and seemed sufficient to defend themselves, if not by force of arms in the field, yet at leastwise, with the strength of walls within the town. But the news came to Rome, that there was not so much as this small remnant left of Citizens and

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The Oration  
of M. Junius to  
the Senat.

of them (a man of a Roman nature and disposition) made semblance, as if he had forgotten all somewhat behind him, and to discharge himself (forsooth) of his oath, returned into the camp, and before night overtook his company again. When word was brought, that they were coming to Rome, there was a Lictor sent out to meet *Cornelius* upon the way, and to warn him in the name of the Dictator, before night to depart out of the confines of the territory of Rome. But the Committees of the Captives had audience granted them in the Senat-house by the Dictator. And the principal man among them, *Marcus Junius*, spake in this manner.

"Right honourable, and my very good LL. of the Senat, There is not one of you all ignorant, that I tender any City whatsoever, hath been at less charge for redeeming of prisoners taken in wars, and made to find regard of them, then ours. But if we be not blinded in our own conceit, and think better of our cause, then there is reason: never were there any foundlers that fell into the hands of our enemies more to be accounted of by you then we are. And why? We yielded not our weapons in battle for cowardize and fear, but after that we had flood well need: not night fighting over the dead bodies of our fellows slain, and so maintained the fight to the very last, then we retired our selves into the camp. The rest of the day and night following, notwithstanding we were weary with travel, and faint of our hurts, yet we manfully defended our rampart. The morrow after, when we were beset and involved round about by the conqueror's army, yet we excluded from water and saw no other hope at all to break through our enemies, ranged to strong and close together, and thinking it not a matter of reproach, against the law of arms, that when 5000 of our Citizens were slain in field, some Roman foundlers should remain alive after the battle of *Cannæ*; then and not afore, we agreed upon a sum of money, that being ransomed, we might be set at large, and so we yielded unto the enemies our weapons, wherein now we saw no help at all. We have heard likewise, that our ancestors deemed themselves from the Gauls with a sum of gold: and our fathers also, notwithstanding they were most straight laid, and hardly brought to capitulate and compound for peace, yet sent Embassadors to *Tarentum*, not to redeem their cities: and both those battels, first in *Italy*, with the Gauls, and then before *Heraclea* with *Pyrrius*, were not to ignominious and shameful, for the little it left, as for the right and bravely running away. But the plains of *Cannæ* are covered all over with heaps of Roman bodies; and we that be here had not remained alive after them, but that the enemies' strength held out no longer, nor their sword would pierce to kill any more. And yet there be some of our men also who fled not back in battle: but being left behind to guard the camp, were taken prisoners by the enemy as well as we, at what time as it was surrendered into their hands. Certainly, I envy not the fortune, nor repine at the welfare and good estate of any Citizen or fellow foundler, neither would I be thought the man, who by despising another, would seem to advance my self. But even they verily (unless peradventure good footmanship and swift running deserve reward) who for the most part fled out of the field unarmed, and never flinted before they gave *Venusia* or *Casuntum* over their heads, cannot justly prefer themselves before us nor boast and glory, that they stand the Common-weal in better stead then we. Find them you shall (I doubt not) good men and valorous foundlers: so shall you us too, yea, and more ready to do true service to our country, in that by your bounty and good means we have been ransomed and restored again into our country. Ye have levied foundlers of all ages and degrees, and I hear say, there be 8000, bondmen in arms. We are no fewer in number our selves, and redeemed we may be with as small moneys as they are bought. I say no more but so, for if I should make farther comparison between us and them, I must do wrong to the Roman name and nation. This is a special thing moreover (my LL.) which in mine advice ye are due to consider in this deliberation, in case ye be so hard-hearted, as to have no regard of us: or of our desert, namely, in what enemies hand ye leave us. It is with *Pyrrius* peradventure, who used us as being his prisoners, like friends and guests. Nay, is he not a Barbarian and Carthaginian? who whether he be more covetous or cruel, can hardly be imagined. O that ye saw the irons and chains, the nasty filthiness and foul usage of your Citizens. I am assured, you would be no less moved and affected to compassion at the sight thereof, then if ye beheld on the other side your Legions lying slain all over the plains and fields of *Cannæ*. Ye may observe and behold the sorrowful cheer, and faint tears of our kinsfolk standing here in the porch and entry of this Court, and waiting for your answer. And it they to fare, and are so pensive for us, and for them that are absent, what heavy hearts have they themselves (think ye) whose liberty and whole life lieth now a bleeding? And in good faith, if so be *Antibal* himself would, contrary to his nature, be respectful and merciful to us, yet should we think our lives did us small good, so long as we are reputed of you unworthy to be ransomed and redeemed. There returned in times past to Rome certain captives, sent home by *Pyrrius* without any ransom paid, but the returned accompanied with Embassadors: right honorable personages of this City, who had been sent for their redemption. And shall I return unto my country again not esteemed a Citizen worth 300 Deniers. Every man hath a mind by himself, and a fanie of his own my LL. And I woe well that my body and life is in jeopardy. But I fear more the hazard of honor and good name, lest we should be thought condemned and rejected by you. For the world will never believe, that you did it to spare your purse, and to save money.

When he had made an end of his speech, immediately the multitude who were gathered together in the common place, set up a lamentable and piteous cry, and thrust out their hands unto the Council.

A Council-house, beseeching the LL. of the Senat to let them have and enjoy their children, their brethren, and kinsfolk again. The very women also, for fear and necessity, thrust themselves among this press of men in the market place. But when all others besides the Senators were voided, they began to debate and consult about the matter in hand. Great variance there was in opinion. Some thought it reason, that their ransom were disbursed out of the common chest: others were of mind, that the City should be at no charge at all for their redemption: many they would not be against it, but that they might be enlarged and delivered at their own cost and expenses. And in case there were any that had not ready coin enough for present payment, the chamber of the City should lend them money, so as the people might have good security, as well by sureties bound, as by their good lands, mortgaged for the satisfaction of that debt. And when *T. Manlius Torquatus*, a man of the old world for precise severity, and as most folk thought too hard and austere in this point, was demanded his opinion, he spake, by report, to the cause in this wise.

"If the Committees (quoth he) had treated and made suit, for the redemption of them only that are captive in the hands of the enemies, and there staid: if they had not touched the person of any others besides, I would in few words have knit up my verdict and judgement of them. For what need I to have done else, but put you in mind, and exhort you, to observe the custom delivered unto you from your ancestors, and to maintain the example, so good and necessary for the service of war. But now, seeing they have not only justified, but also (as it were) glorified themselves, in that they yielded unto the enemies, and thought it good reason to be preferred, not only before them that were taken prisoners by the enemies in the field, but also those that saved themselves, and escaped to *Venusia* and *Casuntum*; yea, and before *C. Terentius* himself the Consul; I will not hide any thing from you my LL. but acquaint you with every thing that was done there. And would to God, that the words which I will utter here in your presence, I might deliver at *Casuntum*, even before the body of the army, the best witnesses of every mans cowardise or valour: or at leastwise, that *P. Sempronius* were present here alone whom, if these fellows would have followed as their leader, they had been foundlers at this day in the Roman camp, and not captives at the devotion of the enemies. For whilst the enemies were weary with fight, joyous and jocund of their fresh victory, and most of them retired into their own camp, they might have had the whole night to save themselves at their pleasure: and if that were not, yet being seven thousand strong, they had been able to have made a lane through them, were they never so thick, and to have broken away in despite of their hearts. But neither attempted they so much of themselves, nor yet would follow the leading of another. *P. Sempronius* *Tuditanus* ceased not all night long almost, to exhort, to admonish, and encourage them; for to follow his conduct, to take the time when but a few of their enemies were about their camp, whilst they were at repose and rest, and whilst the night lasted favourable unto them, for to hide and cover their enterprise: persuading with them, that before day light they might easily reach unto places of security, and arrive safely at the Cities of their Allies. Like as in the days of our Grandfathers, *P. Decius* a Tribune Colonel in *Sanninus*; like as of late time when I was a young man my self, in the first punick war, *Calpurnius Flamma* laid unto three hundred his voluntary foundlers, at what time as he minded to lead them to the gaining of a little Hill, standing in the midst of his enemies: Let us die hardly my foundlers, and by our death save and deliver our Legions, beset and besieged round about. *P. Sempronius* had said so much to you, he would never have esteemed you men of valour, nor yet Romans, if he had imagined, you would have born him company, or seconded him in the same way. But he the wiser you plain and easie way, leading as well as his, and his, as to honour and glory, able offered himself to be your guide, to bring you into your native country, your wives and children: yet would not your hearts serve you to escape and save your selves. Where had your hearts been then, if he would have had you to die for your country? 50000 of our Citizens and Confederates, lay that very day, slain at your feet. If so many examples of manhood and verue could not move you, nothing in the world will ever move you: it is great a foil and overthrow was not able to make you despise and fickle by this life: none will ever do it. Desire home a Gods name, and long after your native country, whilst ye are free and in safety: nay, desire to be in your country, whilst it is your country, and whilst ye are Citizens thereof. Now your desire and longing cometh too late, being distrachied, having lost your former estate and right of Citizens, and made your selves bondslaves to the Carthaginians. Think ye for a peece of money to recover your liberty again, and to return to your former degree, from which through faint-heartedness and cowardize ye are fallen? You would not hearken nor give ear to *P. Sempronius* your Citizen, willing you to take weapon in hand and to follow after him: but anon after, ye could listen after *Antibal*, commanding you to betray and render the camp, and deliver up your armor. But why blame I their liberality and daftardly fears, when I may reprove and accue them for wilful and lewd wickedness? For they not only refused to be ruled by his good counsel and exhortations, but also attempted to hinder and stay him in his intended enterprise, had not right hardy and valiant men with their swords drawn, set these daftardly beasts farther off. *P. Sempronius* I tell you, had somewhat ado, to pass the ranks and squadrons of his own countrymen, before he could break through the battailon of his enemies. Lengthen our country to have these for her Citizens? who if the rest had been likethem, should by this day, have had never a one

The Oration  
of T. Manlius  
Torquatus in  
the Senat.

one of them that fought at *Canna*, for her Citizens. Of seven thousand armed souldiers, there were found 600 that had the heart to break away, maugre the enemies, to escape and return with liberty, and with their armor, home into their country, notwithstanding there were forty thousand enemies to resist them: how easily then and safely, deem you, might a power almost of two thousand Legions, have passed through them and gone their ways? (Ye had had this day my Lords twenty thousand at *Canisium*, of right brave hard, and loyal souldiers. But now which way can they be so cowardly possibly be reputed true and faithful Citizens (for valiant souldiers, I am sure, they will not think themselves, nor take up on them to be, unless a man could be perswaded and beleeve they were such) who would have impeached and withstood the rest for getting away even when they were at the point to open a passage; or that they rather do not envy now, both the safety and also the honor of others which they have won by prowess; knowing in their own confidence, that their timoroufness and cowardliness was the cause of most ignominious and shameful servitude. They loved better to close within their pavilions, and to look for the day light and the enemy together: when as in the still dead time of the night, they had the opportunity to escape. But how then? Although their hearts failed them, to break away one of the camp, yet to defend the same manfully, they had courage and valor enough. Besieged they were, straitly beleaguered: invested they were day and night for a good time and in their armor forced to stand upon their guard, and manfully they quit themselves within their rampart, and at length (God wot) when they had assayed and endured all extremities, when all succors failed them, for sustenance of this live: so pinched with hunger and so enfeebled, that they were not able to bear their own armor and lift up their weapons; overcome at the last, rather with the necessity of mans frail nature than by the violence of the enemies, they, good men gave over and yielded themselves. Nay forsooth, it is neither to nor to. The morrow morning when the sun arose, the enemies advanced and approached toward the rampart: and within two hours after, without any trial and hazard of skirmish, they delivered up their weapons and themselves. Thus to see what their good service was, for two days together. When they should have stood in their field, and fought, then they fled back to their tents: when they were to guard and defend their trench and rampart, they surrendered them to the enemy: good no where, neither in battle nor in battle. I agree to ransom you, you (I say) when you ought to have sallied forth of the camp, linger behind and stay still: and when need was, to abide by it and to defend it like valiant men, surrender camp, give up your weapons, and yield your own bodies to the enemy? Nay, but to speak what I think, my sentence is (my LL.) that these fellows deserve no more to be ransomed, and then those to be delivered unto *Annibal*, who issued out of the camp pierced through the midst of the enemies, and most valiantly saved themselves, for to do service another day in their country: When *Manlius* had said, albeit the prisoners were allied near in kindred to most of the Senators: yet over and besides the precedent of the City it self, which never from the first beginning favoured the redemption of such souldiers, as suffered themselves to be taken prisoners: the ransom it self, which amounted to a good round sum made them to pause: because they were unwilling both to empty the publick treasury: (having already disbursed great sums, in buying up bond-slaves, and arming them for the wars) and also that *Annibal* (who as the voice went, was at a very great stand for money) should be enriched thereby. When this their answer was returned, it to wit, No redemption of captives: as was a new fit of weeping and wailing afresh, added to the former sorrow of the people, namely for the loss of so many Citizens: and so with many a tear thro they then made sundry complaints and moans which they made, they accompanied the Committees above the City of *Tarquinia*, who were then went home to his house the same time, who upon his sudden return, and coming to his house, as is afore said, supposed he had as much heart and disturbance in his conscience of his oath, which being known and recounted to the Senat, they were all of mind that he should be apprehended, and attended with a good and sufficient guard at the charge of the City, and so carried back to *Annibal*. There goeth another report of these Captives, that first there came ten of them as Committees: and when it was debated in the Senat, and doubt made, whether they should be admitted into the City or no: they were at length received, but so, as that they had no audience in the Senat: and upon long stay made then they looked for, three others followed after them, to wit: *L. Scribonius*, *C. Calpurnius*, and *L. Manlius*. Then by mediation of one Tribune of the Com, a kinsman of *Scribonius*, the matter was propounded in the Senat concerning the ransom of the captives: but granted it would not be: whereupon the three latter Committees returned to *Annibal*, and the other ten that first came, remained still behind: who upon a colourable occasion, had made an errand back to *Annibal*, when they were well onward on their way, to take a note, forsooth, of the names of the prisoners, and thereby seemed to have discharged their conscience of the oath. Alas, that in the Senat there was hard hold, much question and variance, about the delivering of them again into the hands of *Annibal*: and how at last, they who were of opinion to have them rendered and sent back, failed of their purpose: by reason they came short by some voices and opinions, and that the other side carried it clean away. But by the next Censors that came in place, they were so marked and branded with all notes of disgrace and shame, that some of them immediately made themselves away with their own hands: and the rest forbore, not only the common place and market all their life time after, but also came not abroad, in manner, to be seen in the very street, and never looked out of their doors. Thus a man may rather marvel, that authors should so differ among themselves

themselves, than from any of them pick out and discern the truth. But how much greater this overthrow and loss at *Canna* was, than any other before time, appeareth by this evident argument, in that those Allies, which ever to that day stood fast and sure unto them, now fell to shrink and fail: and surely for no earthly thing else, but because they began to despair of the main chance of the whole State and Empire. For hereupon there revolted unto the Carthaginians, the Attelians, the Calatins, the Hirpini, a part of the Apulians, all the Samnites, except the Petellini, all the Brutii in general, and the Lucans. And more then these, the Surintines, and the whole tract well-near, of the Greeks along the sea coast, The Tarentins, Metapontins, the Crotonians, the Locrians, and all the Gauls within the Alps. And yet for all these defeats, and rebellions of their Allies and Subjects, were not the Romans one whit inclined to make any mention of peace, neither before the coming of the Consul, nor yet after that he was returned, and renewed again the dolorous remembrance of that wofull overthrow received. And even at that very instant, so high minded was the City, and so far from drooping and being cast down, that as the Consul returned homeward from so great a defeat, whereof himself only was a principal cause, he was not only met upon the way by all the States and companies of the City in great numbers, but also highly thanked, in that he depaired not of the State of the Common-weal: who, if he had been the General and Leader of the Carthaginians, should have been sure to have smacked for it, and endured all extremity for torment and punishment.

## The three and twentieth Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

#### The Breviary of L. Florus upon the three and twentieth Book.

The Camps revolted unto *Annibal*. Mago was sent to Carthage, with news of the victory at *Canna*: and in the entry of the Council-House, he poured out (on the floor) the golden rings which had been plucked from the fingers of the Romans there slain, which by report exceeded the measure of a *Modius*. Upon these tidings, *Hannibal* the noblest personage among all the Carthaginians, performed with the Senat of Carthage, to sue unto the people of Rome for peace, but he prevailed not, by reason of the Barchin side and faction, that gain-said him. *Cl. Marcellus* the Pretor fought fortunately before *Nola*, in a sally which he made out of the town against *Annibal*. The Army of *Annibal* fell to riot at *Capua*, and gave themselves to such sensuality, while they wintered there, that both in bodily strength, and also in courage of mind they became much enfeebled. *Caesilius* was besieged by the Carthaginians, and the inhabitants within were driven by extreme famine, to eat thongs and leatherings, plucked from off their shields and targets, yea, and to feed upon Mice and Rats. They lived with Nuts which the Romans sent unto them down the river *Vulturnus*. The body of the Senat was replenished by receiving unto them a new supply from out of the order of Knights or Gentlemen, to the number of 197. *L. Posthumius* the Pretor, was together with his army defeated by the Gauls, and put to the sword. *Cneus* and *Publius Scipios*, vanquished *Aldubal* in Spain, and had the conquest thereof. The remnant of the army defeated at *Canna* was sent away and confined into *Sicily*, and commanded not to depart from thence, before the war was fully finished. A league and society was concluded between *Philip* the King of the *Macedonians* and *Annibal*, *Scempronius Gracchus* the Consul, discomfited and slew the Campans. Moreover, this book containeth the fortunate exploits achieved by *T. Manlius* the Lord Deputy in *Sardinia*, against the Carthaginians and the *Sardi*: who took the General himself *Aldubal*, together with Mago and Hannibal, prisoners. *Claudius Marcellus* the Pretor vanquished and defeated in a set battle before *Nola*, the army of *Annibal*: and was the first that put the Romans in some good hope of better success, after they had been toiled out with so many foils and losses.

## The three and twentieth Book of T. Livius.

*Annibal* after the battle fought at *Canna*, and the winning and ransacking of both the Roman camps, dislodged anon, and was removed out of *Apulia* into *Samnium*, being sent unto, for to come unto the Hirpini country. By *Statius*, who promised to betray and deliver the City of *Consa* into his hands. Now there was a Citizen of *Consa* named *Trebius*, a noble personage and of great name in his country. But the bend and faction of the *Consa*nes (a family of great power, by favour of the Romans) kept him down and over-weighed him: but



after the fame of the battel of *Canna* and the coming of *Annibal*, divulged and blown abroad by the speeches of *Trebius* those *Coffences* abandoned the City: and so was it without any conflict rendered unto the *Carthaginians*, and received a garrison. *Annibal* leaving behind him there, all the pillage and baggage that he had, divided his army into two parts: giving *Mago* in charge, to possess himself of the towns of that country, which would revolt of themselves from the *Romans*: or else to force them thereunto, in case they denied and refused to do. Himself took his journey through the land of *Campania*, toward the nether sea, intending to assault *Naples*, that he might be Lord of a Port Town also, and have it at his devotion. When he was entered the confines of the *Neapolitans*, he placed some of the *Numidians* in Ambush, as cunningly as he could, (and there for the most part, the ways are hollow, and full of close and secret nooks and holes) others he commanded to make a shew of driving away a booty out of the fields, and to ride out braving before the gates of the City. Against whom (seeming to be not many, and those disordered) a troop of horsemen issued forth, but the enemies of purpose giving back and retiring from them, led and trained them on, to the place of ambush: and so they were environed on every side, and there had not one of them escaped alive, but that the sea was near, where they escaped many fisher boats along the shore on the bank side, and as many of them as were skilful in swimming, gat unto them, and saved themselves: but in that skirmish nevertheless certain young gentlemen were slain. Among whom, *Hegeas* also, the Captain of that Corner of horsemen died in the place, who followed too hotly upon them that retreated & seemed to flee. But *Annibal* after he had viewed the walls, and saw they were not easy to be won, was discouraged and ceased from giving assault to that City. From thence he turned his journey, and took his way to *Capua*, a City flowing in wealth and superfluity of all pleasures, by reason of long felicity, and the favourable aspect of gracious fortune. But among all corruptions that there reigned, it was infected most with the licentious looseness of the Commons, who exceeded beyond all measure, and abused their liberty. *Pacuvius Claudius*, a man of noble race there, and popular withal, but one that by lewd and indirect courses became rich and mighty, by means thereof, had both Senat & Com. under his girdle, and might do what he would. This man chanced to be head Magistrate the same year that the Romans were defeated and overthrown at the Lake *Thrymennis*: and supposing that the Commonalty (who had been a long time maliciously affected to the Senat and Nobility) would by occasion of alteration in the State, enterprise some notable act to wit. (in case *Annibal* should come with his victorious army into those parts) the murdering of the Senat, and delivering of *Capua* into the *Carthaginians* hands. This man I say, lewd and bad enough otherwise, but yet not stark naught and wicked in the highest degree: and desirous to lord it, and dominion over the safety of the Common-wealth, rather than with the utter destruction of the same: as knowing full well that no State could remain safe, spoiled and bereft once of a publick council: cast about and plotted, how he might both live in the Senat, and also oblige the same to bear his and the Commons devotion. He assembled therefore the Senat one day together, and after he had preface with a solemn preamble, "That in no case he would like & allow of the designment and intent of revolting from the Romans, unless it were upon necessity and constraint: for as much as himself had married the daughter of *Appius Claudius*, and had fair issue by her: and besides, afflicted a daughter of his own in marriage unto *Livius* in Rome: but yet (quoth he) there is a matter of greater consequence toward, and a danger like to burst out more to be feared than that. For the Commons intend not by way of revolt and rebellion to rid the City of the Senators authority, but are purposed to massacre all the Senators, and so to deliver unto *Annibal* and the *Carthaginians*, the Common wealth: clearly void of a Senat. Of which imminent peril (quoth he) I know how to free you, in case you will wholly trust and rely upon me, and forget all former jars, and old debates, which have fallen out in governance and managing of the Senat. Now when all of them in place, for fear were forced to put themselves into his hands: I will, quoth he, but you up within the Council-Chamber, and pretend unto them, as though I were one of their complices, both privy and party to this intended practise of theirs: and so by soothing them up, under a colourable approbation and allowance of their designments, which I should in vain cross and gain-say, I shall find out a ready way to save all your lives. And for assurance hereof, ask and have of me what bond and security ye will your selves. Thus having made his faithful promise to befall and true unto them, he went forth, and commanded the Council-House doores to be shut sure, and left warders to keep the gate and entry thereof, that no man without his licence and commandment, should either enter in, or come forth. Then after he had called all the people together to an audience, in a solemn and frequent assembly, thus he spake unto them. "That which ye have often wished for (O ye Campans, my good neighbors and friends) namely, to have the power and mean to revenge your selves thoroughly of this wicked and cursed Senat, now lieth in your hands to perform with safety at your pleasure. And you need not by way of uproar to assault their houses one after another. To the great danger and hazard of your persons considering how they are defended with strong guards of their valiant favorites, and bond-slaves: ye have them all fast and close mued up within the Council-Chamber: themselves alone, without company, without armor and weapon: there you may take them. But see that ye do nothing hastily upon head without pause, nor rashly without advisement. I will for compals and bring about, that ye shall give your doom of life and death upon every one of them, to the end that each one may have his desert, and suffer due punishment accordingly."

The Oration  
of *Pacuvius  
Claudius* to the  
Commons of  
*Capua*.

A "But above all things ye must have an eye and look to this, that proceed ye not too much in heat and choler: but that ye have more regard of your own safety and profit, than of fire and revenge. For (I take it) they be these Senators only whose persons ye hate and detest: and your meaning is not wholly to put down and overthrow the Senat quite: for either ye must accept of a King (O government abominable) or else admit a Senat, the only Council indeed of a free City and State: and therefore with one both (as they say) ye are to go flop two gaps, and to do both at once, namely, to abolish and depole the old Senat, and to elect a new, I will command that the Senators shall be cited by name one after another: and concerning their life and death, I will demand your opinion and resolute sentence: and look what judgment ye give, shall surely stand and be put in execution. But before the condemned guilty person be done to death, ye shall substitute in his room a new Senator, some good man of valour and courage, and worthy to succeed in his place. With that he sat him down. And after all their names were thrown into a lottery pitcher and shuffled together, he caused him to be cited and called aloud by name, and the man himself to be brought forth of the council-House whose names chanced to be drawn out first. He was no sooner named, but every man cried out, that he was a lewd and wicked person, and worthy to be hanged. Then *Pacuvius* said, I see (quoth he) what delicate ye preface this man. Rejected he is and cast out for naught and unjust: choose now a good Senator, and a righteous in his room. At the first, all was silent, and as still as midnight, for default of finding a better to place in his stead. Afterwards, when some odde group, palt all shame and reverence, seemed to nominate one: by and by they grew to much louder words, and greater clamours while some said flatly that they knew not the man, others laid to his charge sundry lewd and naughty vices, and objected against him either abject baseness, poverty and beggary, or else some dishonest kind of trade and occupation, whereby he lived. Thus faced they and much worse a great deal, when a second or third Senator was named: so as it was well seen, that the men betwixt themselves and repented of that they had done already, considering how they failed still and were to seek, when they should substitute another in his place: forasmuch as it booted not, but was absurd to nominate the same again, since that their nomination gained them nothing but either to hear their vices decipered, or to be at reproachful terms: and as for all the rest, they were far more vile and obscure persons, than those that came first into their remembrance, and were soonest thought upon. So the people fell at length, and gently came down to this point, and confessed, that Much better was bad they knew, than bad they knew not: and seldome came the better: willing the old Senators to be let out of ward and enlarged. By this policy *Pacuvius* having bound the Senat to himself, more then to the Commons, and even as much as their life was worth: without force of arms ruled the roff and all was at his devotion and command. Hereupon the Senators laid aside the remembrance of their own dignity, port, and liberty, became as able to the Commons and would salute them kindly: inviting them courteously, and entertaining them liberally at their doords with exquisite and delicate fare: undertaking and maintaining all their suits and causes: ready at all times to assist them, and stand by them: and in one word, empanelling Juries (to go upon all causes and matters in law) of those whom they knew to be gracious and popular, and fitter to win and procure the favour and affection of the common fort. Thus at the Council-Table all matters were decided, as if the Commons had there sat, and not otherwise.

This *Capua* was a City ever given to dissolute life and excess in pleasure, as well by reason of the natural corruption and inset disposition of the inhabitants, as also for the pteous and flowing abundance of all delights, and the alluring incitements of all dainties, that either sea or land might afford. But at that time such was the obsequious fawning and the flattery of the Nobles, such was the licentious living of the Commons they were so lavish, that they exceeded in lust and superfluity beyond measure, and laid it on in expence without stay. Besides their contempt of laws, Magistrates, and Senat, they grew to this pass after the overthrow at *Canna*, that whereas before they had some awe and reverend regard of the Romans, now they despised and set naught by the government and Empire of Rome: and nothing else stood in the way, but that presently they would have rejected their rule, and shaken off the yoke of obedience and allegiance, saving only this, That by reason of ancient intercourse of cross and mutual marriages, many noble houses and mighty families were linked and allied to the Romans: and again, which was the greatest bond of all, whereas there had served in the Roman wars, certain of them, there were three hundred men of arms, and those of noblest birth of all the Campans, chosen out of them and sent by the Romans to be resident in sundry garrisons of the Cities of *Sicily*: whose fathers and kinsfolk (with much ado) obtained, that Embassadors should be sent unto the Consul of Rome. They found the Consul at *Penusa* with a few soldiers, and those armed by the halves (for as yet he was not gone to *Campagna*) being in that poor taking and hard plight, as he could not be in worse: either to move pity in the hearts of true and well affected allies, or to breed contempt in proud and hollow-hearted friends, such as these Campans were. Contemprable was their case, but the Consul made himself and his condition more depiled, by bewraying too much his present distresses, & laying open to the world the nakedness of his calamity. For when the Embassadors delivered unto him, That the Senat and people of *Capua* took it to the heart, and greatly grieved at the adverse overthrow of the Romans, and promised therewith, to furnish him with all things fit and meet for war: "Ye have (quoth he) O Campans, observed an order and custom, and for form and fashion visited us your confederates, in willing us to require at your hands all supplements of war, rather

The Oration  
of *Varrus* to the Embassadors  
of *Capua*.

"rather then said any thing directly befitting the present estate of our fortune. For what have we  
 "left us at all, after this discomfiture of *Canus*, that we should be willing to have that supplied  
 "by our allies which is wanting? As who would say, we had somewhat already. Should we de-  
 "mand of you footmen, as though we were furnished with horse? Should we say that we lack-  
 "ed money, as if money only was wanting, and nothing else? No, no, Fortune hath dealt  
 "hardly with us, that she hath left us just nothing, nor so much as that, which might be made  
 "up and supplied by others. Our Legions of footmen, our Cornets of horse, our armour and mun-  
 "ition, our standards and Ensigns, horse and man, money and vituals, all is gone, lost and peri-  
 "shed, either in the battell, or the morrow after in the ruin of our Camp, when we were turned  
 "out of our tents and pavillions. And therefore ye are not, O Campans, to aid and help up this  
 "war; but in our behalf, and for us, ye ought to take the whole charge of the war upon your  
 "own selves, against the Carthaginians. Call to remembrance how in times past, when your an-  
 "cestors and forefathers were fearfully driven to keep within your walls, standing in dread and  
 "bodily fear, not of the Samnites only your enemies, but also of the Sidicins: we took them into  
 "our protection, and defended them before *Saricula*: and how for your sakes we began war  
 "with the *S* m nites, and first intined the same for the space of an hundred years, and in great  
 "variety of fortune, giving and taking sundry foils all the whiles. Over and besides, call to mind,  
 "how we concluded an indifferent and equal league with you to the disadvantage of neither  
 "parts: how we granted unto you the liberty of living under your own laws: and how at the  
 "last (a matter, I wot, of right great importance and consequence, before this our late over-  
 "throw at *Canus*) we granted unto a great part of you, the freedom and privilege of Burge-  
 "sies, and parted with you the franchises of our own City. And therefore ye ought of right (say  
 "Masters of *Capua*, to repute this losse and misfortune now received, to be as well yours as ours:  
 "and to make reckoning to defend the common state and country of both. It is neither Samnite  
 "nor Tufcan that ye have to deal with, to whom if we lost and parted with our Empire, yet it  
 "remained still within the compass of *Italy*: but the enemy that pursueth us, is a Carthaginian,  
 "drawing after him a train of footsolders, who are not so much as born in *Affrick*, but coming  
 "from the farthest and most remote parts and bounds of the world, from as far as the *Æthiops*  
 "of the Oceanies, even to *Hercules* his pillars: void of the knowledge of all law, right, and  
 "difference of concition, without reason and discretion, and (in manner) without commerce of  
 "manners language. These footsolders so fierce and fell by nature, so cruell and mercurial by use and co-  
 "lour: their captain hath withall more wild and savage, by making bridges, cruells, and  
 "high waies, over heaps of dead mens bodies: and (which I abhor to speak) by teaching them  
 "to eat mens flesh. To see and endure these men to be touch and handle without great horror we  
 "such execrable meats and viands, which even to touch and handle without great horror we  
 "may not: to resort for justice as far as into *Affrick* and *Carthage*, and to suffer *Italy* to be re-  
 "duced unto a Province under the Numidians and Moors, what is he that would not detest and  
 "abhor, were he but born only within *Italy*? A worthy honour and immortal glory it will be  
 "for you, O ye Campans, if the Roman Empire and dominion, thus growing to ruin and falling  
 "down prostrate under the weight of this late overthrow, might by your fidelity and forcible  
 "power be raised up and upheld, and set upright again. I suppose ye have levied and enrolled alrea-  
 "dy thirty thousand foot, and four thousand horse, out of the Campain: for coin, for corn, ye have  
 "store and plenty: Now if your faith and truth be answerable to your wealth and fortune, nei-  
 "ther shall *Annibal* had that he hath won the victory, nor the Romans feel that they have lost  
 "a journey. With this Oration thus ended, the Consul gave the Embassadors their discharge,  
 "and dismissed them. As they returned homewards, one of them, *Sabinus Virius* by name, said  
 "thus unto his fellows. "Now is the day come (quoth he) wherein the Campans may be able  
 "not only to recover again the lands which in times past the Romans have wrongfully taken  
 "from them, but also obtain and enjoy the sovereignty and Empire of *Italy*. As for *Annibal*, we  
 "may conclude, covenant & capitulate with him, with articles and conditions as we list our selves,  
 "to our best behoof and benefit: And it is at all to nothing, that *Annibal* having now dispatched  
 "and finished the war, will of his own accord depart like a Conqueror into *Affrick*, and with-  
 "draw his forces out of these parts: so as the dominion of *Italy* shall be left wholly to the peo-  
 "ple of *Capua*. *Virius* had no sooner delivered these speeches, but they all applauded him and  
 "accorded thereto. And in such terms they related their Embassage, as all men thought no less  
 "but the Roman Empire and name was utterly perished and extinct for ever. Incontinently the  
 "Commons and the greatest part of the Nobility of *Capua* inclined to revolt and rebell: Yet  
 "by the countenance and authority of the accents and Elders the matter was staid and deferred  
 "for some few daies. At length the greater part prevailed, whose opinion was, that the same  
 "Embassadors which were sent to the Roman Consul, should be addressed in embassie unto *Annib-*  
 "bul. But I find in some Aunal-records, that before they went, and before their resolute determi-  
 "nation to revolt, there was an Embassage sent from the Campans to the City of *Rome* demanding  
 "thus much, That if they meant to have any aid and help from them, one of their Consuls might  
 "be a Campain. Whereat the Senat of *Rome* took such snuff and indignation that the said Embas-  
 "sadors were commanded to void the Council-Houle, and a Sergeant sent after them at their heel  
 "to let them out of the City: charged them at their perill, to take up their lodging that night  
 "without the territories of *Rome*. But because this demand jumpeth too near to the like that the  
 "Latine

\* G. Bralier.

A Latines made long before: and both *Calpurnius* and other Historians have (not without good reason)  
 passed it over and said nothing thereof, I dare not avow it for truth. Well, Embassadors there  
 came unto *Annibal*, and concluded peace with him under these conditions, and covenants: *Im-*  
 primis, That no General, Captain, or Magistrate of the Carthaginians should have any jurisdic-  
 tion or power over a Citizen of *Capua*: Item, That no Citizen of *Capua* should be compelled a-  
 gainst his will to serve in any wars, or execute the charge and office of a souldier. Item, That the  
 Campans fill enjoy their old Laws and Magistrats of their own: Item, That *Annibal* deliver  
 unto the Campans three hundred Roman Captives, such as they themselves shall chool: whom  
 they might coure and exchange for three hundred horsemen of the Campans that were in  
 B garrison, and served for pay in *Sicily*. These were the Articles of the accord. But the Campans  
 stuck not to do more than so, and to go farther than their capitulations: committing divers and  
 sundry outrages. For the Commons suddenly at once apprehended all the Roman Captives over  
 the confederate souldiers, yea, and attached other Citizens of *Rome*, that were either employed in  
 any military charge, or otherwise occupied in their private affairs: and caused them to be clapt up  
 within the stoves and hot houses, as in ward and tale custody, where their breath being stifled  
 and topped up with exceeding heat, and steaming vapours, they were stifled, and died miserably.  
 But there was one *Decius Magius*, a man who wanted no means of sovereignty authority, but only  
 the sobriety, discretion, and wisdom of the Citizens with whom he lived: who withstood  
 all that ever he could such enormous and audacious courses, and endeavored to hinder the Em-  
 bassage sent to *Annibal*. And so soon as he heard that *Annibal* was sending a messenger, he recom-  
 mended unto his fellow Citizens the proud and lordly rule of *Pyrrhus*, the miserable and wretched  
 C thraldom of the Tarentines, as precedents sufficient to give them warning. He ceased not to cry  
 aloud in open place and audience, first, that they should not receive the garrison into the City:  
 then, that being admitted they should either be thrust out again: or rather if they would expiate  
 and make amends by some valiant and memorable act for that shamefull lepid part of theirs in re-  
 voicing to from their most ancient Allies, yea, and kinsmen by blood, they should fall upon the  
 Carthaginian garrison, and kill them every one, and so reconcile themselves again to the Romans.  
 D *Annibal* having intelligence of these plots (for they were not so forging and contriving in a cor-  
 ner, but sent certain messengers to summon *Magius* to repair unto his presence within his Camp.  
 After that, seeing he stoutly denied to go, (for he pleaded that *Annibal* had no authority nor  
 right to command a Citizen of *Capua*) he waxed wroth, and commanded the man to be ap-  
 prehended, and to be haled perforce bound unto him. But fearing, upon better advice, lest by of-  
 fering such violence some tumult might arise, and in the heat of blood break forth into an incon-  
 siderate fray, he dispatched beforehand a messenger of purpose unto *Marius Blaius*, the Pre-  
 E tor or L. Governor of *Capua*: signifying, that the morrow next following he would be per-  
 sonally in *Capua*: and so with a small guard about him, he set forth of his Camp, and put himself  
 on his journey. *Marius* assembled the people together, making proclamation, and warning  
 them to be ready in all frequent solemnity, with their wives and children, to meet *Annibal* up-  
 on the way. They of the adverse side unto *Magius* and the Romans performed this not only  
 E obediently, but also most effectually, and with great diligence and endeavour. Yea, the common  
 sort likewise were very forward in this action, as desirous especially to see this great General and  
 brave warrior, so noble and renowned for his many victories. *Decius Magius* neither went forth  
 to meet him, nor yet kept his house, because he would not seem to fear and carry a guilty con-  
 science: but walked up and down idly for his pleasure in the Market place with one of his sons,  
 and a few of his vassals and followers, whilst the whole City besides was busily occupied, and  
 much troubled in the entertaining and beholding of this great Captain and Commander of the  
 Carthaginians. *Annibal* being entred the City, incontinently required to have audience in their  
 Council-Houle. Whereupon, the Nobles and principall Citizens of *Capua* requested him that  
 he would not that day intend any weighty matters of importance, but himself in person sole-  
 mize it with joy and mirth, as an high and feastivall holiday for his welcome thither. And albeit  
 he was by nature hasty, and ready to fall into fits of anger, yet because he would not seem at his  
 first coming to deny them any thing, he employed a good part of that day in seeing and viewing  
 the City. Entertained and lodged he was and his whole train with the *Mamii*, *Gelarii*, *Stenii*,  
 and *Pacuvii*, the most noble and honourable personages, and the wealthiest of all others. Thir-  
 ther unto him, *Pacuvius Calpurnius* (concerning whom I spake before, the principal man of that  
 bend and faction, which reduced the City to the obedience and devotion of *Annibal*) brought  
 his own son a young Gentleman, and said withal, that the youth kept continually with *Deci-*  
 us, and that he was faine to pluck him away from his company and train, whole part he took,  
 and stuck most stilly to him, in maintaining the old society and amity of the Romans, against  
 Q the new League with the Carthaginians; and neither the bending and inclination of the whole  
 City to the contrary side, nor yet the reverent majesty of a father, had yet driven him from  
 his obstinate resolution. And for that time the father laboured with *Annibal* rather by way of  
 prayer and intreaty, than by exusing and clearing his son, that he would not be discontented  
 nor displeased with the young man. So he was overcome with the importunate request  
 and plentiful teares of the father, and gave commandment, that he together with his father  
 should be bidden to supper, at which feast he purposed to have the company of no other guests  
 of all *Capua*, but only of his hostels that have him entertainment, and one *Jubellius Tameas*,  
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a famous and brave warrior. To supper they went long before day-light went down, and fared at the table, not after the guise of Carthaginians nor according to the discipline of soldiers, but after the order of a City and house, which had been used a long time to have the board furnished with sundry sorts of dainty dishes, and with all delicate junkets to please the palate and taste. *Perolla* only the son of *Calvus* could not be brought to change his mind, and shew himself cheerful and merry at meat, notwithstanding the Masters of the feast, and *Annibal* himself otherwhiles invited him to bear them company, and sit with them; but he ever made his excuse to his father, that he was ill at ease and sick, whensoever he seemed to examine him, and to know the cause of such wonderful trouble of mind, and vexation of spirit. So, a little afore sun-setting, when his father arole, and was gone out from supper, he followed hard after him: and when they were come into a secret place apart, (a garden it was on the back side of the house) "I will tell you a thing father, "I have in my head a policy, and a ready mean, how we shall not only obtain pardon at the Romans hands for our treasels committed, in falling away from them, and turning to *Annibal*; but also how we Capuans may be in far greater estimation and favour among them than ever we were. The father marvelled hereat, was desirous to know what device that might be: and with that the youth cait his gown from off his shoulders, and shewed him a good blade girded to his side. I will, quoth he, out of hand, establish and seal sure the Roman League with the blood of *Annibal*, I was desirous (father) to let you know of it aforehand, if peradventure you would be willing to be out of the way when the deed is a doing. The old man seeing and hearing this, in a great astonishment, as if he had been present to see the execution of that which he heard him to speak of. Now I beseech thee, my son (quoth he) and pray thee of all loves and bonds that bind children and parents together, that thou wilt not before thy fathers face either command or suffer this horrible a part, full of all abominable wickedness whatsoever, and not to be named. There are not many hours since that we swore by all the gods and holy hallows in heaven, and by joyning hand in hand, made faithful promise, and obliged our selves to communicate together with him, and to eat at the holy table of sacred viands. And are we no sooner departed asunder from our familiar conference and parley, but we arm our selves against him? Arisest thou indeed from thy friends guest-board, to which thou wert thy self a third man bid-den of all the Capuans, and even by *Annibal*, and wilt thou stain and pollute that board with the blood of the principal guest? I, thy father, elsewhere was able to reconcile *Annibal* to my son; and can I not pacify my son likewise, and appease his fierce stomach against *Annibal*? But if their be nothing sacred and inviolable, nothing to be trusted in the world, neither faithful promise nor religious oath, nor any piety at all and good nature, things to be honest and just: then adventure hardily, and spare not to put in execution all actions detestable and not to be spoken, for that besides the note and infamous mark of wickedness, they bring not upon our own heads present mischief, and utter confusion. Darest thou alone assail the person of *Annibal*? What will that multitude about him do the while, so many freemen and bondmen both? All their guard and regard all their eyes upon him alone what serve they for? What will become of so many hands of theirs? Thinkst thou that they will be benumbed and dead at the time of that frantic enterprise of thine? The grim visage of *Annibal* himself, whom whose armies of soldiers tremble to behold: who the people of *Rome* dread, and for fear of whom they quake again, wilt thou alone abide to see? And if all other means of help should fail him, wilt thou endure to strike and wound me thy father, putting my body between for the safeguard and defence of *Annibal*? And shab me thou must through the very heart, before thou canst hurt him, or run him through, suffer therefore thy self here to be brightened from this thy intended mischief, before thou have the foil there, and milk of thy purpose. Let my prayers take place with thee, as once this day they prevailed for thee. With that, he marked his son to weep and shed tears, and embracing him about the middle, and kissing him ever and anon, he left him not, nor give over to pray & entreat him instantly, until he got at his hands to lay off his sword, and promise him faithfully, that he would not attempt any such enterprise. Then the youth, feeling how the case stood, "I will (quoth he) pay unto my natural father that kindness and love, in which I am bound as a debtor to my native Country. But alas for you, good father, I am right sorry for your hard hap; who are to answer before God and the world, for the betraying of your country no fewer times than thine already. Once, when you gave counsell and persuaded us to forsake the Romans, and to revolt from them: again, when you were the principal agent, and advised to make peace with *Annibal*; and now this day the third time, when you are the only obstacle and hinderance that *Capua* is not retired again into the hands of the Romans. O sweet country and native soil of mine, take here at my hands this sword, wherewith erewhile I was girt and armed for dear love of thee and was fully minded to defend this thy chief Castle and Fortres, and not to spare, but embrace it in the blood of thy mortal enemy: take it I say, since my own father is ready to wrest it from me. This said, he flung his sword over the garden wall into the high way and open street: and therewith, because he would not grow into any suspicion, he shewed himself again to the guests within the house, and took part of the banquet. The morrow after, the Senate in favour of *Annibal* solemnly met together, in great number: in which frequent assembly, the beginning of his speech was very pleasant and gracious: wherein he gave the Capuans thanks, for preferring his amity before the alliance of the people of *Rome*; and among other fair and magnificall behests to them made, he promised that within a while,

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A *Capua* should be the head City and chief State of all *Italy*, whereunto the people of *Rome*, together with other nations, should resort for law and justice. "Many, quoth he there is one that hath no part or fellowship in the society and league made between the Carthaginians and you, namely, *Magnus Decius*, who neither was a Capuan, nor ought of right to be so called and reputed: "him I demand to be delivered into my hands, and that in my presence the Senate should be asked their opinion concerning his trespass, and an Act presently entered thereof. All of them there assembled allowed of the motion, and gave their assent in the end: albeit a great sort of them thought both the man unworthy of that hard fortune and calamity, and that this was but an ill beginning and a very overture to the infringing of the right of their freedom. The chief Magistrate then went forth of the Council-Chamber, and late in the Judicial Hall or Temple, and commanded *Decius* to be attached, and to stand before him at his feet, and there to answer for himself and make his defence. Who persisted still in the same stoutness and boldness of spirit, alleging that by virtue of the covenants in the League comprised, he might not lawfully be pressed and forced thus far. Whereupon he had irons clapt upon him, and commandment was given that he should have a Libor attend upon him, and to be conveyed into the Camp of *Annibal*. All the way as he was led, so long as he was bare-headed and open-faced, he went preaching to the multitude that flocked about him, and with a loud voice spake and said: "Now Capuans, ye have the liberty that ye fought and longed for. In the open market place, at noon-day, and in your sight, so how I, a man inferior to none in all *Capua*, am led away bound in chains to die. What greater violence could be offered if *Capua* were with by assault of the enemy? Go forth, go and meet *Annibal* adorn and hang the City with rich cloath of capitivity. Regiter in your Kalender, among other holidays, this day of his Entry, that in the end ye may behold this goodly triumph over one of your own Citizens. Upon the utterance of these words, the multitude seemed discontented at the indignity of this sight. Whereupon he was hoodwinked, and his head covered and the Serjeant was charged to have him away quickly, and make haste out of the gates. So, he was brought into the Camp, and immediately shipped and sent to *Carthage*, for fear lest some commotion might arise in *Capua*, upon so unworthy and shameful a deed: and left the Senate to should repent themselves, that they had delivered and yielded out of their hands a principal personage among them: also to prevent that no Embassage might be sent unto him for his redemption, whereby he should either offend his new Allies, in case he denied them their first request, or suffer *Capua* to have always a busie and seditious Citizen ready ever to stir up new troubles; if he granted their suit. The ship wherein he was embarked, was by a tempest cast upon *Cyrene*, a port town in the dominion at that time of the *KK*. There, *Magnus* fled for refuge as to a Sanctuary, unto the Image of King *Pholimon*, and was brought by his guard and keepers unto *Alexandria* to the Kings presence, and enforced the King, how contrary to the tenor and privilege of the covenant he was in bonds by *Annibal*. Whereupon he was loosed from his chains, and put to the choice, whether he would return to *Capua*, or go to *Rome*. *Magnus* answered, that he could not in *Capua* remain in safety, and if he went to *Rome*, at that time especially when there was war between the Romans and the Capuans, he should be sooner lodged there in a prison like a fugitive runnagate, than entertained in house for a friend and loving guest: and concluded in the end, that he would make abode and live the rest of his daies more willingly in no place of the world, than in his highness Realm: whom he found already to be the favourer of his life, and the redeemer of his liberty and enlargement.

While these occurrences fell out abroad, *Q. Fabius Pictor*, sent (as is above said) Ambassador to *Dolphus*, returned to *Rome*, and out of a writing he read openly, the answer of the Oracle in these words (now ye must understand, that in this Script were certain gods and saints named, unto whom they should make solemn supplication, and the manner also with all ceremonies and complements thereto belonging) "Then O Romans! if ye shall do, your state shall prosper and be more happy: your Common-wealth shall go forward better to your mind; and victory in the wars shall happen unto the people of *Rome*. But remember that when all things shall go well on your side, and your State shall be saved and preserved, ye send unto *Pythius Apollo* a present, according to the merit of a due recompence; and of the silver, raised of the pillage, prizes, and spoils taken from the enemies, do him honour accordingly. After he had rehearsed these words, truly translated out of the Greek Original, then he said moreover, That to looth as he was departed from the Oracle, he presently sacrificed unto all those gods with frankincense and wine. Also, that he was commanded by the Priest of *Apollo*, that like as he both came to the Oracle, and also celebrated sacrifices, crowned with a garland and chaplet of Laurel, so he should in the same manner adorned take ship and be embarked, and not lay off the said garland before he was arrived to *Rome*. Finally, that all ceremonies performed most precisely and diligently, which he was commanded to observe, he had laid and bestowed the said chaplet upon the altar, before the Shrine of *Apollo* at *Rome*. Then the Senate made a decree, That those sacrifices and supplications should with all speed and careful regard be celebrated.

While these things passed at *Rome*, and in *Italy*, *Mago* the son of *Amilcar*, arrived at *Carthage* and brought the first tidings of the Victory at *Cannae*. This *Mago* was not immediately and directly sent from his brother, out of the field where the battel was fought, but said certain daies about receiving the homage and subjection of certain Cities of the *Britis*, which revolted from the Romans. Who having audience given him in the Senat of *Carthage*, related what acts

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and exploits his brother *Annibal* had achieved in *Italy*: namely, That he had given battell to H  
 r General, whereof four were Consuls, and two were the Dictator and Commander of horse-  
 men: That he had fought against six entire Consular armies, in which battels he had slain above  
 20000 enemies, taken prisoners more than 50000. That of thoselour Coff, he had killed twain  
 outright: as for the other two, one of them was deadly hurt, the other having lost his whear-  
 my, was fled, accompanied scarcely with fifty men: that the General of the Cavalry created with  
 full Consular authority, was discomfited and put to flight: and the Dictator (forsooth) because he  
 never would hazard the fortune of a field, was counted the only warrior and worthy Captain:  
 That the Brutii and Apulians part of the Samnites, and Lucans, were revolted to the Carthaginians:  
 That *Capua*, the head City not of *Campagna* only, but (after the Romans defeat and overthrow  
 in the battell at *Cannæ*) of all *Italy* also, was surrendered to *Annibal*. For these to many and to  
 worthy victories, he required (meet and requisite it was) that there should be a solemn festival  
 day holden and sacrifices solemnized to the honour of the immortal gods. And for the better as-  
 surance of these lucky and fortunate achievements, and to vettifie his words, he caused the gold  
 rings of the Romans, slain at *Cannæ*, to be poured forth in the porch and entry of the Council-  
 House. The heap of them was so great, that as some authors affirm, when they measured the same,  
 they filled three *Modii* and an half. But the constant report went, and sounding nearer to a truth,  
 that they were not above one *Modium*. He added moreover, and said, (and all to prove their over-  
 throw the greater,) that none but knights and men of arms, and those of the better sort, who lived  
 on horselound at the Cities charges, used to wear that ornament. The drift and conclusion of his  
 speech was this, "I hat the sooner that *Annibal* hoped to make an end of the wars, the more he  
 ought to be aided and helped with all provision and furniture accordingly. And why? There-  
 fore was far from home, in the midst of the enemies land, a huge deal of corn was consumed, a  
 great mass of money was spent: and as to many battels had utterly swoopt up the enemies ar-  
 mies, to reckoning was to be made, that they had in some measure lessened and impaired the  
 forces of the conquerour. Therefore, a new supply of men was to be lent over, and money for sol-  
 diers pay, and corn also was to be transported to so brave soldiers, that had done so singu-  
 lar good service, and deserved so well of the Carthaginian nation. Upon these reports of *Mago*,  
 when all men were wondrous glad, and took great contentment, *Himilco*, a man of the  
 Brachin bend, supposing he had now good occasion and opportunity offered to carp and check  
*Hanno*, How now *Hanno* quoth he, what say you to this gear? Repent you still and mislike the  
 war undertaken against the Romans? Let us see now give your oke and opinion that *Annibal*  
 be yielded: forbid now thanksgiving to be performed to the immortal gods, for this prosperous  
 speed and fortunate success. Let us hear a Roman Senator now to speak in the Council-  
 House of the Carthaginians. Then *Hanno*: "I would have held my peace this day, my LL. quoth he,  
 for fear to speak ought that in this common and generall joy might not be altogether pleasant  
 unto you. But now, seeing a Senator blindly putteth me the question, whether I mislike still of  
 the enterprise of war against the Romans? if I should keep silence and say nothing, I might  
 seem either proud and insolent, or else faulty and culpable. Whereof the one is the part of a man  
 that hath forgot the liberty of other men; the other a property of him, that thinketh not of  
 his own. Well may I therefore answer to *Himilco*, that I care not yet to mislike this war, nor  
 never will give over to blame and challenge this invincible Captain and warrior of ours, be-  
 fore I see the war ended and determined, upon some indifferent hand, and tolerable condi-  
 tion: and nothing else shall taint the mis I have, and quench the longing desire of the old peace,  
 but the making of a new. And therefore these particulars, which *Mago* creveth to magnified  
 and vaunted of, are for the present joyfull news to *Himilco*, and other of that true, and the sup-  
 ports of *Annibals*: and to me likewise in some measure, they may be acceptable tidings. In this re-  
 gard, that good success and lucky speed in war, if we will make the right use and benefit of our  
 fortune, will be a mean to procure us a more easie and honorable peace. For if we let slip this  
 advantage and opportunity of the time, when as we may seem rather to give than take condi-  
 tions of peace, I fear me, that even this present so goodly a shew of rankness as it maketh now,  
 will run up all to draw, and bear no head to yield corn in the end. And yet let us consider now,  
 what a special matter this is. Slain I have whole armies of enemies: Therefore send me fresh and  
 new soldiers. What could you (Sir) demand more, if you had been overthrowen? Won I have  
 by force two strong holds where the enemies were encamped, full and fraught (we wuld need)  
 think) of prizes and victuals: Allow me more corn and money. What would you have requi-  
 red and craved more, a lay, in case you had been rifled, and turned persore out of your own  
 Camp and pavilions? But that I may not marvel alone at these strange Enthyemes and conclu-  
 sions (for it is as free and lawful for me to ask some questions, seeing I have already answered to  
*Himilco*) I would faine have *Himilco* or *Mago*, I care not whether, to make answer likewise to  
 me, say, that in the battell before *Cannæ*, the Roman Empire was wholly defeated and soiled.  
 Say also, that certain it is, how all *Italy* is at point ready to revolt tell me first and foremost, whe-  
 ther any one Nation of the Latine people is faine from them, to us? Secondly, whether any one  
 pection of the five and thirty wards in *Rome*, is run away and fled to *Annibal*? When *Mago* said  
 nay, and denied both. Why then (quoth he) there be great numbers of our enemy still behind.  
 But I would gladly know what courage, what heart, what hopes, that multitude hath. When  
*Mago* answered, he could not tell. And nothing (quoth *Hanno*) is more ripe & easie to be known,

A Say man, lent the Romans any Embassadors to *Annibal* to treat for peace? Nay, had ye any in-  
 telligence brought unto you, that there was so much as one word slipped, or mention made at  
 Rome of peace? When *Mago* said flatly, pay to that too. Why then (quoth *Hanno*) by this ac-  
 count this war will find us work, and keep us occupied as much as it did the very first day that  
*Annibal* set foot in *Italy*. How variable fortune was in the former Punick war, how victory  
 went and came retrogradely, we are moit of us yet alive that well remember. We never lived bet-  
 ter nor had a luckier hand, both by land and sea, than before *Cannæ*. *Lucius*, and *Publius* were  
 Consuls. And whilst *Lucius* and *Publius* were Consuls, were we vanquished  
 B and utterly overthrowen before the Islands *Ægates*. And in case now (which God forbid) tor-  
 ture should change and turn her wheel, hope ye to have peace then being over come,  
 which now when we are conquerors, no man offeth nor seeketh after. For mine own part,  
 if any man should ask mine opinion of peace, either to present and tender it to the enemies,  
 or to accept it at their hands I wot well what to say: but if ye would know what I think con-  
 cerning those demands of *Mago*, my advice is, that there is no fence nor reason to lend aid and  
 supplies to conquerors: now if they bear us in hand, delude, and abuse us with a vain and false  
 persuasion of conquest and victory, much lets a great deal. These remonstrances of *Hanno*  
 took small effect with many of them: for, both the lesser grudge and ran, or which he bare to the  
 Bar. bin House, much impeached his credit and authority, and also by reason that their minds  
 were so fully possessed of the present joy, they could admit and abide to hear of nothing, that  
 might sound otherwise to daunt their glad hearts: thinking verily that the war would soon be  
 at an end: if they now would strain a little and help it forward. And therefore with great consent,  
 there passed an Act of the Senat, That there should be a supply lent unto *Annibal* of forty thou-  
 sand Numidians, forty Elephants, and many talents of silver. Altho the Dictator was sent before  
 with *Mago* into *Spain* to levy and hire twenty thousand footmen, and four thousand horse-  
 men for to make up those broken armies which were in *Italy* and in *Spain*. But these matters (as  
 usually it happeneth in time of prosperity) were performed but slackly and at leisure. The Romans  
 contrarywise made more speed, as being by nature more industrious: and besides, such was their  
 adverse fortune and extremity, that they might not neglect their affairs and go slowly about  
 their business. For neither the Consul was wanting in any affairs that were by him to be mana-  
 ged: and the Dictator *M. Jun. Brutus*, so soon as he had performed all the complements con-  
 cerning sacrifices and religious ceremonies, propoed unto the people, That (as the usual man-  
 ner was) he might mount on horseback. Which done, over and besides the two legions of Citi-  
 zens, which in the beginning of the year had been levied and enrolled by the Consuls, and the  
 bondslaves that were before mulctred, and certain squadrons gathered together out of the Picene  
 and Gauls country, he proceeded to the last remedy and succour of a distressed and well near de-  
 sperate state, when as honest and direct courses must give place unto commodious and profitable  
 policies and alights from his horse, and made proclamation, That whoeever were guilty and con-  
 demned of any capital crime, or whoeever were imprisoned for debt, and would willingly serve  
 under him he would take order that they should be exempt from all punishment, and discharged  
 from their creditors. And of such he armed six thousand with the spoils of the Gauls, which in the  
 triumph of *Flaminius* were carried in shew. Thus he departed from *Rome* five and twenty thou-  
 sand strong.

*Annibal* having possessed himself of *Capua*, and solicited the Neapolitans once again, and  
 founded their minds, proposing before their eyes fear and hope, and all in vain, led his forces in-  
 to the Country of *Nola*, with this mind, not at first to go roughly with them to work, and by  
 way of open hostility, because he was not out of all hope, that they would willingly come off and  
 yield themselves: but in case they wavered, and answered not his hope and expectation in some  
 good time, he would surely proceed against them in all extremity, and put them to whatsoever  
 they could endure or fear. The Senate, and especially the principal of them, continued fast and  
 sure in their alliance with the people of *Rome*: But the commons (as their manner is, desirous of  
 alteration and to see a new word) inclined wholly to the side of *Annibal*, calling many doubts,  
 and fears, that their lands and possessions should be wasted and spoiled with sundry calamities  
 and indignities that follow upon siege: neither wanted there heads and ring-leaders of a rebellion.  
 Whereupon the Senate (for as it seemed to them to thwart and cross them, they  
 had not been able to withstand the violence of the multitude once up and drawn to an head) closely  
 dissembled their intent and purpose, and so by temporizing, prevented a present mischief.  
 For they made semblance that they liked well, and were resolved of revolting unto *Annibal*:  
 but upon what conditions and capitulations they should enter into new league and amity, they  
 knew not certainly. So having taken a farther time they dispatched in haste certain Embassadors  
 unto the Roman Prætor *Marcus Claudius*, who remained with the army at *Casertum*, advising  
 him in how great jeopardy the state of *Nola* stood, to wit, That *Annibal* was already Lord  
 of their lands and the Carthaginians would soon be masters of the City: unless they were succour-  
 ed and relieved: that their Senat were driven to this shift, for to yield unto the Commons, and  
 grant to revolt whensoever they would have them; and by that means staid them that they  
 rebelled not over hastily. *Marcellus* after he had commended the *Nolans* would them with the  
 time dilacion to protract time and hold off until his coming: and in the mean while to  
 conceal and keep secret to themselves, the dealings and treaties with him, and in no case to be  
 known

known of any hope they had of aid from the Romans. Himself went from *Cannus*, to *Calatia*, and from thence passed over the river *Volturnus*, and by the way of *Saricula* and *Trebia*, journeyed over *Suessula*, through the mountains, and arrived at *Nola*. A little before the coming of the Roman Prætor, *Annibal* was departed and gone out of the Territory of *Nola*, and drew downwards to the sea-side near unto *Neapolis*: his teeth watered at the Port-town, and that out of Afflict his ships might arrive thither, as to a safe and sure harbour. But after that he heard that *Nepes* was held by a Roman Provost, *M. Junius Syllanus* (sent for thither by the Neapolitans themselves) and had received a garriſon: feeling he could not be admitted into *Neapolis*, no more than into *Nola*, he went to *Nuceria*. Having beleaguered it round a long time, and often assaulted it forcibly, and assailed to solicit as well the Commons as the Nobility, but without effect: at the length by famine he forced them to yield, and to become master of the Town upon composition. That they should depart every man disarmed in their single garments. Then, as one that would seem ever from the beginning, to use clemency to all Italians, but only the Romans: he made fair promises of great rewards and advancement to honour, unto all those that would carry behind and serve under him. But no man upon those hopes would remain with him. For they all gave him the slip, and went sundry waies, some to their friends and acquaintance, others at adventures their mind flood to divers Cities of Campain, but most to *Nola* and *Nepes*. Amongst the rest, there were almost thirty Senators, and those (as it fell out) of the best fort, that came to *Capua*: but being kept out there because they had shut their gates against *Annibal*, they went to *Cumes*. The pillage of *Nuceria* was bestowed upon the soldiery, the City sacked and burnt. Now kept *Marcellus* *Nola*, not presuming more upon the strength of his own garriſon, than upon the confidence he had in the great men and chief of the City. But he had the Commons in jealousy, and above all, one *L. Bantius*, who for that he had comploted to rebel, and therefore flood in fear of the Roman Deputy: one while was pricked and incited to attempt treason, and to betray his Country: another while, in case he should fail of that opportunity, and miss his purpose, to make an escape and run away to the enemy. A courageous and lusty young man he was, and the bravest Cavalier in those daies of all the Roman Confederates. His hap was to be found lying half dead among the heaps of slain bodies before *Cannus*: *Annibal* took order for the curing of his hurts, and when he was thoroughly healed, right courteously sent him home well and bountifully rewarded. In remembrance of which favour and good turn, and in token of thankfulness, he was willing to deliver and yield *Nola* into the hands of *Annibal*, to be at his devotion. But the Prætor had an eye unto him, and observed how his head wrought, and was busily occupied to bring an alteration. And seeing there were but two waies to deal with him, either by punishment to keep him short, and cut him off: or by some benefit to win his heart: he thinking it a better course, to gain unto himself to hardy and valiant a friend, than only to bereave his enemy of him; he lent for him, and in this manner spake friendly unto him: "You have (quoth he) amongst your countrymen and fellow-Citizens, I see well, many that envy you, as it appears well by this; that there is never a neighbour you have at *Nola* that hath told me of you, and how many noble exploits and good services in war you have performed. But yet your valour cannot be unknown and hidden, ever since you served in the Roman army. For many there be which were soldiers then with you, which have made report unto me of your prowess: and what perils you have entered into, and how often you have put your life in hazard, for the safety and honour of the people of *Rome*: and namely, how in the battel before *Cannus* you gave not over fight, untill at length having bled well near to death, you were born to the ground and lay under foot, overwhelmed with men, horse and armour, falling upon you, and so kept down that you could not rise up again. But be of good cheer man, and go on still in this thy virtue and well-doing: you shall have at my hands all honour and reward that may be possible: and often you come to me and keep me company, you shall find it will be more for your reputation and commodity both. The young man was glad at heart for these gracious words and large promises: and so *Marcellus* gave unto him freely, a good brave courser, and commanded the Treasurer to tell him out in money 500 Bigas of silver, charging his officers and Lieutenants to let him have access unto him at his pleasure, whenever he came. By this courteous usage and humanity of *Marcellus*, the young mans foot heart was so dulced, mollified and eased to be wrought, that of all Confederates and Allies there was not one, who bare himself more valiantly, nor maintained more faithfully the State of *Rome*. When *Annibal* was approached to the gates of *Nola* (for he was returned from *Nuceria*, and came thither again) and the Commons within the town practised a fresh to rebel, *Marcellus* had a little before the coming of the enemies, retired and put himself within the walls: not for fear that he should not be able to keep the field and his hold: but lest he should give advantage and opportunity to betray the City, seeing too many of them within disposed and forward thereunto. After this, they began on both sides to arrange their battel, to array the Romans under the walls of *Nola*, the Carthaginians before their own fort. Small skirmishes there were between the City and the Camp of *Annibal*: (with variable event of fortune) because the Generals were not willing, either to deny and debate some few that were so eager and forward to call for fight, or yet to give forth the signal of a general battel. While these two armies temporized thus, and held their *Camp de guard*, continually, and in manner of a solemn set Assembly, the chief Nobles of the Nolans advertised *Marcellus*, that there used to be night-meetings and conferences between their own Commons and the Carthaginians:

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\* *Bigas* was  
a piece of Ro-  
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coin, so called  
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ses, flucken or  
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same that *De-  
narius*.

A and that it was plotted and set down, That when the Roman Host was issued in battel-array out of their gates, the Commons in the mean while should fall to rifling their carriages, packs, and trunks within, and then shut the gates upon them, and keep the walls: and so having the City and all their goods and baggage under their hands, should from thenceforth receive *Annibal* into the City instead of *Marcellus*. Upon these advertisements, *Marcellus* after he had thanked and commended the Senators of *Nola*, determined before any commotion and mutiny arose within the walls to try the fortune of a battel. At those three gates that flood toward the enemy, he ranged his forces divided into three battalions, and gave order that all the carriages should follow after: and that the lackies, launders, and other Camp-followers, together with the feeble and sickly persons, should carry flakes and pales for the rampier. At the middle gate he placed the flower and strength of the legions, together with the Roman Cavalry: at the two gates at either hand he bestowed the new soldiery the light armed, and the auxiliary horsem of allies. The Nolans were by freight commandment forbidden to approach the gates or the walls. As for the baggage and carriages the ordinary guard was appointed to attend thereupon, for fear, lest while the Legions were busie in fight, there should be some assault made upon them. In this order and array marshalled they were within the gates, *Annibal*, who likewise ready arranged flood with banner displayed (as he had done for certain daies together) untill it was well toward noon first wondered at it, that neither the Roman army issued out of the gates nor any soldier appeared upon the walls: and supposing afterwards, that their usual complots and conventicles were discovered and revealed, and that for very fear they kept within and sat still, sent back part of their soldiery into the Camp, with commandment, in all speed to bring abroad into the open field before the vanguard, all the Ordnance and Artillery for to batter the City walls: with assured confidence, that if he came hotly upon them, and gave an assault, while they thus lingered and issued not forth, the Commons would make some tumult and stir within the City. But anon as every man was busily occupied, running to and fro in haste about his own charge, before the vanguard and forefront of his battel, even at the point when he advanced forward to the walls: all upon a sudden a gate was set open, and *Marcellus* caused the trumpets to sound the alarm, and the soldiers to set up a shout, commanding the footmen first, and then the horie to fall out, and with all the might and force they could, to charge upon the enemy. Soon had they terrified their main battel sufficiently, and made disorder there, when at the two gates of each side, *P. Valerius Flaccus* and *C. Claudius Pulcher*, two Lieutenants generally issued forth upon their flanks and wings. The horie-boies, cullions and the other multitude above aid, which was set to guard the carriages, arose up and made a new outcry, and shouted, so as to the Carthaginians (who concerned them before for their small number especially) they represented all at once a shew of a mighty army. I dare not avouch that which some Authors stick not to write, that of enemies were slain in this conflict 2500 and that the Romans lost but one only man. But what history soever it was, either so great, or smaller, surely a doughty piece of service was that day achieved & I wot not whether I may truly say, of the greatest consequence that any ever was, during the time of that war. For as the time was then, it was a greater matter for the Romans (albeit they were the Conquerors) not to be vanquished of *Annibal*, than it was afterwards to vanquish him. *Annibal* disappointed of his hope to win *Nola* retired to *Acerre*. And *Marcellus* immediately having shut the gates, and placed the guards and warders to keep the same, that no man might go forth, sat judiciously in the marketplace to examine those that had used secret conference and prying with the enemies: and finding above seventy guilty of this action, pronounced sentence of death upon them, as in case of treason. Those he cut shorter by the head, and commanded their goods to be confiscat. And thus leaving the government of the City to the Senat thereof, he departed with all his forces, and above *Suessula* encamped himself, and there abode.

*Annibal* being come before *Acerre*, first summoned the City, to surrender voluntarily & without constraint: but seeing them obstinate, and willing to relent, he made preparation to lay siege unto the town, and to assault it. But the *Acerrians* had better heart and courage, than might and strength to resist him. Therefore, when they saw themselves like to be intrenched all about, and were past hope to defend and keep the town: before the enemies had brought all ends of their trenches and scones together, they got between the trenches and rampiers (where they were not finished and flood not close together) in the dead time of the night, and escaped through the sentinels and watches that were stendly looked unto, and as well as they could making swift through by-waies and blind lanes, over hedge and ditch (as either their wits guided them, or their fear carried them) recovered those Cities of *Campania*, which they knew for certain were not revolted, but perfidiously true and fast unto the Romans. *Annibal* after he had put *Acerre* to the sack, and set it on fire, having intelligence, that the Roman Dictator and the Legions were received at *Castellum*: and fearing, lest while the enemy lay so near encamped, some should have recourse also into *Capua*, led his army to *Castellum*.

At the same time *Preneſte* was held by 500 *Preneſtins*, with a few Romans and Latines, who upon the news of the overthrow at *Cannus*, were retired thither. These *Preneſtins*, by occasion that they were not levied and mustered at *Preneſte* by the day appointed, set out from thence a somewhat too late: and were come as far as *Castellum*, before the rumour was bruited of the defeat before *Cannus*: where they joined themselves with other Romans and Confederates, set forward from *Castellum*, and marched together with a good great company: but meeting by the way with





ruins is not recorded so plainly: for neither appeareth evidence by any publicke monument and memoriall of their own, nor yet decree extant of the Romans. At the same time the Petellins (who alone of all the Bruttii remained in friendship and amity with the Romans) were assailed not only by the Carthaginians, (that were possessed of a great part of the Countrey about them) but also by the other Bruttii with whom they would not joyne in the compleat of their rebellion. The Petellins not able of themselves to hold out and endure these dangers, sent their Embassadors to Rome, for to crave their aid and assistance: whose humble prayers and piteous tears (for after an answer received, That they should provide and shift for themselves, they fell into lamentable moans and complaints, and lay prostrate upon the Earth, before the porch of the Countemtable House) wrought exceeding compassion and pity in the hearts of the Senators, and also of the people: whereupon the LL. were moved again the second time, by M. Aemilius the Prætor, to deliver their opinion. And when they had cast all about, and well weighed and considered, to deliver their opinion. And when they were able to do; being forced to confesse, that it lay not in their present state, and what they were able to do; being forced to confesse, that it lay not in their power to help their Allies, so far distant and remote from them: they willed them to give home again; & since they had performed their fidelity to the full, according to covenant, they gave them leave in this calamity of theirs to take that course that they thought best for themselves. When they were returned with this answer unto the Petellins, their Senat all on a sudden was stricken into such sorrows, damps and fearful maze, that some of them were of mind, and gave advice to abandon the City, and fly every man wheresoever he could: others were of opinion and persuaded, that seeing they were forsaken of their old friends, they should joyne with the other Bruttii, and by their means, turn to Annibal, and come under his protection. Howbeit a third side prevailed, who would in no wise that any thing should be done over hastily and rashly: but side they might meet again, and fit in counsell about the matter. And to it was put off, and resolute given unto the next day. Then after more mature deliberation, and their former fear somewhat asswaged, the principall personages there assembled grew to this resolution, namely, To convey all things out of the Territory about them into the City, and to fortifie both it and the walls.

Near about one and the same time, there came Posts with Packets of Letters to Rome, from out of Sicily and Sardinia. Those out of Sicily from Othacilius the Vice-prætor, were read first in the Senat-House, importing these news: That L. Furius the Prætor was come out of Africa, and with his fleet arrived at Lilybæum: himselfe fore hurt, and lying at point of death: that neither the souldiers, nor sailors and mariners had their money or corn duly paid at the day; neither indeed was there any to be had, for to keep touch and make payment: moving and advising them earnestly, to send supply thereof with all convenient speed: and if they thought it good, one allo of the new chosen Prætors to successe after him To the same effect in manner wrote Cornel. Mammula the Pro-Prætor, out of Sardinia, touching that point of money and corn. Answer was returned to the one and the other, that they had it not; and therefore they were to look themselves both to their Armadoes and Armies, and to provide for them. Othacilius, who addressed Embassadors unto K. Hiero (the only refuge and stay of succour that the people of Rome had received for souldiers pay, as much silver as was needfull, and corn to serve six months. The confederate Cities likewise in Sardinia contributed liberally unto Cornelius, and served his turn. At Rome also for want of silver, there were (by a law published by Minutius, Tribune of the Commons) created three Bankers, called *Triumviri Menfarii*, to wit, L. Aemilius, who had been Consul and Censor; M. Atilius Regulus, twice Consul aforesaid; and L. Scribonius Libo, a Tribun of the Commons for the time being. Two Decemvirs also were chosen, M. and C. Atilii, who dedicated the Temple of Concord which L. Manlius Prætor had vowed before. Three high Priests also were consecrated, Q. Cecilius Metellus, Q. Fabius Max, and Q. Fulvius Flaccus, all to supply the rooms of P. Scævola late deceased: of L. Aemilius Paulus the Consul, and Q. Elms Pains, slain both in the journey of Canne.

Now when as the LL. of the Senat had fulfilled other wants, and made up all decencies and breaches, which fortune by continual calamities and losses had wrought and brought upon them, so far forth, as by any wisdom and policy of man, they could provide for: at length they had respect and regard unto themselves also, even to the delicate estate of the Council-House and the unrequented number of Senators assembling to the publicke Councell of the City. For since that L. Aemilius and C. Flaminius were Censors, there had been chosen no new Senators, notwithstanding that in five years space, what with unforseen battels, and what with other particular chances, so many of them had miscarried. And when M. Aemilius the Prætor, in the absence of the Dictator (who after the loss of Caplum was now gone again to the host) had at the request of them all propounded this matter: then Sp. Corvilius, after he had in a long oration complained, not only of the pecuniary, but also of the small choice of those Citizens, who were capable of Senators dignity, spake unto the point, and said, "That he held it a matter of good importance both for the full repaire and restoring of the decayed body of the Senat, as also for to bind the Latine Nation in a more fast bond of amity, that two Senators out of every State of the Latines (if the LL. of the Senat of Rome would agree unto it) should be enfranchised Citizens of Rome, and taken into the Senat in place of those that were deceased. This opinion of his the LL. of the Senat could abide to hear with no better ear then in times past they accepted the motion and demand of the Latines themselves in that behalf. And there being throughout the whole House a great

A muttering, for very indignation and disdain of those his words, Manlius above the rest brake out into this speech, and said: "That they were not all dead, but one man yet was left alive of that house and line, out of which a Consul (when time was) threatened in the Capitol, that he would kill with his own hand, that Latine whomsoever he saw sitting in the Council-House of Rome. With that, Q. Fabius: "Never was there a thing, quoth he, propounded and mentioned in the Senat-house, in a worse and more unreasonable time, than at this present, when as the hearts and affections of our Allies being so wavering, their faith and allegiance to doubtful, the very breaking and broaching of such a matter as this, were enough to let them further out. And therefore this inconsiderate speech of one foolish vain person, is to be suppressed and buried presently with the silence of all men, and never once to be spoken of again. And if ever there were uttered at Council Table, any secret and mystry, which were to be concealed, this of all other ought most to be kept close, hidden and smothered in oblivion, and reputed as never spoken at all. So this matter was dashed, and dyed there in the very birth. Then they proceeded and agreed, to create Dictator for the choosing of Senators, one that had been Censor aforesaid, and of all those who had been Censors, and were then living, the most ancient: and thereto they gave order, that C. Terentius Varro the Consul should be sent for, to the nomination of that Dictator. Who being returned out of Apulia, leaving the camp there with a good guard, and taking long journeys, until he was come to Rome: the night next following (as the manner was) created by authority of an act of Senat, M. Fabius Buteo, Dict. for six months, without a General of Horse. When he was mounted up with his Serjeants to the *Roftra*, [which is the place of publicke audience] for to make a speech unto the people, he said: "That he neither allowed of two Dictators at one time, (a precedent never seen and known afore) nor yet could take himselfe for a Dictator, so long as he was without his General of Cavalry. I mislike also (quoth he) that the entire authority and power of Censors, should be put into the hands of one and the self-same man, twice; and that a Dictator should have the rule and government for six months, unless he were created for the managing of wars. And therefore (said he) I will my self limit and gage those things, which fortune, occasion of the times, and necessity have made excessive and beyond all measure powerful. Neither am I minded to depose or displace any of those from his senators dignity, whom C. Flaminius, and L. Aemilius late Censors, have admitted into the Senat: but only, that a transcript and rehearsal be made of their names, for that I would not have it lie in the power of one man alone to censure and give judgement of the fame and behavior of a Senator: but this course will I take in substituting new Senators in the room of the dead, that it may appear, and be said: That this Order and degree is preferred before that, and no one person before another. So after that the names of the old Senators were copied out and read, then he chose first into the place of them that were deceased, those who after the time of L. Aemilius and C. Flaminius Censors, had borne any Magistracy of State, and of the chair, and yet were not elected Senators. And according as they had exercised their office one before another in order of time, so were they chosen first Senators in their course. This done, he made a second election of those who had been *Ædiles*, Tribunes, Pretors, or Quætors: and last of all, such as could shew the spoils taken from the Enemies of Rome hanging in their houses: or had been honoured and rewarded with a Civicke garland. Thus after he had with right great approbation and contentment of all men, taken into the Senat 177. forthwith he resigned up his office, descended from the pulpit a private man again, discharged and put from him the Serjeants, and came and stood beneath among the other multitude that attended their own private business: trifling out the time for the nonce and of purpose, because he would not have the people to leave the common place for to wait upon him. Howbeit, for all that lingering and stay which he made, the peoples affection cooled never the more, and so with a goodly train of men he was accompanied, and conducted home to his house.

The next night following, the Consul returned toward the army, without making the Senate privy and acquainted with his departure, for fear he should have been detained till in the City for the solemn election of new Magistrats. The morrow after the Senate decreed, upon a motion propounded by M. Pomponius the Prætor, to write unto the Dictator, that if he thought it were for the good of the common-weal, he would together with his General of the Cavalry, and M. Marcellus the Prætor, repair to Rome to subrogate and choose new Consuls, to the end that when they were all together in place, the LL. of the Senat might by them take knowledge in what state the Common-wealth stood, and consult how to provide for every thing. They all came that were sent for accordingly, leaving behind them their Lieutenants for the government and conduct of the Legions. The Dictator spake of himselfe but little, and with much modesty, ascribing the greatest part of the honor unto T. Sempronius Gracchus, and then summoned the general assembly for the Election: in which were chosen Coll. L. Posthumius the third time (who then was absent, and as L. Deputy ruled the Province of Gallia) and T. Sempronius Gracchus, who at that time commanded the Cavalry, and repaired to Rome with speed. Then were elected Pretors M. Valerius Maximus, Ap. Claudius Pulcher, Q. Fulvius Flaccus, and Q. M. Scævola. The Dictator after the choosing of these Magistrats returned to Theauna, where the army wintered: leaving the General of the Horse behind at Rome, to the end that he being to enter into his government, within few dayes after, might confer with the LL. of the Senat as touching the levy and enrolling new armies against the year ensuing.

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Whiles they were in their busiest and deepest conferences about these matters, news came of a fresh overthrow: such was the fortune of that year to heap one calamity in the neck of another, to wit, that L. Postumius the Consul elect, was himself slain, and the army together with him in those parts a wide and huge forest (which the Gauls call *Litana*) through which Postumius was to lead his army. The trees there growing on either hand of the path, the Gauls had cut, so that they might stand upright of themselves so long as they were not stirred, so being forced never so little, they must needs fall down. Now had Postumius the conduct of two Roman legions; and of associates besides, from the high coasts of the upper Sea, he had enrolled to many soldiers, as of associates besides, from the enemies country 25000 strong. The Gauls who had belovewed themselves that he came into the enemies country 25000 strong. The Gauls who had belovewed themselves in ambush round about the skirts of the wood, so soon as the army was all engaged within the streights of the path, shovled from them the trees (so guided) which stood next unto them, and they fell one upon another (standing as they did, so ticklish of themselves, and ready to totter and come down on both sides of the way) and in the fall overthrew withal and covered over and over both horse and man, with their armour and munition, so as scarce ten of them escaped alive. For as most of them were felled and shruken stark dead, either with the bodies of the trees, or the broken arms and boughs; so the rest of the multitude, affrighted with this unexpected and untappy accident, were killed by the Gauls that beset all the streights and passages of the wood; and of that great number, they took few prisoners, who making towards a bridge standing over the River, were intercepted by the way, and stopped by the head cut off from the rest of his body. The spoils of this General Captain, together with the head cut off from the rest of his body, the Boians with great joy and solemnity brought into the Temple that amongst them was reputed most holy and sacred. And after they had cleaned the head, as their manner is, they enshroued and garished the skull with gold, and that served as well for an holy vessel to sacrifice and Divine withal, upon high and festival days, as also for an ordinary drinking mazar for the high Priest, and other Prelats of that Temple. The booty also which the Gauls gained of their enemies, was of no less importance than the victory: for although a great part of the beasts and living creatures was crushed and lquested to death with the fall of the wood, yet all other things, by reason that nothing was scattered and lost by flight, were found wholly on the ground, as the soldiers lay along in that order as they marched.

These woful tidings being reported, the City was for many days in such fear and perplexity, that all shop windows were shut up, and no stirring at all in the streets throughout, from one end to the other, as if it had been night continually. Then the Senat gave the *Aediles* in charge to walk all about, and command the shops to be set open, and to make no more show in the City of publick sorrow and heaviness. Then T. Sempronius assembled a Senate, spoke comfortably to the *LL.* of the Council, and exhorted them, that "as they were not dismayed with the overthrow and discomfiture at *Cenna*, so they would not be cast down and daunted with lighter and smaller losses and calamities. For if it might please the Gods to besite them, and give them good speed (as they hoped no less) against the Carthaginian enemies and *Annibal*, the war with the Gauls might without danger and inconvenience either be laid aside clean, or put off and deferred. As for the revenge of this deceitful practise, it should rest still in the power either of the immortal Gods, or of the people of *Rome*, to be performed one time or other. But for the present, they were to consult and resolve concerning *Annibal* their grand enemy, and to grow to some point and conclusion of such forces as were meet for that war. And first himself discomfited and laid down what companies of foot and Horse, what number of citizens, and how many confederats were in the army of the Dictator. After him, *Marcellus* shewed and recounted the proportion of his own power and their strength. Also, what forces, and of what quality, were with C. Terentius the Consul in *Apulia*, they were required to declare, who might speak upon their knowledge. Then they proceeded to cast and examine, whether two Consular armies well appointed and furnished, were sufficient to go through to great a war. Thus for that year they let *Francia* alone, albeit they had good cause to be angry, and were provoked that way to follow revenge. The Dictator his army, was appointed unto the Consul. As for the forces under the leading of *Marcellus*, consisting of them that fled out of the field at *Cenna*, those they ordained to be sent over into *Sicily*, there to remain in service so long as the war continued in *Italy*: and that thither also should be posted over out of the Dictator his Legions, all those soldiers who were able to do least service, there to abide in soldiery, without any other limitation of time than that, which the Laws in that case provide for. For the other Consul, who should be substituted in stead of L. Postumius, there were assigned two Legions of Roman Citizens: and order was given, so soon as the *Auspices* would permit, he should be elected with speed. Likewise it was agreed upon and ordained, to send for two legions besides out of *Sicily*: out of which, the Cons. unto whom those Legions afore said of the City were allotted, should take what soldiers he thought needful. Finally, C. Terentius the Consul, had his commission of command continued for another year, without empaiing one jot of the army, which he had in his conduct for the guard and defence of *Apulia*.

Amids these affairs and preparations in *Italy*, the war went forward nevertheless in *Spain*, and ever to that day prospered on the Romans side. P. and Cn. Scipius divided their forces,

As Cn. should serve by Land, and Publius at Sea with the navy. *Asdrubal* the chief Colonel and Commander there of the Carthaginians, distrustful his own strength both by Sea and Land, kept himself aloof, and far from the enemy, in sure places of safety: Unto whom, after long suit and instant prayers, were sent 4000 foot, and 500 horse out of Africa for supply. Having thus at length, with new helps gathered fresh hope, he encamped neerer to his enemy, and gave order and direction withal, that the Armado should be rigged and decked for the defence of the Islands, and the Sea-coasts. And whiles he was thus beginning hotly to make war again, he was suddenly disconcerted and disquieted with the revolt of the Admirals and great Captains of the navy: who for their fearful abandoning of the fleet upon *Iberus*, having been sharply checked and rebuked, were never after trusty and sure, either to the Colonel himself, or to the State of *Carthage*. These fugitive renegats had first practised to raise troubles and insurrections in the Land of the Carpepi, and by their soliciting and instigation, certain Cities were provoked to rebel, and one of them they had forced by assault. Whereupon, *Asdrubal* turned his force from the Romans, and bent them wholly against that Nation: and with a cruel army entering the frontiers of the enemies, determined to give the charge upon *Gibbus*, a Nobleman and renowned chieftain of the Carpepians, even before the City: that some few days before was lost where the said G. was with a puissant power kept himself strongly encamped. Having therefore sent out before, certain vanguarders lightly armed, to train forth and draw the enemies to skirmish, he made out withal certain Companies of his Infantry sundry ways to over-run and spoil the country, and likewise to catch up and meet with all stragglers, dispersed in the fields. Whereupon, at one time there was a skirmish before the camp: and likewise in the fields, they were either slain or put to flight. But afterwards, having by divers ways from all parts recovered again the camp, suddenly they shaked off all fear, plucked up their hearts, and thought themselves good enough, not only to defend their fort and hold, but also to bid the enemy battle. They filled out therefore of the camp in good array, shouting, dancing and hopping after their manner: so this unexpected boldness and courage of theirs, terrified the enemies, who a little before had challenged them to fight. Whereupon *Asdrubal* himself withdrew and retired his power for more security to an hill of good height, and fit for his advantage, with a River likewise between him and his enemies. The light armed vanguarders also, and the forlorn hope, together with the Horsemen that rode attending abroad, he caused thither to repair for their better safety. And because he trusted neither hill nor river, he fortified himself with a trench and rampier besides. In this alternat and interchangeable fear on both sides, there passed some bickerments: and blows were dealt between. In which, neither the Numidian Horsemen were able to match the Spaniards in that kind, nor the Moores archers could make their part good with the light Carpepians targetiers, who in nimbleness and swiftness were as good as they: and for courage and bodily strength, far better. These Carpepians seeing they neither could provoke *Asdrubal* to a battle, with all their braving hand under his camp, nor yet easily by assault win it, they took by force the City *Astena*, into which *Asdrubal* when he first invaded the Frontiers of his enemies had conveyed store of coin and other vituals: yea, and became *LL.* of all the country thereabout. And they grew so lusty and audacious, that neither in their march and array nor within their camp they would be ruled and ordered by any mans command. This secure and careless negligence of theirs, which *Asdrubal* perceived to arise (as usually it doth) upon good success and prosperity; after an exhortation made to his soldiers, to charge upon the enemies, roving abroad without their colours, he defended from the hill, and marched in battail array against the camp. So soon as the Spaniards were advertised by those who came in great hast and fled from the Sentinels and *corps de guard* that he was coming, and neer at hand, with a great outcry they gave the alarm. And as every man could get weapon in hand they ran upon the head to battle, without direction and commandment of Captain, without signal, ensign, and order, confusedly. When the foremost in the vanguard were joyed in conflict and come to hand-fight, some of their fellows were seen running on heaps and by troops, and others were not well come forth of the camp: At the first the enemy was terrified with their bold adventure. Afterwards as they encountered, thin and loosely railed, with the enemies thick and closely ranged together, seeing themselves too weak, and not sufficient, so few in number to defend themselves, they looked back one upon another for succour: and being on every side put back, and forced to retreat and lose ground, they cast themselves into a ring, and thus thrust (as they were) close together, body to body, and armour to armour they were so pent and pestered in so narrow a ground, that they had scarce room enough to wield their weapons: so they were compassed and environed round with the enemy, and for a good part of the day, heaven in pieces and massacred. Some few of them that brake through by dint of sword, escaped to the woods and mountains. With like fear the camp was abandoned: and the day following, the whole nation yielded, and came under the subjection of the Carthaginians.

Long they continued not quiet. For within a while news came from *Carthage*, that *Asdrubal* should make what speed he could with his army into *Italy*. Which rumour being blown abroad through *Spain*, turned in manner all their hearts away unto the Romans. Whereupon *Asdrubal* addressed his Letters immediately to *Carthage*, shewing what hurt the fame of his departure had done already: and in case he should let forward on his journey, and go out of those parts, all *Spain* would turn to the Romans, before he were passed the river *Iberus*. For over and besides, that he had not strength enough to leave behind for a garrison, nor a sufficient com-

mander in head of himself, the Generals of the Roman armies, who had set foot in Spain, were so fit, as he might easily make head against them with equal puissance. And therefore, if they had any regard of Spain, he advised them to send one to succeed him with a strong power: For he should have his hands full, and enough to do in the Province fall out things as tumultuously as they could. These matters, albeit at the first fight they greatly troubled the Senat, yet because the Italian affairs seemed of more moment and greater importance, they wrought no alteration in their intended course, either for *Asdrubal* himself, or his forces. Howbeit *Hamilcar* was sent with a complete and competent army, and a greater Armado, both for the holding of Spain in their allegiance, and also for their defence by Sea and Land, Who having passed over with all his power, as well as Land-Service as the Sea, fortified his camp, drawn his ships ashore, laid them up in drie Land, and emplaced them strongly all about: himself in person with his elect and most choicemen of arms, made what he thought best, through nations partly enemies, partly doubtful, and untruly, and staid not either in one place or other (but evermore standing upon his guard) until he was come to *Asdrubal*. After he had declared unto him the order decreed by the Senat, and what he had in commission, and taken himself direction likewise from him, in what manner the war in Spain was to be managed, he returned back again to his own camp. In which voyage to and fro he travailed lately by no one thing more than by speedy expedition. For he was ever gone from place to place before the people could agree together and make head against him. Now *Asdrubal* had been that he dislodged, and set his army on foot out of those parties, levied sums of money of the Cities and places under his jurisdiction: for well he knew, that *Asdrubal* had paid for every place before him for his passage through certain countries: and as well he willed besides, that the Carthage was faine to wage for enough, though no money men. And if he undertook and entered upon that great expedition, poor and bare of liver, he had never reached to his Alps. Thus having in great haste raised and collected his monies he came down to the river *Thorus*.

When the Romans heard of the proceedings and designments of the Carthaginians and likewise of the journey of *Asdrubal*, both the Generals (laying all other matters apart) prepared joy to their whole forces together, to oppose themselves, and to withstand such intended attempts: supposing and considering, that if *Asdrubal* alone was an enemy to us, hardly supported by a few were one, and by the Roman army, the Legion or *Rome* would soon be at hand. Upon these several cogitations being grieved and perplexed, they altered all their power over to *Iberia*; and after they had passed over the river, and arrived, considered whether they should encamp themselves, and abide the coming of the enemies, or they should march on, invading and assailing the afflicts and subjects of the Carthaginians, to lay the enemy and hinder his intended journey: they resolved at length and made preparation to assault *Asdrubal*, the name of the river, over by the rich and most wealthy City at that time of all others in that part. Whereof when *Asdrubal* was advertised, he for to help his friends, dismissed himself likewise to set up a number of City lately yielded to the Romans, and reduced under their subjection. And to the Romans, after they had begun to lay siege to *Iberia*, gave over that enterprise, and made head again, *Asdrubal* himself. And for some few dayes they lay incamped five miles almost one from the other, not without some light skirmishes: but never came to pitch any fair field. At length upon one and the same day (as if they had been so agreed afore) they happened on both sides, to let out the signal of battle, and to come forth with all their power into the plain ground. The Roman stood arranged in three battalions: one part of the Infantry was placed before the standards in the vanguard, another Regiment bestowed behind in the rearguard, the men of arms flanked the faces like wings. On the other party, *Asdrubal* strengthened his main battle with Spaniards: in the right point he marshalled the Carthaginians, in the left the Africans. As for the auxiliary and mercenary Horsemen, whom he waged and hired: such as were Numidians, he ordained front the Carthaginians footmen to guard them: the rest that were Africans, he distributed and disposed about the skirts and edges of the battalions. Neither were all the Numidians placed in the right flank, but such as were the gentle and manner of Vanlers, led more Horsemen, and used often times in the midst of the hottest conflict, to leap armed as they were from their wearied horse to another fresh one. So nimble are they themselves, and indurable and well taught to their hands are their Horses. Thus stood they arranged on both sides in order of battle. The Captains of either part for hopes in manner nothing unequal: for neither in number or quality of soldiers, was there any great odds between them: Many, for courage and heart, there was great difference and inequality in the soldiers themselves. For the Romans (notwithstanding they fought far from home) were so periwaded by their leaders, that they fought for *Italy* and the City of *Rome*; and therefore, as if the whole hope of their fate return into their country, were to be tried and decided in this one battle; they resolved either to win the day or to dye for it. On the other side, the soldiers were not so resolute, for most of them being Spaniards, would have chosen rather to be conquered and overcome in Spain, than with conquest and victory to be drawn into *Italy*. And therefore at the first shock, when scarcely the darts and javelins were ended and let fly, their main battail retreated: and so soon as the Romans with great violence redoubled the charge, they turned their backs and fled. Howbeit in both flanks the fight was hot enough. The Carthaginians of the one side, the Africans on the other, charged the Romans very hard, and fought sore against them, as if they had them invironed round about with their battalions. But when as the whole power of the Romans were once rallied and gather-

red together in the midst, they were strong enough to remove and let back the wings of the enemies. So they maintained fight in two divers places at once. But both in the one and the other, the Romans (after they had discomfited the main battail in the midst) were no doubt, much better, as well in number, and also in strength and vigour of men. Many a tall fellow was there slain. And had not the Spaniards at the first when the battle was scarce begun, fled mainly by heaps, very few of the whole battail had escaped and remained alive. The Horsemen fought little or not at all. For the Moors and Numidians, so soon as they espied the battail to shrink and lose ground, presently all on a sudden fled as fast as they could, and left the sides and flanks of the battail naked, driving after them the Elephants withal. And even *Asdrubal* himself, who maintained the skirmish to the very last, escaped with some few out of the thickest malice and execution. The Romans took their camp and rifled it. This battail was of such import and consequence, that it caused all the Spaniards, who were before but wavering, to turn wholly to the Romans: and left *Asdrubal* no hope at all, to pass with his forces into *Italy*, nor so much as to make abode with safety in Spain. The news hereof being bruited abroad and sent to *Rome*, by the letters of the two *Scipios*, great joy there was, not so much for the victory, as because *Asdrubal* was tied by the foot, and staid for coming into *Italy*.

Amidst these exploits in Spain, *Petelia* (a City of the Brutii, having endured the siege and many assault for certain months) was finally won by *Hamilcar*, one of *Asdrubal's* Captains. But that victory cost the Carthaginians much blood, and many a sore wound. No force nor violence overcame the besieged *Petelians* more, than very famine. For having consumed and eaten up all food of corn, all flesh of four footed beasts whatsoever: they were driven at length to feed and live upon shoemakers leather, weeds, and roots, tender barks of trees, and the crops of bowers and orambles: and they gave not over so long as they were able to stand on their legs upon the walls, and bear their armour.

*Asdrubal* after the winning of *Petelia*, conducted his army against *Consentia*, which being not so valiantly defended, was within few dayes surrendered up into his hands. Neer about the same time, a power of the Brutians also, laid siege unto *Crotone*, a City built and inhabited by the Greeks, and in times past, mighty in men and munition: but now at this time to distressed with manifold and grievous calamities, that of all ages one with another, they were not able to make twenty thousand men. And therefore no marvel, if the enemies were soon masters of the City, being so destitute as it was of Citizens to defend it. Only the Castle they kept still, into which there were some that escaped in that tumult when the City was taken, out of the midst of the massacre. The Locrians likewise revolted unto the Brutii and the Carthaginians, by reason that the common multitude were fraudulently betrayed by the chief and principal Citizens. The Rhagines only of all that country, continued both true unto the Romans, and also to their own liberty to the very last. The same disposition to revolt, was to be seen even in *Sicily*, in so much as the very house of *Hiero* was not clear: and free in all parts from rebellion. For *Gelo* his eldest son, having in contempt both the old age of his father, and also (after the overthrow at *Canna*) the society and friendship of the Romans, turned unto the Carthaginians. And he had, no doubt, made a general alteration in *Sicily*, but that his death came between and cut him off: which happened to jump, even when he was arming the multitude, and soliciting his friends to rebellion, that his very father himself was drawn into deep desolation that he took his life away. These were the occurrences that fell out that year with variable event, in *Italy*, *Africa*, *Sicily*, and *Spain*.

In the end of the same year, *Q. Fabius Maximus* moved the Senat, and made request, that the Temple of *Venus Erycina*, which he had vowed being Dictator, might now be dedicated. And the Senat made a decree. That *Titus Sempronius*, Consul elect, should so soon as he was entered into his office, propole unto the people, that they would erect two Duumvirs for the dedication of Temples. And in honour of *Aemilius Lepidus*, who had been Consul twice, and August, his three sons, *Lucius*, *Marcus*, and *Quintus*, exhibited certain funeral games for three dayes (space; and a shew in the Common place likewise for three dayes together, of two and twenty pair of sword-fencers, to fight at sharp to the death. The Curule Ediles, *C. Lelivius*, and *T. Sempronius Gracchus*, now Consul elect, who in his Adulthood had been General of the Horsemen, set out the Roman games, which were renewed and continued still for three dayes. Likewise, the Playes of the Commons, were thrice exhibited by *M. Aulcius Corda*, and *M. Claudius Marcellus*. Now after three years expired of the Punick war, *T. Sempronius* the Consul, began his government upon the 15 of March. As for the Prætors, *Q. Fulvius Flaccus*, who had before time been Consul and Censor, obtained by lot the jurisdiction of the Citizens: and *M. Valerius Corvinus*, of the strangers and aliens. To *Appius Claudius Pulcher* was allotted the government of *Sicily*: and to *Q. Mutius Scaevola* of *Sardinia*. *M. Marcellus* was by the people allowed to have the authority of a Vice Consul, in regard that he above all the Roman Captains, after the defeat of *Canna*, managed his affairs and waxed prosperously in *Italy*.

Now the very first day that the Senat was assembled in the Capitol, they decreed upon the first motion, that within the compass of that year, there should be levied a double tax or tribute: and that one single tribute should be forthwith gathered, for present pay to all the soldiers, leaving those that served at *Canna*. Then concerning the armies this order was set down: *Imprie*, that *T. Sempronius* the Consul, should appoint the two legions of Citizens a certain

\* *Belicæ*\* *Consentia*

\* 15 of March.

day to meet at *Cales*. *Item*, that six legions should be conducted to the camp of *Claudian* above *Suessula*. *Item*, that the legions which were (and those consigned for the most part of the residue of the Cannian army) *Ap. Claudius Pulcher* the Pretor, should put over Sea into *Sicily*; and as for those that were in *Sicily*, they should be transported to *Rome*. *Item*, unto that army which was appointed to meet by a day, at *Cales*, *M. Claudius Marcellus* was sent; and he was commanded to conduct the legions of the Citizens to the camp of *Claudian*. Last of all, to receive the charge of the old army, and to lead it into *Sicily*, *T. Metellus Cretio* Lieutenant, was sent by *Ap. Claudius*. Men looked at first, and yet they said nothing, that the Consul should call an assembly for the creating of a Collegue unto him. But after that they saw that *M. Marcellus* was sent out of the way (as it were of purpose) whom above all others they were desirous to be the Consul for that year, in regard of his notable good service whiles he was Pretor, there arose much muttering in the Senat house. Which the Consul perceiving: "My L.L. quoth he, it was for the good of the Common-wealth, that both *M. Claudius* should go into *Campaign* to exchange the armies: and also that the Election of Consuls, should not be proclaimed, until that he were returned again: from thence, with dispatch of that business which he had in charge: that ye might have a Consul, such a one as the present condition of the State required, and your selves most desired. So there was no more speech of the election, until *Marcellus* was come back again. In this mean time there were two Duumvirs created, *Q. Fabius Maximus* for the dedication of one Chapel to *Venus Erycina*, and *T. Octavius Crassus*, of another to the Goddess *Mens*. Both stand upon the Capitol hill, divided aunder no more than with one only conduct of water passing between. And as concerning the three hundred Campaign Horsemen, who had served out their full time of warfare faithfully, and were come to *Rome*, a motion was propounded to the people, that they should be enfranchised Citizens of *Rome*: and in like manner, that they should be reputed as free Denizens of *Cumes*, from the day after that the Capuans revolted from the people of *Rome* and rebelled. The chiefest cause of proposing this act, was this, because themselves denied flatly that they knew, to whom they did appertain, seeing they had abandoned their old native country: and as yet were not enrolled and incorporated into that state, unto which they had retired. After that *Marcellus* was come again from the army, the solemn day of election of a Consul in place of *L. Posthumius*, was published. And with exceeding great content of all men, *Marcellus* was chosen: and forthwith he was to begin his Magistracy. At whose first entrance, it happened to thunder: and the Augurs being called to give their opinion of it, pronounced, that they thought he was not rightfully created. And the Senators gave it out commonly and bruited abroad, that the Gods were not well pleased therewith, because (forsooth) two Consuls were elected of the commonalty (a thing never seen before). Whereupon *Marcellus* resigned up his place, and in his room was substituted *Fabius Max.* the third time.

That year the Sea burned. At *Sinussa* a cow brought forth a horse foal. And at *Lanuvium* in the Temple of *Iuno Hospita*, certain statues or images dropped with blood: and about that Temple it rained stones. For which shew, there was solemnised, according to the customary manner, a Nov. nial sacrifice. The other prodigious signs likewise were expiary with great care and heedful regard. The Consuls then, parted their armies between them. *Fabius* took charge of those forces which had been commanded by *M. Junius* the Dictator. *Sempronius* had the conduct of all the voluntary souldiers, and besides of 25000 of Auxiliaries sent from the confederates. *M. Valerius* the Pretor had the legions appointed for him, that were returned out of *Sicily*. *M. Claudius* the Vice-consul, was sent unto that army, which lay in garison at *Nola*, above *Suessula*. And the Pretors took their journey into *Sicily* and *Sardinia*. The Consuls, whensoever they would assemble the Senat, proclaimed that the Senators, and all others that had lawful authority to speak their mind and deliver their opinion in the Council-House, should meet at the gate *Capena*. The Pretors, those that were Judges in the Court, and to whom the civil jurisdiction appointed, erected their Tribunal seats and places of Affizes at the publick Fish-pool, and thither they commanded all writs to be returned, and appearance there to be made. And for that year all pleas and judgements of causes passed there.

In this mean time news came to *Carthage* (from whence *Mago* the brother of *Annibal* was minded to transport and set over into *Italy* 12000 footmen, and 1500 horsemen, 20 Elephants, and 1000 talents of silver, together with a guard and supply of 60 gallees) That in *Spain* things went untowardly: and that all the Cities of *Spain* (in a manner) were revolted unto the Romans. Some there were of opinion, to withdraw *Mago* with that fleet and power of his, from the enterprise of *Italy* into *Spain*. Considering there was good hope shewed of a suddain, recover again *Sardinia*, for that there was but a small power of Romans there; and *Cornelius* the old Lord Deputy, well acquainted with the State of the Province, was now upon his departure from thence, and new expected in his turn. Over and besides, that the Sardinians were weary already of the Romans government, which they had so long endured, as who the year that past was, had tyrannized over them cruelly, and exercised their authority with oppression, covetously imposing upon them hard exactions and tributes, and levying of them a most unjust taxation and contribution of coin: and finally they wanted nothing but an head, upon whom they might relie themselves. To this effect there was an Embassage sent secretly from the Lords and Princes of the Island. And the principal actor and procurer thereof, was *Hesionea*, a man in those dayes of greatest authority and power among them. Upon these tidings aforesaid, hapning to just at one time, they were both

A disquieted and also refreshed. So they sent *Mago* with his fleet, and other forces into *Spain*: and they chose for the expedition into *Sardinia*, *Asdrubal* (surnamed *Calvus*, for the L. General, furnished and appointed with as great a power almost, as *Mago* had).

At *Rome* likewise, the Consuls having dispatched the affairs of the City, addressed themselves to the war. *T. Sempronius* appointed *Sinussa* to be the *Rendez-vous*, where the souldiers should meet at a certain day. And *Q. Fabius*, by an order and direction from the Senat, made an Edict, That all men should before the first day of *July* next ensuing, gather all their corn out of the countries, and convey the same into the principal walled strong Towns: proclaiming that whosoever did not accordingly, their fields he would lay waste: sell their servants in port sale at the spear, and bite their farms and villages a fire. Not so much as the Pretors themselves (created for civil jurisdiction and to decide law matters) were freed and exempted from the conduct of war. As for *Valerius* the Pretor, he was appointed to go into *Apulia*, for to receive the army of *Terentius*: and when the legions were returned out of *Sicily*, to employ them especially for the guard and defence of that country; and that the army of *Terentius* should be sent with some one of the Lieutenants. And *M. Valerius* had 25 sail allowed him, to keep and defend all the Sea coasts between *Brundisium* and *Tarentum*. The like number of ships was assigned to *Q. Fulvius* the City Pretor, for to guard the River side, near adjoining to the City of *Rome*. *C. Terentius* the Proconsul had in charge to take up by commission souldiers in the Picene country, and to guard those quarters. And *T. Octavius Crassus*, after that he had dedicated the Temple of *Mens* in the Capitol, was sent into *Sicily*, as Lord Admiral of the Armado there.

Upon this war between two of the mightiest Cities, and most puissant states of the World, there was not a King and Prince, no, nor a Nation under Heaven, that was smothered. Among whom *Philip* King of the Macedonians, had an eye thereto, and was more intensive, in that he was nearer unto *Italy*, and only divided from thence by the Jonian Sea. He at the first, when the bruit came to his ears, That *Annibal* was passed beyond the Alps: as he joyed much, that there was war kindled between the Romans and the Carthaginians, so, as long as it was uncertain, whether nation was the stronger, he wavered in mind and was in suspense, whether of the twain he should wish to have the victory. But after that he heard once, that in three several battails one after another, *Annibal* and the Carthaginians had gotten the better hand, he inclined to the fortunate side, and sent Embassadors unto *Annibal*: who falling off, and desirous to avoid the Havens of *Brundisium* and *Tarentum*, which were guarded and kept by the Romans fleet, arrived and landed at the Temple of *Iuno Lacinia*: and so through *Apulia*, travelling toward *Capua*, chanced to light upon the midst of the Romans corps de guard, and were brought before *M. Valerius* the Lord Deputy, being then encamped before *Nuceria*. Where *Xenophanes*, the principal of the Embassadors, bashed not to say, That he was sent from King *Philip*, to treat and conclude a league and amity with the people of *Rome*, and had commission and direction to the Consuls, to the Senat likewise and people of *Rome*, to that effect. *Valerius* taking great contentment to hear of this new society and friendship with so noble a King, especially upon the rebellion of so many old allies, courteously intreated and friendly entertained this false hearted enemy, in stead of a trusty friend: and appointed diversely to accompany him forward, to guide him carefully in the wayes, and to shew him what places, what passages and freights were held and kept, either by the Romans, or the enemies. *Xenophanes* with these instructions passed through the midst of the Roman guards into *Campania*, and so the next way arrived at the camp of *Annibal*, and made a league and amity with him, under these conditions and capitulations. *Imprimis*, That King *Philip* should with a right puissant Armado (for that he was supposed able to set out 200 sail) pass over into *Italy*, waite and spoil all the Sea coasts, and to his power maintain war by Sea and Land. *Item*, That when the war was finished, all *Italy*, together with the very City of *Rome* should be possessed by the Carthaginians and *Annibal*, and unto him all the pillage and booty likewise should belong. *Item*, When *Italy* was thus subdued, that they should sail into *Greece*, and wage war with what Princes there they pleased, and that all the Cities of the main, and the Islands which lay to *Macedonia*, should fall unto *Philip*, and be annexed to his Kingdom. In these terms, and upon these Articles, in manner, was the league concluded and confirmed between the General *Annibal*, and the Embassadors of the Macedonians: and with them were sent back unto the King for the better ratifying of the said covenants, certain Legats, to wit, *Gisgo*, *Bosar*, and *Mago*, who arrived together at the same Temple aforesaid, of *Iuno Lacinia*, where there rid closely a ship at anchor, expecting their return. From whence being departed, they were not so soon launched out into the deep, and had taken the open Sea, but they were descried by the Roman fleet that guarded the coasts of *Calabria*. *Q. Fulvius Flaccus* made out certain Coreyrens, to pursue and fetch in that ship. Whereupon, the Macedonians began to flee, but seeing themselves overmatcht in a twinkles of sail, and not able to make way with them, they yielded themselves unto the Romans, and were presented unto the Admiral; Who demanded what they were, from whence they came; and whether they were bound. *Xenophanes* who had already sped so well by making of a lye, began to cog again, and say, That he was sent from *Philip* unto the Romans: that he came unto *M. Valerius*, because to him only he was able to pais in safety, but could not possibly get beyond *Campania*, being so strongly kept with garigations of the enemies. But afterwards, upon the sight of the Carthaginian habit and apparel, they began to suspect the Embassadors of *Annibal*: and they being questioned withal, their speech and language bewrayed them. Then was their retinue taken apart, and threatened to



confels. Letters also were found upon them, sent from *Annibal* unto *Philip*, concerning the peace, which between the King of the Macedonians and *Annibal*. Upon these matters thus detected and certainly known, it was thought good to convey the Embassadors and their Company with all speed prisoners to *Rome*, unto the Senat there, or unto the Consuls wheresoever they were. To this purpose were chosen five Pinnasses that were most swift, under the conduct of *L. Valerius Anibal*, who had his direction and charge to part these Embassadors in several Ships, and keep them sure afloat: and to take good heed, that they neither talked nor conferred together.

About the same time it happened at *Rome*, that *Au. Cornelius Mammula*, upon his departure out of the Province *Sardinia*, made report in what state the Island stood; namely, that they all declined to rebellion and war: that *Marius* who succeeded after him, presently upon his first coming, by reason of the ill air and unwholesome water, was fallen into a sickness, not so quick and dangerous, as chronick and tedious, and would not be able long to endure the service of war: that the army there, as it was sufficient to guard and keep in good order a quiet and peaceable Province, so it could not hold out with the war that was like to ensue. Whereupon the LL. of the Senat gave order, that *Q. Fulvius Flaccus*, should levy and enrol 3000 foot, and 400 horse, and provide that this legion should pass over with all speed into *Sardinia*: and send therewith whom it pleased him to conduct and manage the war until *Marius* were recovered of his disease. For this intent was *T. Manlius Torquatus* sent Governour: one, who had been twice Consul and Censor, and in his Consulship and subdued the Sardinians.

Near about the same time, there was an Armado sent out from *Carthage* unto *Sardinia*, under the leading of *Asdrubal* (surnamed *Calyx*, and being foretold and beaten with tempests, was cast upon the Balear Islands: where (so far out of order was not only the ship-sacking, but also the very keels and bodies of the ships (so shaken) they drew up the ships to shore, and whilst they stayed there about calking and trimming them again, they spent much time.

In *Italy* whilst the wars began to slacke and wax cold, by reason that after the battail of *Cume*, the strength of the one part was much abated, and their force decayed, and the courage of the others well allayed and made effeminate: the Campains upon their own heads began to continue, how to reduce the State of *Cume* under their obedience, first soliciting them to revolt from the Romans: and seeing that courtie would not speed and take effect, they devised by a fraudulent practise to compels and entrap them. The Campains use yearly to solemnise a set feast and sacrifice in a certain place called *Hama*: and they gave notice unto the Cumans, that the whole Senat of *Capua* would resort thither: requesting the Senat of *Cume* likewise to meet them there, for to confer and consult together in common, how both Cities, the one and the other, might have the same friends and the same enemies, and no other: giving them withal to understand, that they minded there to have a good guard about them of armed men, for fear of some sodain and dangerous attempt from the Romans. The Cumans, albeit they suspected some treachery, denied nothing, supposing thereby to colour one cover their own crafty intended designment. Now all this while, *T. Sempronius* the Roman Consul, having surveyed and purged his army at *Sinussa*, at which place he had made proclamation, that his forces should meet together: passed over the river *Vulturnus*, and encamped near unto *Linternum*: where because the Souldiers in the standing camp had nothing else to do, he exercised them to run often the race and skirmish in array, to the end that the raw Souldiers (for such were the voluntaries for the most part) might by use and practise learn how to follow their colours in good order, and in the time of battail know their own ranks and ensignes. In these kinds of trainings, the special care that the General had, and the chief thing that he aimed at, was their concord and good agreement. And for this purpose, he charged the Lieutenants, and the Colonels and Captains, that they should not call in any mans teeth one or other, their fortune and condition aforesaid, thereby to breed any discord and heartburning among the companies: and that the old experienced souldiers should suffer themselves to be not equal in estate to the new learners: and those that were born free unto the voluntaries, who had been slaves: reputing them all of birth good enough, and of gentle blood descended, unto whom the people of *Rome* had vouchsafed to commit their armor and ensignes: saying, that the same fortune which had driven them so to do, forced them likewise to maintain the same, and make the best of it, now it was done. The Captains were not more careful in giving these good lessons and instructions, but the souldiers were as diligent to observe the same: and within a while their hearts and affections grew to be so linked and united together, that they forgot generally, in what degree and of what condition each souldier, entered into service. Whiles *Gracchus* was busied hereabout, the Embassadors of *Cume* certified him, what kind of Embassage came unto them from the Campains, a few days before, and what answer they had returned: advertising him that their festival day was to be holden three days after: that not only the whole Senat would be present, but also the camp and army of the Campains. *Gracchus* having commanded the Cumans to convey all that they had out of the fields and territories about, into their City, and themselves to keep within their walls: himself the day before the solemnity aforesaid of the Campains, removed his power to *Cume*, and there incamped. Now *Hama* is three miles off from thence. The Campains by this time were assembled there in great number, according to appointment: and not far from the place, *Marius Alfius* the chief head Magistrate of *Capua*, was incamped closely with fourteen thousand souldiers. He, what with preparation of the sacrifices,

and contriving withal, the deceitful train of treachery, was more busy and careful thereabout, than either in fortifying his camp, or in any other military action. Thus for three days continued this festival sacrifice at *Hama*. And ever in the night season it was performed: so, as before midnight all was done and finished, *Gracchus* supposing that a good time for his ambush to be employed, having let certain warders before the gates, that no man might go forth to give intelligence, caused the souldiers betwixt the sixth and tenth hour of the day, [from noon until four of the clock] to refresh themselves and take their sleep: that in the beginning of the dark night, they might assemble together at the watch-word or signal given them. And about the first watch he commanded to display their ensignes and advance forward: and thus with a still march, he arrived at *Hama* by midnight: surprised the hold of the Campains, and entered all the gates at once, being negligently guarded, by reason of their overwatching. Some he killed lying along fast asleep: others, as they returned unarmed from the sacrifice. In this night tumult there were slain more than two thousand, with *Marius Alfius* himself their leader: and 43 ensignes taken and carried away. *Gracchus* with the losse of fewer than one hundred of his souldiers, having won the camp, retired speedily to *Cume*, for fear of *Annibal*, who lay in fort encamped upon *Tifata* over *Capua*. And (as he was a provident man and of great foresight) nothing was he deceived in his opinion. For to soon as this defeat was reported at *Capua*, *Annibal* supposing that he should at *Hama* find the army of the Romans (consisting for the most part of raw souldiers, and those, bondslaves) jocund and lusty above measure, and insolent upon their fresh victory, busied his forces in halt, and marched apace beneath *Capua*: and encountered with some of the Campains that were fled, whom he caused between two guards to be conducted safe to *Capua*, and such as were hurt and wounded, to be let in waggons and carried thither. Himself found at *Hama* the camp empty and void of enemies, and nothing there but the tokens of a fresh massacre, and the dead bodies of his friends and allies lying here and there scattered. Somewhere there were that advised him presently to advance forward to *Cume*, and to assault the Town. And albeit *Annibal* was willing enough thereto, and passing desirous (seeing he could not come by *Naples*) to have *Cumes* at least, a maritime port-Town, as well as the other: yet because his souldiers had brought nothing with them but their weapons, as being led forth to march in such haste, he retired back again to his fort and camp upon *Tifata*. From whence, at the important prayers of the Campains, the day following he furnished himself with all the Ordinance and Ensignes meet for the assault of a City, and returned toward *Cume*: and having waited the territory thereof, he encamped himself a mile from the Town. Then *Gracchus*, more for shame, that he might not seem to leave his associates in such necessity, (who craved protection and recommended themselves to him, and to the people of *Rome*) than for any confidence and trust that he reposed in the strength of his army, stayed in *Cume*. Neither *Fabius* the other Consul, who was encamped at *Cales*, durst set his army over the River *Vulturnus*: as having been bulled first at *Rome* in renewing the Auspices and bird-fights: and after that, troubled also about the fearful prodigious signs which were reported one after another. And when he sought expiation thereof, the Gods were appeased and pacified for all that he did. Thus whilst *Fabius* upon these occasions was kept back, *Sempronius* was besieged, yea, and by this time assaulted, with fabrics and engines of battery. One mighty great Towre of wood there was erected against the Town. Against that he used the wall (which of it self was of good height) in stead of a ground-work, and planted thereon strong posts and piles of timber to bear up the forehead frame. From thence, at first the souldiers within, defended the Town and Walls with stones, with long poles and perches and other instruments to lance against the assailants. But at length seeing the other turret coming forward even close to the Town wall, they hung thereon at once much firework, and set fire withal, which fires the multitude of armed men for fear leapt headlong down the turret, and the enemies, and they of the Town issued out at two gates at once, discomfited the guards of himself, and drove them into their camp: so as that day *Annibal* was more like one besieged, than laying siege unto others. There were of Carthaginians slain about fourteen hundred, forty wanting one were taken prisoners alive, such as about the walls and their Corps de guard stood careless and negligent, fearing nothing less than a fall out of the Town, and were suddenly at unwarres taken and surpris'd. *Gracchus* founded the retreat, and caused his men to retire within the Walls, before the enemies after their suddain flight could be rallied together. The morrow after, *Annibal* (supposing that the Consul in his suit for this happy hand, would come into the field to fight a set battail) arranged himself in array between his Camp and *Cume*. But after that, he saw no stirring at all from the usual guard and defence of the City, and nothing put to the rash hazard of doubtful hope, he retired to *Tifata*, without any good at all done.

At the very same time that the siege was raised before *Cume*, *Titus Sempronius* surnamed *Longus*, fought fortunately in *Lucania* before *Gracchanum*, with *Hanno* the Carthaginian: slew more than two thousand of his enemies, lost himself two hundred and eighty men, and went away with 41 ensignes. *Hanno* thus driven out of the confines of *Lucania*, retired himself back into the country of the Brutii: And *M. Falerius* the Pretor, recovered by force from the Hir-





"whom heretofore two full Consular armies were never able to abide in the field? Shall Marcellus with young and raw soldiers of his own, seconded only with the aid of the Nolans, challenge and bid us battle the second time? Where is that soldier of mine that unhorsed C. Flaminius the Consul, and stroke off his head? What is become of him that at Cannæ slew L. Paulus? What? Is the edge of the sword dull, and the point blunt? Or are your right hands asleep and benumbed? Or what strange and wonderfull accident is befall you? Ye that were wont, being few in number, to vanquish many: are ye now, being many in number, hardly able to withstand and abide the violence of a few? Ye spake big, and gave out great brags and proud words, that if any man would lead you, you would win Rome, that you would. Behold, now a smaller piece of service. Here I would have you prove your strength, and make trial of your valour. Let us see now, win me Nola, a City situate in the Champain, on a plain, defended neither with sea nor river. O out of this so wealthy a City, will I be ready to lead you, laden with rich pillage and spoil, whither soever ye will, or follow you, whereoever ye would have me. But nothing availed either his cheerful words, or his checking rebukes, to encourage and confirm their hearts. For the Carthaginians being forced on every side to retreat, while the Romans grew more and more animated, not only through the comfortable speeches of their own Captains, but also the Nolans themselves, who with their loud shouting in token of their love and affection, enkindled their courages to hot fight, turned their backs, and were driven into their hold. And when the Romans were desirous to assail the same. Marcellus conducted them to Nola, with great joy and congratulation even of the Commons there, who before, were more inclined and affected to the Carthaginians. There were of the enemies slain that day above one thousand, sixteen hundred were taken prisoners, nineteen military engines won, two Elephants gotten alive, and four slain in the conflict. Of Romans there were not killed all out one thousand. The morrow after they spent (upon a truce concluded) in burying the dead that were slain on both sides. Of the spoils of the enemies Marcellus made a great feast, upon a vow pronounced unto Vulcan. On the third day, 1172 horsemen of Numidians and Spaniards, one with another (upon some spleen and anger I believe, or else for hope of more libéral entertainment and commodious gain) fled from Amibol and turned to Marcellus: whose valiant and faithfull service stood the Romans in very good stead oftentimes during that war. And after the war was ended, the Spaniards in Spain, and the Numidians in Affrick, in reward of their virtue and prowess, were endued with fair lands and large possessions. Amibol sent Hanno back from Nola to the Brutii, together with the forces that he came with: himself went to the winning harbours of Apulia, and lodged about Arpi.

Quintus Fabius (so soon as he heard that Amibol had taken his way into Apulia, conveyed all the corn from Nola and Naples into his Camp, which he had pitched above Sessula: and having well fortified the hold, and left there a sufficient garrison to guard the place for that winter time, removed himself nearer to Capua, and there encamped: and so waited the Campan Territory with fire and sword, that the Campanians little trusting in their own forces, were constrained to issue forth of their gates, and forsake themselves in Camp before the City, in the open plain. Six thousand they were in all. Their footmen were weak and not for service: their horsemen were far better and more able: so that oftentimes they charged their enemies with their horse, and provoked them to fight. Among many brave men of arms that the Campanians had, one Fabullus, nicknamed Tauræ, a Citizen of Capua, was the worthiest and best horseman of them all, by many degrees: inasmuch, as when he served under the Romans, Claudius Asellus only a Citizen of Rome, was able to match him in glory of good horsemanship, and horse service. This Tauræ when he had ridden all about the troops of his enemies, casting his eye every way to see if he could spy Claudius Asellus, enquired at length closely, after silence made, where about he was, and made this challenge unto him, That seeing he was wont in words to contend with him for valour and prowess, he should now determine the question by the spear-point and dint of sword, and either be deploied of his glorious armour, if he were overcome, or else gain the same with the victory. Which defiance being brought into the Camp to Asellus his ears, he made no more to do, but went presently to the Consul, to know whether he might with his good leave and licence out of his rank fight extraordinarily with his enemy that bad him combat. After leave obtained, he armed himself immediately, mounted on horseback, and rode before the enemies corps de guard, oftentimes calling upon Tauræ by name, and bidding him come forth to encounter whensoever he durst. Now were the Romans by this time gone forth of the Camp in great number to behold this combat: the men of Capua likewise filled not only the rampier of their hold, but also the walls of the City to see this fight. When as they had made some goodly flourish afore hand with brave swords and stout speeches, to set our the action: they set upon in rest, and put spurs to horse, and jostled together again. Afterwards, having gotten the liberty of the ground they dallied one with another, trifling out the time, and making along pece of work of it, without giving or taking wound. Then quoth the Campan Knight to the Roman, This will be but a fight of horses, and not of horsemen, unless we ride out of the open plain ground here into this hollow way, where having no such scope to pick out at large, we shall soon come to hand grips, and close together. The word was no soon spoken, but Claudius turned his horse head, and rode into the foresaid way. But Tauræ a stout champion

A champion in word than deed: Oh, take heed of all things (quoth he) how you ride a gelding in a ditch: Which grew afterwards to a by-word used among the country people. Claudius after he had rode in and out, up and down, a long time in the late, and never met with his enemy, returned again into the open plain: and rating the cowardice of his enemy, with great joy and gratulation, rode back as conquerour into the Camp. Some Annals and Chronicles do record and add to this combat of horsemen, a strange and wonderfull thing (no doubt) if it be true, as by the common opinion it is reputed no less: namely, that when Tauræ fled back into the City Claudius followed hard after him in chase, entered with him at one gate standing open, and rode out clear at the other unhurt, to the great wonder and astonishment of the enemies. Upon this the standing Camps were quiet on both sides: and the Consul, removed backward farther off from the City, that the men of Capua might lose their grounds: neither did he any harm unto their fields, before the corn was come up and so well grown, that the blade thereof yielded good forrage and food for the horses; which he gathered and brought into the standing Camp and hold of Claudius above Sessula, and there he built winter harbours for to make his abode. And he gave order to M. Claudius the Vice-Consul, to keep still at Nola a competent garrison for defence of the City; and to discharge the rest of the soldiers, and send them to Rome, that they should neither be cumbersome to their Allies, nor chargeable to the Common-weal. Tib. Gracchus also whiles he led his Legions from Cannæ into Apulia to Luceria, sent M. Valerius the Prætor from thence to Brundisium, with that army which he had at Luceria, commanding him to keep the sea-coast of the Calientes Country, and to provide for all things necessary against Philip and the Macedonian war.

In the end of this summer, wherein these acts were achieved, whereof I have written, there came a packet of Letters from P. and Cornel. Scipio, importing how great and how fortunate exploits they had performed in Spain: but there wanted money for pay: and apparel and corn to serve both soldiers and mariners. And albeit all these things were away set as concerning money, if the City Chamber and common Treasure were not stored, they would make some shift to raise it of the Spaniards: but for all the rest, needs it must be sent from Rome, for otherwise neither could they keep the Army together nor hold the Province in their allegiance. When the letters were read there was no man there but acknowledged that they wrote a truth, and demanded that which was reasonable. But they considered withal, what great armies both on land and at sea they maintained: and what a mighty Armada they must prepare and set out anew, in case the Macedonian war went forward. As for Sicily and Sardinia, which before the wars began, paid tribute, were now able to find and keep the garrisons; that lay there for the guard of the Provinces: and that they were to trust upon their own revenues and tribute for the maintenance of the charge they were at. But as the number of them that paid rent and conferred tribute, was greatly diminished by to great overthrow of the armies, both at the pool Thrafymenus, and also at Cannæ: so tholew that remained, if they were burdened with many exactions and payments, should be plained and undone another way, therefore it was concluded, that unless the Common-weal maintained not herself by her credit and borrowing money, she were not able to be sustained by her own wealth and riches. So it was agreed, That Fulvius the Prætor must needs assemble all the people together, and lay abroad and declare unto them the necessity and exigent that the Common-weal was driven unto, and to exhort all them that had enriched themselves and increased their livings, by renting and taking to farm the revenues and commodities of the City, should now do good to the Commonweal for a time, by which they were grown to that wealth, and undertake the provision at a price, and furnish the army in Spain, with all necessities thereto belonging, to be contented and paid therefore with the first, out of the common Chest, when it were stored with money. Thus the Prætor made declaration of these matters in the open assembly of the people, and withal determined and set down a certain day, whereupon he minded to put forth the soldiers liveries and apparel, and corn to be provided for the Spanish Army, and all things else requisite for the mariners. When the day was come, the people presented themselves unto him three companies of nineteen men, for to take this bargain. Who made two requests and demands, the one that for that three years next ensuing, there should be no other Publicans or farmers of the City: the other, that whatsoever they shipped, the Common-weal would make good against all force of enemy, or violence of tempest. Both being granted, they took upon them the matter, and for the Common-weal was served by the money of private persons. This was the dearest not this was the loving affection to their country, that went through all degrees of men (as it were) after one sort and manner. And like as they undertook with great courage to serve their country, so with singular fidelity they performed every thing, in such sort, as there was nothing at all wanting, no tripe than if they had been maintained from a rich treasury, as in times past. At what time as this provision came the town of Illiræ was assailed by Arabab, Mægo, and Amilcar the sons of Bomilcar, because it revolted unto the Romans.

Amidst these three several Camps of the enemies, the two Scipios passed into the City of their Allies, that made resistance against, and with great loss of men: and brought corn with them: whereof there was great want: and after they had encouraged and exhorted the townsmen that with the same resolution they would defend the walls, as they had seen the Roman army to fight for them and in their quarrell: they led forth their power to give an assault

upon the greatest Camp, whereof *Aldubal* was the General. Thither also repaired the two Captains and two Armies of the Carthaginians, when they saw that the whole trial of the matter was there to be determined, and so they issued out of their tents and fought. Therefore thousand enemies were that day in field, and about 16000 Romans: and yet the victory went to clear with the Romans, that they slew more of their enemies than they were in number themselves, took prisoners more than three thousand men, and not many under a thousand horse, and withal won 60 military ensigns wanting one, and killed five Elephants in the battle: and to conclude, were Lords that day of three Camps. After that the siege was raised from *Iliturgi*, the Carthaginian armies were led to the assault of the town *Incibilis*, having their companies made up and supplied again out of the Province, (as being a nation of all others most desirous and eager of war, so to be there hope of pillage or good recompence) and at that time especially full of young and lively men. Where there was a second field fought with like fortune of both sides as before. There were slain above thirteen thousand enemies, and more than 3000 taken prisoners, besides two and forty military ensigns, and nine Elephants. Then in a manner all the Cities of Spain revolted to the Romans. And far greater exploits were that summer performed in Spain, than in Italy.

\* *Chelus*.

## The four and twentieth Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the four and twentieth Book.

**H**erome, King of the Syracusians (whose grandfather Hiero had been a friend unto the people of Rome) prevailed unto the Carthaginians, and for his cruelty and pride, was by his own people murdered. Titus Scampronius Gracchus the Pro-Consul, had a fortunate battle near Beneventum, against the Carthaginians and Hanno: their General, through the help especially of the bondslaves, whom for his good service, he commanded to be made free. Claudius Marcellus the Consul laid siege unto Syracula in Sicily, which wholly in manner was set away and turned to the Carthaginians. War was proclaimed against Philip, King of the Macedonians, who in a night-scurish was surprised, discomfited, and put to flight: and with his army well near destroyed, escaped into Macedonia. To manage that war, Valerius the Praetor was sent. This book containeth also the acts achieved in Spain by P. and Cn. Scipios against the Carthaginians. Syphax King of the Numidians, having entered into amity with the Romans, fought against Malanilla King of the Massilians: who stood for the Carthaginians, and being overcome, passed over into Spain with a most mighty army unto Scipio, lying over against Gades, where the narrow passage between Africa and Spain. The Celtiberians also were received into friendly alliance, whose aids the Romans sent for: and this was the first time that mercenary soldiers were waged and served in the Roman wars.

## The four and twentieth Book of T. Livius.

**H**anno was not so soon returned out of Campane, into the country of the Brutii, but by their help and guidance he solicited to rebellion the Greek Cities which continued the more willingly in league and alliance with the Romans, because they saw that the Brutii, whom they both hated and feared sided with the Carthaginians. And first he assailed and went in hand with Rhegium, where he spent certain daies to little or no purpose. In this mean time, the Inhabitants of Locri were busy in carrying away with great haste the corn, wood and fewel, and all things else, necessary for the use of man, out of the country into the City: because they would leave nothing for the enemy to prey upon. And daily more and more of them went out of the gates by heaps, so as at last there was no more left in the City, than those that were compelled to repair the breaches of the walls and the gates, and to bring into the turrets and bulwarks store of darts and other shot. Against this multitude and confused mixture of all ages, sexes and degrees ranging over the fields, whereof most were altogether unarmed *Amilcar* the Carthaginian sent out his Cavalry giving them direction, and charging them to hurt no person. The horsemen opposed their troops between them and home, only to exclude them out of the City, when they were scattered one from another in flight. The General himself in person compassed on a high ground from whence he might view the country and the City. And gave commandment to a cohort of the Brutii to approach the walls to call forth the principall Citizens of Locri to parley, and by making promise of *Annibal* his friendship, to persuade and exhort them to join up the town. At the first they gave no credit at all unto the Brutii, whatsoever they said: But afterwards, when they discovered Hanno and the Carthaginians upon the hills, and heard by some few

A few of their own Citizens that were fled back & escaped, how all the rest of the multitude were slain within danger of the enemies, they made answer, that they would confer and consult thereupon with the body of the people. So immediately they were assembled together. The most light headed persons were desirous of a change and new alliance: they also, whose kinsfolk and friends were by the enemy intercepted and kept out of the City, had their minds engaged and bound sure enough, as if they had put in hostages: and some few who were well affected inwardly in heart, & liked of constancy and true loyalty, yet durst not be known thereof, and shew themselves to stand so to it: so as they all agreed in outward appearance, to surrender themselves to the Carthaginians. And after they had closely conveyed into the haven, and embarked *L. Attilius* the Captain of the Garrison, and all the Roman soldiers that served under him to the end, that they might be transported to Rhegium, they received *Amilcar* and the Carthaginians into the City, with this condition, that presently there should be concluded a league upon equal and indifferent covenants and capitulations between them. But the promise in this behalf (when they had once yielded themselves) was nothing well performed: whilst *Amilcar* charged the Locrians, with fraudulent dismissing and letting go the Romans: and they again alleaged for their excuse, that they fled away, and made an escape. The horsemen also followed hard in chase by land, if happily either the tide might cause the ships to stay in the current within the straight, or drive them a land. But those whom they pursued, they could not overtake: many other ships they eluded, crossing the streights from Messana to Rhegium. Roman soldiers they were sent from *Claudius* the Praetor, to lie in a Garrison there, and to keep the town. Whereupon they presently departed from Rhegium.

As for the Citizens of Locri, they had peace granted them by express order and direction from *Annibal* upon these conditions: *Imprimis*, That they might live free under their own laws: *Item*, That both the City and the haven should remain still in the hands of the Locrians. The substance of the covenant rested and was established upon these terms. That the Carthaginians and Locrians should aid and assist one another mutually, both in peace and war. So the Carthaginians retired from the streights notwithstanding the muttering and murmuring of the Brutii, because they had left Rhegium and Locri untouched, which two Cities they made full account to have sacked and rifled. And therefore they of themselves having levied and put in arms a power of fifteen thousand of their own youth, marched forward to assail *Crotone* a Grecian City likewise, and seated upon the sea. Assuring themselves much to better their estate, if they could be possessed of a port and sea-town, fenced with strong walls and bulwarks. This only troubled and perplexed their minds, that they durst not send unto the Carthaginians for aid: fearing lest they might seem to have entered into action and war, without regard of the common good of their confederates, if they called them not: and doubting besides, that if the General of the Carthaginians should prove again, rather an arbitrator of peace, than a coadjutor in war, they should fight in vain against the liberty of *Crotone*, as they had done before against the City of Locri. Whereupon they thought best to send Embassadors unto *Annibal* for his warrant, and to be secured from him, that if *Crotone* were recovered by the Brutians, it should be subject unto them. *Annibal* made answer, that this matter required consultation of men present with them in place, and therefore he put them over to Hanno, from whom they received no certain answer to trust unto. For willing they were not, that a noble and rich City, as it was, should be spoiled: and besides, they were in good hope, that in case the Brutians should assail it, and the Carthaginians all the while not seen, either to allow or help them in their enterprise, the Citizens would the more willingly revolt unto them. The Inhabitants within *Crotone* were not of one mind, and affected alike. For there was one malady that had infected all the Cities of Italy, namely, the dissension between the Commons and the Nobles. The Senators inclined to the Romans, the Commoners on the other side took part with the Carthaginians. This division within the City, the Brutii were by a fugitive runaway advertised of in these terms: namely, that *Arifomachus* the ring-leader and head of the Commons, minded to betray the City: that it was a wide, vaste, and desolate town taking a great circuit of ground: and all the walls being decayed and in sundry places broken down, the Senators and the Commons kept their severall guards and watches in sundry quarters far asunder. And look (quoth he) where the Commons waid, there ye may enter at your pleasure. Upon this intelligence and direction given by the fugitive, the Brutii environed the City round about: and being let in by the Commons at the first assault were masters of all places, saving the Castle. The Nobles held that piece foreseeing what might happen, and therefore provided themselves of a sure refuge. Thither fled *Arifomachus* also, pretending that he meant to deliver the City to the Carthaginians, and not to the Brutii. Now this City *Crotone* had a wall (before *Pyrrius* coming into Italy) twelve miles in compass: but after it was laid waste by that war, scarce the one half of the town was inhabited. The river that was wont to run through the midst of the town passed now along the walls without those streets where the houses stood thick and well peopled, far from the parts inhabited.

Six miles without the town there stood a noble Temple of *Lacinia Juno*, more renowned than the City itself, as being honoured with great religion and devotion of all the Cities and nations thereabout. A sacred grove there was in that place compassed with a thick wood, of tall fir trees, having in the midst within it divers pleasant and fruitful pastures, wherein were fed beasts consecrated unto the goddesses, of all sorts, without any keeper and pastor. And albeit the cattell went forth in the morning by herds and flocks of their own kind, severed by themselves, yet at night they used to return back again to their own pens and stalls, without harm received either by the



wait-laying of wild and ravenous beasts; or by deceitfull fraud of men. Great increase therefore and much commodity accrued by those cattle, inasmuch as thereof was made a massie Column or pillar of beaten gold, and consecrated in that place, so as the Temple was famous, as well for riches, as holiness and devotion. And many times it falleth out, that to such notable places there are attributed some strange miracles. For the report goeth, that there standeth an altar in the very porch of the Temple, the ashes lying whereupon, no wind was ever known to blow away.

But to return to *Croton*. The Cattle thereof on the one side standeth upon the sea, on the other side it bendeth and looketh toward the land. Defended in times past it was only by the natural situation of the ground, but afterwards fortified also with a wall; on that part whereto *Dionysius* the Tyrant of *Sicily*, having gained the back rocks and cliffs behind, by craft and guile (sometime it won it). This Cattle at that time supposed to be strong and safe enough, the Nobles (because of the great strength of the *Bruttii* and their own Commons besieged them. At length the *Bruttii* seeing the Cattle impregnable, by all the forces and assaults that they could make of themselves, were driven of necessity to crave aid of *Hanno*. Who having assaied to draw and urge the *Crotonians* to yield, upon these conditions. To suffer a Colony of the *Bruttii* thither to be brought, and there planted; and that thereby a City lying to waste and desolate, might be replenished and peopled again, as in ancient time: could not move and persuade any one of them all, but *Arifmachus*. For all besides, protested and said, they would die before they would be intermingled with the *Bruttii*, to change their own rites and manner of life, their customs, their laws, and within a while their language also for others that were strange and forrain. *Arifmachus* alone, seeing that he could not prevail neither by persuasions to induce them to yield, nor find any means to betray the Cattle like as he had done the town before, fled away to *Hanno*. Shortly after, certain Embassadors from *Locri*, by the licence and permission of *Hanno*, entered the Cattle, and persuaded them to be content for to be translated to *Locri*, rather than to abide and stand out the extremity: saying, that they had sent Embassadors already to that intent unto *Annibal*, and had got a grant at his hands, that they might so do. So they abandoned *Croton*, and the *Crotonians* were brought down to the sea side and embarked, and the whole multitude departed to *Locri*.

In *Apulia*, the very winter season was not quiet between the Romans and *Annibal*. *Sempronius* the Consul wintered at *Luceria*, and *Annibal* not far from him in *Arpi*: and as they could spy opportunity, or take their vantage, of the one side or the other, there passed some light skirmishes between them. But the Romans had always the better, and every day more than other, became more wary and secured from all trains and deceitfull snares of the enemy.

In *Sicily* the Romans found a great change, and all out of order; by reason that King *Hiero* was dead, and the Crown translated to his Nephew, or son (son, *Hieronymus*: being yet a child, not like to use his own liberty with moderation, and much less to sway the Kingdom and Scepter with discretion. His guardians and friends gladly entertained the protection and government of such a nature, and were ready enough to plunge him headlong into all vice and wickedness. Which King *Hiero* foreseeing, was willing (by report) in his latter daies, to have left *Syracusa* free and at liberty, to the end that to noble a kingdom, acquired and established by good means, should not under the Lordly dominion of a child to the great obloquy and shame of the world, beinate, and come to nought. But his daughters with tooth and nail crossed this his designment, and made full reckoning, that the child should only bear the name of a King, but the government of the whole State should wholly rest in them and their husbands, *Andronodorus* and *Zoilus*: who were the principall guardians, left to oversee the young Prince. And an easie matter it was not, for an aged man, now fourscore years old and ten, so hardly laid at day and night, by the fair speeches, and feminine flatteries of his daughters, to keep his mind free, and to apply and convert it to intend private regards, and the publique consideration of the State. And therefore he left fifteen tutors to oversee and govern the child, whom he bestowed upon his death-bed, even when he was going out of this world, to maintain entire and unspotted, the faithfull allegiance to the Romans, which he had kept and observed inviolate for the space of fifty years: and to testify their helping hand willingly, to direct the young Prince above all, to tread in his steps, and to follow that discipline wherein he had been nurtured and taught. After he had given this charge, and yielded up his breath, the guardians came abroad, brought forth the Kings last will and testament, and shewed the young Prince in the open assembly of the people (and well near fifteen years of age he was.) Where some few, such as were bestowed here of purpose within the prels of the assembly for to shew and shew testimony of their joy and good liking, approved with open voice, and allowed the Kings will: whereas all the rest fared as Orphans in a City bereaved of their King, and (as it were) become fatherless, and feared all things that might ensue. The King was interred, and his funerals solemnized, with the love and kind affection of his people and subjects, more than with any studious care and diligence of his own friends that were nearest to him. After this, *Andronodorus* removed from about the Prince all other guardians but himself, giving out oftentimes that *Hieronymus* was past a child, and able to govern of himself as King. Thus by deposing the Protectorship, which was common to him and many others, he took upon him and usurped the power and authority of them all. Hard it was even for a right good King and well governed, that should succeed after *Hiero*, to find favour and win grace among the *Syracusanians*: so heartily they affected and loved King *Hiero*. But *Hieronymus*, as if he had been willing and desirous, that by his vicious and wicked life, they should have a great mislike of his grandfather, and wish again for him: at the very first sight, when he came himself abroad in open place,

A place, declared unto the world, what difference and great odds there was. For they who so many years together had never seen *Hiero*, not his son *Gelo*, either in habit of apparel, or in any other ornaments and port, differing from all other Citizens, now beheld him in his purple robes, with his regal Crown and Diadem, attended with his guard and train of armed pensioners: yea, and otherwise, after the manner of *Demis* the Tyrant, riding forth of his Court and Palace, in a Chariot drawn with four white steeds. This proud pomp and stately array was accompanied and suited with flemable qualities and conditions. He contemned and despised all men: he scorned most proudly to give audience to humble suppliants; and sent them away with reproachfull terms and taunts. And not only strangers, but also his very guardians hardly might have access unto him: and to conclude, his lulls and delights wherunto he gave himself, were new and strange: his cruelty that he exercised outrageous and inhumane. So dread and terrible was he to all, that some of his Tutors, either by making themselves away, or by voluntary exile were driven to prevent and avoid the danger of cruel torments. Of whom, three only, who alone had more familiar recourse into the Court, to wit, *Andronodorus* and *Zoilus*, the sons in law of King *Hiero*, that had married his daughters, and one *Thraso*, had little or no ear given unto them in other matters; but whilst two of them drew toward the Carthaginians, and *Thraso* to the Roman alliance: with their arguing, debating, and dispute, they otherwhile turned the mind of the young King to hearken and give audience to their opinions. Now it hapned that there was a conspiracy intended against the life and person of the Tyrant, and the same detected by one *Cato*, the companion and playfellow of *Hieronymus*, and of the same age: one who ever from his childhood had been familiarly acquainted with him, and inward to all his secrets. This revealer of the conspiracy, could appeach and nominate all the conspirators, only *Theodorus*, by whom himself was made privy to the treason, and solicited to be a complice therein. The party was apprehended incontinently, and delivered unto *Andronodorus* to be tortured: Who at the first without delay, confessed himself to be guilty, but concealed all the rest that were accessories. At the last, when he had been torn, mangled, and dismembered, with most dolorous torments, and intolerable for any man to endure: pretending and making semblance that he could abide no longer pains: disclosed nor for all this the guilty persons indeed, but accused the innocent, and said falsely, that *Thraso* was the first deviser of the whole plot: and unless they had born themselves, and relied upon so mighty an head, to set them on work, they would never have attempted so dangerous an enterprise. He appeached also some other of the Tyrant his guard and household servants and daily waiters: even such as came into his mind during the time of his dolours and paines, and whom amidst his groans he imagined to be such, as whose lives might be best spared, and death least lamented. The naming of *Thraso* especially made the Tyrant to believe, that the detection founded to be a very truth indeed: whereupon the man was immediately led to execution and put to death: and the other innocents, as clear as himself, tasted of the same cup, and suffered with him for company. As for the conspirators themselves, albeit one of their fellows was a long while put to bitter and extreme torture, there was not one of them that either hid his head or made an escape: so assured confidence had they in the resolute constancy and faithfull promise of *Theodorus*: such power and strength had *Theodorus* himself to keep close the secrets committed unto him. Now when *Thraso* was once dispatched out of the way, who only was the means to hold them in and to bind them to their alliance and allegiance to the Romans: then forthwith they began openly to encincture rebellion, and sent as Embassadors for the same purpose, two noble young Gentlemen, *Hippocrates* and *Epicides* unto *Annibal*: From whom also they were sent back again in Embassy. These were both born at *Carthage*, but defended in blood from the *Syracusanians* by their grandfather, that was from thence banished: and were themselves by the mothers side near Carthaginians. By entercourse of these two Embassadors, a League was concluded between *Annibal* and the Tyrant of *Syracusa*. And *Annibal* was content that they should abide still as Leigers in the Tyrants Court.

When *Appian Claudius* the Praetor and Lord Deputy of the Province of *Sicily* heard these news, he addressed straightwaies Embassadors unto *Hieronymus*: who saying, that they were come to renew the alliance which they had with his grandfather, had scornfull audience given them to deliver their message, and were dismissed and sent away by *Hieronymus* with a trumpet, demanding of them by way of a scoff, "How they had sped at the battel of *Canna*. For I can hardly believe" (quoth he) "that all is true which the Embassadors report of that field: and I would gladly know the certain truth & thereupon deliberate and take counsel, which side I were best to take. The Roman Embassadors said, they would repair again unto him when he could begin once to give audience with gravity and in good earnest to their embassy: and so after they had warned & admonished, rather than praised and entreated him, not to change, but to stand to the first covenant and promises, they departed. Then *Hieronymus* sent his Legates to *Carthage*, for to confirm the League with the Carthaginians, according to the alliance and amity made with *Annibal*. In which it was capitulated and covenanted, that when they had expelled the Romans out of *Sicily* (which would shortly come to pass, in case they sent thither ships and a power of men) the river *Himera*, which (as it were) divided the Island in the midst, should confine and limit, both the *Syracusanian* kingdom, and the dominion of the Carthaginians. After this, being puffed up with the fair flattering speeches of such as were about him, who suggested unto him, to remember and call to mind that not only King *Hiero* was his grandfather, but also King *Pirrus* by the mothers side: he sent Embassadors unto the Carthaginians, to give them from him to understand, that he deemed

med it right and meer, that all *Sicily* wholly should lie unto his dominion: and that the Empire of *Italy* only belonged properly to the Carthaginian people to acquire and conquer. This levity and vain-glorious humour they neither wondered at, as a strange thing in a giddy-brained young man; nor yet greatly blamed and found fault with, so long as they might estrange him wholly and alienate him altogether from the friendship of the Romans. But all things in him turned to his overthrow and utter confusion. For whilst *Hippocrates* and *Epicides* were lent along with two thousand souldiers, for to sound and solicit the Cities rebellion, that were held by the garriſons of the Romans: and himself in person entered the country of the Leontines, with all the rest of the forces, which amounted to fifteen thousand foot and horse together: certain conspirators, who chanced all to be his own souldiers, and bare arms under him, possessed themselves of a take house, standing over a narrow lane, through which the King was wont to go down into the market place of the City: there, when other stood armed and well appointed, and waiting when the King should pass by, one of the conspirators (whose name was *Indigeminus*) had given him in charge, because he was one of the souldiers of the Kings body, when the King approached near unto the door of the said house, to find some occasion or other, in that straight passage, to lay the troop and train that followed behind. And so he effected indeed, and put in execution, as it was agreed and contrived. For *Indigeminus*, lift up his foot, making as though he would looke and slack a straight knot of his sho-latchet, which hindring his going, whereby he staid the company that followed after, so long, that the King passing by alone without his guard of armed men about him, was assailed mean while, and received sundry stabs and wounds, before they could come to rescue and save him. Hereupon arose an outcry and tumult, and divers of the guard let flie at *Indigeminus*, who by this time was ready to oppose himself, and to ward all venues: howbeit he was hurt only in two places, and so escaped. The guard seeing the King there lying dead, fled away as they could. The murderers, some of them betook themselves into the market-place unto the multitude, that rejoiced for the recovery of their freedom: others repaired to *Syracuse*, to intercept and prevent the designments of *Andronedorus*, and other favourites and followers of the late King.

Whiles things stood in these uncertain and doubtful terms, *Appius Claudius* foreseeing was like to enlue, and that very shortly, addressed his letters unto the Senat of *Rome*, certifying them that *Sicily* enclined already, and was at hand to side with the people of *Carthage*, and with *Annibal*. Himself in the mean time bent all his forces toward the frontiers of the Province and confines of that Kingdom, to withstand and hinder all the proceedings and enterprises of the *Syraculians*.

In the end of that year, *Q. Fabius*, by order from the Senate, fortified *Furoli*, a town of merchandize, and which in time of wars began to be much resorted unto and frequented, and there he placed a garrison. From whence as he was in his journey toward *Rome* against the grand Election of Magistrates, he proclaimed the solemn assembly of the people for that purpose, to be the next Comitial day that followed upon his arrival thither: and so it fell out, that he went along the City side immediately upon his journey, and came down into *Mars* field before he entered the City. Upon which day, when it happened that the Century of the younger sort was drawn out by lot, and had the prerogative, and by their voices nominated *T. Otacilius*, and *M. Emilius Regillus* for Consuls, then *Q. Fabius* after silence made, rose up, and delivered this or such like speech.

"If either we had peace in *Italy*, or war at leastwise with those enemies, with whom if we dealt neither negligently or unadvisedly, the matter were not much, nor importing great hazard and danger: I would think, that whosoever disturbed and crossed your favours and free affections, which ye bring hither with you into this solemn place of assembly, to bestow honours and dignities upon whom ye please, had but small and no regard of your liberty and freedom. But since that in this war and with this enemy, never any General of ours faulted in the managing of his affairs, but it cost us dear, and we had some great foil and overthrow: it behoveth you, that with what mind and careful regard ye enter the field to combat in your armour, in the same ye should come hither into this *Mars* field in your gowns, and so proceed by your suffrages to elect your Consuls: and that every one of you should thus say to himself, I am to nominate a Consul to match with General *Annibal*. No longer since, than this very year, when as before *C. ppa*, *Jubellius Taurus*, the bravest horseman and Cavalier of all the Campans defied the Romans, and challenged them to fight man to man, *Astellus Claudius*, the noblest Knight of all the Romans, and best man at arms, was chosen to encounter him. In times past, against a Gaul that offered combat upon the bridge over *Anio*, our ancestors sent out *Mantius*, a courageous, resolute, and puissant Champion. Neither can I deny, but upon such another occasion, not many years after, the like trust was reposed in *M. Valerius*, who took arms likewise against another Gaul that challenged single fight. And even as we are desirous, & wish to have our foot and horsemen both, more valorous and hardy than our enemies, or if that will not be, at leastwise equal unto them, and able to countermatch them: even so let us be careful to find out a General of our own comparable every way to the chief commander of our enemies. And when we have chosen the best warrior and Captain in the whole City, then presently without any longest delay, being elect and created for one whole year, he shall be sent to match with an old captain, that hath ever continued in the field, one who is not enclosed within compass of time, nor restrained & gaged within the straight bounds of law, but that he may order & manage every thing, according as the occasions and present occurrences of war do require: whereas, by that time

The Oration of Q. Fabius to the people of T. Roma

"that we can make all ready, and dispose every thing in order, and set in hand to begin our affairs, the year is come about and clean gone. Now forasmuch as enough hath been said, what manner of Consuls ye ought to create: it remaineth to speak somewhat of them, whom the prerogative Century so highly favoureth, and is so much affected unto. As for *M. Emilius Regillus*, he is the Flamin of *Quirinus*, whom neither we may take from his ministry of Sacrifice, nor yet retain and keep him still, but we shall neglect either the service of the gods, or the due care and regard of the wars. *Ottacilius* hath married my sisters daughter, and hath fair ill by her. But your favours and good turns shewed both to me, and also to my ancestors, are not of so small account and reckoning, but that I ought to prefer the Common-weal before all private regards and alliances whatsoever. Every mariner, yea, and any passenger is able to flee and rule a Ship in a calm water: but when a bustling tempest is up, and the vessel tossed in a troubled surging sea, and carried away with violent force of the winds, then there had need to be a man indeed, and a skillful Pilot to sit at the stern, and to guide the helm. We sail not now in a still and quiet sea: but we have been drenched, and in a manner drowned, with some storms already: and therefore we ought to have exceeding great care and be well advised aforeshaid, whom we have to be the steers-man. In a matter of less consequence and importance, we have made trial, *O T. Otacilius*, of your knowledge and service: and you have not given us yet so good proof of your virtue and prowess therein, that we should put you in trust with the managing of greater affairs. A Navy whereof you were Admiral, we rigged and trimmed to your hands this year for three causes: first, to annoy and spoil the sea-coast of *Affrick*: secondly, to defend and keep to our behoof the ports and havens of *Italy*: last of all, and above all, to encompass and lay all supplies and new succours together with money munition, and victual, for being transported unto *Annibal* from *Carthage*. If *Ottacilius* have performed, I say not all these things, but in any one quit himself well, to the good and benefit of the State, Elect him Consul hardily, and good leave have you. But if it appear, that while you had the rule of the Armada, all things (that a man would have) passed out of the country unto *Annibal*, with as great safety and security, as if the seas had been open and void of enemies: If, I say, the sea coast of *Italy* hath all this year been more in danger, and subject to sustain harm, than that of *Affrick*: what reason can you allege, wherefore the people of *Rome* should chuse you above all others, to oppose as Captain, to confront their enemy *Annibal*. If you were Consul in place already, we would judge it requisite and good to nominate and create a Dictator, according to the example of our forefathers: neither could you take snuff or be offended, that there should be found in the City of *Rome* a better warrior, and more sufficient than your self. And surely it concerneth no man more than you, *O Ottacilius*, to see that there be not imposed a burden upon your shoulders, under which you should fail and fall down right. Wherefore I advise and exhort you, all as much as possibly I can, in electing of Consuls this day to carry that mind, and take that careful providence, as ye would, in case ye were standing armed in battel array; and to chuse out of hand two General Captains, under whose conduct and government ye should presently fight a field: and make choice of such Consuls, unto whom our children were to take the oath of allegiance: at whose commandment, they should come and assemble together, and under whose charge and protection they might willingly serve as souldiers. The pool *Thraffimetus*, the plain before *Canne*, are heavy examples for us to remember: but yet they serve for good precedents unto us to teach us how to avoid the like mischief another time. So the prerogative Century of the younger and puny sort, was called again to a new scrutiny, and to give their voices again. Whereat when *T. Otacilius* began to cry out aloud and say very stoutly, that *Fabius* his drift was to continue Consul still, and therewith grew to be clamorous and troublesome to the assembly: the Consul commanded the Lictors to go unto him, and to lay hold upon him. And forasmuch as yet he had not entered into the City but came down straightwaies into the *Mars* field presently from his journey, he put them in mind, that the knitches of the rods together with the axes within them should be born before him. And in the mean time the prerogative Century began again to give their voices: and by it were nominated Consuls *Q. Fabius Maximus* the fourth time, and *M. Marcellus* the third time: and all the Centuries besides without any jarring and variance elected the very same. One of the former Prætors likewise was chosen again namely *Q. Fulvius Flaccus*. And other new created, that is to say, *T. Otacilius Crassus* the second time. *Q. Fabius* the Consul his son, who at that time was Edile of the chair and *P. Cornelius Lentulus*. After the Election of the Prætors was ended and finished, there passed an Act and decree of the Senate that *Q. Fulvius* should extraordinarily have the charge of the City, and be Prætor there: and that he above all other, when the Consuls were gone forth to the wars should be President and Governour of the City of *Rome*. There fell great rain and much snow that year, whereby the *Tiber* overflowed the fields, overthrew many houses, and overwhelmed much cattel and people, so as they utterly perished.

Thus in the fifth year of the second Punick war, *Q. Fabius Maximus* the fourth time, and *M. Claudius Marcellus* the third time, when they entered their Consulship, let the City on thinking and musing of them more than usually had been known. For in many years there had not been the like couple of Consuls. And old men would talk and say, that even so were *Max. Rullus* and *P. Decius* declared Consuls against the Gauls war: and after them likewise, *Papirius* and *Corvinus* against the Samnites and Brutii; against the people also of *Lucania* and *Tarentum*. Marcellus

cellus was created Consul in his absence, whiles he was with the Army abroad. And Fabius being himself present and president of the Election, was ordained to continue still in his Consulship. The occasion of the time, the necessity and occurrence of the wars, and the peril and hazard of the whole State were such, as no man looked nearly into the example and precedent to find fault withal: nor had the Consul in any jealousy of ambition and desire of rule: but rather every man commended his noble and haughty mind, who seeing that the Common-wealth stood in need of an excellent Captain: and knowing himself without all question to be the man, made less reckoning and account of the envy and ill will of men, that thereby haply might accrue, than of the good and profit of the Common-wealth. The same day that the Consuls began their office, they assembled the Senators in the Capitol: and the first thing they did, was a decree, that the Consuls should either call lots, or agree together between themselves, whether of them two should assemble the people for the election of Censors, before he set forward to the army. After this, all they had their authority prolonged and continued still, who were employed abroad with the forces: and their commissions were renewed and sealed again, for to abide in the government of their Provinces: to wit, T. Gracchus at Luceria, where he abode with the army of the Voluntaries: C. Terentius Varro in the Picene country: M. Pomponius in the Province of Gaul (on this side the Alps). It was enacted also, that of the Prætors of the same year, Q. Mutius being Prætor should govern Sardinia: that M. Valerius at Brundisium should scour the river, look to the sea-coasts, and have an eye to all the attempts and enterprises of Philo King of the Macedonians, P. Corn. his Lieutenant, the new Prætor, was appointed to rule the Province of Sicily: and T. Othacilius to be admiral of the same Navy, which the year before he had the charge of against the Carthaginians.

Many prodigious and strange signs were reported that year and so much the more as they were believed to be true of the temple and superstitious sort of people. Namely that within the chapel of *Sopora Juno* in *Lanuvium* the Ravens builded their nests. In *Apulia* a green palm tree was on a light fire. At *Mutina* a pool maintained by the overflowing of the river *Mincius* appeared on a light fire. At *Casert* it rained hail, and at *Rome* in the beasts market it rained blood. In a village, called *Istivus* a spring under the ground, brake out and yielded such abundance of water, that it overflowed, tumbled up and down and carried away (as it had been the stream of a river) divers vessels as pipes, tuns, barrels and cerces that were in the place. The open and public hall within the Capitol, the temple of *Vulcan* in *Mars* field, a nut-tree in the Sabins country: the high steeple, the wall, and a gate at *Gabii*, were all blasted with lightning and fire from heaven. And by this time, other miraculous and monstrous signs were commonly blown abroad, to wit, that the spear of *Mars* in *Preneſte*, of its own accord, stirred and moved forward: that an ox was heard to speak in *Scythia*: that the Infant within the mothers womb, in the *Marcianus* country was heard to cry to *Triumphe*, at *Spole* a woman turned to be a man. At *Hadria* there appeared an Alar in the skies, and apparitions or shews of men discovered about the same, arrayed in white. At *Rome* also within the City was seen, now the second time, a swarm of Bees in the very marketplace: a thing wondrous at because it was rare and seldom known. Where there were also, thraved how they desired armed Legions on the hill *Janiculum*. Whereupon the City rose up in arms and when they were come into the *Janiculum*, they said plainly, that there were none there appeared but the ordinary inhabitants of the hill. These prodigious sights, by direction from the *Aruspices* (i.e. the Soothsayers) were expiary, and the gods pacified with greater sacrifices: and a solemn procession and supplication was proclaimed unto all the gods, that were shrined at *Rome*, and had their chapels there.

After all complements performed, that belonged to the pacification of the gods, the Consuls propoed unto the Senat concerning State-matters, and especially about the managing of the wars. Namely, what for es should be prepared, what numbers of souldiers levied, and where they should be bestowed: &c. And agreed it was That there should be eighteen Legions employed in the wars, Whereof the Consuls were to take unto them two apiece: the Provinces likewise of *Gaul*, *Sicily*, and *Sardinia*, should be guarded each of them with other twain. Q. Fabius the Lord Deputy of *Apulia*, was to have two Legions under his hand to command the Province: and T. Gracchus either two of voluntaries, to keep the country about *Luceria*: and C. Terentius the Proconsul, to have the charge of one in the Picene country: and M. Valerius another, for the Navy about *Brundisium*: and last of all, twain were left behind for the guard and defence of the City of *Rome*. For to make out this full number of Legions, six of necessity were to be levied new. And the Consuls were appointed with all convenient speed to enroll them: and likewise to provide an Armada that year of 150 Gallies, together with those ships which, ride in the river along the coasts of *Italia* for the defence of that Country. When the muster was done and the new ships laded and shot into sea, Q. Fabius assembled the Centuries for the election of Censors: wherein were created M. Atilius Regulus, and P. Furius Philus.

The rumour still increased, that *Sicily* was out and up in arms. Whereupon T. Othacilius was commanded to go thither with his fleet. And because there wanted sailors and mariners the Consuls, by verue of a decree of the Senat published an Edict, That as many as in the time of L. Aemilius, and C. Flaminius Censors, either themselves or their fathers were assessed in the *Soldado* book from 50000 Aſs, unto 100000 in goods, or who afterwards grew to that worth should have one mariner, and six months pay. Item, That whosoever were rated above 100000 unto 300000 should

A should be charged with three mariners, and one years pay. Item, That whosoever were valued in the Censors book between 300000 and 1000000 should allow five mariners. Item, That those above that proportion should set out seven. And every Senat should provide eight mariners, and furnish them with a whole years pay. According to this Edict, the mariners were let out well armed and appointed by their Masters, and having with them beforehand meat dressed and foddin to serve them thirty daies, they were embarked. This is the first time that ever the Roman Navy was furnished with sailors and mariners, at the proper charges of private Citizens.

This extraordinary preparation more than usual, terrified the Campans most of all other, for fear lest the Romans would begin war that year, with laying siege to *Capua*. Therefore they dispatched Embassadors unto *Annibal*, requesting him to come nearer unto *Capua* with his forces. For why? at *Rome* there were new armies levied, for to assaie that City: and the Romans were not discontented more with the revolt of any than of them. And forasmuch as this message was delivered in such haste and fear, *Annibal* thinking it good to make speed, led the Romans prevented him, dilodged and removed from *Arpi*, and encamped upon *Tifata* over *Capua* in the fort, where he kept of old. Then, leaving the Numidians and Spaniards behind him both to guard the Camp, and also to defend *Capua*, he went down with the rest of his army to the Lake *Avernus*, pretending in shew there to sacrifice, but in very deed to lound and toll it. *Putesi* and the garrison there for to rebel. *Maximus* was no sooner advertized that *Annibal* was departed from *Arpi*, and in his return to *Campania*: but he journeyed night and day, and never flaid, until he was come again, and repaired to his army. And withall, he gave order and direction unto T. Gracchus, to remove with his power from *Luceria*, and to draw near to *Nevenum*: likewise unto Q. Fabius the Prætor, (who was the Consul his son) to supply the room of Gracchus at *Luceria*. At the same time, the two Prætors took their journey, and went into *Sicily*, P. Cornelius to the army there on land, and Othacilius to keep the sea-coast, and to be admiral of the Navy: and the rest spread they every one into their several Provinces. They also who had their authority and government continued, ruled the same countries that they did before.

Whiles *Annibal* abode at the Lake *Avernus*, there came unto him from *Tarentum*, five noble young Gentlemen (Roman associates) which had been taken prisoners, some at the pool *Thersimachus*, others at *Casne*, whom he had sent home in the same manner of censure, as he had shewed ever to all the Allies of the Romans. These Gentlemen, in remembrance of his favours and benefits, made report unto him, "That they had periwaded and induced a great part of the youth of *Tarentum*, to entertain rather the amity and alliance of *Annibal*, than of the people of *Rome*: and for this intent they were sent Embassadors from them, to request in their name, that it might please him to come nearer with his forces to *Tarentum*. For say they, if they might but once see from out of *Tarentum* his standard and ensigns, and himself near encamped, the City would without delay be surrendered up into his hands. For the younger people had the common sense at their beck and commandment, and the commons ruled the whole fate of *Tarentum* at their pleasure. *Annibal* after he had commended and thanked them, and withall laden them with many fair and great promises, willed them to return home, to hasten and set forward, and effect these intended designments, saying, that he would be there in good and convenient time. With these hopes the Tarentins took their leave, and departed. *Annibal* himself was wonderfully desirous to be Master of *Tarentum*. He saw it was a noble City and a wealthy, seated also by the sea-side, and a very commodious Port, looking and lying toward *Macedonia*: and well he wist that King *Philip* (if he should pass over into *Italy*, seeing the Romans were possessed of *Brundisium*) would arrive at this haven. When he had performed the Sacrifice for which he thither came, and (whiles he made his abode there) foraged all the Territory of *Cumes*, even as far as the Cape of the Promontory *Misenum*: suddenly he turned his army and marched to *Putesi*, for to surprise and give a camido to the fort and garrison there. There were six thousand of them within the town: and the place not only by natural situation strong, but also surely fortified by industry of man. *Annibal* having staid there three daies, and assaid the fort and the garrison on every side, seeing he could not prevail nor effect any thing, went forward from thence, and proceeded to the waiting of the Territory of *Naples*, upon anger, rather than any hope of gaining the City. The Commons of *Nola*, who long time were discontented with the Romans, and at deadly feud with their own Senators, upon his coming into the territory and confines so near unto them, began to rise in a commotion. Whereupon there came Embassadors unto *Annibal*, requiring him to advance to *Nola*, upon assured promise, that the town should be delivered into his hands. But *Marcellus*, who was sent unto by the Nobles, prevented this their plot and designment: and in one day he reached to *Suessula* from *Cales*, notwithstanding he made some stay to ferry over the river *Volturnus*. And to the next night he sent into *Nola*, 6000 footmen, and 300 horse for to aid and defend the Senat. And like as the Consul bestirred himself with all speed and diligence, to make *Nola* free to him beforehand, so *Annibal* contrariwise temporized, being not lo ready now to credit the *Nolans*: as having twice before given the like attempt, and to no purpose in the end, and therefore he trifled out the time, and made small haste.

At the same time also, Q. Fabius the Consul came against *Castellum*, which was kept by the garrison of the Carthaginians, to see if he could surpris it. And to *Nevenum* at one time (as if they had been so agreed) came on the one side, *Hanno* from the Bruttii, with a great power of foot and horse; and on another side, *Gracchus* from *Luceria*: who entered the town first. From whence so soon

soon as he heard that *Hanno* lay encamped within three miles of the City, by the river *Colares*, and there waited the Country, he himself issued, and pitched his tents within a mile of the enemy: where he assembled all his souldiers together, purposing to make a speech unto them. He had with him the Legions that consisted most of voluntaries, who already two years before had been more willing to deserve their freedom in silent manner, than to challenge and demand it with open mouth. Howbeit, he perceived when he departed out of the winter harbors, that they began to mutmur and grumble in the army when they marched, and to complain in this wise, What shall we never serve in the quality and condition of freemen? Whereupon he had written unto the *Senat*, and shewed unto them, not so much what they desired, as what they deserved to have: certifying them, that unto that day they had done him good and valiant service: and wanted nothing I save only their freedom, but they might go for true and lawful souldiers. Whereupon the *Lords* of the *Senat* had put it unto his discretion for to do by them what he thought was expedient for the Common-weal. Thereupon, before that he should join battell with the enemy, he pronounced these words before them all, and said: "That now the time was come, of obtaining and acquiring that liberty, which so long they hoped after. For the next morrow they were to affront their enemies with banner displayed, and to fight in a plain and open ground, where without fear of any ambush the triall might be made with meer force and true valour: Whosoever therefore can bring me the head of an enemy, him will I chastise as a bondslave ought to be punished, who lo tofeth ground and retreateth, him will I chastise as a bondslave ought to be punished. Now every man hath his fate and condition lying in his own hands: and of your freedom, I am not only myself will assure you, but for further warrant, ye have the allowance of *M. Gracchus*, the *Col*, and generally of all the *LL* of the Council, whose advice I sought, and who committed unto my hands the ordering of your liberty. And withall he read the *Consuls* letters, and the decree of the *Senat* in that behalf. Whereat they set up a mighty cry, in token of their assent and approbation, and called for battell, and earnestly urged to give the signal out of hand. Then *Gnaeus* having pronounced the next day for battell, dismissed the assembly. The souldiers were joyously especially such as were to have their freedom in reward of one daies service, and followed thereafter of that day in making their armor and weapons ready. The morrow after, so soon as the trumpet began to found: they were the first of all other that presented themselves before the *General* his pavilion, well appointed and ready to fight: and by the sun rising *Gracchus* led forth his men into the field in order of battell. The enemies for their parts were nothing behind, but forward to encounter them. They were in number seventeen thousand of footmen, most of them *Bruttii* and *Lucians*: of horsemen, twelve hundred: among whom there were very few *Italians*, the rest were in manner all *Numidians* and *Moor*s. The fight was sharp, and continued long, and for four houres was not seen which side had the better. No one thing else troubled the *Romans* more, than their enemies heads, which were the prizes to redeem the souldiers liberty. For as any had killed their enemies lustily they were faine full, with much ado, to cut off their heads, within the troublesome press and tumult, and so to lose time: and after that, by reason that their right hands were employed and occupied with holding the same heads, it fell out, that the best souldiers gave over fighting, and the feeble dastards and fearful cowards only were to maintain the conflict. Which when the *Marshals* of the field and *Colonels* reported unto *Gracchus*, and namely, that there was not a souldier of the enemies standing that was wounded and hurt any more: but they that lay along were hacked and hewed as it were by butchers: and that his own souldiers instead of wounds, held their enemies heads in their hands: he commended in all haste, that upon a signal given, they should fling away their heads from them, and charge afresh upon the enemies. For their valour and prowess (saith he) was well enough seen already, and evidently testified, and so long as they were so hardy men, and bare themselves so manfully, they should not need to doubt of their liberty. Then the conflict began to be renewed and withall the horsemen charged the enemies, whom the *Numidians* received with equall valour: in such as the fight of the *Cavalry* was as bare as performed, as the other of the *Infantry*: whereupon once again the victory seemed doubtful, which part it would incline: whiles in both hosts the *Generals* reproached and debated the reverse part. *Gracchus* said that the *Bruttii* and *Lucians* were so often vanquished and subdued by the *Roman* ancestors: and *Hanno* again girded at the *Romans*, calling them bondslaves, and souldiers let loose out of prison and bowles of correction. At the last, *Gracchus* declared aloud, and said, They were not to hope at all for their liberty, unless that day their enemies were discomfited and put to flight. This one word of his at length let their blood in such an heat, that they raised a furious shout, & as if they had been cast again in a new mould, they charged upon the enemies so violently, that they could no longer be rehited and withstood. First, they that fought in the vanguard of the *Carthaginians* were put out of order: then they about their standards and ensigns: and last of all, the whole battell was driven back and gave ground. Whereupon they fairly turned their backs, and fled so fast one upon another into their Camp, in such fear and fright, that not so much as at the very gates, nor upon the rampier, they staid once, and turned again to make head: so as the *Romans* following them hard at the heels into their camp as it were in one train pell-mell made a new skirmish even within the rampier of their enemies. Where the fight was not so cumbersome by reason of the streightness of the room wherein they were pent, but the massacre and execution was as cruel and bloody. The prisoners also that were among the enemies, in this confused confusion and tumult joyed themselves and stuck close together: and having caught up some weapons

A helped forward the victory: and either charging upon the backs of the *Carthaginians* slew them, or else hindered them in their flight and running away. So that that great army, there were not all out two thousand (and the most part of them horsemen) that escaped with the *General* himself: all the rest were either slain or taken prisoners: and of military ensigns were carried away forty five twain. Of the *Victors* there died last upon two thousand. All the spoils, but only the prisoners, was granted to the souldiers. The cartell also was reserved, as many as within thirty daies the right owners could justly make claim unto for their own. When they were returned laden with booties and pillage into the Camp there were almost 4000 of the voluntary souldiers, who had fought but faintly, and brake not into the Camp with the rest: who for fear of punishment seized a little hill not far from the Camp, and kept it for their hold. But the morrow after, being let from thence by the *Colonels*, they repaired again to the camp, at what time as *Gracchus* had summoned his souldiers to an assembly. Where, after that the *Pro-Consul* first had rewarded his old souldiers with military gifts, according to each one his prowess and good service in that battell: then as concerning the voluntaries, he said thus much, That he had rather they were all commended by him good and bad, one with another, than that one of them that day should taste of any punishment: and therefore he pronounced them all free in the name of God to the benefit, happiness, and felicity, both of Common-weal, and also of themselves. At which word, they lifted up their voices aloud with exceeding cheerfulness and alacrity: and one while they clapped and embraced one another in their arms, with gratulation and great joy: another while again, they held their hands toward heaven, wishing and praying at the gods hands, all good blessing for the people of *Rome*, and for *Gracchus* especially. Then (quoth *Gracchus*) Before that I had made you all alike, and to have equall part in the right and privilege of freedom, I would not let upon any of you, either the mark of a stout and hardy souldier, or the note of a faint-hearted and beastly coward. But now that I have discharged myself of the trust committed unto me by the *Common-weal*, to the end, that all difference between prowess & cowardice, should not be forgotten altogether and perish: I will take express order that the names of them, whose consciences accused them of faint fighting, and avoiding the hazard of battell, and therefore ere while withdrew themselves apart, be brought unto me. And when they are cited and called forth every one by his name, I will compel them to take a corporal oath (quoth he) that unless it be upon sickness, so long as they shall continue in souldiery, they neither eat nor drink but standing upon their feet, and this punishment (I am sure) you will willingly take in good part: when ye shall consider better off, and see that you could not have had an easier note of disgrace and shame, for your false remove, and so dislodged: and thus the souldiers carrying and driving before them their booties, all the way disposing themselves so merrily and jocund, returned to *Beneventum* as if they had come from some great dinner, upon a solemn and festival day, and not from fighting a bloody battell. All the people of *Beneventum* came forth in great numbers to meet them at the gates, welcomed the souldiers, had them joy embraced them and invited them to their homes, to give them entertainment and lodging. The boords were spread in every mans court-yard, and furnished with store of viands: they willed them to come and make merry with them, and requested *Gracchus* to give his souldiers leave to feast and make good cheer. And *Gracchus* was content, but upon this condition, that they should all eat their meals abroad in the open street. Then all things were brought forth, and set upon the tables at every mans door. The voluntaries took their repast and recreation either with their caps on their heads, or else covered their crown with white wooll, some sitting, some standing: waiting and serving one another at the table, and eat their meat, and fed with them together. This was such a worthy sight and solemnity that *Gracchus* after he was returned to *Rome*, caused the representation and resemblance of the celebration of this day to be drawn and portrayed in colours and the picture to remain in the Temple of the goddess *Liberty*, which his father caused to build in the mount *Aventine*, of certain fines and forfeits, and afterwards there dedicated it.

While these matters thus passed at *Beneventum*, *Annibal* having spoiled and harried the territory about *Naples*, removed toward *Nola*, and there encamped before the town. Whom when the *Consul* understood to be coming, he sent for *Pomponius* the *Pro-Prætor*, together with that army which lay encamped above *Stessula*, and provided to meet with the enemy, minding presently to bid him battell. He sent out *Claudius Nero* with the strength of his horsemen in the dead time of the night at a back gate, that was farthest from the enemy, giving him in charge to call about closely, and fetch a compass, and fair and softly to follow the enemy, as he marched: and when he perceived the battell was begun, then to come forward, and set upon him behind on his back. But whether it were that *Nero* missed of the way, or having not time enough, could not put this policy in execution, I know not. In his absence the armies joyed battle, wherein (no doubt) the *Romans* had the better hand. Howbeit, for default that the horsemen were not there in due time, the order of the direction failed, and took no effect. And notwithstanding that the enemies gave ground and retreated, yet *Marcellus* durst not follow hot upon them, but founded the retreat to his own men, being in a good way of victory. Yet were there by report above 2000 of the enemies slain that day, but of *Romans* under 400. And about the sun set, *Nero* who all the day and night past had tired horse and man, and done no good, and now returned, without so much as a sight of the enemy, was sharply rebuked of the *Col*. inasmuch, that he gave him this

check to choak him, That it was long of him and none else, that they had not cried quittance H with the enemy, for the overthrow & loils received at *Canna*. The day following *Marcellus* came down again into the field, ready to give battle. But *Annibal*, as one that secretly confessed himself to be overcome, held himself close within the strength of his Camp. And on the third day, giving over all hope to get *Nola*, (an enterprise that never sped well) he departed in the still time of the night toward *Tarentum*, upon a better and more assured hope to gain it by treason.

The civil affairs at *Rome* were managed with no less courage at home, than the wars in the field abroad. For the Censors, who by reason that the City treasure waxed low, were eased of their care of setting out the publick works of the City by the great and having nothing else to do, employed themselves in reformation of mensmanners and chastising of vices and enormities, which sprung upon war: like as mens bodies, which by long and lingering sickness grow weak, ever and anon breed new diseases. And first they convened before them those Citizens, who after the battle at *Canna*, were (by report) minded and disposed to leave the Common-weal, and to depart out of *Italy*. The ring-leader of them all was *L. Cecilius Metellus*, who hapned then to be Treasurer of the City. He, with the rest of that crew, who were culpable in the same crime, were commanded to make their answer, and plead their causes: but when they were not able to clear and quit themselves, the Censors charged them openly, that they had given out certain words, and made speeches against the State, tending to a sedition and conspiracy, for to abandon *Italy*. Next after them were cited to appear those cunning and crafty companions above said, who wish their over-subtil interpretation and confounding of words, would seem to avoid their oath: those captives, I mean, who being on their way to *Rome*, came back secretly into the Camp of *Annibal*, and took themselves freed and discharged, because they had sworn to return again. But these and the others were reheard, as many as served upon the City hories, had their hories taken from them, were displaced out of their Tribes, and condemned all to lose their voices, and to serve without City pay. Neither were the Censors careful to correct the Senat and reform the degree of the Knights only, but also they proceeded to raise out of the publick checkroll of the younger Citizens, the names of all those, who for four years space had not served in wars, as many, I lay oftentimes, as could not justly plead and alledge, either ordinary immunity by law, or sickness for their excuse. And of these were found guilty above 2000: who were awarded to be *Erarii*, and all of them to be removed out of their tribe. And besides this shameful disgrace and note of ignominy awarded by the Censors, there passed a heavy decree of the Senat against them, to wit, That all they whom the Censors had thus foreordained and noted, should be bound to serve on foot in the wars, and be confined and sent over into *Sicily*, to the residue there of the army that remained at *Canna*. And no other time of service and warfare was limited unto this sort of the soldiers, but until they were driven clean out of *Italy*.

Whiles the Censors, as is aforesaid, upon occasion that the Cities stock was so decayed, gave over and forbore to bargain for the repairing and maintenance of the Churches and holy Temples, and for the finding and provision of chariot horses for the State, and such like: there resorted unto them a great number of those that were wont at the spear to take these bargains at their hands by the great, and for a gross sum of money: who exhorted the Censors to deal in those matters still, and to let, let, and enter into bargain with them, as if the City Chamber wanted no money: making this offer that none of them all would demand payment out of the common Chest, before the wars were fully ended.

Then repaired unto the Censors the Masters of those bondmen, whom *T. Sempronius* had manumitted and set free at *Beneventum*, laying that they were sent by the Triumvirs, out of the office of the Bankers, called *Menfarii*, for to receive again their monies, according as they prized and valued their slaves: howbeit, they would not, before the war was finished. And as the hearts of the Commons were thus favourably affected, to sustain and support the poverty of the treasure-house; so the stocks of money also that belonged first to Orphans, and afterwards to widows, began now to be bestowed in the Chamber of the City: and they that presented and brought in those monies, believed assuredly, that they could not lay them up more sure and safe, than in the publick credit and security of the City. And whatsoever out of these stocks was disbursed and defraied, for to buy and provide any thing for the Orphans or widows aforesaid, the treasurers kept a book thereof, and noted it down in a register. This kindness and benevolence of private persons unto their country, extended it self from the City, even as far as to the Camp: in somuch, that neither horseman nor Centurion would take their wages, but rebuke and rate them, that could find in their hearts to receive their pay, terming them no better than mercenaries and hirelings.

Now *Q. Fabius* the Consul lay in Camp before *Castellum*, which City was kept with a garrison of two thousand Campans, and seven hundred of *Annibal*'s soldiers. They had for their Captain and Commander, one *S. Silius Metellus*, sent thither by *Cn. Magnus Atellanus*; who for this year was *Mediftricus* of *Capua*. He put the bondslaves and Commons in arms, intermingled one with another, for to enter upon the Camp of the Romans, whiles the Consul was busied assaulting *Castellum*. *Fabius* was nothing ignorant of all these things, and therefore he first sent unto *Nola* to his Collegue there, signifying unto him, that there was need of a second army to make head against the Campans, whiles the other was employed about the assault of *Castellum*: and telling him besides, that either he must himself come in person, leaving a mean garrison behind him at *Nola*: or else if he might not be spared from thence, for fear of danger from

\* The head Magistrate, Lucius Maior.

*Annibal*, he would send for *T. Gracchus* the Pro-Consul, from *Beneventum*. Upon this message, *Marcellus* having left in *Nola* a guard of two thousand soldiers, with the rest of his forces, presented himself before *Castellum*: upon whose coming, the Campans who were ready to set forward, staid themselves and were quiet. So both Consuls together jointly began to assault *Castellum*: where the Roman soldiers that rashly came under the walls received much hurt: and *Fabius* seeing little good done, judged it best to surcease and give over the enterprise, being a service of small consequence, and nevertheless very dangerous: and to depart from thence, seeing there was business toward of greater importance. But *Marcellus* contrariwise was of opinion and said, that as there were many things which great warriors were not to attempt: so it they were once taken in hand and the adventure given, they were not lightly to be given over and laid aside; forasmuch as in it lay matter of great consequence, for fame and reputation, both waies: and so he prevailed, that the enterprise was not neglected and abandoned. Whereupon there were mantlers, and all other kinds of fabricks and engines of battery and assault, bent against the City: so as were gone forth, *Marcellus* possessed himself of that gate where out they went: & then they fell to kill and slay one with another, first about the gate: and after they had rushed once in, they put to first got out of the towne, and fled for mercy to *Fabius*: and they by his guard and safe conduct arrived at *Capua*. But see *Castellum*, through the lingering slackness of the Inhabitants that craved protection, was (by advantage taken of their long parley, and temporizing) won by the enemies. The captives, so many as were either Campans or *Annibal*'s soldiers, were sent to *Rome*, and there clapt up first in prisons. But the multitude of the townsmen were distributed into sundry Cities adjoining, and there kept in ward.

At the very same time that the Consuls after their conquest, retired from *Castellum*, *Gracchus* being in the country of the Lucans, and having gathered and enrolled certain cohorts and companies of soldiers out of those parts, sent them out to foraging, under the conduct of a Captain of *Alitians*, into the territories of the enemies. *Hanno* encountered them as they straggled in scattering wile out of order and let upon them, and paid his enemies again with the like defeat and loils, or not much less than that which he had received at *Beneventum*: and in great haste withdrew himself into the country of the *Bruttii*, for fear lest *Gracchus* should overtake him.

The Consul *Marcellus* returned back to *Nola*, from whence he came, and *Fabius* went forward into *Samnium*, to spoil and waste the country, and to recover by force of arms the Cities which had revolted. The Samnites about *Caudium* were pitiously and grievously damaged: their villages in all places set on fire, their fields laid waste and destroyed, and great booties both of cattle, *Fusilla*, and *Orbitanum*. In the Lucans country, the town of \* *Completuris*, \* *Telapia*, \* *Cossa*, \* *Mela*, \* *Anca* was assaulted. In these towns and Cities, there were taken prisoners and slain 2500 of the enemies: of fugitives and runagate traitors there were recovered 370, whom the Consul sent home again to *Rome*, and being thither come, they were all beaten and scourged with rods in the Comitium, and then pitched down headlong to the earth, from the rock *Tarpeia*. These exploits were achieved by *Q. Fabius*, within the compass of a few daies. But *Marcellus* by occasion that he lay sick at *Nola*, was hindered from performing any feats of arms. The Praetor likewise *Q. Fabius*, who had the charge and jurisdiction of the province about *Luceria*, won by force about the same time the town *Acunus*, and fortified a standing camp planted before *Ardone*.

Whiles the Romans were thus employed about these affairs in divers other places, *Annibal* was come unto *Tarentum*, to the exceeding great damage and detriment of all places where he journeyed: but being once arrived in the territory of *Tarentum*, he began to march and lead his army most peaceably. There he did no harm at all, made no havoc nor once went out of the high way. And it was evidently seen that all this was done not upon any modesty that appeared either in his soldier or Captain, but only to win unto him the hearts of the Tarentines. But when he approached the walls of the City, and saw no commotion, nor insurrection from thence upon the discovery of his Vanguard, as he thought he should, he pitched his Camp almost a mile from the town. Now had *M. Valerius* the Vice-Praetor, who was Admirall of the Fleet at *Brundisium*, sent *T. Volturnus* his Lieutenant unto *Tarentum*, three daies before that *Annibal* shewed himself before the walls. He had mulctred and enrolled the flower of the Nobility, and bestowed at every gate, and about the walls where need required, good guards for defence: with such vigilant diligence both day and night, that he gave no opportunity and advantage either to the enemies to adventure any assault, or to the doubtful and untrusty friends to practice any treason. So *Annibal*, having spent there certain daies in vain, and seeing none of them who repaired unto him at the Lake \* *Avernus* either to come themselves, or to send messenger or letters: and perceiving now that he had rashly and foolishly followed vain promises, and so was deluded; dislodged and removed from thence. And even then also he spared the territory of *Tarentum*, and did no hurt at all: and albeit his fained and counterfeit lenity and mildness hitherto took no effect: yet he hoped still thereby to corrupt their faithfull allegiance to the Romans: and so he went to *Salapia*. And (by reason that midsummer was past, and he liked well of that place for a winter harbour) he conveyed thither all the corn from out of the Territory of *Metapontum* and

\* Lago di T. pergula





put this their desire in execution as they should have done. For in the mean season, these young and lusty matill men, and such as ever had conversed with the souldiers, went up and down, one while to them, another while to the fugitive strangers that were revolted. (who for the most part were sailors and sea men that came from the Romans) yea, and sort themselves with the basest and most abject persons of the Commoners, spreading tales, and whispering into their ears sundry suspicious matters of crime against the Senators and great men of the Nobility, saying, that they plotted and practised closely under hand nothing else, but that *Syracusæ*, under a colour of reconciliation and accord, should be reduced to the obedience of the Romans: and then, the seditious and faction and some few with them that are of council to renew the association, might be Lords, and tyrannize over the rest. By this means there flocked multitudes, every day more than other to *Syracusæ*: whose ears were tickled, and itched till to hear such fables, and were eager enough to give credit thereto. And they gave not only *Hippocrates* and *Epicides*, but *Andronodorus* also good hope of an alteration, and a new put into his head. That now was the only time to stir up and take upon him the rule of the State, whiles all things were troubled, and in a confusion, upon their new and unknown liberty: whiles the souldiers were presented in their way, to be dealt withall, and daily maintained and fed out of the Kings Exchequer, and whiles those captains sent from *Annibal*, by reason of their acquaintance with the souldiers, were present to testify, and further his designments first therefore acquainted *Themistius*, who had married *Gelo* his daughter, with his complot: and after a few daies (full unadvisedly) imparted his mind also unto one *Aristo*, an Actor of Tragedies, whom he used sometime to make privy unto his other secrets. This *Aristo* was well born, and defended of a worshipful house, a man in good place and of honest reputation: and his profession (for among the Greeks it is reputed no matter of shame to play either in Tragedies or Comedies) was no blot either to his birth, or disgrace to his calling: and therefore as one who made more reckoning of his duty to his country, than of private friendship, betrayed & disclosed all the treason unto the Prætors. Who finding by good proofs and certain evidences that this was no forged and counterfeit information, after consultation had with the Ancients of the Council, by their warrant and direction, set a guard of armed men about the door of the Senat House, and so loon as *Themistius* and *Andronodorus* were entred in place, flew them outright. And when there began some upore upon this fact, which in them seemed very horrible and hainous (especially to all the rest that knew not the cause: at length they appealed the tumult and caused silence, and brought the informer into the Council House, that had detected the intended treason: who declared all things orderly in particular: namely, that this conspiracy was devised and sprung first from the marriage of *Harmonia* the daughter of *Gelo*, who was wedded unto *Themistius*: that divers auxiliary souldiers of Affricans and Spaniards were appointed and provided to massacre the Prætors, and other principal Citizens: that their goods were promised unto the murderers to be ransacked and rifled: that besides, there was a band of mercenary souldiers (such as were wont to be at a beck, and ready to execute the commandment of *Andronodorus*) set in a readines to seize the Island again, and keep it to his use. And when he had laid every thing abroad in order, with all circumstances, what the practises were and by whom they were to be performed and executed, and shewed before their eyes most plainly, the whole conspiracy: & namely, what persons and what forces should have been employed, Then the whole body of the Senat were likewise verily perswaded, that they had deceived such an end, and whereas justly murdered as *Hieronymus*. But without the Council House door, the confused multitude, composed of all sorts of people, who were doubtfull of the matter, and knew not what to make thereof, cried out. And albeit they menaced and threatened before the entry and porch of the Senat, yet at the sight of the dead bodies of the Conspirators, lying before their face, they were affrighted and loon hid themselves with great silence they followed the whole body of the Commons to the public place of assembly. Unto whom, *Sopater*, by order from the Senat, and his fellow Prætors, was commanded to make an Oration.

... after his speech to the people of Syracuse.

He began formally to inveigh against *Andronodorus* and *Themistius*, (as they that accuse men at the bar) and tipped up their former life past, charging them with all the wicked deeds and impious facts, committed since the death of *Hiero*: "For what (quoth he) did *Hieronymus*, say, what could he do of himself, so long as he was but a child and stripling, and scarcely come all the while he lived to have any hair on his face: His officers and guardians, were they that ruled all, and managed the kingdom at their pleasures, but so, as the blame and heavy load lay upon him. Who if they had perished either before *Hieronymus*, or at leastwise together with him, they had been but well enough served. But they, who long ago had deserved to die, and for whom the gallows had already groned, ceased not still, after the death of the tyrant, to devise and plot new mischiefs, one in the neck of another. At the first, openly in the sight of the world, *Andronodorus* by shutting the gates of the Island, entred by way of inheritance upon the kingdom, and sought to seize in his own right, and immediat heir apparent, upon those things that he held under the Prince, only during his nonage. Afterwards, being betrayed by them that were in the Island, & befieged round about by the whole City (which was possessed fully of the *Acradians*) seeing that in vain he had attempted to be King by open force, he sought means now to aspire thereto secretly, and by cunning sleights. Neither could he be so much as reclaimed, and won by any favours and honours done unto him: who being himself a traitor to the free-

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A dom of the state, was notwithstanding advanced to be Prætor, among other redeemers of the liberty of their country. But no marvel it was (quoth he) that these men were of this haughty spirit, and longed to be Kings: for they had to their wives two princely dames, the daughters, one of King *Hiero*, and the other of his son *Gelo*.

At these words the people from all parts of the assembly began to cry out with one voice, that neither of them both were worthy to live, nor any one besides of the Kings stock and lineage ought to remain upon the face of the earth. See the nature and disposition of the multitude: Either they serve basely, or rule proudly. Liberty that is the mean between, they have neither the skill to despise with reason, or the grace to entertain in measure. Now, there wanted not (ye may be sure, as at all times else) ready instruments and firebrands, to help forward, and kindle more anger, such as seeing the Commoners distempered already, and bloodily minded of themselves, put them forward to murder and massacre. As it appeared then: For immediately as the Prætors put up a bill, that all the Kings stock should be rooted out, and the whole line utterly extinguished: before in manner that it was all read out and published, it passed clear, and was granted. And presently there were sent out certain persons from the Prætors, that murdered *Dennarus* and *Harmonia* the daughters of King *Hiero* and *Gelo*, the two wives of *Andronodorus* and *Themistius*. Now there was another daughter of *Hiero*, named *Heraclea*, wife to *Sopater*, who having been sent as Embassador from *Hieronymus*, to King *Ptolomeus*, chose a life in voluntary exile, and lived not with his wife. She having an inkling given her aforehand, and knowing that the murderers were coming also toward her, took her two daughters, virgins, and together, with their hair loose hanging down their shoulders, and in other most poor array and ruffish habit, able to have moved pity and compassion, they were fled into a privat Oratory or Chappell unto their house-gods, to save themselves. The mother seeing the murderers fell to entreating them most piteously, and recommended unto them the late remembrance of her father *Hiero*, and her brother *Gelo*: "Befeeching them not to suffer her (an innocent and guiltless person) to fare the worse, and be punished upon hatred that was born unto her nephew *Hieronymus*. As for me (quoth she) I treaped no good by his Reign and Kingdom, unless it were the banishment and absence of my husband: and as by the life of *Hieronymus*, my fortune was not so good as my misfortunes: so after he was murdered and dead, my cause is not so bad, nor like unto hers. Moreover, and besides, in case *Andronodorus* had effected his designments, my sister should have been a Queen, and reigned together with her husband: but as for me, I must have been a subject and servant with the rest. Again, if it were any messengers sent unto *Sopater*, to report the death of *Hieronymus*, and the restitution of *Syracusæ* to liberty: who can make doubt, but that forthwith he would be embarked and take the seas, and return again into his country? But how much are men put besides their hope, and deceived of their expectation? And who would ever have thought to have seen in a freed state his wife and children in danger to lose their lives? For wherein do we hinder the common liberty, or the course of laws? What danger can come to any person from us, one dole lone woman, and in manner a widow, and two young maidens livings as Orphans fatherless? And if it be said again that there was indeed no fear of hurt to be imagined from us; but only the Kings blood and kindred was odious in the eyes of the people: Then, quoth she, let us be sent away far from *Syracusæ* and *Sicily*, and confined over to *Alexandria*, the wife to her husband, the daughters to their own father. But when they would neither give ear to her words, nor incline their hearts to pity and compassion: then because she would not spend longer time in vain (for now she saw some of them drawing their swords forth) she gave over all entreating for her self, "and befought them instantly to be good yet, to the young silly girls, and spare their lives, unto whom being of that age, even the very enemies in their heart of anger forbore to offer violence: and that seeing they were to be revenged of tyrants they would not play amidst these words the murderers (sent from the Prætors) pulled her forth of the inward and most secret place of the chappell, and cut her throat: and when they had so done, they assailed and fell upon the maidens, beset with the blood of their mother: who for sorrow of heart and fear against them, and got out of the Chappell: minding, if they could have escaped forth, and recovered the street, to set the whole City on an upore. And so shifted for themselves, poor wench, by running to and fro within the house, (which was not large and spacious) that for a good while they escaped amongst the thickest of so many armed men, and oftentimes avoided their reaches, and caught no hurt: yea, and when they had caught hold of them, notwithstanding they were to struggle with so many hands, and those so strong, yet they wound away from them all: untill at length after they had received many a wound, and filled every place with blood, they fainted and sunk down, and yielded up their innocent spirits. This murder, no doubt, was of it self piteous; but much more lamentable, by occasion of a present accident. For straight after came a messenger with exprels commandment, to spare the women, and not to kill them: for that upon a sudden the hearts of the people relented, and inclined to mercy. But when they heard there was so quick dispatch made of execution, that neither they had time to bethink themselves and repent, nor space to cool upon their heart, they fell pity and compassion into an extreme fit of anger and cholour. The multitude thereupon began to mutter and murmur, and called to have an election of Prætors: in the room of *Andronodorus* and *Themistius* (for they were both of them Prætors) which

The pitifull words of dame *Heraclea*.

The tragical murder of *Lady Heraclea* and her two daughters, young virgins.

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new election was not like to fall out in the end to the good liking and contentment of the other Prætors in place. So a day was set down, and proclaimed for this election. At which time it happened that beyond all mens expectation, one from the farthest part of the assembly nominated *Epizides* and then another from thence named *Hippocrates*. After which, the same voices came thick and threefold still, so as it seemed the multitude would wholly go that way. The people there assembled, were a confused sort intermingled, as well with a number of souldiers, as of a company of Citizens and Commoners; yea, and many of them were strangers fugitive, shuffled among, such as rather than their life desired a general change and alteration. The Prætors at first dissembled all, and would seem to take no knowledge thereof; but thought it best to put off the matter to a farther day: yet overcome at last with the common accord and consent of the people: and fearing with all a mutiny and sedition pronounced and declared the men aforesaid for Prætors. Neither would they at first hand so soon as they were created, set that abroach which was in their mind and desire to effect: notwithstanding they were displeased and discontented much, both for that there had been Embassadors dispatched unto *Appius Claudius*, about a truce for ten daies: and also when it was obtained, that there were others addressed to treat for the renewing of the ancient league with the Romans.

At the same time *Ap. Claudius* the Roman General lay at *Murgantia* with an Armada of 100 gallies, waiting there to hear what was the event of the troubles which arose upon the murder of the tyrants: and how far forth men would proceed upon this their new and unwonted liberty. And much about those daies, when as the Syracusan Embassadors were sent from *Appius* unto *Marcellus* now coming into *Sicily*, *Marcellus* himself after he heard the conditions of peace, thought they would grow to some good agreement and conclusion in the end: and therefore sent other Embassadors to *Syracuse*, personally to debate and confer in the presence of the Prætors, concerning the renewing of the League aforesaid. But by that time, they found not the City in the same quiet tune and peaceable state. For *Hippocrates* and *Epizides*, after news came that the Carthaginian Navy was arrived and rid at anchor under the bay of *\* Pachinus*, confidently, and without all fear buzzed in the ears one while of the mercenary souldiers, another while of the fugitive traitors, many talie furnishes against their brethren in Office, and namely, that they were about to betray *Syracuse* to the Romans. But *Appius* began to keep his Armada at anchor in the very mouth of the river, liking to know what heart and hope they of the contrary faction had, to effect that which they intended. Much credit was given (as it should seem) unto those flanders and lewd suggestions: in much as at the first, the multitude ran to the waters side in a great hurry and tumultuous manner to hinder their landing, if haply they attempted it. In this troublesome confusion of all things, it was thought good, that the people should meet together to deliberate what was best to be done. In which assembly, whiles some drew one way, others baled and pulled another way, and were at the point to mutine and grow to a sedition, *Apollonides*, one of the principall and chief Citizens, made a speech to very good purpose for preservation of the public peace, and thus he said: "Never was there any City nearer, either to hope of assured safety, or to fear of utter destruction, than this of ours at this present. For if all would go one way together, and with one accord either encline to the Romans, or bend to the Carthaginians, there were *not* a City under the cope of heaven, whose state were more happy and fortunate than ours. "But in case we be distracted, and the Common-weal go divers waies, there would not be more bitter and cruel war between the Syracusians and the Romans, than among the Syracusians themselves: when within one and the same walls, there should be banding one against another, and each side have their forces, their armor, and their Captains of their own. And therefore we ought of all hands to endeavor what we can, that all may be of one mind and draw in the same line. As for the main point now in question, Whether society and alliance be the better and more commodious, the Romans or the Carthaginians, is a matter of far less moment and importance than to be confused and studied long upon. Howbeit, in choosing our friends and allies, we are to be directed by the authority and act of *Hiero*, rather than of *Hieronymus*: and to prefer that amity which we have tried for fifty years in much felicity, above a friendship for the present unknown, and sometime heretofore found unfaithfull. It maketh somewhat also, to resolve upon this course, that in case we should deny peace and alliance to the Carthaginians, we need not presently go to war with them: but with the Romans we must out of hand make account either of peace, or else of hot wars. This speech of his the less that it favoured of factions partiality and affection, the more authority and way it carried with it. And besides the deliberation of the Prætors and choice Senators, the advice also of the martial men were taken. And therefore the Captains of all their own ensignes and companies yea, and the great Commanders of the auxiliary forces of their allies were willing to sit in Council together with them. When the matter had been often debated, and much contention and hot words passed between, at the last, because there appeared no colourable reason or cause to make war with the Romans, they agreed that a peace should be concluded, and that together with their Embassadors, there should be others also from them to ratifie and confirm the thing.

There passed not many daies between, when out of the Leontins country there arrived certain Orators, to crave help and succour for the guard and defence of their marches. This Embassage seemed to come very fitly and in good time, for to exonerate and rid the City of the unruly and disordered multitude, & likewise to send out of the way their Captains and ringleaders.

\* Porto Longo, baro, or Cabo Passaro.

The Orator of Apollonides, to the people of Syracuse.

So *Hippocrates* the Prætor was commanded to lead thither the fugitive strangers. Many also of the mercenary souldiers, that were waged to help them in their wars, accompanied them: so in all, the number amounted to four thousand. This expedition and journey contented greatly as well the leaders and setters of it out, as also the parties themselves that were sent forth. For these of the one side had a good occasion and opportunity now offered them, to contrive a change in State (the only thing that so long they had desired) and those of the other, were right glad, that the sink (as it were) of the City was now well scoured and voided away. But this was like the palliative cure of a sore, and a lightning for the present of a sick body: whereby it might soon after by relapse fall back, as it were, into a recidive, and a worse disease and more dangerous than the other. For *Hippocrates* began at first to make rodes by stealth into the confines bordering upon the Roman Province, and there to waste & spoil: afterwards when *Appius* had sent a power of men to defend the frontiers of his confederats, he charged with his whole power upon that guard that was opposed against him, and slew many of them. Whereof, when *Marcellus* was advertized, he dispatched Embassadors incontinently to *Syracuse*, to charge them with the breach of peace: and to give them to understand, that there would never be wanting some occasion or other of quarrell and war, unless *Hippocrates* and *Epizides* were removed, and sent far enough out of the way, not only from *Syracuse*, but also quite out of *Sicily*. *Epizides* for fear lest if he remained present in the City, he might be charged and brought in question, for the fault and trespass of his brother absent, or be wanting for his part, in the raising of new war: went himself also in person into the Leontins country: and seeing them there forward enough of themselves, and provoked already against the Romans, began also to alienate and turn their hearts from *Syracuse*. For in these terms he suggested and informed against the Syracusians: namely, "how they had capitulated with the Romans, that all the Cities and Nations which were under the Kings, should be subject unto them and within their jurisdiction: so as now they cannot be content (quoth he) with their liberty, unless they rule also like Lords and Kings. I would avise and counsel you therefore, to lend word unto them and give them to understand, that the Leontins likewise deem it good reason, that they should themselves be free in regard either that the tyrant was killed within the ground of their City, or because the first alarm for liberty began there. For they leaving and abandoning the Captains there that followed the King ran at once from thence to *Syracuse*. And therefore they are (saith he) to raise that aforesaid article out of the instrument of the covenants, or not to accept at all of peace with that condition. Soon were the multitude perswaded hereto. And therefore when the Embassadors of the Syracusians came to the Leontins, both to make complaint for killing of the Roman Corps de guard, and also to command peremptorily, that *Hippocrates* and *Epizides* should depart either to *Locri*, or to what other place they would rather chuse, so they went their waies and voided clean out of *Sicily*: they returned unto them this stout answer again: that neither the Syracusians had any commission and warrant from them, to make peace with the Romans in their name, neither would they be tied and obliged to any confederacy made by others than their own selves. This answer the Syracusians made report of to the Romans, and said plainly, "That the Leontins were not under their jurisdiction, to be ordered and censured by them: and therefore, any thing comprised in the league with them notwithstanding, the Romans might war against them without breach of any covenant: and in that war they would not for their parts fail them, but do their best upon condition, that when they were once subdued, they might be reduced again under their obedience, according to the covenant comprehended in the League. Whereupon *Marcellus* with his whole power went forth against the Leontins, and sent for *Appius* also, to assail them on the other side: and so hot were his souldiers in this service, and bare themselves so resolute, for anger that the guard was slain, during the time that there was treaty of peace between that at the very first assault they won the City. *Hippocrates* and *Epizides*, after they saw the walls scaled, and the gates of the City broken open, betook themselves for their safety, with some few into the Castle, from whence by night they made a secret escape, and fled to *Herbesius*.

As the Syracusians marched from home with a power of eight thousand armed men, and were come forward, as far as to the river *Ayla*, they met with a messenger, who told them that the City *Leontium* was forced. They reported other news besides, as well lies as truths, one with another, namely, that townsmen and souldiers indifferently without respect were put to the sword: that he thought verily, there was not left one alive of fourteen years of age and upwards: that the City was put to the sack, and all the rich mens goods were given away. At this so fearful and horrible news, the army staid and went not forward. And when they all were greatly troubled, their Leaders *Sofis* and *Diomenes*, consulted what to do. This loud lie arose not upon nothing, but was occasioned by mistaking of a matter. For there were scourged and beheaded of fugitive traitors, to the number of few thousand. But of Leontins and other souldiers, there was not one hurt after the City was lost. And every man had all his own goods restored unto him again: having that only which in the first hurlyburly of a City newly won, hapned to miscarry and perish. Howbeit upon this bare report, they neither could be induced to go forward to the Leontins, complaining and grieving that their fellow souldiers were so betrayed and murdered, nor yet to abide there still for to expect and hear more certain tidings. The Prætors perceiving their minds disposed to revolt, and yet hoping that this mutinous fit of theirs would not continue long, in case the Captains and heads of their fury and folly were once rid out of the way led the army to *Megara* and went them.

themselves in person with a few horsemen toward *Herbesus*, hoping to gain the City by treason; while they all there were affrighted, but seeing that enterprise would not prevail, they minded to use forcible means. The morrow after they dislodged and raised their Camp from *Megara*, purposing with all their forces to assail *Herbesus*, *Hippocrates* and *Epicles* supposing this to be the only way for them, although at the first night not the safest, (considering all hopes besides were cut off) namely, to put themselves into the hands of the soldiers, who were for the most part acquainted with them, and besides, upon the bruit of the execution and massacre of their fellow soldiers, throughly chafed, went out to meet the army. The foremost ensigns in the forefront, hapned to consist of those six hundred Cretenians, who in the wars of *Hieronymus* had served under them, and received a favour and benefit at *Annil* at his hands. For being taken prisoners at *Thryasimene*, I among other auxiliaries that came to aid the Romans, they were set at large and sent away without ransom. Whom when *Hippocrates* and *Epicles* knew by their colours, habit, and fashion of their armour, they held out branches of olives and other vails and tokens of supplicants, beseeching them humbly to receive them, and being once received, to vouchsafe to protect them, and not to deliver them into the hands of the Syracusians: by whom they should soon be yielded unto the people of *Rome*, for to be murdered and cut in peeces. At this they all cried aloud with one voice, and willed them to be of good cheer. For they should fare no worse than their own selves. Upon this communication the ensigns staid, and the army stood still and marched not forward: but the general Captains willed not as yet what the cause might be of this stay. After the rumour was spread that *Hippocrates* and *Epicles* were come, and that all the host throughout by a general applause seemed to like well of their coming: the Prators incontinently set spurs to horse, and rode forward apace to the forefront of the vanguard, demanding of the Cretenians, what manner and fashion this was of theirs? and how they durst be so bold, as to parl and talk with enemies? and without licence of their Prators to entertain them within their companies? And herewith they gave commandment, that *Hippocrates* should be apprehended and bound sure with chains. At which word the Cretenians set up such a cry, and the rest answered it again with the like, that it was well known, in case they had proceeded forward as they began, they should have incurred themselves no small danger. And thus in great perplexity, and fear of their own lives, they commanded to turn en-gins, and retire unto *Megara*, from whence they came: and dispatched messengers presently to *Syracuse*, to signify in what terms they stood, *Hippocrates* seeing the soldiers given to be suspicious and ready to believe every thing, devised a cunning shift besides in this manner. After he had sent out certain of the Cretenians to beset the waies between them and *Syracuse*, he pretended that they had intercepted some letters from thence, which he read unto the soldiers, and were indeed framed and indited by himself. The tenor of the letters ran in this form: "The Prators of *Syracuse*, to *M. Marcellus* their friend, greeting. After these salutations and commendations premised, as the manner is it followed written thus: you have done well and orderly in sparing none at all of the Leontines. But all other mercenary soldiers besides are in the same predicament: neither will *Syracuse* be ever in quiet, so long as any forraign aid beeth in the City, or in your army. And therefore our advice and counsell is, that you would endeavour to get them into your hands, who with our Prators are encamped before *Megara*, and by executioner to deliver and let *Syracuse* free in the end."

The contents of these letters were not so soon read, but with such an outcry and alarm they ran to their weapons on all hands, that the Prators amidst this garboil were faine to ride away as fast as they could gallop toward *Syracuse*. But although they were fled, the mutiny nevertheless continued and was not appeased: for the soldiers fell upon the Syracusians that were in the camp amongst them, and they had all drank of the same cup, and not one escaped, but that *Epicles* and *Hippocrates* came between, and opposed themselves against the multitude in this their furious rage not upon any pitifull compassion that was in them, or regard of common humanity, but because they would not cut themselves from all hope of return: and besides, they were not only desirous to have the soldiers themselves affectionate unto them and faithful, and withall instead of hostages: but also purposed, by this so great desert, first to gain and win unto them the kinsfolk and friends of those soldiers, and afterwards to oblige and bind them fast by so good a pawn and pawns remaining still among them. And having good experience, how small a puff and gale of wind the common people turneth every way, they furnished a soldier, one of them whom was belieged within the City of *Leontium*, to carry news to *Syracuse*, fusing with those false tidings that were reported at the river *Mylus*: yea, and to aver the same confidently upon his own knowledge, and tell things that were doubtful, as if they were most certain, and by himself seen and known: thereby to stir up men to anger and indignation. This fellow was not only credited of the common multitude, but also being brought into the Council-House, he greatly moved the Senat: inasmuch as some of them, more light of believe than others, gave it out openly and said, "That it was happy, that the avarice and cruelty of the Romans was thus discovered among the Leontines. And god bless us from them here, For if they set foot once within *Syracuse*, as they would commit the like outrages, yea, and worse too a great deal, and more horrible: as they should find there greater matter to work upon, and to satisfy their covetous and greedy appetite to the full. Whereupon they agreed in general, to shut the gates, and to stand upon their guard, and defend the City. But they all feared not alike, nor hated the same persons. For the martial men, in a manner every one, and a great part of the common people abhorred the name of the

Romans:

A Romans: the Prators, and some few of the principal Citizens, albeit they were in the huff, and possessed with the false report aforesaid, yet they had more regard to provide for a mischief that was more imminent and near, and ready presently to fall upon their heads. And now by this time *Hippocrates* and *Epicles* were come before *Hexapolis*. Within the City, the kinsfolk and friends of those Citizens which were in the army, drew together in conventicles, conferred among themselves to let the gates open, and agreed to have the common country of them all, to be defended against the violence of the Romans. Now, when one only wicket of *Hexapolis* was opened, and they ready to enter in thereat, the Prators came upon them in the manner. And first they commanded by word of mouth, and threatened them: after that, by vertue of their place and authority, they seemed to fright and terrifie them: and last of all, seeing nothing could prevail, forgetting their own dignity and majesty of their calling, they fell to pray and entreat them not to betray their country to those, who aforesome were the instruments and upshots of the Tyrant, and now the corruptors of the army. But so deaf ear gave all the multitude in this their rage and furious fit unto the Prators, that they within, as well as without, set their hands to, by all forcible means, to burst down the gates, and so when they were all broken open, the army was let in safe, and received within the *Hexapolis*. The Prators fled for refuge with the youth and strength of the Citizens into *Acradina*. The mercenaries, the fugitives, and all the soldiers that were left in *Syracuse* (of them who served the King) joyntly to the army, and augmented their forces. And so *Acradina* also, was upon the first assault won. All the Prators, but those that escaped by flight, and saved themselves in the midst of this hurry, were slain: and the night coming upon them, staid the massacre. The day following, all bondslaves were called to receive the cap, and made free: the priors were set open, and the prisoners let go at large. And this confused rabble and multitude of all sorts created *Hippocrates* and *Epicles* Prators. And thus *Syracuse*, having for a short time liberty shining favourably upon it, fell again into her old servitude.

When news hereof came to the Romans, incontinently they dislodged and removed the camp from *Leontium*, and marched directly towards *Syracuse*. It hapned the same time that the Embassadors sent from *Appius* by the way of the haven, were embarked in a galleace of five banks of ours: but another galley of four banks which was sent before, was not so soon entered into the mouth of the harbour, but it was taken: and the Embassadors hardly, and with much ado escaped in the other. And now the world there was grown to this pass, that no laws of peace, nor so much as the very laws of arms were observed, but broken clean: at what time as the Roman army lay in camp a mile and an half from the City, at *Olympium*, the Temple of *Jupiter*. For when it was thought meet to send Embassadors from thence, *Hippocrates* and *Epicles* with their followers encountered them without the gate, and charged them upon their perill not to enter the City. The Roman Orator alledged, and said, "That he came not to proclaim war against the Syracusians, but to bring aid and help, as well unto those, who having escaped out of the midst of the slaughter fled unto the Roman Camp, as also unto them, who being kept under with fear, endure bondage and thralldom more miserable than banishment, yea, and death it self. Neither will the Romans (saith he) put up that shamefull and cruell murder of their Allies without due revenge. And therefore, if those persons who were fled for succour unto them, may return home safely into their country: if the authors of that massacre aforesaid, be delivered into their hands: and if the Syracusians may enjoy again their liberty, together with their laws, there shall not need any hostility or war. But in case these conditions be not performed, they would persecute with fire and sword, all such as shall hinder and stand against the same, whatsoever."

To this *Epicles* framed his words in this wise: "If (saith he) ye had any message and commission to parl with my brother and me, we would return you an answer accordingly. In the mean while ye were best be gone for this time, and return again when the City and state of *Syracuse* shall be under their governance, unto whom ye were sent. As for war, if the Romans think it good to deal that way, they shall find and know by experience, try when they would, that it is one thing to assail *Syracuse*, and another to set upon *Leontium*. And so leaving the Embassadors, he made the gates fast against them."

From this time forward the Romans laid siege unto *Syracuse*, and began to beleaguer it both by sea and land at once. On the land side at *Hexapolis*, by water at *Acradina*, upon the walls whereof the sea beateth. And like as they won the City of the Leontines, by terrifying them at the first assault, and therefore trusted not, but that they should force and enter this also, one side or other, being so large and vast as it was, not compact, but built so scattering, one part far asunder from another, they approached with all their fabricks, engines, and ordnance of battery against the walls. Which enterprise of theirs, so resolutely begun, and so hotly and forcibly followed, had speed well, and taken effect: if one man at that time had not been in *Syracuse*, *Archimedes* was he, a singular Astronomer. A rare man for contemplation and beholding the sky with the Planets, and other stars therein fixed: but a more wonderfull engineer for devising and framing of artillery, ordnance, fabricks, and instruments of war, whereby he would with very little ado, and at ease, check and frustrate all the inventions which the enemies with so great difficulty had prepared for to give the assault. This cunning artificer and admirable workman had planted engines of all sorts upon the curtain of the wall, which stood on certain hills, and those not of even height: and having for the most part high places that yielded hard access, and some other low again, whereunto men might come on even & plain ground, he fitted and furnished every place accordingly. Now *Mar-*

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cellus from out his galleys of five ranks of oars, assaulted the wall of *Acradina*, which (as is above-  
said) is washed and dashed upon, with the sea, And from the other galleys, the archers, slingers,  
yea, and the light armed darters (called *Velines*) whose javelins are of that fashion, that they be  
unhandsome to be lanced back again (by those that have not the call and skill of it) so assailed the  
defendants, that they hardly suffered any one to stand upon the walls without hurt and danger;  
These I say kept their galleys far distant from the wall, because archers and darters had need of some  
space and compass to lance and drive their shot. But unto the galleys of five course of oars,  
there were adjoynded other two of either side: for which purpose the oars within were taken a-  
way that they might close labour to starboard and so be coupled one unto the other. And thus  
being rowed as one entire gally, by the help of the utmost oars without, they carried upon  
them platforms of timber, framed with floors and lots of planks, and other engines and in-  
struments within them to batter and shake the walls. Against this artillery from the galleys, *Archi-  
medes* bestowed and disposed upon the walls counter-engines of sundry fizes, some greater, some  
smaller. Against those galleys that were furthest off he weighed and discharged stones of ex-  
ceeding main weight and those that were nearer he annoyed with lighter bullets, but those he shot  
farthicker upon them. And last of all, to the end that his own Citizens might, without taking  
harm, make a counter-battery against the enemies, and so annoy them, he caused certain barba-  
cans or loop-holes almost a cubit deep pierced through the walls, and to stand thick from  
the foot the eol, to the parapet; and all to flank the enemy, through which overtures, they with-  
in shot closely against the enemies some arrows out of bows, some quarrels out of scorpions and  
brakes of mean and indifferent bigness. And against those galleys, which approached more close  
and near under the walls (because they would be within the shot, and that they within might carry  
and level over them) he devised a crane or swive to be planted aloft upon the walls, having at  
the one end, which hung over the sea a drag or grapling hook of iron like an hand, fastned thereto  
with a strong chain: which took hold upon the prow of a galley, and when the heavy counter-  
poise of lead at the other end weighed it down to the ground, and therewith drew with it the  
prow up on high, whilst it hung thus aloft in the air, the galley stood in a manner edlong upon  
the poop. And then the swive being let go again all at once suddenly with a sway, dashed the gal-  
ley tumbling (as it were) down from the top of the wall, with such a swinge and violence against  
the water (to the exceeding fear of the mariners) that it it had fallen directly down right upon the  
deck, yet needs it must have received good store of water into it. Thus all their provision for a-  
sault by the sea-side, was deluded and made void: and then they turned their whole forces from  
thence, to give assault by land. But even that part of the wall likewise, was as well furnished with  
all manner of engines and ordnance, provided at the great charge of *Hiero*, and by his careful fore-  
cast for many years together; but devised and framed by the artificial cunning and skill only of *Ar-  
chimedies*. Besides, the natural situation of the ground was a great help: for that the rock, upon  
which the foundations of the wall stand, is for the most part to steep and bending forward, that  
not only the shot levelled out of an engine, but also whatsoever was but rolled & tumbled down,  
with the very own weight and poise, came with a great force & violence upon the enemy. Which  
foreaid cause made the assailants to have difficult climbing up, and as unsustained footing and keep-  
ing of their hold. Whereupon they went to counsel. And considering well, that all their attempts  
and enterprises were thus deluded and mocked by the enemy: it was thought good to give over  
assault, and only by long and continuall siege, to cut them off from all victuals both by land  
and sea. In the mean while *Marcellus* with one third part (well near) of the army, went forth in ex-  
pedition, to recover again those Cities, which taking occasion upon these troubles, were revolted to  
the Carthaginians. And he gained *Pelorus* and *Herbesus*, which yielded on their own accord. As  
for *Myra*, which he won by assault, he raised it down to the ground, and sacked it, to the fearful  
example of the rest and especially of the Syracusians.

And much about that time, *Himilco* also, who had a long time rid in the Bay of the Cape *Pe-  
loponesus* with his Armado, disembarked and set land at *Heraclea* (which they call *Mina*) 25000 foot-  
men, 3000 horsemen, and twelve Elephants. He had not all this power of men when he lay with  
his fleet under *Pachinus*. For after that *Hippocrates* had taken and held the possession of *Syracuse*,  
he went to *Carthage*, where being sent unto both by Embassadors from *Hippocrates*, and also by  
letters from *Annibal* (who moved him and remonstrances, That now the time was come to re-  
cover *Sicily* again with much honour and glory: and being himself there present in person nobod  
solicitor by word of mouth to further and follow the cause) he easily perwaded the Carthagin-  
ians and prevailed that as great a power both of horse and foot as might possibly be raised, should  
pass over unto *Sicily*. Being arrived at *Heraclea* within few daies after *Aggrigentum* was delivered  
up into his hands. And all other Cities, which had banded and taken part with the Carthaginians,  
were put in to good hope to drive the Romans out of *Sicily*: that even they who were besieged  
within *Syracuse*, to take heart unto them; and were so in their rust, that supposing part of their  
forces sufficient enough to defend their City, they parted between them the charge and managing  
of the whole war in this manner: That *Epicides* should remain behind for the guard and defence  
of the City, and *Hippocrates* joyn with *Himilco*, and war jointly against the Romans. He with  
10000 foot, and 500 horse, let out by night: and passed between the *Corpe guard*, where none  
at all watched, and encamped about the *Acerre*. As they were fortifying their Camp, *Marcellus*  
came upon them as he retired back from *Aggrigentum*, possessed now by the adverse part: whither

A he had made great haste, but in vain, in hope to prevent his enemies, and get thither afore: but  
little thought he (and nothing less) than in his return from thence, at that time and in that place,  
to meet with an army of *Syracusians* that should make head against him. Howbeit, for fear of *Hi-  
milco* and the *Carthaginians*, whom he knew to be abroad, and with whom he was not able to  
make his part good with that power which he had about him, he marched as circumspedly as he  
could, having his eye on every side, and led his army in good order of battell against all occur-  
rence whatsoever might happen by the way. And so as good hap was, that careful forecast and dili-  
gence, which he was provided with against the *Carthaginians*, served him in a very good stead  
against the *Sicilians*, finding them therefore busy in pitching their tents, without order, and scar-  
tered alunder, and most of them unarmed, he environed soon all the Infantry that they had, and  
battered them to the sword. But the Cavalry after a slight skirmish begun, fled with their leader *Hi-  
ppocrates* to *Acra*. *Marcellus* after he had by his slight repressed and kept in the *Sicilians*, who  
were at hand to fall away and revolt unto the Romans, returned to *Syracuse*: and after some few  
daies, *Himilco* joyned with *Hippocrates*, and encamped about eight miles from thence, upon the riv-  
er *Anath*.

Likewise about the same time, or very near, it hapned that 55 war-ships of the *Carthaginians*,  
under the conduct of *Bomilcar*, Admirall of the Armado put into the great haven of *Syracuse* out  
of the deep and main sea: and also the Roman fleet of thirty Gallies, with five ranks of oars, ar-  
rived at *Panormus*, and landed the first Legion there: and thus the war was turned and diverted  
C from *Italy*. So wholly seemed both nations, as well Romans as *Carthaginians*, amused upon no-  
thing now but *Sicily*. *Himilco* making full account to prey upon the Roman Legion which was  
set a land at *Panormus*, as they should come to *Syracuse*: misled of the right way to meet with  
them: for he marched and led his power far within land higher in the country, but the Legion  
coasted along by the sea side, accompanied as it were with the fleet which flanked them: and came  
to *Pachinus* unto *Appius Claudius*, who with part of his forces went out to meet them on the way.  
But the *Carthaginians* made no long stay about *Syracuse*. For *Bomilcar* having small trust and con-  
fidence in his ships, considering that the Romans were coming toward him with a fleet, and were  
twice as many in number: and withal seeing, that by sojourning there, he did no other good but  
with his company impoverish and eat out his friends, spread and hoisted up sail, and with a merry  
D wind passed over into *Africk*. *Himilco* also, who had dogged and followed after *Marcellus* in  
vains far as *Syracuse*, to spy some good opportunity and vantage to bid him battell, before he  
joyned with a greater power: seeing that he was hereof disappointed, and the enemy lying about  
*Syracuse* safe and secure, as well in regard of their fortifications, as their forces: because he would  
not spend any longer time to no purpose in sitting there till, to look upon their Allies how they  
were besieged, he dislodged and removed from thence: attending, wherefore there were any  
self in person, to encourage and animate by his presence those that favoured his part. And first he  
recovered *Murgantia*, where the Roman garrison was betrayed by the inhabitants, and drew  
his hands into which City the Romans had conveyed great store of corn, victual, and delivered  
E vision of all forts. Upon this revolt, other Cities also took heart unto them, and the Roman garrisons  
were either thrust and driven out of the Castles and Fortresses, or else were treacherously be-  
trayed, surprised, and destroyed.

The City *Enna*, seated upon an high hill, and on every side inaccessible as it was by natural  
situation of the ground impregnable, so it had a strong garrison within the Castle, and a Captain  
of that garrison, one that was not so easie to be compassed and over-raught by deceitfull trains. His  
name was *Pinarus*, a witty man, and hardy withall, who reposed more trust in his own diligence  
to prevent, than he might not possibly be deceived, than in the truth and faith of the *Sicilians*.  
And at this time more than ever before, he stood upon his guard, and took heedfull care of him-  
self and his charge by occasion that he heard of so many treacheries and treasons, so many revolts  
F of Cities, and massacres of garrisons: and therefore as well by day as night, he looked that the  
Castle was well provided and furnished of good watch and ward continually: & the souldiers  
never departed from their armour nor their appointed place. Which when the chief Citizens of  
*Enna* perceived, who already had covenanted with *Himilco*, and promised to betray the fort and  
the garrison: and saw that the Roman Captain was so wary, that he lay not open unto the opportu-  
nity of any fraudulent and guilefull counsell, they resolved by a secret and open means to effect  
their designed enterprise. They alledged therefore unto *Pinarus*, "That the City and Castle  
"as freemen, and were not yielded as slaves to be kept in dures and prison. Reason would there-  
fore, and meet it was (as they thought) that all the keys of the gates were delivered unto them.  
G "With good and trusty allies, their own faith and truth is the surest bond. And no doubt, the  
"people and Senate of *Rome* would con them greater thank, and esteem more dearly of them, if  
"to be they of themselves, not by constraint, but of willing mind, would abide and continue in  
"their found allegiance and fast friendship. *Pinarus* made answer again, "That he was by his  
"General placed there Captain of the garrison: at his hands he received the keys of the gates, and  
"the Constableness of the Castle, and the same to hold and keep neither at his own will, nor at  
"the pleasure of the men of *Enna*, but at his disposition, who sealed him his Commission. Now  
"for a Captain to abandon his fort (quoth he) is a capital crime among the Romans, by vertue of



*Pinarus* his  
speech to his  
souldiers.

"a law, which our fathers themselves have confirmed, even by the exemplary punishment & death  
of their own children, who have transgressed the same. And seeing the Consul *Marcellus* is not  
far off, ye may, if it please you, send your Embassadors unto him, of whom you may be certified,  
under whose power, commandment, and government I am. Truth say they, we will never send  
unto him. But if words and reasons may not prevail, we will work some other means to reco-  
ver our liberty again. Then quoth *Pinarus* to them, if ye think much to address your mellen-  
gers to the Consul, yet do me this favour, as to call a Common Council of the people to my  
"body of the City. So it was accorded and agreed, that a generall assembly should be proclaimed  
again, the morrow. Then *Pinarus* after that he was departed from this party, returned into the  
fortreſſes, and calling his souldiers together, spake unto them in this wise: "I suppose ye have heard  
already (my souldiers) in what sort the Roman garriſons have, these daies past, been betrayed  
and murdered by the Sicilians. That treachery hitherto ye have avoided and escaped; first & prin-  
cipally through the goodwills of the gods: next and immediately by your own valour and pro-  
weſſe, & by continual watch & ward, standing in your armor both day & night. And I would to  
God ye might pass as well the time to come, without falling into this hard choice either to en-  
dure and suffer such horrible mischief, or to execute and commit a fearful example of cruelty:  
This intended treason of theirs hath been carried and conveyed closely and cautiously all this  
while, & seeing they cannot as yet meet with any advantage to surprise us, they would seem now  
openly and without dissimulation, to demand for to have all the keys of the gates under their  
hands. Which we should not so soon part with & render unto them, but presently *Enna* would  
return to the Carthaginians, and more cruelly should we here be murdered and hewn in pec-  
ture, than the garriſon was at *Murgantia*. Much ado I had to obtain of their reprieve of this  
night, to take further counsel: that I might advertise you of the present danger, wherein both I &  
you stand. To morrow morning by day-light, they purpose to hold a solemn assembly of the  
people, and to make a speech unto them, to accuse me, and to stir them up against you. And  
to morrow is the day that the City *Enna* shall overflow either with the blood of you, or of the  
inhabitants. And be ye well assured, that as ye shall lose all that you have, if they surprise you:  
so in case you prevent them and begin the fray, there shall no peril at all betide you. Look who  
first lieth hand on his sword and draweth it, he shall carry away the victory clear. Therefore yet  
must be these preſent in your armor, and attentive to expect a signal from me. I myself will be  
present in the assembly, and with parling and debating, temporise and draw out the time, until  
ye be all in readines and every thing in order. And so soon as I shall give you a sign, withdraw  
your gowns, then let me hear you set up an outcry, then let me see you fall upon the multitude: down  
with them and spare not, and put them all to the sword. See in any case there be not one other  
"escape your hands and remain alive, from whom ye may fear any harm, either by fraud or  
force. And now I beseech thee O Dame *Ceres*, and thy daughter *Proserpina*, and all other gods  
in heaven above, or in hell beneath, who inhabit this City, these holy lakes and sacred fountains,  
wherein ye are honoured and worshipped, to vouchsafe to be propice and favourable unto us:  
in case we enter into this action and enterprise, for the avoiding of treachery intended against  
us, and not to offer mischief unto other: and not otherwise, I would use more words unto you  
my friends and souldiers, for to animate and encourage you, if it were that you had to deal  
with men in arms: but since they are naked, unarmed, & unwarned, you shall kill and slay them  
at your pleasure, and satisfy your selves with their blood. And to the end that you need not fear  
any harm from *Himilco* and the Carthaginians, let the Consul himself lieth encamped near  
at hand. After this exhortation they were dismissed, to take their repose and rest. The next  
day, they were bestowed in sundry parts of the City, some to beset all the streets, others to block  
the passages and the waies against the townsmen, and were nothing impeded as being used heretofore to  
behold and see the assemblies of the people. The Roman Captain *Pinarus* was by the Magistrates  
brought forth and presented before the people: where he pleaded, that if lay not in his hands but  
in the power and authority of the Consul, to dispose of that which they demanded: and he re-  
sisted for the most part the same allegations that he shewed the day before. At first they began  
gently, some few by little and little: afterwards more and more of them, required him to deliver  
up the keys; and so consequently all with one voice, charged and commanded him so to do: and  
when he seemed to make some stay and defer the matter, they menaced and threatened fiercely, yet  
and seemed as if they would no longer forbear, but proceed to extreme violence. Then the Captain  
made a sign with his robe, according to the former agreement: and with that the souldiers who  
had their eyes upon him, waiting wittily for the signal and were ready for execution, set up a loud  
cry and ran some from aloft upon the multitude assembled over against them; others stood thick  
at every corner of the Theatre, where the people should go forth, and opposed themselves against  
them. Thus the men of *Enna*, shut up and penned within the Theatre were massacred and lay  
trampled one upon other: not they only that were killed, but such also as fled one other another's  
head: the sound fell upon the wounded, the quick upon the dead, one with another, by heaps.  
Then there was running from thence sundry waies, and as if the City had been taken upon assault  
by the enemy, there was nothing but murdering and flying away in every place. And as hot and fir-  
mous were the souldiers in the execution of this unarmed multitude (whom they judged wor-  
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A thily and justly to be killed) as if like danger presented unto them, or choler raised in set battel, had  
provoked them thereto. Thus *Enna* was held still for the Romans by this means: were the deed  
imply ill, or by circumstance needfull and necessary; *Marcellus* mistook not of the fact & grant-  
ed the pillage of the Citizens of *Enna* to the souldiers: supposing that the Sicilians through-  
ly frightened by this fearful example would betray no more garriſons. The calamity and hard fortune  
of this City, (standing, as it did, in the very heart of Sicily) was in one day divulged and notified  
throughout the Island, from one end to the other. And otherwise, a famous and renowned town it  
was, either for the natural situation exceeding strong; or because all places in it were accounted  
sacred and holy, in remembrance of *Proserpina*, who in times past left her footing & traces there, at  
what time as she was stolen away & ravished by *Pluto*. [Now it was generally thought by the  
Sicilians, that this cursed and detestable massacre had defiled and polluted not only the habitations  
of men, but also the temples of the gods: whereupon even they likewise, who stood but doubtful  
and indifferent before, fell now away from the Romans, and turned to the Carthaginians.]

Then *Hippocrates* retired to *Murgantia* and *Himilco* to *Agrippinum*: who were sent for by the  
conspirators and traitors within *Enna*, and approached with their forces, but to no purpose. *Mar-  
cellus* returned to the Leontins country: and after he had brought into the Camp corn and other  
vituals, and left there a mean guard, he presented himself to the siege that lay before *Syracusa*.  
And when he had sent *Appius Claudius* to Rome to sue for the Consulship, he committed the  
charge in his room of the Armado there, and the old leader unto *T. Quintius Crispinus*. Himself  
Creted and fortified his winning harbours five miles from *Exaplois*, at a place which men call  
*Leontia*. And these were the affairs of Sicily unto the beginning of winter.

In the same summer the war began likewise with King *Philip* which long before had been sus-  
pected. For there came Embassadors from *Oricum* to *M. Valerius* the Praetor, Admiral of the fleet,  
for the defence of *Brundisium*, and the sea-coast thereof about *Caduria*, and made report that  
*Philip* first assailed to win *Apollonia*, and was come up the river with one hundred and twenty  
light galleys, or foists with two ranks of oars against the stream: and afterwards, seeing he could  
not effect his purpose so speedily as he hoped, privily by night he approached with his army to  
*Oricum*: and that the City, situate upon a plain, neither strongly fenced with walls nor well man-  
ned with souldiers, nor yet furnished with armor and munition, was at the first assault surpris-  
ed and won. And as they recounted these newsto they brought him to grant aid and succour: and  
to make head against this undoubted enemy of the Romans, either by Land or for as at Sea, and  
to chase him away from them: who for no other reason were by him assailed, but because they  
were near neighbors to Sicily. *M. Valerius*, leaving the guard of that place to *T. Valerius* his Lieuten-  
ant General, with a fleet of ships well rigged, furnished & appointed: and having embarked these  
souldiers (which the galleys for war would not receive) in the merchants ships of burden, arrived  
at *Oricum* on the second day after: and finding that City kept with a small and slight garriſon,  
which *Philip* when he departed from thence had left there, recovered it without much resistance.  
Thither repaired to him embassadors from *Apollonia*, who brought word that they were besieged,  
because they refused to revolt from the Romans: and were not able to hold out any longer against  
the forcible attempts of the Macedonians, unless a garriſon of Romans were sent unto them. He  
promised to effect whatsoever they desired, and so shipped a thousand elect and choice souldiers  
in galleys, and sent them to the mouth of the river, under the conduct of a Captain of Achaies  
*Neonius Crispus*, an industrious man, and an expert souldier. He having landed his men, and sent the  
galleys back to *Oricum* (from whence he came) to the rest of the Armado, conducted his souldiers  
higher in the country, far from the riverside, by a way that was not before held by the Kings for-  
ces: and in the night-season, unawares to all the enemies, entered the City. The day following they  
rested, only the Captain took a survey of the youth and able men of *Apollonia*, of their armor and  
the munitions and forces of the City. When he had seen and perused all, thereupon he was well  
appaid and encouraged to fight, and withall he had learned by the scouts and spies, how restlesse,  
fickle, and negligent the enemies were without. So at midnight he went forth of the City without  
any noise, and entered the Camp of the enemies so carefully guarded as it was, and lying so open:  
before that by credible report, there were above one thousand men got within the trench and rampier,  
might have passed on still even as far as to the Kings Pavilion. But by reason that they flew the  
wardens next the gates, the enemies were raised: whereupon they were all so frightened and terri-  
fied that not only there was never a souldier took weapon in hand, and went about to repulse the  
enemy out of the Camp: but even the King himself, half naked as he was, and newly awakened out  
of his sleep, clad in simple apparel, scarce decent for a common souldier, much less for a King,  
was faine to run toward the river side to his ships. Thither also the other multitude fled dis-  
ordered in heaps. There were not many under three thousand either slain or taken prisoners in  
the camp. Yet there were more by odds of the enemies taken than killed. In the sifting of the camp  
the Apollonians met with *Catapulta* and *Balists*, and other engines provided for the assault of the  
City, which they conveyed all to *Apollonia*, to serve for defence of their walls against the like  
occasion of needfull service. All the booty besides of the camp was granted unto the Romans.

Tidings hereof being come to *Oricum*, *M. Valerius* presently set forth the Armado as far as to  
the mouth of the river, that the King might not flee away and escape by sea with his ships: where-  
upon *Philip* distrusting his power as well by sea as ashore, and doubting he was not able to match

the Romans, drew up some of his ships to land, set fire upon the rest, and so by land went into Macedonia, with a great part of his soldiers diarmed and spoiled. The Roman fleet wintered at Oricum with *M. Valerius*.

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bant.

The same year in Spain the affairs went variably on both sides. For before that the Romans passed over the river *Iberus*, *Mago* and *Asdrubal* defeated a mighty host of Spaniards, so as all the farther part of Spain had fallen from the Romans, but that *P. Cornelius* made haste to transport his army over *Iberus*, and came in good time to settle the wavering and doubtful minds of the allies. At the first the Romans encamped at *Castrum Alium*, a place memorable for the death of great *Amilcar*. The Castle was well fortified, and thither afore they had conveyed corn. But because all those quarters thereabout were full of enemies, and sundry times their Cavalry had charged the Roman footmen, and gone clear away without any harm, whereby there had been slain at times upon two thousand of them, which either made small haste away, and staid behind, or straggled loosely over the fields: the Romans departed from thence, nearer unto places of more security and peace, and fortified themselves in camp upon the mount of *Vitoria*. Thither came *Cn. Scipio* with all his forces, and likewise *Asdrubal* the son of *Gisco*, the third Captain of the Carthaginians, with a full army. And they all encamped beyond the water, over against the fort of the Romans above-said. *P. Scipio*, accompanied with certain light armed soldiers, was gone out closely to discover and take view of the places thereabout: howbeit, not so covertly, but he was espied by the enemies, and (no doubt) they had put him to a firewood foil in the open plain champion, but that he took a little hill thereby for his vantage. Where he was environed and beset round about: but by the coming of his brother *Cneus*, he was delivered out of that danger.

*Cusula*, a famous and strong City in Spain, and so near linked in affinity to the Carthaginians, that *Annibal* from thence married his wife, ranged to the Romans. The Carthaginians came against *Illiturgum*, and began to assault it, because a garrison of the Romans lay there: and like they were to be Matters of the town, by occasion especially of a great dearth and scarcity of victuals within. But *Cn. Scipio* for to relieve his friends and the garrison, went out with a legion lightly appointed with carriages, and marching between the two camps of the enemies skirmished with them, slew many of them, and entered the City. The morrow after he sallied out, joyined in fight with the enemy, and sped as well: so as in both battels there were slain of them above twelve thousand in the place, more than ten thousand taken prisoners, and 36 military ensignes carried away. Thus the siege brake up at *Illiturgum*. After this, the Carthaginians began to lay siege unto *Argira* (a City also comederat with the Romans), but *Cn. Scipio* at his coming raised that siege without any conflict. Then the Carthaginians from thence went forward against *Munda*, and the Romans followed them thither straight after. There they encountered together and fought a hot battel with banners displayed, for the space well-near of four hours. And as the Romans bare themselves bravely, and had got the better, and were at point of the victory, the retreat was sounded, by occasion that *Cn. Scipio* was hurt sore in his thigh with a barbed javelin, and the soldiers about him were greatly afraid that the wound was deadly. But no doubt, if it had not been for that fray and hinderance the very camp of the Carthaginians might that day have been forced. For not only the soldiers, but the Elephants also were driven already so far as the trench, and even there upon the very bank, 39 of them were flitted with darts and pikes. In this battel likewise were killed (by report) twelve thousand men, almost three thousand taken prisoners, and 57 military ensignes won. Then the Carthaginians retired back to the City *Arinnis*, and the Romans followed upon them, because they would give them no time to rest and breath themselves after their flight. Where *Scipio* being brought into the field in a litter, gave them battel the second time, and got the victory clear: but fewer of the enemies were slain by the one half than afore, because there were not so many in number left to fight. But (as they are a nation given naturally to renew war, and to be ever fighting, and cannot give over) they soon repaired and made up their forces. For *Asdrubal* had sent his brother *Mago* to levy and gather new soldiers: whereupon they took their heart again to try another field. These, being for the most part other soldiers (new come) fought as it were in revenge, and to uphold that side which in few daies space had so often taken the spoil, and demeaned themselves as courageously as they before, and sped as unto war. For there were slain of them above eight thousand, not many under one thousand taken captives, with military ensignes 58. In killing of them there was found very much spoil of the Gauls, as rings of gold, carunclets, collars, and bracelets great store. Over and besides, two great Lords and Princes of the Gauls, whose names were *Manicapus* and *Civilmarus*, were slain outright in that conflict. Eight Elephants taken alive, and three killed.

Now when as the affairs in Spain went thus fortunately with the Romans, they began at length for very shame to think of *Saguntum*, a town that was the cause of all these wars, and had now five years already been in the hands and possession of the enemy. Whereupon by force of arms they recovered it, drove out of the town the garrison of the Carthaginians, and restored it again to the ancient inhabitants, as many as remained alive, and had escaped these broils of war. As for the Turdetans, who were the occasion of the wars between the Saguntines and the Carthaginians, they subdued them, and brought them under their subjection, sold them in port sale, and destroyed their City utterly. These were the achievements in Spain, during the time that *Q. Fabius* and *M. Claudius* were Consuls.

At Rome, when the new Tribunes of the Commons were once entered into their office, presently

*L. Metellus*

*A. L. Metellus* one of the Tribunes afore-said, arrested the Censors *P. Furius* and *M. Atilius*, peremptorily to make their appearance and answer before the people. These Censors had taken from him being Treasurer the year before, his horse of service allowed him by the City, and displaced him out of his Tribe, deprived him of liberty to give his voice, and made him *Ararius*, and all, for being a party with them at *Canna*, who complotted to abandon Italy. But by the means and mediation of the other nine Tribunes, they were discharged: for they would not suffer, that the Censors should come to their answer while they were in office. And the death of one of them, namely, *P. Furius*, was the cause that they could not accomplish the sifting and numbring of the Citizens. And when *M. Atilius* surrendered up his Magistracy, *Q. Fabius Max.* held the solemn Assembly and Parliament of the people for the election of Consuls, wherein were created *Q. Fabius Max.* the Consul his son, and *T. Sempronius Gracchus* the second time, both absent. For Prætors, there were elected *M. Atilius*, and with him, they who at that time were *Ædiles* of the Chair to wit, *P. Sempronius Tuditanus*, *Cn. Fulvius Centimalus*, and *M. Æmilius Lepidus*.

This year, as it appeareth in old Records, were the Stage-plays first set out by the *Ædiles* of the chair, and continued four daies. This *Ædile Tuditanus* above-named was he, who at *Canna* when all besides him for fear were astonished, in that wofull calamity brake forcibly through the midst of the theenemies, and escaped. When *Q. Fabius* the old Consul had finished the Election, then they assembled the Senat for to consult and take order for the war: for the Provinces as well their own, as those that were under the Prætors: also concerning the armies, and the disposition of every charge and place of command. So the Provinces and armies were divided in this wise: The war with *Annibal*, whereforever it fell out, was committed to the managing of the Consul, with the charge of one army, which *Sempronius* himself had before under his conduct: and of another, commanded by *Fabius* the Consul. And those were two legions, *M. Æmilius* the Prætor, whose lot it was to have the jurisdiction over the forerunners, had committed his authority unto his Collegue *Atilius*, the Prætor of the Citizens of Rome, that he might govern the Province about *Lucania*, and those two legions, over which *Q. Fabius*, now Consul, had the command, while he was Prætor. To *Sempronius* the Prætor befall the Province of *Ariminum*. To *Cn. Fulvius* was allotted *Suessula*, with two legions likewise: so as, *Fulvius* should have the leading of the legions of Citizens, and *Tuditanus* receive his from *M. Pomponius*. The government of the foreign Provinces continued still in the former deputies. *M. Claudius* ruled *Sicily*, so far as the dominion of King *Hiero* extended: and *Lentulus* the Vice-Prætor, had the charge of the old Province. *T. Octavius* was high Admiral of the Navy, without any new supply or augmentation of forces. *M. Valerius* was employed in *Greece* and *Macedony*, with one legion, and the Armado which he had before. *Q. Mutius* was *L. Deputy* in *Sardinia*, having under him the old army, consisting of two legions. And *C. Terentius* had the administration of the affairs in *Picenum*, with that one legion which long time he had been Captain of. Moreover, it was decreed and agreed upon, that there should be mustered and enrolled two new legions of Citizens, and twenty thousand men besides the defence and maintenance of the State and Empire of Rome against any wars at once, either in hand already, or suspected shortly. The Consuls having enrolled two legions of Citizens, and chosen a supply to make out the rest, before that they set foot out of the City, procured the pacification of the gods, for the fearful and prodigious tokens that were reported. For the wall and gates of Rome were blasted and smitten with lightning from heaven: and likewise the Temple of *Jupiter* at *Aricia*. Other vain objects and illusions also of the eyes and ears, which men imagined they saw and heard, were believed for truths. Namely, there appeared in the river of *Tavacina* certain resemblances and shews of Gallies, whereas indeed there were none such. And in the Temple of *Jupp. Fidulium*, which standeth in the Territory of *Cosia*, there was heard, forthwith, rustling of armor: and the river of *Amternus* seemed to run with blood. When satisfaction was made by the Priests and Prelates, then the Consuls set forward in their expedition, *Sempronius* into *Lucania*, and *Fabius* into *Apulia*. Where it fell out, that *Fabius* the father repaired into the Camp at *Suessula*, as Lieutenant and assistant unto his son. And when *Fabius* the younger went forth to meet him, and his Sergeants or Officers marching afore, said not a word to *Fabius* the father, nor put him aside to give way, for very reverence of his person, (such majesty he carried) the old man rode forward, and passed by eleven of the said Lictors with their bundles of rods. Then the Consul commanded the Sergeant that was next himself to do his office: and with that said *Utter* called upon old *Fabius*, to alight from his horse back: and a laud, he set foot aground: I did all this but to try, quoth he, my son, whether you knew well that you were a Consul or no. "There came that night secretly to the Consul while the Camp lay there, one *Cassius Albinus*, an Arpinate, with his three bondslaves, promising, that if he might have a good reward for his service, he would betray *Arpis* into his hands. *Fabius* then propoised this matter unto his Council, to be debated of. Some were of opinion, that *Albinus* was to be whipped and put to death, fugitive runnagate and false knave as he was: a common enemy, and a dangerous to either part, and playing with both hands, like a double-hearted hypocrite. Who first, after the overthrow at *Canna* (as if he might turn with the wheel of fortune, and go from his word and faithful promise, and change ever as the changeth) ranged himself unto *Annibal*: and by his examp-



back with their Embassies unto their Generals, and that the third might remain with him, to read unto him a lecture in the military science of warfare, saying, that the nation of the Numidians were raw and altogether unskilful in footmen service, and only nimble and practised in fight on horseback. So (quoth he) from the first beginning of our nation have our ancestors used to war: & to have we from our childhood been enured to fight, Mary, an enemy I have, trusting and presuming much upon his Infantry, whom I would gladly be able to match every way in all kind of service, Footmen I am able to let out as well as another: for why? my Realm is populous and yieldeth abundance of men: but altogether ignorant we are, how to fit them with armor, how to marshall them, how to order and set them in battell array: in such as all my people in battell go to it pell-mell, and are as a multitude huddled and thrummed together at I venture without skill without discretion and adviement. The Embassadors answered and said, That for the present they would do according to his will and pleasure: but withal, they had his faithful promise & word of a Prince that he should immediately send back their companion again, in case their Generals approved not their deed in that behalf. Q. Statorius his name was, that staid behind with the King. So Syphax sent by the two Romans his answer to the foresaid Embassage into Spain: and besides, with them other Numidians, Embassadors of his own, to receive farther assurance and security from the Roman Generals: unto whom he gave in charge, that forthwith they should solicit periwade, and entice all the Numidians that were auxiliary souldiers unto the Carthaginians, and served in any Camp City, or garrison Town of theirs, for to abandon them and come to him. And Statorius for his part, having mustered a great multitude of serviceable young men, chose forth and enrolled a power of footmen, to serve in the Kings wars: and when he had sorted them into bands and companies, and ordered them in battell array, as near as possibly he could, to the manner of the Romans: he trained them in their running to follow their colours: he taught them to keep their places in their ranks, and to double their files: and likewise he accustomed them to travell and do work: and so acquainted them with other military orders and exercises, that within short time, the King reposed as good confidence, and was as mighty in his new Infantry, as in his old Cavalry: and in a set pitched field on even ground, was able to meet the Carthaginian with banner displayed, and give him the foil in a full battell. The coming of the Kings Embassadors into Spain, was to the Romans also a matter of great consequence and importance: for upon the rumour and lame that went thereof the Numidians began to fall away apace, and to come thither unto the Romans. Thus were the Romans joyned in amity and friendship with King Syphax.

When the Carthaginians had intelligence of this new alliance, they addressed immediately their Embassadors to Gala, who reigned in another part of Numidia, over a nation called Masiffa. This Gala had a son named Masaniffa, of seventeen years of age, but a youth of such towardness, and so forward in verree, that even then he made good and apparant shew, that he would another day enlarge his dominion, and make a more flourishing and mighty Kingdom than his father should leave it unto him. These Embassadors declared unto Gala, "That forasmuch as Syphax had entered league, and was banded with the Romans, to the end that by their alliance and society, he might be more mighty and puissant against other Kings and nations of Affrick: it were also better for him and much more commodious to joyn with the Carthaginians in all convenient speed: before that either Syphax passed over into Spain, or the Romans into Affrick." And Syphax (say they) may soon be defeated and overthrow now, while that he hath gained naught yet, but the bare name of the Roman League. Gala was soon perswaded to send a power of men especially at the earnest instance of his son, who was very desirous of that war, and to have the managing thereof. He with the help of the Carthaginian legions vanquished Syphax, and gave him a great overthrow. So as at that field there were slain, by report, in one day thirty thousand. Syphax himself in person, with some few Numidian horsemen fled back to the Mauritians, that inhabit the furthest coasts, hard upon the Ocean over-against Gades. But the barbarous people at the fame of his coming reorted in great numbers to him out of all parts, that in a short space he was able to arm a mighty host. And before he could with them cross over into Spain, which was divided from Affrick with a narrow arm of the sea, Masaniffa was come with his victorious Army: who in that place, of himself, without any help or aid of the Carthaginians, gave Syphax battell: to his great honour and singular glory. In Spain no memorable exploit was achieved, but that the Roman Generals allured and drew to them the able and serviceable manhood of the Celtiberians, for the same hire and stipend that they bargained for with the Carthaginians: and sent from thence above three hundred Spaniards of the noblest parentage into Italy, to solicit their countrymen, who served under Annibal as auxiliaries to follow them and take part with the Romans. This only touching the affairs of Spain that year is a thing worthy to be noted and remembered. That the Romans never waged souldier to serve in their war before that time, who the Celtiberians began to be their mercenaries, and first received pay,

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## Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation of the City of Rome.

## The Breviary of L. Florus upon the five and twentieth Book.

Publius Cornelius Scipio, surnamed afterwards Africanus, was made Edile, before he was of lawfull years. Annibal won the City Tarentum (all but the Castle, into which the Roman garrison was retired) by means of certain young Tarentine Gentlemen, who had made semblance, that they went by night a hunting. The solemn plates in the honour of Apollo, were now first instituted, upon occasion of certain propheticall verses of Martius, wherein the overthrow at Cannæ had been foretold. Q. Fulvius and Ap. Claudius Consul, fought fort unavely against Hanno, a Duke or Captain of the Carthaginians. T. Sempronius Gracchus the Pro-Consul, was by a Lucan (his host that gave him entertainment) trained into the danger of an ambush, and slain by Mago. Centenius Penula, who had served in the wars as a Centurion, having made suit unto the Senat, to have the leading of an army, and promised, if this petition were granted, to win the victory of Annibal, and to vanquish him: took the charge of eight thousand footmen, and gave battell to Annibal: but he was slain himself, and his whole army defeated, and put to the sword. Cn. Fulvius the Prætor fought unsuccessfully against Annibal, and left the field: in which fight there died sixteen thousand men. Himself, with two hundred horsemen fled and escaped. Capua was besieged by Q. Fulvius, and Appius Claudius, the Consuls. Claudius Marcellus in the third year of the siege won Syracuse, and bare himself in that service like a worthy and noble Knight. In that tumult and busy-burly when the City was taken, Archimedes, while he was busily occupied about certain Geometrical figures and forms that he had drawn in the dust, was killed. The two Scipios, Publius, and Cornelius, after so many and so worthy exploits performed fortunately in Spain, came to a weak and heavy end, being themselves slain there, with the loss well-near of their whole Armies, in the eighth year after that they went into Spain. And the main possession of that Province had been quiet lost, but for the singular manhood and industry of L. Martius, a Knight of Rome, who having rallied and gathered together the remnants of the armies, so encouraged them, that by their valiant service two several encamped holds of the enemies were won, seven and thirty thousand of the enemies slain, and eighteen hundred taken prisoners; and a great rich booty obtained, whereupon he was called Captain Martius.

## The five and twentieth Book of T. Livius.

When these affairs thus passed in Affrick and in Spain, Annibal employed the summer season in the territory of Tarentum, in hope by treason to be Master of the City of the Tarentins. In which mean while, certain base Cities of the Salentins, and towns of no importance revolted unto him. And at the same time, of those twelve States of the Bruttii, which the year before had turned, and banded with the Carthaginians, the Consentins and Thurins were rallied wholly again to the devotion of the people of Rome. And more of them had returned likewise, but for L. Pomponius Centenius, Captain of the allies: who after he had made certain rides into the country of the Bruttii, and sped his hand well with many booties, took upon him the countenance of a sufficient Colonel, and was no less reputed and having gathered a power of men, suddenly in haste, without good adviement, fought with Hanno. In which conflict, a mighty multitude of his men were either slain or taken prisoners. But, as good hap was, they were but a disordered unruly rabble of rustical clowns and bond-slaves: and the least loss of all other, was the Captain himself, who amongst the rest was taken captive: a man as then, the author of a rash and fool-hardy fight, and had been aforetime a Publican or farmer of the City revenues, and alwaies (through his naughty practices and cunning fetches and shifts wherein he was become skilful) a dishonest person and dangerous both to the public State, and also to those private companies and societies, with whom he had commerce and dealing. Sempronius the Consul, lying in the Lucans country made many light skirmishes, but not any one worth remembrance, and won certain poor towns, and of small regard, belonging unto the Lucans.

The longer that this war continued lingering, whiles prosperous success and adverse mishap interchangeably wrought much variety and alteration as well in the inward minds of men: as in their outward state and fortune: such religious zeal and superstition (and the same for the most part in forein ceremonies) had so seized & possessed the City, that either the men or gods thereof, were suddenly all at once become clean altered and transfigured. In such as now the Roman rites and holy observations were contemned, not only in secret, & within doors at home in their private

private houses, but abroad also in the open streets, yea, and in the common place and Capitol: where they flocked alwaies a sort of women that neither offered sacrifice and oblations, nor said their prayers, and did their devotions according to the use and custome of their native country and City. Certain odd Priests and Chaplains, yea, and dotting wizards and blind Prophets, had inveigled the minds and consciences of men: whose number was the greater by reason first of the rural people and peasants of the country, who for need and poverty, and for fear together, were driven to quit their lands which they had not tilled and husbanded, by reason of the long wars, and many invasions and rodes that laid all waste, and so retired into the City: afterwards by the ease of occupation and ready means of gain which they found by the error of others, whom they soon reduced and abused: which trades they used and practised openly, as if it had been a lawfull art and mystery. At the first, divers good and honest persons began secretly to grieve and be offended herewith, yea, and to mutter and utter their griefs in private: but afterwards in protests of time the matter was presented before the LL. of the Councill, and brake forth to open complaint in publick places. The *Ædiles* and *Triumvirs* Capitall were blamed much, and sharply rebuked of the Senate, for not redressing these disorders: and when they went in hand to rid the common place of this multitude, and to cast down, overturn, and sling away the preparation and provision for their sacrifices and oblations, they had like to have been misused and mischieved by the people. When this malady and misorder seemed now to be greater than might be remedied and reformed by the meane and inferiour Magistrate, *M. Æmilius*, Prator of the City for the time being, received Commission by order from the Senate, to see that the people were eased and delivered from this new religion and superstition. He not only read unto them in a publick assembly the decree of the Senate in that behalf, but also made proclamation, *Imprimis*: that whosoever had any books of prophecies or prayers, or treatises written of this art and science of sacrifices, should bring in all those books and writings unto him before the Calends of April next ensuing. Item, that no person should sacrifice either in publick place, or sacred Church, after any new form or forrein rights and traditions. And in that year there died certain publick Priests, to wit, *L. Cornelius Lentulus* the Arch-Prelate, or high Priest: and *C. Papyrius Maffo*, the son of *C. Maffo* a Bishop, also *P. Furius Pholus* an Augur, and *C. Papyrius Maffo* the son of *Lucius*, a Decemvir deputed for holy mysteries. In place of *Lentulus* and of *Papyrius*, were *M. Cornelius Catellus*, and *Cn. Servilius* Cyp substituted high Priest and Bishop. For Augur there was created *L. Quinctus Flaminius*: and *L. Cornelius Lentulus* was choise Decemvir over sacred ceremonies and divine service.

Now the time drew near of the solemn election of new Consuls: but because it was not thought good to call the old away, (busied as they were in the wars) *T. Sempronius* one of the Consuls, nominated for Dictator, to hold that election aforesaid, *C. Claudius Cento*, who named for his Generall of the Cavalry *Q. Fulvius Flaccus*, this Dictator, the first comitial day following, created for Consuls *Q. Fulvius Flaccus* above named, his Generall of horsemen, and *Ap. Claudius Pulcher*, who in his Pratorship had the jurisdiction and government of the Province of Sicily. Then were the Prators elected, *Cn. Fulvius Flaccus*, *C. Claudius Nero*, *M. Junius Syllanus*, and *P. Cornelius Sulla*. When the Election was ended the Dictator resigned up his place.

That year was *Ædile Curule*, together with *M. Cornelius Catellus*, one *P. Cornelius Scipio*, whose surname afterwards was *Africans*. When he stood and made suit for the *Ædileship*, and the Tribunes of the Commons were against him, objecting that he was not eligible and capable of that office, for that he was not of lawfull age to be a competitor, and to put in for it: li (quoth he) all the Quirites and Citizens of Rome will choise me *Ædile*, I have years enough on my back. Whereupon, in favour and furtherance of his suit, there was such running and labouring on all hands to the Tribes for their voices that the Tribunes suddenly surceased their purpose to hinder him. And this was the largest and donative that the *Ædiles* bestowed. The Roman Games were, according to the wealth of that time, exhibited and set out with great rate and magnificence, and continued one day longer than ordinary: and for every street throughout the City, was allowed a N \* Confins of oyl. *L. Villius Tappulus*, and *M. Fendamus Fundulus* *Ædiles* of the Commons, accorded certain games and wives of the City before the people, of dishonest and incontinent life, and some of them being condemned, they forced into banishment. The Games called *Plebeis*, were renewed for two daies: and by occasion of these games a solemn feast or dinner was kept for the honour of *Jupiter*.

Then *Q. Fulvius Flaccus* the third time entered the Consulship, together with *Appius Claudius*: and the Prators cast lots for their Provinces. It fell unto *P. Cornelius Sulla* his lot to have the jurisdiction both of Citizens and strangers, which before was executed by twain. To *Cn. Fulvius Flaccus* fell *Apulia*: to *C. Claudius Nero* was allotted *Suessula*: and *M. Junius Syllanus* his hap was to have the rule of the Tuscans. The Consuls were appointed by decree of the Senate to war with *Amibis*, and to have under their command two legions apiece: and that one of them should receive his legions of *Q. Fabius*, the Col. of the former year: and the other take his at the hands of *Fulvius Cincinnatus*. As for the Prators, *Fulvius Flaccus* had Commission for the conduct of the legions at *Luceria*, which served under *Æmilius Prator* there: and *Nero Claudius* was to have the leading of those that were under the hand of *C. Terentius in Picenum*: and that they should provide themselves of supply to make up the full number of the Companies. *M. Junius* had the charge of the legions of Citizens mustered the year before to serve in *Tuscany*: *T. Sempronius*

\* About a wine gallon.

*A. Gracchus* and *P. Sempronius Tuditanus* continued still in the government of their Provinces, the one of *Lucania*, the other of *Gallia*, and kept their own forces. Likewise *P. Lentulus* governed the old Province in Sicily: *M. Marcellus* was Lord Deputy of *Syracuse*, and so far as the Realm and Dominion of King *Hiero* reached, *T. Ostucilius* Admirall of the Navy. Greece was governed still by *M. Valerius*, *Sardinia* by *Q. Mutius Scævola*, Spain by *P. Cornelius Scipio*. To the old armies before, there were other two new legions levied and enrolled by the Col. So as in all, the whole forces for that year amounted to 23 Legions.

When the Consuls should muster the souldiers, they were hindred by occas of a lewd prank played by one *M. Posthumius Pyrgensis*, to the great trouble and disquiet of the State and publick peace. This *Posthumius* was by his vocation and calling a Publican, who many years together for crafty and deceitfull dealing, for avarice and covetousness, had not his fellow in all the City, but it were *L. Pomponius Vettianus* again: the same man, the year before as he portrayed the territories of the *Lucans* rashly and unadvisedly, the *Carthaginians* by the conduct of *Hanno* had taken prisoner. These two (forasmuch as it was covenanted and indentured before, that the transporting of those things which were for the provision of the armies beyond sea, should be warranted by the City against all danger of tempest: and that all damage and loss of goods that way mis-carrying, should not lie upon the shoulders of the Publicans, who had undertaken by great to serve the armies, but be made good again out of the common Chest and Treasure:) these publicans (I say) not only gave false information of certain shipwrecks, but also if they brought word at any time truly of some ships that were perished, they were such only as were lost by their own fraud and deceit, and not call away by chance or violence of weather. For they would freight & charge certain old vessels and shaken bottoms, with some few wares of small or no worth at all, and suffer them to sink for the nonce in the deep sea, and save the mariners and sailors with small pinaces and cockboats prepared aforehand for the purpose: and when they had done, lie shamefully and say that they had lost merchandise and commodities in those ships of sundry sorts, and of great value. These cunning parts of theirs had been the year past revealed and notified to *M. Æmilius* the Prator, and the Senat by him made acquainted therewith: howbeit there was nothing done, nor any act of Senat devised for the chastisement of the offender: because the LL. of the Councill in no case would offend the company and society of these publicans and farmers, in such a time especially, when there was some need of them. Then the common people took the matter into their own hands, for to proceed with more leverity against these lewd and fraudulent practices. At length, two of the Tribunes of the Commons, *Sp. and Lucius*, both *Carvili*, rose up and shewed themselves. For seeing how odious and intemperate an indignity this was, and not to be suffered, they brought *M. Posthumius* in question, and laid an action and set a fine upon his head, of two hundred thousand \* Asles. When the day of trial was come, whether the fine aforesaid should stand and be paid, or taken off and remitted: and that the Commons were assembled in so great number, that the great Court-yard of the Capitol would scarcely hold the multitude: the defendant spake for himself and pleaded at large. But the only hope that he seemed to have was this, in case *C. Servilius Salsa* a Tribune of the Commons a friend and near kinsman of *Posthumius*, would by virtue of his place come between and stop the course of law for proceeding farther, before that the Tribes and wards were called forth, to go together and to give their voices. These two Tribunes above named, having brought forth the witnesses to depose, and their depositions being taken, commanded the people to void and make way: And the lottery casket or foffer was brought forth to call lots in what Tribes the Latines should give their voices. All this while the Publicans were earnest with *Calpurnia* to dissolve the assembly by one means or other, and put off the Court for that day. The common people on the other side called on hard and gainst it. And as it fell out, *Calpurnia* sat forth in one of the points and corners of the assembly. He wist not what to do, his mind was so perplexed for shame of the one side, if he did not help his friend and kinsman, and for fear on the other side, because he saw the people so eagerly bent. The Publicans seeing small hope of help in him, with full intent to make some stir, and to trouble the Court, put forward forcibly and advanced themselves through a void way, seized upon an high pace, and between the Tribunes and the people, rushed in upon them, and fell to quarrell and brail both with the people of the one side, and also with the Tribunes on the other: inasmuch as they were like to go together by the ears. Whereupon *Fulvius* the Consul, "See ye not (quoth he to the Tribunes) how basely ye are accounted of and made of no better reckoning among them, than private persons? See ye not a riot and mutiny toward, unless ye make haste and break up the assembly? So the Commons were dismissed, and a Senate called: Where the Consuls made relation unto the Lords of the Councill, and complained how the solemn Session and Court of the Commons, was by the audacious violence of the Publicans disturbed: "That Court (I say) wherein *M. Furius Camillus*, upon whose exile ensued the destruction of the City, suffered himself to be condemned by ungrateful Citizens: wherein the Decemvirs afore him by virtue of those laws the City is governed, and we live at this day: and wherein my principal Citizens afterwards have been content to be set down and judged by the people. Moreover, how *Posthumius Pyrgensis* by force wrested from the Commons, the liberty of their voices and suffrages: subverted and made void the judicial Session of the Commons: cursed the Tribunes and had no regard of them: came as it were in warlike manner against the people of Rome: and got for their vantage the higher ground; to keep the Tribunes from coming unto the Commons: and

\* 625 lbs. ster.

The complaints of the Consuls to the Romans.



"and to stop the tribes for being called to scrutiny and to give their voices: and nothing else ill  
 "was that kept men from committing a fray, and shedding blood, but the patience of the Magi-  
 "strates themselves: in that for the present, they gave place to the furious rage and malapart  
 "ness of a few: and for his will and pleasure brake up the assembly, before they could go together  
 "about the matter, they were met for: (which the defendant himself with force & arms was re-  
 "dy to stop and hinder for going forward) because they might have no occasion given them to  
 "quarrel, which was the only thing that they fought for. When this matter with all the circum-  
 "stances was thoroughly scanned of, and the best men there had spoken their minds, and given their  
 "opinion according to the outrageousness and indignity of the thing: and thereupon the Senat de-  
 "creed, that this violence tended to the breach of common peace, and the hazard of the State (a  
 "most dangerous precedent to be suffered) then without more ado, the two *Carvili* Tribunes of  
 "the Com. laid aside clean all debating about the penall fine aforesaid, and indicted *Posthumius* of  
 "a capital crime: and commanded him to be attached by a principall Serjeant, and to be led to pri-  
 "son, unless he put in good sureties for his appearance to answer the cause, such as would be bound  
 "for him body for body. *Posthumius* put in bail: and made default at his day. The then Tribunes  
 "called the Commons together preferred a bill unto them, which they granted to pass as an act, in  
 "this form: That if *M. Posthumius* came not forth & made appearance before the Calends of *May*,  
 "and being cited and called that day, answered not to his name, and no lawful excuse alleged for  
 "his absence, they judged him to be a banished man, and therefore awarded his goods to be sold  
 "port-sale and himself to be communicate, and interdicted the use of water and of fire: and to  
 "lose the benefit of a Citizen forever. This done, they began also to endure all those, one after an-  
 "other, of a capital crime, who were his abettors, and the movers and stirrers of a sedition and com-  
 "motion of the people and to call for personal pledges. At the first they committed as many of them  
 "as could find no such sureties: and afterwards, those also that were sufficient to put in bail. For the  
 "avoiding of which danger, most of them departed into voluntary exile. This was the end of the  
 "Publicans fraudulent dealing: and this was the issue of their audacious enterprise, in defence and  
 "maintenance of their guile and deceit.

\* 1 of May.

After this, a solemn Court was called for the creation of the Arch-Prelate, and *M. Cornelius*  
*Cetheus* newly elected Prelate, was the President of this election. Three competitors there were,  
 "who lived for that Preiacy and strived earnestly one against the other: namely, *Q. Fulvius Flaccus*, a  
 "Consul for the time being, who also had before been twice Consul, and Censor besides: also *T.*  
*M. Tullius Torquatus*, a man of great reputation, for that he had been likewise dignified with a double  
 "Consulship, and one Censorship: and last of all *P. Licinius Crassus*, who as yet, was to be before  
 "the Edileship: howbeit, this young man in that fute and contention was superiour, and carried  
 "it away from those grave, ancient, and honourable persons. Before him, for the space of an hun-  
 "dred and twenty years, there had not been created any one, the highest Priest, (save only *P. Cor-  
 "nelius Calpurnia*) but had sit before in the Ivory Chair and borne office of State. The Consul had  
 "much ado to go through with the Levy, and to enroll the full legion of souldiers, by reason that  
 "the small number of young and able men would hardly afford both to furnish out the new legi-  
 "ons of Citizens, and also to supply and make up the old. Howbeit the Senate would not suffer  
 "them to give over their enterprise which they were about, but agreed that there should be cho-  
 "sen two Ternions of Triumvirs: the one sort of them to be sent out, within the compass of fifty  
 "miles every way from *Rome*, the other to go further: with commission, to take good view and sur-  
 "vey, both within that precinct and without, in all through-fares and market towns: in boroughs  
 "and places of frequent assemblies: of all persons of free condition that they could set eye on: and  
 "so many as they thought able men of body to bear arms, although they were not come to the  
 "lawful age for service, to press them for souldiers. Also it was decreed, that the Tribunes of the  
 "Commons, if they so pleased, should put up a bill, that all under seventeen years of age, who had  
 "bound themselves by military oath, should have as good pay, as if they had been enrolled souldi-  
 "ers at seventeen years or upward. By virtue of this decree, the two Ternions aforesaid of the  
 "Triumvirs being chosen, made diligent search, and visited all the country over for free-born men  
 "accordingly.

At the same time letters came from *M. Marcellus* out of *Sicily*, concerning the demands of  
 "those souldiers who served under *P. Lentulus*, and they were read in the Senate House. That army  
 "consisted of the residue which remained after the field lost at *Canna*, and was confined into *Italy*  
 "(as hath been said afore) with this condition, not to return back into *Italy* before the Public  
 "war should be ended. These souldiers obtained licence of *Lentulus* to send as Embassadors un-  
 "to *Marcellus* (where he lay in winter harbour) the principall men of arms, such as served on hor-  
 "ses allowed by the City, the chiefe Centurions also and the bravest souldiers and chiefe flow-  
 "ers of the Legions. One of these in the name of the rest, having liberty granted them for to speak make  
 "his oration in this wise, "We had come to you into *Italy*, O *M. Marcellus*, when you were Consul,  
 "immediately upon that decree made against us (which if it were not unjust and unreasonable,  
 "yet surely it was heavy and rigorous enough: but that we hoped to be sent into this Pro-  
 "vince (so generally troubled and out of order by the death of the *KK*, there to be employed  
 "in some dangerous and cruel war against the *Sicilians* and *Carthaginians* both at once,  
 "and so with out bloudshed and grievous wounds to make satisfaction for our trespasses unto the  
 "Majesties and rulers of *Rome*. Like as in our fathers daies, they which were taken prisoners  
 "by

The Oration  
 of one of the  
 Embassadors  
 of the confined  
 souldiers: unto  
*Marcellus*.

"by King *Pyrrhus* before *Heraclus*, made amends for their fault by their good service against the  
 "same *Pyrrhus*. And yet, I can not see, [my *LL*, of the Senat] for what ill defect of our parts, ye  
 "either have been displeased aforesaid, or are offended at this present with us. For me thinks,  
 "I see both Consuls, and the whole body of the Senat of *Rome*, when I behold your face, O *Ma-  
 "cellus*: whom if we had had to our Consul at *Canna*, it would have gone better both with the  
 "Common-weal, and with our selves, then it did. For I beseech you, suffer us now, before I  
 "I make moan, and complain of our hard state and condition, to purge out selves of that crime  
 "for which we are blamed. Set afe, that neither the wrath of the Gods, nor destiny and fatal  
 "necessity (upon the Law and decree whereof dependeth the immutable order and infallible  
 "course and consequence of all things in the world) was the cause that we were defeated & over-  
 "thrown at *Canna*, but our own selves, and our default was the occasion: let us see then, whose  
 "fault it was, the souldiers, or the Generals? For mine own part, I remember I am a souldier,  
 "and if my Captain and General I will never speak but well of him especially, unto whom I  
 "know the Senat rendered thanks, for that he depaired not of the common-weal: and whose  
 "government ever since his flight and running away, hath been perogued from year to year, and  
 "who hath had the conduct of armies continually. Neither will I say ought of the rest likewise,  
 "who escaped that unfortunate foil and defeat, I mean our military Tribuns and Colonels, who  
 "(as we hear lay) sue for dignities, bear honourable offices in City, yea, and rule whole Provin-  
 "ces as *LL*, Presidents in foreign parts. It is so indeed my *LL*: do ye so easily pardon and forgive  
 "C your own selves and children? and deal ye so hardly, so rigorously and cruelly, against us bale ab-  
 "ject persons, and vile wretches? And was it no shame and dishonor imputed to the Consul and  
 "other great peronages of the City, to see, when there was no other hope? and were the poor  
 "souldiers sent by you into the field with this intention, to be all killed up, and none to escape? At  
 "the battail of *Alia*, the whole army in a manner fled away: Also at the Straights of *Caudium*  
 "(to say nothing of other shameful foils of our armies) the host yielded up their armor to the  
 "enemy, before they joynted battel, and fought one stroke. Yet, so far off it was, that those armies  
 "sustained any infamy and shameful reproach therefore, that both the City of *Rome* was recovered  
 "again by the means of those Regiments which fled from *Alia* to *Veii*, and also the *Caudine* le-  
 "gions which returned to *Rome* naked, were sent again into *Samium* well armed: who subdued  
 "D and brought under the yoke of subjection the very same enemies, who had taken such pride and  
 "joy in that dishonour and ignominy of theirs. And now, for the army before *Canna*, is any man  
 "able to come forth and charge them justly, that either they fled, or for cowardly fear behaved  
 "themselves unseemly, and not like souldiers? where were slain in field above fifty thousand men:  
 "from whence the Consul fled with fifty Horsemen, and no more: and of which company thereof  
 "not one remaineth alive, but whom the enemy, weary with killing, spared and left. I remember,  
 "at what time as the prisoners taken there, were denied money to pay for their ransom, then  
 "every man commanded and praised us, for saving and relieving our selves against another day, so  
 "we employed in the service of the Common-weal: for returning unto *Vestigia* to the Consul,  
 "and for making a good shew of a compleat army. But now, in worse case are we, than in our  
 "E fathers daies, captives have been that were taken prisoners. For they only had their armor and  
 "weapons changed for worse: their rank in the battel shifted, their place in the camp where  
 "they should quarter, altered: which notwithstanding, they recovered again all at once, by per-  
 "forming their good devoir to their country, and winning a victory in one fortunate battel. Not  
 "one of them was ever confined (as it were) to a place of exile: none put beside hope to be dif-  
 "charged from souldiery by serving out his full time: and to be brief, they were let to fight with  
 "some enemy or other, where they might once for all, either lose their life, or end their dishonor.  
 "And we, against whom nothing can be objected at all, unless it be this, that we were the cause,  
 "and none but we, that some citizen of *Rome* might be said to remain alive of all those that were  
 "at the battel of *Canna*: we I say, are sent far enough off, not only from our native country, and  
 "P *Italy*, but also from all enemies: where we was old in exile, to the end, that we might have no  
 "hope, no occasion and opportunity to wipe away and cancel our disgrace, to mitigate and paci-  
 "fy the anger of our fellow-citizens, and finally to die with honor. But it is neither end of  
 "shame, nor reward of virtue and valour, that we desire and crave: but only that we might be  
 "permitted to make proof of our courage, and shew our prowess. Pains and perils we seek for,  
 "and to be employed in dangerous adventures, like hardy men and brave souldiers. Two years  
 "already there hath been sharp and hot war in *Sicily*. Some Cities the *Carthaginians* won by  
 "force, other some the Romans took likewise by assault. Whole Regiments of foot, many troops  
 "and cornets of Horse encountered together, and assailed one another. At *Syracusa* there are great  
 "enterprises and worthy feats of arms, both by Sea and Land. The shouts of them that fight, the  
 "very clattering and ringing again of their armor and weapons, we can hear where we are, and  
 "we sit still like idle larks, and do nothing, as if we had neither hands nor weapons to fight with.  
 "T *S. Sempronius* the Consul, with legions of bond-slaves, hath bidden battel to the enemies,  
 "and fought with them in plain field to oft, that they are well recompensed for their labour with  
 "gaining their freedom first, and then the Burgeoisie of the City. Let us yet, in place and quali-  
 "ty at leastwise, of bond-slaves taken up and bought for money against these wars, fight with  
 "those enemies, as well as they have done, and by our fight strive, whether we can regain our en-  
 "largement and liberty. Will you your self, O *Marcellus*, make trial of us, and of our valour, by Sea,  
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"by Land, in pitched field, and battelranged, or in giving assault and winning of walled Towns? Put us to it, and spare not. The hardest adventures, the most painful and dangerous enterprises, are they which we require most gladly: that we may have that betimes, and at once, which we should have come unto at *Cana*: seeing that all the time we have lived since, hath been defined to our ignominy and disgrace.

At these words they fell down prostrate at *Marcellus* his feet. *Marcellus* answered them, that he had neither power of himself, nor commission otherwise, to content them, and satisfy their request. Howbeit, write to the Senat he would: and according as the LL. should give advice and direction, so he would do and not fail. These letters (as I said before) were brought to the Consuls, and by them read in the Senat-house. And after deliberate consultation about their contents, the Senat passed this decree: That as concerning those soldiers, who had forsaken their fellows fighting before *Cana*, the Senat law no reason, why they should be put in trust any more with the affairs of the Common-wealth: but if *M. Claudius* the Proconsul thought it good otherwise, he might do according to that which he judged convenient, and to stand with his own credit, and the safety of the State. Provided always, that not one of them be dispersed with, and freed from service or charge of soldiery: nor rewarded with any military gift in testimony and token of his valour: nor yet reduced home again into *Italy*, so long as the enemy made abode there.

After this, the Pretor for the City, by virtue of a decree from the Senat, and an act of the Commons, assembled the people together. In which Session were created five Commissioners called *Quinquerviri*, for the reedifying and repairing of the turrets and the walls: Likewise two other fraternities of *Trivumviri*, the one for taking an inventory of all sacred things, and to sign and note all offerings and oblations: the other for reedifying the Temples of *Fortune* and dame *Minerva*, within the gate *Carnaria*, and likewise of *Spes* without the gate, which the year past were consumed by fire. Great and fearful tempests hapned this year. On the Alban mount it rained stones continually for two days. Many places were blasted and smitten with lightning from Heaven; and namely, two Chapels in the Capitol, and the Rampier about the camp and fort above *Suespula* in divers places thereof: and two watchmen in their Sentinels stricken stark dead. The wall and certain turrets thereof at *Cumes*, not only smitten but also shaken down and overthrow with lightnings and thunder-boils. At *Reate* there was seen a huge stone to flie out and fro in the air. The sun also appeared more red than it useth to be, and like to blood. In regard of these prodigious fights, there was a solemn Procession and supplication all one day: and the Consuls (or certain days together, attended only upon Divine service of the Gods: and the Novendial Sacrifices were devoutly celebrated nine days together.

Now whereas a long time already both *Annibal* hoped, and the Romans also suspected that the Tarentins would revolt: there fell out between, an occurrence and outward accident, which hastened it the rather. There was one *Phileas* a Tarentine, who having abode long at *Rome* under colour of an Ambassador or legat, a busy headed man, and of an unquiet spirit, one that of all things could not away with rest and peace, in which so long as he lived he thought every day a year, and that now he was waxen old and aged therein found means to have access unto the hostages of the Tarentins. Kept they were in the Cloister belonging to the Temple of Liberty, with the less attendance and careful eye, because it was expedient and good neither for themselves, nor for their City, to make an escape, and deceive the Romans. These hostages he had oftentimes solicited and persuaded by much talk and many reasons, and at length having bribed and corrupted two sextons and warders of the said Temple, he trained them forth in the evening out from the place where they were in safe custody: and when he had accompanied them onward on the way as a guide, and directed them how to pass secretly, he fled himself and they together. By day break the next morning they were missed, and their escape was noised throughout the City: Whereupon, men were sent out after them from all parts, to fetch them in again: who having overtaken them at *Tarracina*, laid hold of them, and brought them back to *Rome*: where in the Comitium, they were, by the content of the people, beaten with rods, and then thrown down headlong from the cliff *Tarpeia*.

The cruel rigor of this punishment, caused much anger; and provoked two of the noblest and most famous Grecian Cities in *Italy* to indignation, not only in publick generally, but also in private particularly: according as any man was either in blood joyned, or in alliance and friendship linked to them who were thus foully and shamefully put to death. Amongst whom there were about thirteen noble Gentlemen of *Tarentum*, conspired together and the chief of them were *Nico* and *Philomenes*. These conspirators before they would stir and enter into any action, thought best to speak and confer with *Annibal* first: and so having gone forth of the City, under a pretence as if they went to the chase a hunting, by night they came unto him. But when they drew near unto the camp, the rest hid themselves within a wood near unto the high way: *Nico* and *Philomenes* only went forward to the watch, and there being taken (as they requested themselves) were brought before *Annibal*. Who when they had delivered unto him their complor and upon what occasions they entered into that designment they were highly commended, and promised great rewards, and wished and charged by him, that to the intent they might bear their country-men in hand, how they ever went out of the City to fetch in some booties, they should drive afore them into the City, certain cattel of the Carthaginians, which were put out to pasture and feeding

And herewith gave them his word to do it safely, and without any impeachment and resistance whensoever. Thus these young Gentlemen were seen to bring in good flocks of cattel: and as they were known to make this adventure the second time and other still, men marvelled the less at the matter, and suspected nothing. Now upon a new parling and communication with *Annibal*, they covenanted with him upon his faithful promise in the terms, *Impitius*, for the Tarentins themselves, to enjoy freely their Lands and goods, and live under their own laws. Item, to pay no pension nor tribute unto *Annibal*, nor be forced to receive a garrison against their wills. And last of all, to betray the garrison soldiery of the Romans, and all their fortresses and places of strength deliver up into the hands of the Carthaginians. When these conditions and capitulations were agreed upon, then *Philomenes* used much oiler to go forth and come in again in the night: and as he was known to be a great hunter, and much delighted in that exercise, he had his hounds following him hard at his heels, and all other furniture about him fit for huntmen: and lightly ever he took some wild beast or other with his hounds, or else got something from the enemy, that of purpose lay ready for his hands: and always as he brought home ought with him, he would bestow it either upon the Captain of the Roman garrison, or deal it among the warders of gates. And they all, verily believed and were persuaded, that his going out and in thus, moti by night, was only for fear of the enemies. Now, when he had used this to accomplish that he had made it an ordinary practice, in so much, that at what time of the night he ever had but once lured or whistled the gate was straight set open for him: then *Annibal* thought it time, to put the Capt. above said in execution. Three dayes journey he was off; Where became he would have men the less marvel, why he kept a standing camp so long still in one place he feigned and made himself sick. The Romans also, that lay in garrison at *Tarentum*, gave over to suspect his long abode and leaguering there. But after that he was determined and resolved to advance toward *Tarentum*, he picked out ten thousand foot and horsemen together, whom he supposed for nimble bodies, swift footmanhood, and lightness of armor, to be most meet for expedition: and with them at the fourth watch of the night, he marched forward with his ensignes. And having sent out afore-hand fourscore Numidian light Hories, he commanded them, to ride about and scour all the wayes on every side, and to cast their eye to elpse and discover all the coasts, that no country people a far off might decriy and view the army on foot, but they should be keen: and withal to bring in, as many as were gone before, and kill all them they met and encountered: to the end that the Peasants there inhabiting, might think they were Thieves and Robbers, rather than the vancuriers and fore-riders of an army. Himself in person marching with great speed and celerity pitched his camp almost 15 miles from *Tarentum*. Neither would he there, be known unto his men of his purpose, nor tell them whither they should go: only he called his soldierys together, and charged them to hold on the direct way, and not suffer any one to turn aside, nor in the march go out of his rank or file: and above all things, to be ready for to receive their charge and commandment from their Captains, and do nothing without their warrant and commission. As for himself he would when he saw his time, let them know his mind, and what the service was that he would have done. And about the same very hour and instant, news came as far as *Tarentum* that some few Numidian Horien men foraged the country, and had put the villagers in great fright all about. At which tidings, the Captain of the Roman garrison was no more moved, nor made any other halt, but only gave order, that some of the Horien men the next morning by day light should ride forth, to keep the enemy from farther excursions. In the mean time, they that had this charge, bare themselves so carelessly in providing themselves to execute that which they were commanded, that contrary-wise, they took those outrides of the Numidians for a good argument, That *Annibal* with his army was not dislodged, but abode still in leaguers where he lay first. *Annibal* when it was once dark and dead night, began to set forward. *Philomenes* was there ready to be his guide, laden with his game hunted as his manner was. The rest of this conspiracy waited their time to execute their several charges, as it was agreed among them. Now it was ordered between them afore, that *Philomenes* coming in at the usual little wicket, with his venison that he had hunted, should bring in with him some armed men: and *Annibal* on another part, come to the gate called *Temenis*, which looked toward the East, and stood on the Land side of the City, a good way within the wall, as it were in a nook. When *Annibal* approached the said gate, he made a fire in token that he was come (as it was devised between them before) and it flamed forth and gave a shining light. The like did *Nico* again. Then the fires on both sides were put out, that they made no more blaze. And *Annibal* in great and still silence, led his army close to the gate. *Nico* came suddenly at unawares upon the watchmen fast asleep, killed them in their beds, and opened that gate. *Annibal* entered with his Regiment of footmen, and commanded the cavalry to stay be hind, to the end they might have liberty of open ground to ride, whicheversoever there was need, and as occasion required. Now by this time, *Philomenes* also was come near to that little gate on the other side, where he used to make his egress and ingress to and fro. And when he had raised the watchman with his voyce so well known, and with his whistle wherewith now he was familiarly acquainted, & said withal, that he was troubled with tugging and lugging of a foul & heavy beast: therewith the wicket was set open. Two lusty fellows there were carrying in the wild bore between them, and he himself followed with one of the huntmen, lightly & nimbly appointed, and whilst the watchman his eye was upon the two porters that carried the beast, wondering at the biggness of the bore, and took no heed to himself, *Nico*, thrust him through with his spear. Then

tered in after them, about thirty men armed, who killed the rest of the watch, and brake down the great gates withal: and immediately there entered the companies with banner displayed: and so, forth from thence they were conducted and brought to the market place, without making any noise, and there joyined themselves to *Annibal*. Then *Annibal* divided two thousand Gauls into three Regiments, whom he sent into sundry parts of the City: and gave order to the Tarentins and the Africans, to get possession of the most principal and populous places of the City: and when the cry and shout was once up, to kill all the Romans wheresoever, and to spare the Townsmen. But to the end that this might be orderly done, he gave direction to the young Gentlemen aforesaid of *Tarentum*, that so soon as they espied a far off, any of their own Citizens and Country-men, they should bid them be quiet and still, to hold their peace, to be of good cheer and fear nothing. By which time, they began to set up a shout and cry, as men use to do in a City taken by assault, but what the matter should be, no man of the Town or garrison could certainly tell. For the Tarentin inhabitants supposed verily, that the Roman souldiers of the garrison were risen up to sack the City: the Romans on the other side, thought that the Townsmen mutined, and they were in doubt of some traiterous practise. The Captain himself awakened and raised at the first tumult, escaped to the key, where he took a small Barge or wherry-boat, and fled to the Castle. The Trumpet also that sounded from the Theatre, made the greater terror: for it was both a Roman Trumpet, provided aforeshand for the purpose by those Traitors, and a Grecian blew it, one who had no skill: and so it was doubtful, both who he was that sounded, and who they were that he gave signal unto. When day appeared, and the Romans saw the armour of the Carthaginians and Gauls, then they wit well in what doore the wind was, and how the World went: and the Greeks seeing the Romans lying along every where slain, were soon aware that the City was taken by *Annib.* But after it was broad day light, and that the Romans who remained unkilld, were fled into the Castle, and the noise and hurlyburly began by little and little to slacke and give over: then *Annibal* commanded the Tarentins to be called to a general assembly, and to prevent themselves without arms. When they were all come together, but only those who with the Romans were fled for company into the Castle, there to abide in fortune as they: *Annib.* spake kindly unto the Tarentins, gave them good and friendly words, rehearsed with great protestation what favours he had shewed to all their Citizens, whom he had taken prisoners either at *Thrasymenus*, or at *Canna*: and withal, after he had bitterly imaged against the Lordly and proud rule of the Romans, he commanded every man to repair home to his own house, and let his own name upon his doore: for so many houses as had not the name written upon them of the Master thereof, he would presently upon sound of Trumpet, command to be rifled. Over and besides, that if any one should hap to write his own name, and let it on the door or lodging-house of a Roman (for he saw divers of their houses empty) he would take him for an enemy, and deal with him accordingly. After this speech ended, and the assembly dissolved, when the doors were marked with their titles and inscriptions aforesaid, whereby the houses of friends and enemies were known distinctly one from another: the signal was given by sound of Trumpet: and then there was running every where from all parts to ransack the lodgings of the Romans. And some pretty sprinkling of pillage they met withal. The next day after, he advanced against the Castle to assault it, which after he saw impregnable and not possible to be won, either by forcible assault, or by artificiall devices of fabricks and engines, by reason that both the Sea came to it, wherewith the greater part thereof was compassed, in manner of a demy Iland, and also fortified besides on another part with exceeding high and steep rocks: and withal, fenced from the City with a strong wall, and deep ditch: therefore, because he would neither let nor hinder himself from achieving greater affairs, whiles he was carefully busied onely about defending the Tarentins nor yet leave them without a strong guard, for fear lest the Romans from out of the Castle, might at their pleasure come upon them, he determined to raise a rampier for a partition between the Castle and the City, for their defence against the said garrison. And he was not out of hope, but that when the Romans should offer to issue forth to hinder the said work, they might also be fought withal: and in case they adventured rashly to run on, and engage themselves too far, they might be cut off in their heat, & the forces of the garrison might be so diminished & abated by some great slaughter & execution, that the Tarentins of themselves should be able with ease to defend their City against them. The said work was not so soon begun, but the Romans all of a sudden, set open the Castle gate, sallied forth & charged upon the pioneers as they were labouring about this bulwark. The guard that attended for the defence of the workmen, and stood before their work, fell off and suffered themselves to be put back, to the end that the enemies upon their first success, should be more adventurous: supposing that the further they gave ground, the more of the other would follow after and chase them. Which being perceived, the Carthaginians whom *Annibal* had kept close for this purpose, and had in readines very well appointed, rose out of all parts, and made head again. Neither were the Romans able to abide their forcible violence. And flie they could not in multitudes by occasion that the fearfulness of the place would give no leave: and besides, many things lay in their way: partly the work that was begun, and partly other provision of stuffe brought for the same, which mightily hindered and impeached them. Most of them fell headlong into the trench: and to be short, more perished in their flight, than were killed in the fight. After this, the fortification went in and again, and none durst venture to hinder it. So he cast a mighty deep ditch, & raised an high rampier within it. Also behind it, a pretty distance off, he went in hand

to build a more or wall to it, in the very same quarters: that they might be able even without any guard at all, or strength of men, to defend themselves against the Romans. Howbeit, he left them an indifferent band of souldiers, which might withal help out somewhat in making of the wall. Himself then departed with the rest of his army as far as the River *G. Iesus* (five miles off from the City) and there encamped. From which standing camp, he came back once again to survey the work: and finding that it went better forward than he looked for, he began to conceive some good hope that the citadel also might be won by assault. For why it was not defended surely by situation on high ground, as others are, but seated on a plain and divided from the City, by a wall only and a ditch. Now when as it began to be assailed with fabricks, and artillery devised of all sorts, there hapned a new supply to be sent from *Metapontum* to aid the garrison: whereby the Romans took heart unto them, in so much as in the night time of a suddain and before they were looked for, they set upon the fabricks and ordinance of the enemies planted thereupon: some they cast down and overthrew, others they fired and consumed. And there an end of *Annibal* his assault of the Castle from that side.

The only hope behind now, was in continual siege: and yet that hope promised no great effect, because they that held the Castle, had the Sea free at their command, all that side, whereas the said fort (standing as it were in an half Iland) overlooketh the mouth of the haven, and the City contrary-wise, was wholly secluded from all entrance of passage, and commodities coming in by Sea, and liker were they that besieged the fort, to feel the want and scarcity of victuals than those that were besieged within it. Then *Annibal* after he had called together the principal citizens of *Tarentum*, laid open unto them all, the present difficulties, saying: "That he neither saw any way to win by force the Castle so strong and fortified as it was, nor had any hope at all to gain it by siege, so long as the enemies were Lords of the Sea. But if they had ships once, whereby they might hinder and stay the coming in of their victuals and other commodities, the enemies immediately would either quit the peece, or yield themselves. The Tarentins held well with that, and approved the device. But (say they) he that giveth us that counsel, must also afford us means to effect the same. For the Carthaginian ships if they were sent for, and set out of *Sicily* might well do the feat: may, as for our own which lie shut up as it were, within a little creek and bay, considering that the enemy keepeth the mouth and entry of the haven, how is it possible that they should get out from their harbour into the open Sea, and pass without danger? Pass (quoth he?) Pass they shall, make no doubt of that. Many things, I tell you, considered in their own nature are cumbersome and difficult, but by policy and wit of man are easily welded and wrought with a sleight. Ye have a City here leared upon a plain and champaign ground, the wayes answering to every side of it are even, large, and broad enough, yea, and open to all quarters. I will chuse that way which crosseth the midst of the City, and passeth along to the haven and the Sea, and so will carry and transport the ships upon wains, with no great ado and trouble. And so, both the Sea shall be ours clear, which now the enemies keep, and also we shall besiege the Castle round, as well by Sea as by Land: nay, more than that, within short time we shall either enter it, being abandoned of the enemies, or else be masters both of it and them together.

Their words not only put them in good hope, that the enterprise would be effected, but also set them in a wonderful good conceit and admiration of the Captain himself. Then out of hand, all the wains and carts were taken up from all places as many as could be had, and were put together, and coupled one to another. Divers cranes and other instruments were set to, for to draw up the ships to Land the way made plain and level, that the carts might go more easily, and pass away with less trouble and more expedition. After this they got together draught oxen, cart jades and other labouring beasts, yea, and men also for to draw: and thus the work was lightly begun, in so much, as within few dayes the fleet well rigged, appointed, and dressed, was brought about the Castle, and rid at anchor even in the avenue & entry of the haven. In these terms stood *Tarentum*, when *Annibal* left it, and returned back to his wintering harbours. But authors wrote diversly of this revolt of *Tarentum*, whether it hapned the year past, or at this present. But the greater number of them, and those that lived neerer to that time, when the remembrance of their matters was fresh, affirm that it was this very year.

At *Rome*, the Consuls and Pretors both remained still, until the fifth day before the Calends of *May*, by occasion of the Latin holy-dayes, upon which day, when they had performed a solemn sacrifice, with all complements thereto belonging, on the *Alban Hill*, they departed every one to his several charge and Province. After this, there crept into the minds of men a new scrupulosity of conscience upon certain propheticall verses of one *Martius*, a noble and famous Prophet in times past. Now, by reason that in the year before, there was diligent search and inquisition made, for such books of *Fortune*, according to a decree granted out of the Senat, those verses came to light, and to the hands of *M. Emilius* Pretor of the City, who sat upon that commission. And he immediately gave them to *Sulla* the new Pretor. Of two Prophecies of *Martius*, the one, which afterwards carried the greater authority with it, by reason of the event that hapned so right, and declared it so evidently, caused the other also, whereof the time was not yet come, to be of credit and believed. The former contained a Prediction of the overthrow at *Canna*, in these or such like words:

From Trojan line, O Romans once descended,  
 Flea Cannæ River, near to Cannæ Town;  
 Left strangers born, who have thy death intended,  
 Force thee to fight on Diomedes his down,  
 But warning mine, thou wilt not rest upon,  
 Until with blood thou first do fill the plain;  
 And then to Sea from fruitful Lands anon  
 Thy men shall down the stream by thousands slain.  
 Thy flesh must bait the fish in Ocean deep,  
 And lure the fowles that stie from high to prey,  
 And feed wild beasts, on earth below that keep.  
 Mark well my words, Jove thus me taught to say.

And they who had been souldiers, and served in those wars, knew as perfectly *Diomedes* his plains, and the River *\* Cannæ*, as they did the very defeat it self, and losse at *Cannæ*. Then was the other Prophecy likewise read, which was the darker of the twain: not only because future things are more uncertain, than those which are past already; but also by reason of the kind of writing, which was more obscure and intricate, in these terms:

If enemies ye would expel, if both and plague for  
 \* Sent from a far, ye would drive forth, and vexed be no more;  
 To Phœbus (Romans) I advise, ye vow from year to year  
 To set forth plays in solemn wise, with mirth and merry cheer,  
 From publick stock, the people must, part of the charge disburse:  
 The rest shall ye, for you and yours, defray with private purse.  
 The sovereign Pretor must procure these games to be perform'd,  
 Who sits in place, mens pleas to hear, and see all wrongs reform'd.  
 Then shall the ten Decemvirs bight, the Greekish rites observe,  
 In slaying beasts for sacrifice, and nothing from them swerve.  
 If all be done accordingly, your joy shall aye increase,  
 Your State shall daily grow in wealth, and fruit of blessed peace.  
 For God Apollo will you save, he will your foes destroy,  
 Who at their pleasure waite your fields, and work you much annoy.

For the explanation and expiation both, of this prophesie, they took one whole day. And the morrow after, there passed a decree from the Senate, That the Decemvirs should peruse and look into the books of *Sibylla*, about the exhibiting of those laid games, in the honour of *Apollo*, and celebrating likewise of the sacrifices. And when all was perused, and relation made before the Senate: the Lords made an Act, and set down an order: First, to vow and set forth solemn pastimes according to the honour of *Apollo*. Item, After the Games were done and finished, to allow the Pretor *\* twelve* thousand Ases, toward the expenies of the divine service; and two greater beasts for sacrifice. There passed also another Act of the Senat, That the Decemvirs should celebrate divine service, and sacrifice after the observance and rites of the Grecians; and offer upon the Altar these beasts, to wit, an Ox with gilded horns, and two white female Goats, with gilded horns likewise, for *Don Apollo*: and a Cow with horns, in like manner gilded, for *Dame Latona*. The Pretor, when he was to represent the Games within the *Circus Maximus*, gave commandment, and made proclamation, That the people, during the time of those solemnities, should contribute money, for an offering to *Apollo*, every man according to his ability, and as he might well spare. This is the beginning of the Apollinare Games and Playes exhibited for obtain victory, and not for to escape some plague or pestilence, as most men suppose. And when they were celebrated, the people stood to behold and look on, adorned with garlands upon their heads, and the dames and matrons of the City went in procession, and made supplications. Every mans doore was set open, and they feasted and made good cheer generally through the City in the open street; and a high holiday this was, solemnized with all kind of ceremonies that could be devised.

But to return again to *Annibal*, who was about *Tarentum*; and both Consuls remaining in *Sammium*, but ready, as it seemed, to besiege *Capua*: it fell out, that the Campanians already were distressed with hunger and famine, (a calamity that usually followeth long and continual siege) and the reason was, because the armies of the Romans had impeached and hindered their feedings. Therefore they dispatched Embassadors to *Annibal*, beseeching him, that he would take order for gain to be brought into *Capua*, from all parts near adjoining, before that the Consuls were come abroad with their legions into their territory, and all the wayes beset, and passages stopped by the guards and companies of the enemies. Whereupon, *Annibal* gave direction to *Hanno*, that he should remove out of the country of the Brutii, and passe over with his forces into *Campania*, and endeavour so, that the Campanians might be provided of sufficient store of corn. Then

*Hanno* dislodged anon, and departed with all his power out of the *\* Brutians* countrey, purposing to avoid the league of his enemies, and namely the Consuls, who lay in *Sammium*: and when he approached near to *\* Beneventum*, he pitched his Tents three miles from the City it self, upon a high ground. After which, he commanded, that the corn should be brought to him into his camp, out of all the affociat and confederat Cities thereabout, into which it had been carried in the summer before; and allowed a good guard for the safe convey thereof. After this, he sent a messenger to *Capua*, to give them notice, upon what day they should attend, and be in readinesse to receive their corn; and against the time, provide out of the countrey for the carriage, carts, wains, and draught-beasts, and pack-horses of all sorts. But the Campanians, like as they carried themselves in all things else, idly and negligently, so in this they were very slack and retchless: for they lent little above forty carres, and some few beasts for carriage besides. For which they had a check given them, and were rebuked by *Hanno*; because that hunger, which cansteth the very dumb beast to beset it self and make hard shifts, was not able to prick them forward to be more careful about their own business. So there was a farther day appointed for to fetch their corn, and to come more furnished and better provided for carriage. All this being reported to the men of *Beneventum*, with the circumstances and particulars, as it was, they addressed with all speed ten Embassadors to the Roman Consuls, encamped then about *Bovianum*. Upon which intelligence given of the affairs at *Capua*, they took order, and agreed between themselves, that one of them should conduct an army into *Campania*, and *\* Fabius*, who undertook that charge, marched by night to *Beneventum*, and put himself within the walls of the Town. And there he was advertised by them that dwelt near hand, That *Hanno* was gone out with part of his forces, for to purvey corn: that there were 2000 carts come, with a rude and disorderly multitude besides of people, without armor; that all that they did was in hurry, in haste, and great fear; and finally, that the camp was out of form and fashion, and all good military order cleane gone. By reason of a rabble & multitude of country clowns, come out of those quarters, and enternegled amongst them. The Consul, I say, being informed for certain by credible persons of these things, gave his souldiers warning to make ready against the next night ensuing, nothing but their engines and weapons, for that they were to charge upon the camp of the Carthaginians. And so they set forward at the relief of the fourth watch, leaving their packs and truffles with all their baggage behind them at *Beneventum*: and presenting themselves before the camp, somewhat before day, they put them into such a bodily fear, and so terrified them, that if it had been pitched upon a plain ground, no doubt, it had been won at the first assault. But the height of the place, and their rampiers and fortifications besides, which could not possibly be entered upon, without climbing upon the steep hill with much difficulty, were a defence unto it. By day light there was a lusty assault given, and a hot skirmish begun, but the Carthaginians not only defended and kept their rampier, but also (as having the vantage of the ground) they chased and thrust the enemies back, as they mounted up the hill. Howbeit, resolute hardinesse overcame all hardness and difficulties whatsoever: For in diverse places at once they advanced as far as the banks and trenches; but it cost bloody blows first, and the death of many a souldier. The Consul therefore calling the Coronels and Marshalls together, said, it were not amiss to give over that rash and heady attempt, and, as he thought, it were the safer course, for that day to retire the army to *Beneventum*, and on the morrow to encamp themselves afresh against the enemy, to the end that neither the Campanians might get forth, nor *Hanno* return and enter into the Town again. And that this might be the sooner effected, and with a great deal more ease, he would lend for his Colleague also with his army, and both of them might jointly bend their forces that way. But these devices of the Captain general were soon dashed. For as he was about to sound the retreat, the souldiers with a loud voyce cried out, that they could not away with such faint Captains: they scorned to be commanded in so cold and slothful service: they would none of that: and so put the Consul out of his beut. It hapned, that next unto the gate entering into the enemies camp, there served a cohort or company of the Peligni, led by Captain *Fabius*, who caught the banner out of the bearer his hand, and flung it over the rampier, and with that, fell to cutting himself and his company both, wishing a plague light upon him and them to, if the enemies went away with that banner: and therewith led himself the way, and brake first through the trench, and over the palisado into their camp. Now by this time the Peligni fought within the rampier: and then *\* Valerius Flaccus* a Coronel of the third legion, from another side fell to upbraid the Romans, and hid them in the teeth with their beastly cowardice, for suffering their allies to have the honor of entering and taking the camp. Whereupon *T. Pedanius* (a centurion of the Regiment called *Principes*, and serving in the first place thereof) took likewise an ensign from him that carried it, and withal, Now shall, quoth he, this ensign, and this Centurion (meaning himself) presently be within the rampier of the enemies: let me see who dare follow, and save it from being taken by the enemy. At first, his own band and company followed him hard at heels, as he clambered to get over the rampier, and then the whole legion came after likewise. By this time, the Consul also seeing his souldiers climbing over the rampier, changed his purpose, and was of a clean other mind: and from calling and reclaiming his souldiers back, fell to exhort and encourage them, shewing in how great hazard and danger a right hardy and valiant cohort of allies were, and the whole Legion of Citizens besides. They all therefore set to, and every man did his best: and notwithstanding there was many a dart driven and javelin lanced, notwithstanding the enemies opposed

\* The same that *Audus*,

\* *Apollo* is called in Homer *Ilia*, & *Ephelot*, i. shooting afar off.

\* 37 lib. 10. lib. 10. lib.





"they would more gladly talk with him in person, and take hold of his right hand, which as the  
 "affured pawn of his faithful promise, he carrieth alwayes with him wheresoever he goeth, and  
 "they desire no more, I have therefore (saith he) appointed a convenient place of interview, and  
 "conference: lying out of the way and forth of fight, but yet not far from the Romans camp.  
 "There the matter may be dispatched in few words; and all the name and nation of the Lucans,  
 "reduced under the obedience and alliance of the people of Rome. *Gracchus* tusheth no fraud  
 nor harm neither in his words nor deeds, founding all to a great likelihood of simplicity and truth  
 in his content, departed out of the camp attended upon with his Sergeants, and guarded only  
 with a cornet of Horsemen: and so by the guidance of his own host, in whose house he lodged,  
 was plunged headlong within the danger of the ambush of his enemies: Who suddenly strove  
 and *Flavius* because he would put it out of doubt that he was a traitor, went to their side and  
 joyned with them. Then they let flie arrows, and shot darts against *Gracchus* and his Horsemen  
 on every side. "Whereupon *Gracchus* alight from horseback, and commanded the rest to do the  
 "same, exhorting them, that the only thing which fortune now had left unto them, they would  
 "grace and honour with vertue. For what remaineth else for us, (a small handful unto them)  
 "environed as we are with a multitude of them, within a valley compassed about with hills and  
 "woods, but present death? This only we are to resolve upon, Whether in this present amazed  
 "pells and heartless fear, we will as beasts suffer our throats to be cut without revenge again; or  
 "rurping wholly our timorous expectation and suffering of death, into choler and courage, fight  
 "adventurously and manfully, and bathing our hands in the blood of our enemies, lose our lives  
 "and fall down dead, upon the weapons and bodies of them, lying gasping themselves under us.  
 "Ah! I thinke Lucan, that fugitive rogue and rebel, that treacherous and false traitor, see ye all lay  
 "him. Whole hap it will be, ere he die, to be his Priest, to sacrifice and fend him to the Devil,  
 "he shall win an honourable prize, and find no small solace and comfort in his own  
 "death.

With these words, he wrapped his rich coat of arms about his left arme (for they had not  
 brought forth with them so much as their shields) and charged with exceeding force upon the  
 enemies. The fight was far greater on their part than for the proportion and number of the men.  
 The bodies of the Romans lay open most unto the floor, And thus overcharged on all sides from  
 the higher places: as being in the valley subject to the volley of their darts, they were soon pier-  
 ced through. When *Gracchus* was left naked alone, and his guard dead at his feet, the Cartha-  
 ginians did what they could to take him alive: but he having espied among the enemies his good  
 hot and friend, that Lucan, ran among the thickest presse: where he was to fully bent to mischief  
 him, that they could not will nor choose but kill him outright, without they would have left  
 the lives of many other. He was not so soon dead, but *Mago* lent him straight wayes unto *Ani-  
 bal*, and commanded that his body together with the knitches of rods (belonging to his Magi-  
 stracy) should be presented and shewed before the Tribunal seat of the General. And this is the  
 true report of the end of *Gracchus*: to wit, that he let his life in the Lucan Land, about the plains  
 which are called *Petres Campi*. There be some that tell it otherwise, how he being accompanied  
 with his Sergeants, and three serving men his bondslaves, went out from the camp within the  
 territory of *Beneventum*, neer unto the River. *Calor*, so to walk himself: where there chanced  
 his enemies to lurk, and lye in wait among the willows and salows that grew by the bank side,  
 and so being unarmed and naked too, he was assaulted, where he defended himself as well as he  
 could with flinging at them pible stones such as the River afforded and carried down with the  
 stream, and so was slain. Others write, that by advice of the Bowel-priyers, he went out of the  
 camp half a mile off, for to purge and expiate in some pure and clean place, those prodigious to-  
 kens above rehearsed: and there was beset and environed round about with two troops of Nu-  
 midian Horsemen, who hapned there to lie in ambush. See how variable and uncertain the fate  
 goeth, both in what place, and after what manner, this so noble and famous person came by his  
 death. Nay, the very funeral and sepulture also of *Gracchus* is diversely delivered. Some say he was  
 entered by his own souldiers within the Roman camp. Others give out and say (and that is the  
 more common report) that by the appointment of *Anibal* he was buried in the very entrance of  
 the Carthaginian leaguer: that there was a funeral fire made in solemn wife to burn his corpse;  
 that the whole army justed and ran at tilt and torment in their compleat armor: that the Spini-  
 ards leaped and danced Mordice; and each nation according to their guise and manner performed  
 sundry motions and exercises as well of their weapons, as of their bodies: yea, and that *Anibal*  
 himself in proper person, with all honor of funeral pomp that might be devised, both in word  
 and deed, solemnized the obsequies in the best manner. This say they that affirm the thing to  
 have hapned in the Lucans country. But if a man should believe them, who record how he was  
 slain at the River *Calor*, then the enemies got nothing of him but only his head. Which being  
 presented unto *Anibal*, he sent *Carthalo* immediately with it into the Roman camp, unto *C.  
 Cornelius* the Treasurer or Quesitor: who there within the very camp performed the funeral of  
 the General, and both army and citizens of *Beneventum* together solemnized the same right ho-  
 nourably.

The Consuls being entred into the territory of *Campana*, as they foraged all abroad, straggling  
 one from another, were by the Townsmen of *Capua* which fell out, and by the Horsemen of  
*Mago*, put in fear: whereupon in great fright and hast, they rallied the souldiers to their colours,  
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that were ranged over the Country: but before they could well embattle them, and set them in  
 array, they were discomfited, and lost above a thousand and five hundred men. Upon which  
 good success, the enemies (as they are a nation by nature proud) began to be very lusty and ex-  
 ceeding audacious, insomuch, as they offered to skirmish sundry times with the Romans, and  
 ever challenged them to fight. But that one battail, so unadvisedly and inconsiderately achieved;  
 made the Consuls more circumspect and wary afterward. Howbeit, one small occurrence be-  
 ned, which, as it encouraged and animated them again, so it abated the hearts, and daunted the  
 boldness of the other. For in war there is nothing (be it never so little) but one time or other,  
 it is the occasion of some great consequence and importance. There was in the camp one *T.  
 Quintus Crispinus*, linked in special friendship and familiarity with *Badus*, a Citizen of *Capua*.  
 Their acquaintance grew and increased upon this occasion: This *Badus* upon a time, before the  
 revolt of *Capua*, fell sick at Rome, and lying in *Crispinus* his house, was liberally and kindly used,  
 yea, and tenderly seen unto by him, during his sickness. This *Badus* having put himself forward  
 before the standing guards, that watched at the gate of the Roman camp, willed, that *Crispinus*  
 should be called out unto him. Which being told unto *Crispinus*, he supposed no otherwise of  
 it, but that he should talk friendly and familiarly with him. For albeit both nations generally  
 were at enmity, in regard of the publick State, yet the private right and band of hospitality, re-  
 mained still in force, and was not forgotten, and therefore he went out (somewhat apart from the  
 rest of his fellows. Now, when they were come in sight and interview one of the other, I  
 challenge thee, O *Crispine* (quoth *Badus*) to combat: let us mount on Horseback, and trye it out  
 between us two, without any other companion, whether of us is the better man at arms. To  
 this *Crispinus* made answer again and said, We want no enemies, neither you nor I, upon whom  
 we may make proof of our manhood: as for me, if I met and encountered you in the very battail,  
 yet I would decline, avoid, and shift from you, lest I should defile and stain my hand in the murder  
 and bloodshed of my guest and friend. And with this he turned from him, and went his way.  
 But the Campanian contrary-wise, upon these words, was the more eager with him, railing and  
 rating at him for his effeminate cowardice and dastardiness, letting flie at the harmless and inno-  
 cent man all spitefull terms and reproachfull language: Which himself I wot (if he had his due)  
 was well worthy of: calling him a friendly foe, and a kind enemy indeed, and finally charged him,  
 that he made his excuse of sparing him, for friendship sake, whom he knew he was not able to  
 match in manhood and valour. But if (quoth he) thou thinkest, that by the breach of publick  
 leagues and covenant, our private bands of amity and hospitality, are not yet enough broken in  
 sunder, then here I pronounce openly, in the hearing of two armies, that I *Badus* a Campanian,  
 renounce all hospitality with thee *T. Quintus Crispinus* a Roman, and do farewell all friendship for-  
 ever: I will, I say, have no more to do by way of acquaintance with thee, no society, no alliance,  
 no hospitality will the guest have with that host, who in hostile manner is come to invade his na-  
 tive country, and to make assault upon the publick buildings and private houses thereof. And  
 therefore, if thou be a man, meet me in the field. *Crispinus* drew back a long time, and was loth  
 to enter into the action, but at last his fellow Horsemen, serving in the same troop and cornet with  
 him, forced and perswaded him, not to suffer that bragging Campanian, thus to insult over him  
 without revenge. Whereupon he made no more ado, nor any longer delay, but whilst he went  
 unto the *Generals*, to know their pleasure, whether they would permit and licence him, out of  
 his order and rank, to fight with an enemy that challenged him, and gave him defiance. And ha-  
 ving obtained leave, he buckled his armor about him, took his weapon, mounted on Horseback,  
 and calling upon *Badus* by name, bad him come forth if he durst to singe a fight. The Campanian  
 made no stay, and so with spear in rest, set spurs to, and they ran their Horses full carier one at the  
 other. *Crispinus* with his lance pierced *Badus* above his shield, through the left shoulder, and  
 therewith unhorsed him, and when he was falln to the earth with the pith, he alight himself  
 from his horse, minding on foot to fall upon him as he lay along, and so to dispatch him out-  
 right. But *Badus*, before his enemy scited upon him, left his target behind and his horse, and by  
 good footmanship recovered his own fellows. *Crispinus* then all goodly to be seen with the spoils  
 of his enemy, made shew of the horse and armor that he had won, and bearing up withal the  
 bloody point of his lance, was with much praise and great gratulation of the souldiers, brought  
 honourably to the Consuls, and presented before them. At whose hands he was both highly  
 commended, and also liberally rewarded.

*Anibal* having dislodged out of the territory of *Beneventum*, and removed into *Capua*,  
 within three dayes after he was come thither, brought forth his forces into the field, making no  
 doubt at all, but that, considering the Campanians in his absence, had but few dayes before fought  
 fortunally, the Romans now would be so much lesse able to abide his royal army so often led  
 to victory. And verily when the conflict was once begun, the Roman battalions of the In-  
 fantry were much troubled and distressed, especially with the fierce assault of the Horsemen,  
 who overcharged and pelted them mightily with their darts and Javelins, until the signal was  
 given to their own Cavalry also, to set hard to, and charge the enemies with their horse. Now  
 whilst the men of arms were busy in fight on both sides, it hapned that the Regiment of *Sempro-  
 nius* [*Gracchus* lately slain] were detected marching a far off, under the conduct of *Cn. Cornelius*  
 the Treasurer, which put both parts in like fear, lest they were some new and fresh enemies that  
 advanced against them. So they founded the retreat on either side, as if they had been agreed to  
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*Gracchus* kil-  
 led by his host,  
 a Lucan.

*Calor*.

to do, departed out of the field (as a man would say) on even hand, and retired themselves unto their several holds: howbeit, the greater number was slain of Romans, upon the first violent charge given by the Horsemen. From thence, the Consuls intending to draw *Annibal* away from *Capua*, departed sundry ways, *Fulvius* into the territory of *Cumes*, and *Claudius* into the Lucans Country. The next day, when *Annibal* was advertised, that the Romans had abandoned their camp, and that they were gone into divers parts with their several armies, being at first uncertain whom to pursue, resolved at length to make after *Apianus*, and so began to do. But after he had once trained the enemy about to the place that he desired, he returned himself another way to *Capua*. And *Annibal* hapned also upon a new occasion preferred, to have a good hand of his enemies in those parts.

There was one *M. Centenius*, surnamed *Penula*, one of the chief Centurions of the *Pilani*, a singular good Captain in that kind, as well in regard of his mighty and goodly body, as also of his bravemind, and valiant courage. This man having leaved out his ordinary time required by Law, was by the means of *P. Cornelius Sulla* the Pretor, brought into the Senat-house, and became a Petitioner unto the LL. of the Council, that he might have the leading of five thousand footmen: promising that within short time, by reason he was so well acquainted with the nature and qualities of the enemy, and withal so much beaten in coasting thole quarters, he would do some great deed, and achieve a piece of notable service: and look, by what cunning devices and stratagems, both our leaders and our armies had been until that day, entrapped and over-raught, the very name would be use and praise against the enemy. He was not so vain and unadvisedly making this offer, but they were as toffish and foolish again in taking him at his word, and uniting him: as who would say, A good Leader and Commander, and a stout and hardy soldier were all one. And so where as he demanded but five thousand, he had the charge given of eight thousand: whereof the one half were citizens, the other allies and confederates: and besides them, he himself also gathered together out of the country as he marched, a good Company of Voluntaries: in so much as his power was doubled, by that time he came into the Lucans Country, where *Annibal* abode: after that he had followed *Claudius* in vain, and to no effect. But a man that had but half an eye, might see what the sequel and event would be of the conflict between General *Annibal*, and *Centenius*: between both armies also, the one of old beaten soldiers used ever to victories, the other of raw novices and young beginners, yea, many of them taken up suddenly in haste, and slenderly armed by the halves. For so soon as both hoies had confronted one another, and that on neither side they dallied and shifted off, but minded presently to go to it & fight: soon were they on both parts arranged in order of battail. And albeit the Romans had many disadvantages, yet they maintained skirmish more than two hours: and that so hotly and courageously, that they shrank not one jot, so long as their leader stood on foot. But after that he once was stricken down and slain, which was only in regard and remembrance of the former name (that he had won) of valour and prowess, but also for fear of future shame and dishonor, in case he should remain alive after the defeat of his forces, whereof he was the only cause through his fool-hardy rashness, presented himself desperately upon the pikes of his enemies, where he might be sure of nothing but present death: and incontinently the Roman battail was difcomfited and put to flight. And so hard beset they were, in seeking ways and means to escape (all the avenues were so laid and beset with the Horsemen) that of so great a multitude, there were hardly one thousand saved, all the rest miscarried here and there, and came by their death one way or other.

In this mean time, *Capua* was slightly beleaguered by the Consuls, and they began to assault it in most forcible manner: great preparation there was of all things needful unto such an exploit, and with great diligence every thing provided and brought accordingly. Corn was conveyed to *Castellum*, and laid up there for store: at the mouth of the River *Volturnus* (where now the City standeth) was the force and castle fortified (which *Fabius* before had built) and a strong garrison therein planted, to the end that both the Sea so neer, and the whole River also might be at their command. Into these two fortresses standing on the Sea side, as well the corn which lately was sent out of *Sardinia*, as also that which *Mutius* the Pretor had bought out of *Hetruria*, was transported from the Port of *Ofia*, whereby the army might be served plentifully all winter season. Over and besides that losse received in the Lucans country, the army likewise of the *Voluntaries*, Voluntary soldiers (which during the life of *Craffus*, had served truly and faithfully) now abandoned their colours: as if by the death of their Captain they had taken themselves fully discharged from warfare.

*Annibal* made no small account of *Capua*: for willing enough he was, that his allies and friends there, should not be forsaken and left in so great peril wherein they stood: and yet upon that fortunate success which happened unto him through the rashness of one Roman Captain, his singleness itched to be doing with another of them, and hoped to find some good opportunity and advantage to surprise and overthrow both Captain and army. Whereas therefore certain *Apulian* Ambassadors advertised him, that *Cn. Fulvius* the Pretor, (who at the first in assaulting of certain Cities in *Apulia*, which had revolted unto *Annibal*, bare himself like a wife and prudent Captain: now afterwards, upon his good fortune and happy speed in thole affairs, whereby himself and his soldiers had made up their mouths and filled their hands well with booties and pillage) both himself and his men were grown so idle, and so dissolute, that no good government nor military

discipline remained among them: hereupon *Annibal* having good experience, (as often heretofore, so in this late instance but few dayes past) in how small head an army serveth, when it is directed by an unskillful Leader, removed his hostes into *Apulia*. Now lay the Roman legions and *Fulvius* the Pretor, encamped about *Herdonia*. And when the news came thither, that the enemies were on their journey coming towards them, hardly might the soldiers be reclaimed and stayed, but they would in all haste pluck up standards and ensigns, and in straight ways go into the field and bid them battail, without commission and commandment of their Pretour. And no one thing more held them back, than the assured hope they had, to do it at their pleasure whenever they would. *Annibal* the night following, having certain intelligence, that there was a tumult unto them the signal of battail, and called earnestly unto him for to lead them out into the field, made full account to meet with good opportunity and occasion, to have a fair day of his enemies: and therefore he bestowed three thousand men lightly appointed, in divers villages thereabout, among the thick groves and bushes, and within the woods: who at a sign given them, should all at once upon a suddain, start up, and leap forth of their lurking corners: and withal, he gave order to *Mago*, with two thousand Horsemen or thereabout, to keep all the ways whereas he supposed they were most like to flee and make escape. Having thus ordered all things beforehand in the night time: at the break of day he entered the field with his army, and embattailed himself in warlike manner. *Fulvius* for his part, was not behind: not induced to much upon any hope or conceit he had of good speed, as drawn and haled thereto through the rash enforcement and compulsion of his soldiers. And therefore as they came forth to battail upon a head and beat, inconsiderately, so they were set in array as disorderly: even at the pleasure of the soldiers, according as they came forth and took up their ranks and files, as they list themselves: and then again, as the toy took them in the head left the same, either upon wilfulness or fear, The first legion together with the left wing or corner of Horsemen, were first marshalled: and the first legions drawn and stretched out in a great length: notwithstanding the Knight-Marshals and Coronels cried out, that within, there was no strength nor power at all; and that the enemies whereof they should have to charge, would break in upon them and go through. But no wholesome counsel for their own good might be taken and considered upon: nay, they would not so much as lend their ear, and give them the hearing. And by this time *Annibal* was in place, with another manner of army (you may be sure) and otherwise ordered and arranged. And therefore the Romans were not able to abide so much as the first shout and shock of the onset. The Captain himself (as foolish and heady as *Centenius*, but in courage and resolution far short of him) seeing how the world went, the field like to be lost, his soldiers in fear and great perplexity; recovered his horse in great haste, and with some two hundred horsemen fled away and escaped: all the army besides, beaten back affront, beset behind, flanked on the sides, and environed round, were so killed and hewn in pieces, that of eighteen thousand, there were not past two thousand saved. And the enemies besides were masters of the camp.

When these losses one in the neck of another were reported at *Rome*, the City was set in a great fit of sorrow and fear for the while: but so long as the Consuls, in whom relied the main chance, had hitherto prospered and sped well, they were the less troubled at these by-blows and cross misfortunes. Whereupon they addressed *G. Lectorius* and *M. Mitilius* as messengers unto the Consuls, willing them to gather together with good care and diligence, thole dispersed reliques and reminders of the two armies: also to have an eye and heedful regard unto them, that upon fear and desperation they yielded not themselves to the enemy (as it hapned after the *Cannian* overthrow: ) and last of all, to make diligent search and seek out thole *Voluntaries*, or voluntary servants, that had abandoned their ensigns and casted themselves. The like charge was laid upon *P. Corpidius*, who had commission besides to levy more men. And he made proclamation throughout all market Towns, fairs, and places of frequent resort, That thole *Voluntaries* should be found out and brought again to their own colours, to serve as aforetime. All these directions were executed and accomplished with exceeding great care and diligence.

*Apianus* the Consul, after he had made *D. Junius* Captain of the force erected upon the mouth of the River *Volturnus*, and *M. Aurelius* Costa Governour of *Fusculi*, with commission that as any ships [with corn] from out of *Hetruria* or *Sardinia* arrived there, they should immediately send the corn to the camp: went back himself to *Capua*: where he found *Q. Fabius* his Colleague, transporting thither all provision from *Castellum*, and making preparation for the assault of *Capua*. Then both Consuls, jointly together besieged the City: and sent unto *Claudius Nero* the Pretor, for to come unto them from *Suessula* out of the old camp of *Claudius*. Who likewise leaving a small garrison there to defend the peece, with all his power and forces, descended into the plains before *Capua*. So there were three royal pavilions pitched for threeing battions and forts in places not far distant: yea, and to cast a trench and raise a rampier round about the City. And in divers quarters at once, they skirmished with the men of *Capua*, whenever they came to hinder their fortifications, with so good success, that the Townsmen were driven at last to keep within their gates and walls. But before that thole rampiers and trenches were fully finished, and all ends brought together, there were Ambassadors dispatched unto *Annibal*, to complain in the name of the *Capitans*, as finding themselves grie-

ved, that he had forsaken *Capua*, and in a manner delivered it into the Romans hands: and with all, to beseech him earnestly, that now or never, he would rescue and incur them, being not only besieged, but also shut up and almost trencched about, as within a prison. *P. Cornelius* likewise the Pretor of the City of *Rome*, sent his letters unto the Consuls, advising them before they had fully invested *Capua* round about, to make offer unto the Capuans of this liberty: That as many as would, might depart with bag and baggage out of *Capua*: and whosoever went forth before the Ides of *March*, should enjoy their freedom and all their goods and lands: but as many as after that day, either departed or tarried there still behind, should be reckoned no better than very enemies. These intimations were made known unto the Campans, but so light they set by them, that they fell a railing, reviling, and menacing the Romans, with most reproachfull taunts and spitefull terms. *Anibal* was departed from *Herdonia* with his legions unto *Tarentum*, hoping either by force or fraud to gain the Castle. And seeing he little prevailed, he turned from thence, and took his way to *Brundisium*, supposing that Town would be betrayed into his hands. Whiles he lay there also and lost his time in doing nothing, the Embassadors of the Campans arrived and came unto him, with complaints and humble requests both at once. Unto whom *Anibal* made this glorious and lordlike answer with a Majesty: Once already have I raised the siege, and never will the Consuls throw abide my second coming. The Embassadors having received their dispatch, departed with this hope: but much ado they had, to put themselves within *Capua*, so enclosed round was it (by this time) with a double trench and a rampier.

It fortune'd at the very same instant, when *Capua* was thus streightly beleaguer'd, that the siege also and assault of *Syracuse* came to an end: helped forward and hastned by intestine treachery and treason withal, as well as by force of army and valour of Captain abroad. For *Marcellus* in the beginning of the spring, doubtfull in himself and hanging in suspense; whether to bend his whole forces toward *Agrippinum* against *Himilco* and *Hipocrates*, or still proceed to besiege *Syracuse*: albeit he saw the City might not possibly be won either by forcible assault, (considering it was by situation both by Sea and Land invincible) or pining famine, by reason the passage in manner lay open to and fro between it and *Carthage*, for safe transporting of all sort of victuals: yet because he would leave no stone unrolled, but try all wayes that could be devised: he commanded certain revois from the *Syraculans* (for there sided with the Romans some of the noblest persons of the City, who at the time of the first backsliding from the Romans, because they milked and aborted all rebellion and change in the state, were driven out and banished the City) to deal with their bend and faction by way of conference, to sound the hearts (I say) of such as were their followers, and to solicit them to their part: and withal to assure them (upon their warrant) that if by they means *Syracuse* were betrayed, they should live in freedom, and enjoy their own Law: as they would themselves. But no opportunity could they espie for to parly and talk with them. For by reason that there were many suspected to encline and draw that way, every man had a careful eye and regard unto them, that there could be no treachery practised, but soon it would be found out and detected. Yet a bond-servant toward one of the banished persons above said, happened to be led into the City, pretending that he was run away from the adverse part unto them: who hapning to meet with some few, began to move and broach such a matter. After which, certain others lying close hidden under the nets in a fisher boat came about by water to the camp of the Romans, and had conference and communication with those former fugitives and exiled men. And thus from time to time, this was practised in the same manner, by divers and sundry persons, until at length they were a crew of fourscore in all. Now when all things were concluded for the betraying of the City, near upon the point of execution, it chanced that one *Asylus* (a false brother among them, who took snuff that he was not specially trusted in the matter) disclosed the conspiracy unto *Epicides*, and appeached the parties: whereupon they were all put to extrem torture, and suffered death every one. When this plot would speed no better, they conceived howe another way by a new occasion and occurrence that presently offered itself. There chanced one *Damaspippus* a Lacedemonian, sent from *Syracusa*, as a messenger to King *Philp* for to be taken prisoner by the Roman armado. Now both *Epicides* was very desirous and exceeding careful how to run home him, and also *Marcellus* was not unwilling for his part to grant the same. For even then the Romans began to affect the friendship of the *Aetolians*, with which Nation the Lacedemonians were confederate and in league. So, when there should be commissioners and delegates sent on both sides, to parley and treat about his redemption the most indifferent place for them to meet in, was at the key or wharf of *Tragilis*, fast by a turret which they call *Cabagra*, as being just in the midst between, and most convenient for both parties. It hapned now, that as they had recourse oftentimes thither about this business: one of the Romans well viewed the wall near by he counted the stones that appeared in the forefront of the wall, and made estimate to himself of their quadrature and proportion: and withal, giving himself as near as he could of what height (by his reckoning) and measure the wall might be: and supposing it was of good deal lower than either he himself or others had always before taken it to be, and easy to be scaled with ladders, even of a mean size and middle fort. he relatest the matter and his conceit of it to *Marcellus*. And in his opinion it was a thing not to be neglected, but to be thought upon. But for as much as there was no access unto that place by reason, that for the lowliness thereof it was the more carefully guarded and defended, it was thought good to wait for some opportunity and advantage to help that difficulty. Which, as good hap was, offered it self presently unto them by

\* *Sinifino*,  
\* *Scala Graca*.

A means of a fugitive: who gave them intelligence, that they held a solemn feast of *Diana*: at that time within the City, and the same continued three dayes together: also he said that for want of other things, during this siege to make good cheer withal, they spared for no wine, but made mery therewith in great plenty and abundance. For why? not only *Epicides* had bountifull bestowed wine upon the whole Commons, but also the great men of the City had in every ward and parish where they dwelt, allowed a proportion besides, of their own charges. When *Marcellus* heard this, he called unto him some few of his Colonels and knight Marshals, and conferred with them: and when they had foreed out certain choice and elect Centurions and souldiers, fit and sufficient men to adventure and execute so great a peece of service, and withal provided ladders secretly: to all the rest he commanded a watchword and warning to be given. That they should beimes take their refectiion of meat and repose of sleep, for that in the night they were to be employed in an expedition and action of service. After this, when he thought it was about the time, that they (as having feasted all day long, and well filled their bellies with meat, and their heads with wine) were gone to rest, and newly fallen found asleep, he commanded one ensign or company of souldiers, to carry ladders: and besides them, there were upon a thousand well armed and appointed, marching with silence and in thin ranks, brought thither to the place. When the tommor without any stir or noise at all, had scaled the top of the wall, others followed in their course. For the forward and resolute boldness of the former, was able to animate and encourage the rest, if they had been faine-hearted. By this time now, the thousand armed souldiers had seized the wall in diverse places, upon a signal given them from the gate *Hexapylus*. Unto which places the Romans were now come, and found no stirring at all, but exceeding silence and desolation, for almost as a great sort of them had made good cheer within the turrets, and either were fast asleep with drinking wine already, or else were bibbing still, notwithstanding their eyes were heavy, and their hearts asleep. And yet, some few of them they took in their beds, and killed. Neer unto *Hexapylus* there is a little wicket, which with great violence they began withal, to break it open. So as now, both from the wall (as was before appointed) they gave signal by sound of trumpet: and also from all parts they went not to work any more by stealth, but plainly and openly without dissimulation. For they were come already as far as *Epipola*, a place full of watchmen and warders. And the enemies were to be terrified now and stricken unto fear, and no longer to be dealt withal by craft and guile. And it fell out so indeed, that they were mightily scared. For they heard not so soon the founding of the trumpets, and the shouting and outcry of them that were possessed of the walls and one part of the City, but the warders, thinking all was gone, some ran along upon the wall, others leapt from the walls, or else were born down headlong, with the press of others that were affrighted. And yet many there were, who were not ware at all of this misery and extremity, both because generally they were all dead asleep, and also by reason that the City was so wide and large, that a thing felt and seen in some remote parts, reached not streightwayes throughout, to all the rest. The gate *Hexapylus* was broken down somewhat before day, at which *Marcellus* with all his power entered the City. He awakened them all, and set them to their business: he made them take weapon in hand, and to help (what they could) a City in a manner wholly surpris'd and taken. *Epicides* made haft from the Island (which they themselves call *Naxos*) with a company of souldiers about him, making full account to drive them out again: as supposing that they were but some few, who through the negligence of the watchmen and warders were got over the wall: and ever as he met with any that were scared and in fear, he laid unto them estoons, that they themselves made more ado, and every thing worse than there was cause, reporting all in greater measure and more fearful manner than need was in very truth. But when he saw all places about *Epipola* full of armed men, after some small volley of shot, he turned back again with his companies, and retired unto *Acradina*, not fearing so much the violence and multitude of the enemies, as lest some intestine mischief by this occasion might arise, and that he should find in this tumult and hurlyburly the gates of *Acradina*, and the Island shut against him. *Marcellus* being entered within the walls, took his prospect from the higher places, and when he beheld under his eyes the most goodly and beautiful City of all others in those dayes, (by report) he wept and shed tears abundantly, partly for joy that he had brought his purpose to good a pain, and partly in compassion and remembrance of the ancient glory and renown of that City. He called to mind the navies of the Athenians by them sunk and drowned: he thought upon the utter overthrow of two puissant armies, together with the loss of two most noble and famous Captains of theirs: moreover, there came into his memory so many wars fought against the Carthaginians, with so great peril and hazard: so many and so mighty Tyrants and Kings that reigned and kept their seat and royal court there: and amongst the rest, he could not chuse but think vertue and fortune had graced and endued him withal, was recommended especially for his many favours and good turns done unto the people of *Rome*. When all these things presented themselves to his remembrance, with this cogitation besides, how all that beauty and glory within one hours space was ready to burn on a light fire, and to be consumed into ashes: before that he advanced his ensigns against *Acradina*, he sent before, those *Syraculans* who had converted (as is afore said) amongst the guards and garrison of the Romans, to perswade the enemies with mild and gentle

\* Some make it the fifth part of *Syracusa*.

the speech, yet, to yield the City. It so fell out, that the most part of them that warded the gates and walls both, of *Acradina*, were certain fugitive revolts fled from the Romans, who had no hope at all, upon any condition whatsoever to be pardoned. These would suffer none, either to approach the walls, or to parley and speak with any. And therefore *Marcellus*, after he saw that enterprise frustrate and disappointed, commanded to retire with the ensigns unto *Euryalus*. This *Euryalus* is a little mount and fort, situate in the utmost quarter of the City, remote far from Sea, and commanding the high way that leadeth into the fields, and the middle parts and very heart of the whole Island; a place very commodious for the taking up and receipt of all victuals. The Captain of this hold was *Philodemus* an Argive, placed there by *Epicides*. Unto whom there was sent from *Marcellus*, *Sofis*, one of them that murdered the tyrant: and after long communication, *Sofis* with crafty words abused by him, and colourably put off until another time, made relation unto *Marcellus*, that *Philodemus* had taken a farther day of respite and deliberation. But he put off still from day to day, trifling out the time of purpose, until *Hippocrates* and *Himileo* might come with their forces and legions, making no doubt, but if he might receive them into his fortresses, the whole army of the Romans being now enclosed within the walls, should be overthrown, and utterly defeated, *Marcellus* seeing that *Euryalus* was not delivered up, (and forced possibly it could not be) encamped himself between *Neapolis* and *Tyche* (so are two parts of the City named, and may for their bigness go well enough for two entire cities of themselves): for fear lest if he were once entered into the populous and most inhabited places of the City, his soldiers greedy of pillage, would not be kept together, but run loosely up and down to rifle. Thither came unto him king from *Tyche* and *Neapolis*, Embassadors and Orators, with olive branches adorned with laurel veils and infules, humbly beseeching him to hold his hand from effusion of blood, and firing the City, *Marcellus* calling his Council about these their petitions, rather than demands, after mature deliberation, by general content of all, gave express and straight commandment to the soldiers, that no man should offer abuse or violence to the body of any free-born person whatsoever: as for all besides, his will and pleasure was it should be their booty. Now was the camp of *Marcellus* defended on both sides with housing in stead of a wall, and he bestowed a good corps de guard at the gates thereof, lying open over against the streets: left when the soldiers ran to and fro in the City, the camp in the mean while might be assailed. Then upon the sound of Trumpet the soldiers fell to their business, ran into all parts, brake open dores, set all on a fearful hurry, but spilled no blood: and they never gave over ransacking and rifling, until they had cast out and carried away all the riches and goods, that had been a gathering a long time, during their wealthy and prosperous estate. Amid these things, *Philodemus* also seeing no hope of succours and rescue, after he had covenanted for his security, to return safe and without harm to *Epicides*, withdrew his garrison away with him out of the fort, and rendered it up to the Romans.

Now whilst every man was turned another way, and busied in that part of the City which was forced, *Bomilcar* taking the advantage of one night, wherein the Roman fleet by reason of a violent tempest could not ride at anchor in the main Sea, gat forth of the haven of *Syracuse* with 35 ships, and having Sea room, hoisted up sails, and away he went with a merry gale of wind, leaving 4<sup>th</sup> behind for *Epicides* and the Syracusians: and after he had informed the Carthaginians in what danger the state of *Syracuse* stood, returned within few dayes with a fleet of a hundred sail, rewarded for his labor (as the report went) by *Epicides*, with many rich gifts, which the treasure of King *Hiero* paid for. *Marcellus* possessed now of the fortrels *Euryalus*, and having planted there a garrison, was well rid of one care yet: for he doubted, lest if a new power of enemies had been received behind his back into that fort, they would greatly have annoyed his men, enclosed now as they were, and encumbered within the walls.

After this he besieged *Acradina*, and invested it round about, and fortified three several camps (in meet and convenient places) against it, hoping to shut them up into such streights, that they should be driven to extremity and want of all things. Now when as for certain dayes, the guards of the one side and the other had rested quiet, suddenly upon the arrival of *Hippocrates* and *Himileo*, they within began from all parts to set freshly upon the Romans. For, first *Hippocrates* (after he had encamped and well fortified himself fast by the great Key, and given a signal to them that kept *Acradina*) assaulted the old camp of the Romans, where *Crispinus* lay with his guard for the defence thereof: then *Epicides* also sallied forth, and brake upon the Corps de guard of *Marcellus*: and withal, the Carthaginian fleet approached close to the strand that lieth between the City and the Roman camp, to hinder that *Crispinus* might have no aid sent unto him from *Marcellus*. And yet for all this ado, the enemies made a greater stir and tumultuous alarm, than any skirmish to speak of: for *Crispinus* not only gave *Hippocrates* the repulse, and drove him from the defences of his own camp, but also followed him in chase, as he fled fearfully in halt away: and *Marcellus* forced *Epicides* to take the City again, and get it over his head. So as now they seemed very sufficiently provided and appointed against all dangers from thence forth, of their sudden sallies and irruptions.

Over and besides all these troubles, there happened a common calamity unto both, the plague and pestilence: in such manner, as it might soon have withdrawn the minds, as well of the one part as of the other, from thinking any more of war. For, besides that it fell out to be the Autumn or harvest season of the year, the place it self by nature unwholesome, stinking and corrupt (but much more without the City than within) the extrem and intolerable heat of the weather

A weather mightily distempered all their bodies generally, in the camps both the one and the other. At the first, by occasion of the distemperature of the season, and corruption of the place, they both fell sick and died: but afterward by visiting and sending one another that were infected, the disease grew catching and contagious, and so spread and increased more and more: in such manner, as either they that were slain sick perished for want of looking to and diligent attendance: or if any came about them, to keep them and minister unto them, they were infected and endangered also as deeply as the other: so as every day a man could go no where, but either death, or corpses carried forth to their graves, were presented to his eyes: night and day in all places there was nothing heard but weeping, wailing, and piteous lamentation. In the end their hearts were so hardened and made savage again, by continual usage to this misery, that not only they gave over to weep over the dead, and to accompany them unto their sepulchres with due mourning and doleful plaints but also to carry them forth and to inter them: so that the breathless bodies lay scattered all abroad on the ground in the sight of them, that looked every hour for the like miserable death themselves. The dead killed the sick: the sick infected the sound, partly with fear, and partly with the corruption and pestiferous stench that came from their bodies. And because they would die rather upon the sword's point, than of this malady, some of them made offer to go alone among the armed guards of their very enemies, to be killed out of hand, and rid out of their misery. Howbeit, the plague was hotter by far in the Carthaginian camp, than among the Romans: by reason of corrupt water, and much slaughter committed there, and so long siege about *Syracuse*. For of the enemies army, the Sicilians at the first, so soon as they saw the sickness to spread commonly, and increase by reason of the corruption of the place, got themselves away, and stole every man home to the Cities next adjoining. But the Carthaginians were fain to stick by it still, as having no place to retire themselves unto, and so, they together with their Generals themselves *Hippocrates* and *Himileo*, died all of them, and not one escaped. *Marcellus* when he saw this mortality grow thus hot, brought his people into the City, where the houses and shadowy places yielded some good refreshing to the sick and weak bodies: howbeit, many also of the Roman army went of it, and turned up their heels. Thus when the Land-souldiers of the Carthaginians were all gone and consumed of the plague, the Sicilians who had served under *Hippocrates*, withdrew themselves into certain Towns, which were not great, yet sure and strong, both by natural situation, and also by strength of walls and other defences: the one of them three miles from *Syracuse*, the other fifteen miles distant from the haven mouth: and thither they conveyed from out of their own cities adjoining, all manner of victuals, and sent abroad for aids of men.

In the mean while *Bomilcar* set sail once again with his fleet for *Carthage*, where he made relation of the state of their confederats in such terms, that still he fed them with some hope. That not only by their help they might be saved, but also that the Romans (notwithstanding they had in some sort forced and taken the City) might be surprised and taken there themselves: and in conclusion persuaded and prevailed to with them, that they granted not only to send with him a great number of hulks and caricks, laden with store of all things, but also to furnish him with more ships of war, to increase his Armado. Whereupon he departed from *Carthage* with 130 Gallies, and 70 ships of burden, and had forewinds good enough to let him over into *Sicily*. But those winds kept him from doubling the point of the Cape *Pachynus*.

The time and rumor first of *Bomilcar*'s coming, and then his delay above mens expectation, that checked it again, wrought diversely in the minds of the Romans and Syracusians, ministering one while fear, another while joy unto them both. Whereupon *Epicides* fearing lest if the same Easterly winds which then held, and were settled in that corner, should continue many dayes more, the Carthaginian navy would return again into *Africk*, leaving the guard of *Acradina* to the Captains of the waged and mercenary soldiers, sailed to *Bomilcar*, riding still with his fleet in the rode that looketh toward *Africk*, and fearing a conflict at Sea, not so much because he was inferior to the enemies either in force or number of ships (for he had many more than the Romans) but for that the winds stood more favourably to help the Roman Armado than his: howbeit, in the end he persuaded him to try the fortune of a battail at Sea, and *Marcellus* for his part, seeing both the Sicilian forces gather and assemble together from all parts of the Island, and understanding that the Carthaginian fleet was coming with great store of victuals: for fear lest at any time whilst he was shut up within the enemies City, he should be assailed both by Sea and Land: albeit he was short of them in number of ships, yet determined to hinder *Bomilcar* from arriving at *Syracuse*. Thus rid two armadas of enemies affronting one another, about the head of *Pachynus*, ready to joyn battail, so soon as the calmness of the weather would give them leave to advance into the main and open Sea. Therefore when the East wind began to lie, which for certain dayes had blustered and raged, first *Bomilcar* weighed anchor: and the vanguard of his Armado seemed to gather still into the deep, only because he might more easily gain the Cape and promontory aforesaid. But so soon as he saw the Romans ships make way toward him, (I wot not what sudden accident it was that affrighted him) he set up all his sails and fell off, into the main Sea: and after he had sent certain messengers to *Heraclea*, willing them for to set against their hulks home into *Africk*, himself coasted all along *Sicily*, and shaped his course for *Tarentum*. *Epicides* disappointed thus on a sudden, of so great hopes that he had, because he would not return again to the siege of a City, whereof a great part was lost already, saileth to

*Aggrigentum*; there to abide and expect the event and small issue, rather than to stir himself and try any more, how to help them with any succour from thence.

These things being reported in the camp of the Sicilians, to wit, that *Epicides* had quit *Syracuse*; that the Carthaginians had abandoned the whole Iland of *Sicily*, and in manner yielded it again into the hands of the Romans: after they had founded first their minds who were besieged, by talk and conference with them, they sent Embassadors unto *Marcellus*, to treat about conditions of surrendering the City. When they were grown in a manner to this point, without any squaring or difference at all, That the Romans should have the signory all and wholly which belonged unto the Kings: and that, all the rest the Sicilians should enjoy, with liberty and their own proper Laws; the Embassadors aforesaid called forth to a parley, those unto whom *Epicides* at his departure had committed the government of the affairs, and declared unto them, that as they were addressed Orators unto *Marcellus*, so they were from him sent unto the army of the Sicilians: that generally all, as well the besieged, as those who were without the danger of the siege, should be comprized within the treaty, and abide one and the same fortune: and that neither the one side nor the other should capitulate or enter into any covenant for themselves apart, without all the rest. Who being received and admitted, for to salute and speak unto their kinsfolk and friends, made them acquainted with the agreement and composition between *Marcellus* and them: and so after they had presented unto them some good hope of their safety, they persuaded with them so far forth, as to joyn with them, and all together, for to set upon and assault the bodies of the Captains deputed by *Epicides*, namely, *Polyelus*, *Phylisio*, and one *Epicides* surnamed *Sydus*. When they were once made away and killed, they called the multitude together unto a general assembly: where they complained greatly of their poverty, and penny of all things (for which they were wont to murmur secretly among themselves: ) "And albeit we are distressed (say they) with so many miseries and calamities, yet are ye not to blame for tune therefore, so long as it was in your own power and choice, either to be delivered from them, or to endure them longer. As for the Romans (said they) it was not hatred, but mere love and charity, that moved them to come against *Syracuse* for to assault it. For when they heard that the government of the State was usurped by *Hippocrates* and *Epicides* (the ministers first belonging to *Anniball*, and after to *Hieronimus*) then they began to lay siege unto it, intending not the overthrow and destruction of the City it self, but to put down and depose that cruel tyrant that ruled the State. Seeing then, that now *Hippocrates* is dead, *Epicides* excluded, from *Syracuse* his Deputies and Captains killed, and the Carthaginians driven out of all their hold and possession of *Sicily*, both by Land and Sea, what reason have the Romans, but to be willing and well content, that *Syracuse* should continue in safety now, as well as it *Hiero* himself were living, the only maintainer and observant upholder of the Roman amity? And therefore, if ought but well should happen, either to the City, or to the Citizens, ye may thank yourselves, and none else, for letting slip opportunity now offered, of reconciliation and atonement with the Romans. Never look to have the like occasion hereafter, to that, which at this instant is presented: if ye had the grace to see what a door is opened for you, to be delivered from the yoke of most insolent and proud tyrants. This speech they gave ear unto with exceeding accord and general applause. But before that any Embassadors were nominated to be sent unto *Marcellus*, it was thought good that new Pretors should be created. Out of the number of which Pretors, there were Orators addressed unto *Marcellus*. And the principal man among them, spake in this wise, "Neither we *Syracusians* (quoth he) O *Marcellus*, at the first revolted from you Romans, but *Hieronimus*, impious and wicked Prince as he was; yet nothing so much hurtful to you as to us: nor afterwards, when peace was knit again upon the murder of the tyrant, was it any citizen of *Syracuse*, but *Hippocrates* and *Epicides* (the Kings right hands and ministers, who oppressed and kept us under, with fear of one side, and with double pleasures on another side) that made the brack, and were the troublers and disturbers of this peace. Nor yet can any man come forth and say truly, that ever we were at our own liberty, and entertained not peace and amity with you. And now also I assure you, so soon as by the misface of the Gods, that held *Syracuse* in such oppression and bondage, we began again to be our own men and to have the law in our own hands; the first thing you see that we do, is, this, to come and present ourselves unto you, to deliver up our armor and weapons, to yield our bodies, our City, the walls, and all the strength thereof, and to refuse no condition, that it shall please you Romans to impose upon us. As to your self, O noble *Marcellus*, the Gods have given you the honour of conquest, over the most noble and beautiful city of all other in *Greece*. Behold, now, what memorable acts forever that we have at any time achieved, either by Land or Sea, all makes to the advancement of the glorious title and dignity of your triumph. See you then, that another day it be not known by bare hear-say and the trump of fame, how great and mighty a City you have won, but rather that it may stand still and remain for all posterity, for a mark and worthy spectacle to behold: to the end, that whoever hereafter, shall resort thither by Land, who ever shall arrive there by Sea, it may present unto them, both our Trophies and worthy victories over the Athenians and Carthaginians; and also this of yours own, as the bravest conquest of all the rest. See (I say) that you leave for your house and family, the City of *Syracuse* whole and found, to do homage and fealty ever hereafter, to the name and lineage of the *Marcelli*, and to hold of them as of their sovereign LL, in chief and in vasselage. Thus

A "That all the World may see, that the late remembrance of *Hieronimus*, beareth no greater stroke with the Romans, than the ancient name of King *Hiero*, a noble Prince of famous memory. Much longer was he a friend, than the other an enemy. His good deeds and many favours: curiously have tasted and felt with great contentment: the folly and madness of *Hieronimus*, hurt none of you, but wrought his own confusion and overthrow. There was nothing but they might have obtained at the Romans hands: all was clear there, and no danger from thence. But among their own selves they were at more war: there was the peril, there was all the mischief. For the Roman rebels, who were run from them, doubting that they should be delivered over into their hands, and not comprized within the terms of the composition and protection, drove the auxiliaries also that were waged soldiers into the same scruple and fear, they hastily therefore took arms, and first killed the Pretors: and afterwards, ran all about to massacre the *Syracusians*. Look whom they hapned to meet, them they murdered in this furious fit of cholere. Whatsoever came next to their hands, and lay handsome for them, they rifled. And became forthwith they would not be without their leaders, they created six provots or Captains, that three should govern *Acradina*, and other three *Nafos*. At the last, after the uprore was appeased, the mercenary soldiers aforesaid, followed the matter thoroughly by search and diligent inquiry, what were the capitulations indeed agreed upon with the Romans: and then began the very truth to appear, namely, that their condition and the fugitives were far different.

C These Embassadors in very good time returned from *Marcellus*, and certified them that they were carried away with a wrong surmise and false insinuation, and the Romans had no just cause to punish them. Now there was one of those three Provots of *Acradina*, a Spaniard named *Mericius*. Unto him there was sent for the nonce among those of the retinue and train of the Embassadors aforesaid, one of the Spaniards, who were auxiliary soldiers, serving under the Romans: who finding *Mericius* alone without other company, gave him to understand especially above all things, in what terms he had left *Spain* (and from thence he was newly come) namely, how the Romans there were grown mighty, and held a great hand over them with their forces. And that himself, in case he had a mind to do some worthy deed, might soon rise, and be a great man in his country: chuse whether he list to serve under the Romans, or return again into his own home. Contrary-wise, if he went on still in this course he had begun, and minded still to be besieged, what long abiding place could he have there, that up as he was from sea and Land? *Mericius* pondered well these reasons: and when it was agreed, that there should be addressed new Embassadors unto *Marcellus*, sent his own brother with them, who by the self-same Spaniard was brought apart from all the rest unto *Marcellus*: and after he had a protection granted, he laid the plot, and ordered all the matter how it should be done, and so returned to *Acradina*. Then *Mericius* because he would withdraw mens minds from all suspicion of treason, and that he intended nothing lesse, than to betray *Acradina*, gave it out, That he liked not, and would no more of this recourse, ever and anon, of Embassadors between; and therefore as he would admit of none to come from *Marcellus*, so he would send no more to him. And to the end, that all the guards should be kept more diligently, he thought it good to divide conveniently among the Provots, the quarters of the City, and assign to every one his ward by himself, and that each one should be bound to answer for the safe keeping of his own division, and for no more. Then all gave their consent to part accordingly, and to himself beset the charge of that quarter which reached from the fountain or well *Arethusa*, unto the mouth or entry of the great key or haven. And hereof he gave notice and intelligence to the Romans. Whereupon *Marcellus* caused a great Hulk, laden with armed soldiers, to be fastned by an halting rope unto a Gally of four couple of oars, and so in the night by strength of oars to be towed and drawn up after it into *Acradina*, and landeth the soldiers over against the gate, that is near to the fountain *Arethusa*. This being done about the relief of the fourth watch, *Mericius* received the soldiers that were set aloft at the gate, according as before it was agreed. And *Marcellus* by the dawning of the day, with all his forces gave a Camisado upon the walls of *Acradina*, in such manner, that not only he turned thither unto his assault all those that kept *Acradina*, but also from *Nafos* there came running whole squadrons and companies of armed men (leaving their own wards) for to repel and put back the violence and assault of the Romans. In this tumult and trouble, certain Barges appointed and furnished thereto aforehand, were brought about to *Nafos*, & there set other soldiers afloat: who coming at unwares upon the corps de gardes that were left half naked and very weak, by reason of the departure of their fellows, and finding the gates wide open, at which erewhile the soldiers ran out, with small ado were masters of *Nafos*, left, as it was, forlorn of warders, who in fear made haft to run away and escape. And none of them had lesse means to defend themselves, or smaller mind to tarry still, than the fugitive rebels, for they durst not well trust their own fellows, and so in the hottest of the skirmish made an escape. *Marcellus* so soon as he understood, that *Nafos* was won, and likewise that one quarter of *Acradina* was held and kept for him, and that *Mericius* with his guard had joyned to his soldiers, founded the retreat: for fear, that the Kings treasure, which was more in name than in deed, should be rifled and spoiled.

Thus by suppressing the violence of the soldiers, both the rebel fugitives that were in *Acradina*, had good time and place to flie for themselves and get away, and also the *Syracusians* delivered



livered now at last from fear, opened the gates of *Acra*, and sent Orators unto *Marcellus*, craving nothing but life for themselves and their children. *Marcellus* called his Council together, and those Syracusians likewise, who in the time of civil dissention, were driven to forsake their houses, and remained among the garriſons of the Romans: and then he made the Embassadors this answer. "There have not been (quoth he) more benefits and good turns for the space of fifty years received at King *Hiero* his hands by the people of *Rome*, than detriments and mischiefs inflicted against them within these few years, by them that have seized and possessed the City of *Syracusa*. But most of those mischiefs in the end, have lighted upon their heads right justly, who duly deserved the fame: and for the breach of league and covenants, they themselves have suffered at their own hands more grievous punishment by far, than the people of *Rome* would willingly ever have required. As for me, this is the third year that I lie in hedge before *Syracusa*: not, I assure you, with this intent, that the City should not be reserved life and sound for the natural people thereof to keep and inhabit, but that the Captains and ring-leaders of fugitives and rebels might not seize it, and so hold it in captivity and oppression. How much the Syracusians might have done with me at first, may be easily seen by the example either of those Syracusians who converted among the guards of the Romans, or of the Spanith Captain *Marius*, who yielded up his garriſon. Yea, and the hardy and resolute course in the end taken (although it were with the latest) by the Syracusians themselves, may sufficiently testify the fame. Whereby also it may appear, that for all my travel and pain which I have undergone, for all the perils which I have adventured and passed through, about the walls of *Syracusa*, both by Land and Water, thus long; I have gathered no fruit so sweet and pleasant as this, that it may be said, how I was able, yet at last, to win and conquer *Syracusa*.

*Syracusa* won  
and ransacked

*Archimedes*  
killed.

Then the Quæstor was sent, attended with a guard, unto *Nesos*, for to enter upon the Kings treasure there, and to keep the same in safety. The pillage of the City was given to the soldiers: but there were appointed certain warders over every house of theirs, who were among the garriſons of the Romans. For to save the same. Amids many cruel, spiteful, and foul examples of anger, malice, and covetousness, which hapned to be committed during the time of this sackage, it is reported. That in so great hubbub as possibly might be, when a City is newly taken, and hungry soldiers run to rifling, *Archimedes* was busily occupied, and studying upon certain Geometrical figures that he had drawn out in the dust, and hapned to be slain by a soldier, that knew not who he was. Whereat *Marcellus* was much offended and displeased: and thereupon gave especial order, that he should be honourably enterr'd: yea, and caused his kinsfolks to be sought out: and all they in remembrance of him, and for his name sake, were not only favored but also well accounted of, and had in good reputation. Thus you see in what sort, and by what means especially, *Syracusa* was won. A City wherein was found such store of wealth and riches, as hardly would have been gotten in *Carthage*, if it had been forced then: notwithstanding it was able to hold out with *Rome*, and maintain war with equal force and power.

Some few days before the winning of *Syracusa*, *T. Octavius* with fourke Gallies, of five ranks of oars, crossed the Seas from *Lilybæum* to *Mica*, and being entred the gate before day light, chanced to take by the way certain Caricks charged with corn. After he was disbarcked and let a Land, he wasted grievously part of the territory about *Mica*, and returned to the City with booty and prizes of all sorts. And the third day after he went from *Lilybæum* he returned thither again with 130 caricks full of corn and other booty: and that corn he sent forthwith to *Syracusa*: which if it had not come as it did in good time to help the present necessity, the conquerors as well as the conquered had felt the smart of most extrem and grievous famine.

In the same summer, the Roman Generals in *Spain* (who almost for two years had done no memorable acts there but warred by policy and stratagems, more than by force of arms) dislodged from their tents and winter harbors, and joyined their armies together. Then they called a Council, where they jumped with one general accord in this opinion; That considering all this while they had effected this much only, as to encompass and stay *Asdrubal* from all means of passing over into *Italy*, it was now high time to make an end at once of the war in *Spain*. And to effect and bring this to passe, they hypooped verily that their strength was well amended and sufficient, by reason that in the winter time they had levied and put in arms thirty thousand Celtiberians. Now the Carthaginians had in *Spain* then, no fewer than three armies. *Asdrubal* the son of *Gisgo*, and *Mago*, were encamped with all their forces together, distant from the Romans almost fiftie dayes journey: *Asdrubal* the son of *Amilcar*, an ancient warrior, and an old Captain in *Spain*, was somewhat neerer with his whole power, before a City named *Antorgis*. Him the Roman Generals were desirous to defeat and vanquish first: and in good hope they were, that they had strength enough and to spare, for to accomplish that: many, this was their only doubt and fear, lest upon the discomfure of him, the other *Asdrubal* and *Mago* would for fear retire themselves into the unpassable woods, and take the wilds and mountains, and so maintain a long war. They supposed therefore it was the best course to divide their power between them in two parts, and at once to compass the whole war of *Spain*. And thus they agreed to part their forces: namely, That *P. Cornelius* should lead two third parts of the army, consisting of Romans and allies, against *Mago* and *Asdrubal*: and that *Cn. Cornelius* with the other third part of that old army should joyn with the Celtiberians, and war against *Asdrubal* the Barchine [i. son of *Amilcar* above-said.] Both these Captains with their hosts set out together in their journey, putting the Celti-

berians

berians before in the vanguard, and encamped neer the City *Antorgis* in the sight of their enemies, having but the river running between. And there *Cn. Scipio* laid behind, and made his abode with the power aforesaid: but *P. Scipio* went onward to perform that part of the war which he purposed and intended. *Asdrubal* after he perceived that there lay in camp but a small power of Romans, and that their whole hope relied upon the aids of the Celtiberians: as one that could with skill of the falsehood and treachery of the barbarous people, but especially of all those nations, among whom he had been so long a souldier: by reason that both camps, as well his own as the other of the Romans, were full of Spaniards, he used by the means of reciprocal commerce of their language, for to have secret speech and conference with the principal heads of the Celtiberians, and so treated with them, that in consideration of a great sum of money, they were persuaded and yielded in the end to withdraw all their forces from thence, and give the Romans the slip. And this they supposed was not so heinous and odious a fact. For why? they were not dealt withal to turn their swords upon the Romans, and to war against them: again, they were to have as good pay and wages to fit till, and not to serve, as was sufficient to bind them for to bear arms, and fight: and last of all, rest it self, and sleeping in a whole skin, together with their return home, to their own, and the joy and pleasure of visiting their friends, and seeing their goods and lands, were no sooner drawn thereto, than the very multitude. Over and besides, to strike it dead sure, they stood in no fear of the Romans (being so few as they were) that they could possibly keep them perforce. And surely, this might well serve, to be a Caveat for Roman Captains ever hereafter, and such precedent examples and instances as this, may stand in stead of good lessons indeed, to teach them how they trust again the aids of foreigners: and never to rely themselves so much upon them, but that they always have in their camp the greater part of their own forces, and the more number of their natural souldiers. All on a sudden therefore the Celtiberians dislodged, plucked up standards, and departed from them, and never bad them farewell. And when the Romans demanded the cause of this change, yea, and besought and importuned them to tarry, they made them no other answer but this, That they were called and sent for home, by occasion of wars in their own country. *Scipio* seeing that these Allies of his were so slippery, and could neither be intreated nor enforced to stay: and that himself alone without them was not able to make his part good with the enemy: and to joyn again with his brother, was a thing impossible: for want of all other good means, for the present, when he law no remedy else, determined to retire himself as far backward as he could: having this especial care above all things, not to encounter and joyn battail with the enemy in plain field, without some advantage, who now was passed over the river, and traced him hard at heels in his dismarch.

About the same time *P. Scipio* stood in the like terms of fear, but in more danger by the coming of a new enemy, and that was *Masaniſſa* the young Prince, who then was a friend and pensionary souldier of the Carthaginians: but afterwards mighty and renowned for his amity with the Romans. He with his Numidian Horsemen first encountered *P. Scipio*, as he marched on his journey, and afterwards both day and night molested and troubled him very shrewdly: in such sort, that not only he would intercept and catch up those that were gone out wandering and stragling far before the camp, a suelling or foraging, and send them forth of home: but also ride braving even before the camp. Many a time would he venture, yea, and enter upon the thicket of the standing corps de guard, and make foul work and trouble among them. By night also he used oft to make many flats upon a sudden, and assail the gates of the camp and the rampier, and put them in exceeding great frights. So as the Romans at no time, nor in no place could be at rest and quiet for him, but ever in fear and doubt of some shrewd turn or other by him: so as they were driven to keep within their rampier, cut off from the use of all commodities abroad, and in a manner as good as besieged: and more straightly yet were they like to be beleaguered, in case *Indibilis*, who was coming (as the rumor went) with 7500 Sueffetans, were once joyned with the Carthaginians. Whereupon *Scipio* a wary warrior and prudent Captain otherwise, driven to the these hard extremities, and forced to make shifts, entred into a rash and inconsiderate designment, even to go on and meet (forsooth) *Indibilis* in the night, and in what place soever it should be his hap to encounter him, there to bid him battail, and fight with him. Leaving therefore a mean guard to keep the camp, and *T. Ponticus* his Lieutenant, as Provost and Captain, he set out at midnight, and meeting with his enemies, joyned battail with them: but they skirmished rather by loose companies in their march, than with their united forces in set and pight field. Howbeit, the Romans had the better hand so much as it was, considering what a confused and disorderly conflict there might be. But the Numidian Cavalry, whom *Scipio* thought he was secured of, and that they were not aware of him, all on a sudden flanked the sides of the Romans, and mightily terrified them. Against these *Numidians*, whiles *Scipio* made head again afresh, beheld a third sort of enemies also charged upon his back, even the Carthaginian Captains, who by this time while the other were in fight, had overtaken their allies and were come thither. So as the Romans were to maintain battail on all hands, and were at a stand, and in doubt with themselves against what enemy to turn first, or what way with a close couched squadron to give the venture for to break through. As the General was thus manfully fighting, and encouraging his souldiers, presenting and opposing himself forward, where was most need and danger, his chance was to be run through the right side of his body with a Lance: and that massive band of the enemies which had charged upon the thick

*P. Scipio* slain,

battalion,

battalion, which environed their Captain, seeing *Scipio* falling from his Horse ready to die, in great joy and mirth let up a cheerful shout, and ran all over the army, and carried glad tidings that the Roman General was slain. This voice being once spread all abroad, caused both the enemies to take themselves undoubtedly for victors, and the Romans to make no other account but they were vanquished. Whereupon they having lost their Leader, began forthwith to flee out of the field, But as it was no hard matter for them to make a lane and break through among the Numidians, and other auxiliary souldiers lightly armed; so to escape and go clear away from so many Horse, and Footmen also, who were as swift on foot as the horsemen, it was almost impossible. Thus they were more in manner slain in their flight now, then in their fight before. And there had not one remained alive, but that the day being far spent already, and toward evening, the night came on, and overtook them. The Carthaginian Captains, and those also of *Africa*, taking the full benefit of this their good fortune, slept not their business, nor made delay: but presently after the battail, scarcely allowing their souldiers so much sleep as would content nature, marched in great haste toward *Afrubal* the son of *Amilcar*: making account assuredly, that when they had joyned their power with his, they should break the neck of this war, and end it once for all. When they were come to him, great joy and gratulation there was between the Captains and the hosts of both sides, for this fresh victory newly achieved: and seeing they had already defeated so brave a warrior and great commander, together with his whole army, they made no doubt but expected certainly to have another hand as good as this.

The news verily of this so great a foil and overthrow, was not yet come unto the Romans: but yet they were stricken into a sad dole and deep silence, and more than that, into a secret preface and fore-dooming of some unlucky tidings: as commonly mens minds use to fore-give and tell beforehand, when there is some mischief and ill toward them. The General himself besides that he saw he was abandoned and forsaken of his associates, and knew the forces of the enemies so mightily reinforced: by good conjectures and guesses, yea, and by very reason was induced to suspect some loss and calamity received already, rather than inclined to hope after any good success and happy speed. For thus he discoursed with himself: How is it possible that *Afrubal* and *Mago* should bring their armies together without conflict, unless my brother be slain in fight, or have forgotten to be a warrior? how cometh it that he withstood them not? or how hapneth it that my brother followed not hard after them fast upon their backs? At leastwise, if he had not been able to keep them alunder, but that both Captains and armies must needs meet and joyn in one, yet he himself me thinks, at leastwise would have come by this time to his brother, and brought his own power to his. In this perplexity and anguish of spirit, he thought yet, for the present time, that the only good course he could take, was to withdraw himself back from thence as far as he could: and so all that one night unware to his enemies (who so long only were quiet) he marched a great way, and won much ground of them. The next morning so soon as the enemies perceived that the Romans were dislodged and gone, they sent out the Numidian light Horsemen, and began to follow after them apace, and pursued them as fast as possibly they could: and before night the Numidian Cavalry had overtaken them, and skirmished one while with the tail of their march, another while at their sides and flanks, and gave them no rest: whereat the Romans made as it were a stand, and began to defend and save their army as well as they could: yet with great wariness and regard of security, *Scipio* encouraged them so to fight, as they might march on still and gain ground, before the Infantry overtook them. But as one while the army was one foot, and another while stood still, in long time they rid but a little ground. And *Scipio* seeing the night draw on apace, re-laid his souldiers from farther skirmishes: and after he had rallied them together, he retired with them up to a little mount, no sufficient place (God wot) of safe retreat for an army: especially so troubled and affrighted already yet higher than any other place all about, The first thing that he did, was to bestow the baggage and cavalry in the midst within his forces: and at first the infantry ranged round about in a ring, made no difficult matter of it to put by the violent charge of the Numidian Horsemen. But afterwards when the three Generals marching with three full armies approached, their Captain *Scipio* perceiving that he was never able to keep that place without some fortification, began to cast his eye about, and to bethink with himself, by what means possible he might compile himself round about as it were with a rampier: but the hill was so naked of woods, and the soil of the ground besides so stony and craggy, that he could neither finde any underwood fit to cut out stakes for a palliade nor earth meet to make turfs for a bank, or minable for a trench: and in one word, all things unward and unhandsome for a mound, and to fortifie withal. Neither was there any place there, to speak of, so steep and upright, but the enemy might at calumount up and climb it. All the hill on every side, had a gentle rising and ascent up to the top. Howbeit, to represent some shew and resemblance yet of a rampier, they were forced to take their pack saddles, with their packs tied fast unto them, and so round about to pile them and raise them to the usual height of a mure: And where there wanted pack saddles to make up the work, there they were fain to heap together, all sorts of fardels, trusses, and other carriages, and to put them between the enemies and them. The Carthaginian armies when they were come, marched very easily up against the Hill. But the new fashion and manner of their defenses and fortifications, was very strange unto them, so as at the first the souldiers marvelled much

And were attoned thereat, and stood still. But their Captains on all sides cried out upon them. And why stand ye gaping (say they) so: and do not pull in peeces and pluck away that foolish battail there, good to make sport with? A very toy, that women and children would scarce stand about thus long? Why, the enemy is taken already in a pinfold, and lieth lurking and hiding himself behind the trusses and other carriages. After this manner (I say) the leaders rased at the souldiers: But it was not so easy a matter, either to get over that Barricado of the packs, or to remove and rid them out of the way, as they lay piled close against them: nor yet to unfold and unwrap the pack-saddles, lying overwhelmed as they did, under the packs, and entangled together with them. Thus they were hindered and staid a long time: and when at length they had put this bag and baggage aside that was set in their way, and made passage and entrance for the armed men, and that in divers places, the camp and tents were soon taken on all sides, ere a man could turn about: and so being few to many, and frightened men to late conquerors, ere a man could be killed and new in pieces in every place. Howbeit, many of the souldiers having fled for refuge into the forests neer by, escaped into the camp of *P. Scipio*, whereof *T. Fonteius* his Lieutenant had the charge. As for *Cn. Scipio* some write that he was slain upon that mount: at the first onces and assaults made by the enemies: others report that with a few others he fled into a Tower hard by the camp: and that there was a fire made round about it, and so when the gates thereof were burned, which by no violent means otherwise they could break open, the enemies entered and took it, and they within were killed every one, Captain and all.

Thus *Cn. Scipio* came to his end, in the seventh year after that he went into *Spain*, and on the nine and twentieth day after that his brother lost his life. Their death was bewailed and lamented not only over all *Spain*, than at *Rome*. For among the citizens at home one part of their sorrow they took for the loss of the armies; another part went for the distraction and alienation of the Province, and a third again was spent in the cogitation of the public calamity: but *Spain* from one end to the other, mourned only for their Governors and Captains, and had a great misse of them. And *Cn. Scipio* the twain, was more bewailed, because he had been longer time their ruler, and had won the favour and affection of men, and possessed their hearts before the other: and was the first that ever gave them in those parts a proof and taste of the Romans just and temperate government.

When the army was thus defeated and brought to nothing, so as *Spain* seemed utterly lost, there arose one man yet, that recovered all again, and brought the decayed state to the former perfection. There was in the army one *L. Martius*, the son of *Septimius*, a Gentleman and Knight of *Rome*, a forward young man for courage and wit, far above the degree and condition wherein he was born. Besides this excellent and most toward disposition of his by nature, he had great helps by the discipline and instruction of *Cn. Scipio*: under whom, for so many years he was trained and had learned all military knowledge and skill meet for a souldier. This *Martius*, what by rallying the dispersed souldiers who were fled, and what by drawing others out of sundry garrisons had raised and assembled together a reasonable good power, and joyned with *T. Fonteius*, the Lieutenant aforesaid of *P. Scipio*. But the Roman Knight, above all others, grew to so great credit and reputation among all the souldiers, that when they had fortified their camp within the river *Iberus*, and were determined among themselves, to chuse one General over the armies, in a solemn assembly of souldiers, even by their own military election: they went one by one in course one after another, unto the main corps de guard that defended the rampier, and to the other wards belonging unto the camp, until they had all given their voices: and so by general consent created him their General. All the time which they had after, (and that was but small) they employed in fortifying their hold, and conveying thither corn and victuals: and what charge soever was imposed by him upon the souldiers, the same they executed readily and willingly, and without any shew that their hearts were dismayed; and cast down any jot at all. But after that news was brought, that *Afrubal* the son of *Gilgo*, was coming against them, to dispatch clean the reliques of the war: that he had passed over *Iberus* and approached neer; and the souldiers saw once the signal of batrel put forth unto them by this new General: calling to mind, what noble warriors they had served under but a while before: what worthy leaders they were wont to have, and with how puissant armies they had heretofore to go to the field; they fell a weeping every one, shaking and beating their heads: some lift up and stretched out their hands to heaven, blaming and accusing the Gods: others lay along upon the ground, calling every one upon his own Captain by special name. Neither could their piteous moans and plaints be staid, notwithstanding the Centurions encouraged what they could: the souldiers of their companies, notwithstanding (I say) that *Martius* himself sometimes spake them fair, sometimes rebuked them, for giving themselves to such foolish and vain pining, like women: and not rather resolve to rise up their hearts, and with him to quicken and whet their stomacks in defence of themselves: and of the common weal, and not to suffer their former Captains and Leaders to lie dead and unrevenged. By this time now all on a sudden in the shout of the enemies was decried, and the sound of the trumpets forrow and weeping into anger and indignation. they ran every man to his armor and weapon: and as it they had been ho in mind they hastened from all parts to the gates and entrie of the camp, and charged upon the enemies as they came carelessly and without order and array. Immediately this unexpected and sudden object, strook an exceeding fear into the Carthaginians:

as wondering from whence so many enemies should start up so soon, considering the armies were so lately clean in a manner destroyed; and how it came to passe, that being newly vanquished and put to flight, they should be so stout, so bold and confident of their own selves; who a Gods name, should be their General, after the two *Scipios* were slain; what Captain and Governor had they over the camp; and who gave out the signal of battail: marvelling (I say) at these premises, and so many particulars, that they once imagined not afore, at first hand they wist not what to do, but as amazed men, began to give ground and retire; but afterwards, being still fiercely followed upon with a violent charge, they were plainly beaten back and put to flight. And verily, either there had been a foul havock and slaughter of them that fled, or a rash and dangerous enterprise for them who would have followed the chase: but that *Martinus* hastened to found the retreat, and opposing himself against the foremost ensigns of the vanguard, yea, and taking hold of some of them himself, laid the main battail and repressed their violence, who were upon the point already to pursue them with heat. And so he reduced them back again into the camp, as greedily as they were fill of murder, and thirsty of bloudshed. The Carthaginians, who as the first were driven from the rampier, and for fear hastened away; after that they saw none to follow them, supposed they had been afraid, and therefore staid still: whereupon they departed to their camp again in reckless manner, fair and softly. And as careless as they were in their retire thither, so negligent were they in guarding the same: for although their enemies were near, yet they remembered and thought again, that they were but the rail and reliques of two armies, vanquished and defeated a few dayes before. Upon this resolute pervasion of theirs, and bale conceit of the enemies, they were very negligent every way within their camp: whereof *Martinus* having by his espial, certain intelligence, resolved upon a designment, which at the first light seemed more like a project of hazard, than an enterprise of hardiness; and it was no more, but even upon a bravery to set upon the enemy in his own camp, and give him a camifado. For as he thought it an easier enterprise, to force the hold and pavilions of *Asdrubal*, being but one, than to defend and keep his own; in case three armies and three Captains should joyn together: so he considered withal, that either if he sped well in this exploit, he should restore and set upright again unto the Romans, the decayed and prostrate State of *Spain*: or if he were discomfited and put back, by giving the adventure first upon the enemies, he should not be altogether contemned, and lose reputation. But lest this attempt so suddain, and the terror and error which may fall out in day night-time, should happen to trouble this his designed plot, and the course of his good fortune; he thought it not amiss, to make a speech unto his souldiers, and to exhort and encourage them afore-hand. And therefore calling them together to a general audience, in this manner discomfited unto them of his intent and purpose.

The Oration  
of *Martinus* to  
his souldiers,

"My valourous and loyal souldiers, either the reverence and affectionate love of mine, towards our chief Captains during their life, and after their death; or the very present condition and state wherein we all now stand; may be a sufficient testimony and proof to any man whole ever, that this charge and government of mine, as it is in regard of your judgement, of me right honourable, so it is in truth, and in very deed, to me most weighty, and full of care and trouble. For at what time as (but that fear took away all fence of sorrow) I was not so much master of my self, as to seek out and find some comfort and solace for mine own pensive soul and heavy spirit; I was forced being but one, (which is a most hard matter for a man to do in time of grief) to minister consolation unto the common misfortune and calamity of you all. And surely I have no lift at all (the harder is my case) to avert my mind from continual grief of heart, nor so much as even then, when as I am to study and devise, by what means I may be able to preserve (for the behoof of my country) these small remnants of two armies. For why the grievous and bitter remembrance of calamities past, is ever before me. The two *Scipios* trouble me all the day time with careful thoughts, they disquiet me in the night season with fearful dreams; they make me oftentimes to start out of my sleep, willing and charging me, to suffer neither them nor their souldiers (who were your fellows and companions, and for the space of eight years in those parts they served, never received foil) nor yet the Common-wealth, to continue unrevenged; warning me withal, to follow their discipline, their precepts, rules, and good instructions. And like as, whiles they lived here among us, there was no man more obedient than myself to their directions and commandments; even so after their decease, whatsoever in my conceit, I judge they would have had especially done in all occurrences, the same my desire is, that you also (my souldiers) would like of and approve for the very best. I would not have you to weep, wail, and lament still for them, as if they were extinct and gone for ever, (for they live still, and shall, so long as the world endureth, and continue immortal to renown and fame) (their worthy and noble acts) but rather as if you heard them speaking unto you, or saw them so hardy and valiant men to a field, even as if you heard them speaking unto you, or saw them so ringing out the signal of battel. Neither was it (I assure you) any other object but that, presented yesterday unto your eyes and minds, which effected to memorabile a piece of service as it was; by which ye have made good proof unto your enemies, and given them to understand, that the Roman name died not together with the *Scipios*; and that the vigour and vertue of that people, which was not extinct and buried, by the overthrow at *Canna*, will ever rise again (ye may be sure) out of all adversities, let cruel fortune (form and rage as much as ever she can. And now since ye have shewed such valour and hardiness already of your own accord, I have a mind

A "and would gladly see, how bravely ye will bear your selves upon the direction and commandment of your Captain. For yesterday, when I founded the retreat unto you, at what time as you followed so freely upon the enemy, being troubled and dishearted; my desire and meaning was not to repress and abate your bold courage, but to deter and relieve it against some greater opportunity of advantage, and for a more honourable and glorious exploit: that anon upon the first occasion, you being prepared and provided, might surprize them at unawares, and not standing upon their guard, armed and well appointed, assail them disarmed and naked; and that which more is, whiles they are in their beds fast and sound asleep. And the hope that I conceive of this good opportunity and effect thereof (my souldiers) ariseth not upon some fantastical imagination of mine own brain by hap-hazard, and upon vain presumption, but grounded upon good reason and present experience. For verily, if a man should demand even of you your own selves, what the reason was, that being but few in number, and lately discomfited ye were able to defend your camp, against many more than your selves, and those heartened with fresh victories; ye would make no other answer but this, That you fearing that which followed, had both fortified your camp in every respect with strong munitions, and were your selves well appointed and furnished yea, and ready to receive them whensoever they came. And surely, so it is, and we find it true by experience: Men are least sure and secured against that which fortune faith is least, and need not to be prevented, because that which we neglect is evermore open and exposed to all dangers. Now the enemies doubt nothing less at this time, then that we, who were so lately ourselves besieged and assailed by them, will now come to give an assault upon them in their hold. Let us adventure to do that which no man would believe that ever we durst enterprise, and the self-same cause which seemeth to make the thing most difficult, shall effect it soonest of all others. At the change of the third watch I will lead you forth without any noise at all in great silence. Well entorned and assured I am, that in their camp the Sentinels are not relieved in due courtesie and order, neither yet the ordinary *corps de guard* kept as they ought to be. Your shout and outcry that not so soon be heard at the gates, nor your first charge and assault given, but ye shall surely be masters of the camp. Then let me see you perform that slaughter and execution among them heavy and dead asleep, affrighted with an unexpected alarm, and taken on a sudden unarmed, and in their beds; from which yesterday ye thought much, that ye were called away and reclaimed. I wot well, that this seemeth unto you an audacious enterprise, and full of hazard, but when things go croils and stand in doubtful terms, and when other means fail, the hardest attempts, yea, and the most venturous and desperate courtesies, are ever fitted and speed best. For if a man stay never so little at the very instant when a thing is to be done (whereof the opportunity passeth and flieth away ere one would think) immediately when it is once gone, he may fling his cap after well enough, and complain thereof and say, had I wist, but never the nearer. One Army they have hard at hand, and two more are not far off: now if we venture of them here, our opportunity and advantage is as good as theirs. And once already ye have made trial of their forces and your own: put we it off another day, contenting our selves with the bare name of yesterdaies tally, and give over so, it will be great doubt and danger, lest all the Generals with all their armies be rallied and re-united. And shall we then be able to hold our own against three Generals and three hosts, whom *Cn. Scipio* having about him his whole puissance, fresh and in good plight, could not withstand nor abide? Our Captains by dividing their forces, and dismembering one complex army, were defeated and overthrown: temblably may our enemies, parted while they be, and severed asunder, be discomfited and brought to nought. Lo, this is the only way for us to war and none other. And therefore let us wait no longer than the commodious opportunity of the next night. Go ye then a gods blessing make much of your selves, take your repast and repose, that ye may be fresh and lusty to break into your enemies hold with the same resolute courage, wherewith erewhile ye defended your own. The souldiers, as they gladly gave ear to this new counsel of their new captain, so the more audacious and adventurous that it was the better it pleased them. The rest of the day behind they spent in refurbishing and making ready their harness and weapons, and in cherishing their bodies, yea, and the better part of the night they slept quietly. And so at the relief of the fourth watch they set forward.

Now were there other companies also of Carthaginians, beyond this next camp above said, about six miles distant from thence. A hollow way and valley there lay between, standing thick of trees. In the midst of this wood, for a furlong space well near, he belted closely a cohort of footmen, yea, and certain horsemen of Romans; but by his leave this was but a crafty and sly trick, borrowed of the Carthaginians. Thus the midday way being intercepted and taken up, the rest of the forces were conducted in a still march toward the enemies in the next camp. And finding no guards before the gates, no Sentinels upon the rampier, they entered in as it had been into their own hold, and no man made resistance: then they sounded trumpets, and gave the alarm. Some fall to killing of the enemies half asleep: others fling dry litter and straw for to kindle fire upon their huts and pavilions; other some again keep the gates, that none should issue forth. So the fire, the outcry, and mischief all together, put them out of their right wits, and made them as it were, besides themselves; that neither hear they could, nor yet make any shift for themselves. Unarmed and naked men fell among the hands of armed souldiers. Some ran in haste to the gates, others finding the waies and passages beset run up to the rampier: and look as any escaped and got away

from thence by that means he lieth straight waies directly toward the other camp. Where they H were caught up by the cohort of footmen, and the const of horsemen, which rose up suddenly out of their Ambuscado: and being enclosed on every side, were killed to the last man. And yet, it had been any ones good hap to have escaped from thence with life, so swiftly, and with so great expedition, the Romans after they had got the nearer camp, sped themselves to the other, that he could not have recovered it before them, to bring news of the defeat. And even there likewise, the farther they were off from their enemy, the more negligent they were: and became some also a little before day were slipped away foraging, and plundering, the Romans found every thing more loose and out of order, than in the other camp. Their weapons only stood reared up in their *corps de guard*, the souldiers themselves were unarmed, either sitting and lying all along on the ground, or walking up and down before the gates and under the rampier. With these souldiers so secure, so careless, so diarmed and disordered (the Romans being yet in their hor blond, and not cooled upon their fresh massacre, and more than that, lusty and brag for their new victory) began to make a fray, and to skirmish. But the Carthaginians were not able to keep them out of the gates. And lo within the Camp there was a hot and cruell fight: for, from all parts thereof, they ran together upon the first alarm that arose in the very beginning of the tumult and scuffling. And long had that skirmish continued, but that the Romans bucklers and targets seen all bloody were a pattern unto the Carthaginians of a former execution: and thereupon drove them into a mighty fray. This fearful fight caused them all to turn back and take their heels: and thus as many of them as escaped killing got out by heaps wherefoever they could make shift to find way, and were clean turned out of their camp, and all that they had. So in the compass of one day and night, by the conduct and direction of *L. Martius*, there were two encampments held forced and won from the enemies: in which there were 37000 of the enemies slain, and 830 taken prisoners besides the gain of a mighty rich booty. In which pillage there was found a shield of silver weighing 138 pound, with the image and portraiture of *Ashurban* the Barchine, *Valerius* did recordeth, that the camp only of *Mago* was taken, and seven thousand men slain: and that in another battell with *Asdrubal*. Upon a tally forth, there died tenthousand, and 4330 were taken prisoners. Pseudo-writer, that when *Mago* followed after our men in an hot and disorderly chase (for they seemed to give back and retreat) there were five thousand men killed by the train of an ambush, but all writers do blaze on the great honour and fame of Duke *Martius*. And besides the very truth of his glorious name, they make mention also and speak of some miracles: namely, that as he made the Oration unto his souldiers, there was seen a flaming fire burning from his head without any sense and feeling of his to the great wonder and fear of the souldiers that stood about him: and that in the memorial of his brave victory over the Carthaginians, there remained in the temple of *Jup.* until the Capitol was burned that foresaid shield, with the image of *Ashurban*, and it was called *Martius* his shield. After this, *Spain* was quiet for a long time, whiles both sides after so many overthrowes given and taken between them, were loath to hazard the main chance in one battell.

In the time that these affairs passed in *Spain*, *Marcellus* upon the winning of *Syracuse*, having set all other things in order throughout *Sicily*, with such faithfulness and upright integrity, that M not only he greatly augmented his own glory, but also enlarged the majesty of the people of *Rome*, brought over to *Rome* all the goodly and beautiful ornaments of that City, their graven and molten images, their pictures and painted tables, whereof there was great store in *Syracuse*. These braverities (no doubt) at the first were no more but the spoils of enemies, and lawfully acquired in right of war and conquest. But from thence began our great love and liking to the cunning workmanship of Grecian Artians: and from hence came afterwards our licentiousness and outrage in spoiling and robbing, so commonly & ordinarily, all sacred and profane places, where these things were to be had: which staid not so, but proceeded and turned at length to the spoiling of the Roman gods themselves, and to that very first Temple which by *Marcellus* was beautified and adorned principally above the rest. For strangers and foreign travellers used in pilgrimage to visit the Temples which were dedicated by *Marcellus* at the gate *Capena*, in regard only of the most rare and singular workmanship of the ornaments in that kind, of which at this day there is very little or nothing to be seen.

Now from all City well-near of *Sicily*, there resorted Embassies unto him: as their causes were divers and unlike, so their conditions were not all one. As many as before the winning of *Syracuse* had either not rebelled at all, or became reconciled and in favour again, they were accepted in the quality of faithful Allies, and made much of: those who for fear after the loss of *Syracuse*, yielded were reputed as conquered, and received laws and conditions at the will and pleasure of the Conqueror. There remained yet no small reliques of war about *Agirigentum* for the Romans to dispatch, namely, *Epicides* and *Hanno*, the Captains of the former war: and a third, sent new from *Anchiba* in the room of *Hippocrates*, a Citizen of *Hippo* (his countrymen name him *Mutines*) descended from the *Libyphoenicians*, a man of Action, and one who under *Annibal* had been brought up, and taught all sorts of arms and skill of warfare. Unto his charge were committed by *Epicides* and *Hanno* the Numidian Auxiliaries, with whom he over-ran all the countries belonging to the enemies: he went unto all the Confederates, and so wrought with them to continue fast in their allegiance, and to send aids to every one in due time accordingly: in such sort, that within

A within short time he got himself a great name throughout all *Sicily* so as the favorites and faction of the Carthaginians had no greater hope in any than in him. And therefore both Captains, as well *Hanno* the Carthaginian, as *Epicides* the Syracusan, who for a time had been pent up within the walls of *Agirigentum*, bearing themselves as well upon the fidelity as policy of *Mutines*, boldly adventured to come forth of the walls of *Agirigentum*, and upon the river *Himera* encamped themselves. Whereof *Marcellus* having intelligence, forthwith removed with all his power, and set him down encamped, almost four miles from the enemy, minding to wait and expect what they did or went about. But *Mutines* gave him neither opportunity of place to rest him long, nor respite of time to take counsell in, but crossed the river, and with exceeding terror, and tumultuous noise assailed the standing guards of his enemies: yea, and the morrow after gave them battell as it were in a pitch field, and drove them within their holds and fortifications. But being called from thence by occasion of a mutiny of Numidians within the Camp (who to the number almost of three hundred were departed to *Heraclea Minora*) he went to appease their moods, and to reclaim them to due obedience: but he gave the rest of the Captains (by report) a great charge and express warning, not to fight with the enemy, howsoever they did in his absence. But both the Captains were greatly offended thereat, and *Hanno* especially, who was already male-content, and repined at his glory: What? saith he, thinketh *Mutines*, a bare African and not of the right stamp neither, to gage and rule me a Carthaginian General, sent with Commission from the Senat and people? He periwaded therefore *Epicides* effectually to pass over the river, and to strike C a battell: for quoth he, if we should stay for him, and then hap to have a fortunate day of it and win the victory, all the honour no doubt shall redound to *Mutines*.

Beye iure, *Marcellus* thought this a great indignity, that he who had repulsed at *Nola* *Annibal*, even when he bare himself so bravely upon his fresh victory at *Canus*, should give one foot to these petty enemies, vanquished already by him both by sea and land: whereupon he commanded his souldiers to arm in all haste, and to bring forth the standards and ensigns. But as he was arranging his men in battell array, there came riding unto him all on the spur, with bridle on the horse neck, ten Numidians from out of the army of the enemies, with these tidings and intelligence, assuring them, "That their countrymen, who first were offended and discontented by occasion of that mutiny aforesaid, wherein three hundred of their company departed and went away D to *Heraclea*: and then afterwards, because they saw their own head and leader, by the practice of those other Captain, who malign'd and envied his glory, sent far enough out of the way, even against the very day when the battell should be fought; were not disposed at all to fight, but would sit still and not stir. A kind of people these were, deceitful otherwise, and used to break promise: howbeit now, they were just and true of their word. Upon this, as the Romans took better heart unto them, (for there was a speedy pursuivant or courier sent throughout the battalions from company to company, for to signify unto them, that the enemy was disappointed and abandoned of his Cavalry, whom they feared most of all other) to the enemies were mightily dismayed and put in fear: for over and besides, that they had no help from them who were the greatest strength of their army, they were in a deep fear lest their own horsemen would E set upon them. By which occasion the conflict was not great, for at the first shout and shock given, well it was seen which way the game would go, and the matter was soon determined. The Numidians, who at the first encounter, and during the conflict, had stood quiet in both points of the battell, seeing their own fellows turn back and flee, bare them only company for a while as also themselves there to be besieged among them, slipped away every one to their own Cities. Many thousands were there slain and taken prisoners: and eight elephants besides taken alive. This was the last field fought by *Marcellus* in *Sicily*: upon this victory he returned to *Syracuse*. By this time now was the year almost come about and growing to an end. And therefore at *Rome* the Senate decreed, that *P. Cornelius* the Praetor should send letters to the Consuls, lying before *Capua*, purposing like to be performed the while at *Capua*: the one of them (if they thought fit) should repair to *Rome*, for to create new Magistrates in the room of the old. The Consuls having received the letters, agreed between themselves and took order, that *Claudius* should go to hold and accomplish the solemn election of Magistrates: and *Fulvius* remain still at *Capua*. So *Claudius* created new Consuls, *Cn. Fulvius Centimalus*, and *P. Sulpicius Galba* the son of *Servius*: a man that had not born any curule office of State before. After these were Praetors chosen, *L. Cornelius Lentulus*, *M. Cornelius Cethegus*, *C. Sulpicius*, *C. Calpurnius Piso*. Unto *Piso* befall the jurisdiction within the City. *Sulpicius* had the government of the Province *Sicily*, *Cethegus* of *Apulia*: and *Lentulus* of *Sardinia*. The Consuls had the government of their Provinces prorogued for to continue one year longer.

## The fix and twentieth Book

## Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the fix and twentieth Book.

**A** Nnibal encompassed himself at three miles end from Rome, fast upon the river Anio. Himself in person, accompanied with two thousand men of arms, rode to the gate Capena, for to view the fix of the City. And notwithstanding that for three daies space the armies of both sides were come into the field ready embattelled, yet they never joyed in conflict, by reason of the tempestuous and stormy weather: But ever as they were returned again into their Camps, presently it proved fair. Capua was won by Q. Fulvius, and Appius Claudius the Pro-Consul. The Nobles and principal Citizens of Capua poisoned themselves. When as their Senators stood bound to stakes (for to be whipped) and thence to lose their heads, there came letters from the Senate of Rome unto the Pro-Consul Q. Fulvius, with direction to spare their lives: but before that he would read them, he put them up into his bosom, and would let the ministers or executioners to let the Law have its course. And so he went through with the execution. It happened that in a solemn assembly of the people there was much debate and question, who should govern as L. Deputy the Province of Spain: and when no man was willing to undertake that charge, P. Scipio, the son of Publius who was slain in Spain, made offer to go that voyage, and by the voices generally of the people, and with one accord of all he was thither sent. In one day he was elected and also forced New-Carthage. being a young man, not fully 24 year old. And there went an opinion of him, that he was deeper and of some heavenly race: both for that himself, after he was come to seventeen years of age, and had put on his manly robe, conversed within the Capitoll, and also because there was a snake or serpent seen oftentimes in his mothers bedchamber. This book containeth besides the affairs in Sicily: the enemy concluded with the Ætolians: and the war against the Acarnanians and Thracian King of the Macedonians.

## The fix and twentieth Book of T. Livius.

**C**neus Fulvius Centimalus, and P. Sulpicius Galba the Consuls, when they had entred into their Magistracy upon the Ides of March, assembled the Senators into the Capitoll, where they consulted with the LL. about the state of the Common-weal, concerning the administration of the wars, and as touching the Provinces and the Armies. Q. Fulvius and Ap. Claudius, the Consuls of the former year, continued still their rule and full command, with the same of the same forces which they had before under their hands. And over and besides, they were expressly commanded, not to depart from Capua (before which they lay at siege) until they had forced and won the City. For at that time the Romans among all their other affairs were most amused upon it: not so much for anger and malice, (whereof they had never against any one City greater and juster cause) as in this regard, that being a state so noble and mighty, like as by revoking first it had drawn and induced certain other Cities to do the same: so if it were recovered and regained, like it was to reduce their affections again, to look back and return unto their old allegiance and obedience to their wonted signory of Rome. The Prætors also of the former year, M. Junius in Tuscany, and P. Sempronius in Gaul continued in their places of regiment, with two legions a piece under their conduct: the same which they had before. And so M. Marcellus remained as Pro-Consul behind in Sicily, for to finish and dispatch the reliques of the war there, with the power of that army which he had already: and had commission (if need were of new supply) to make up the number of his companies, out of those legions which were commanded by P. Cornelius the Vice-Prætor in Sicily: provided alwaies, that he chose no souldier out of those bands, unto whom the Senat had flatly denied, either licence to be discharged, or passport to return home into their country, before the war was fully ended. Unto C. Sulpicius, whose lot it was to govern the Province of Sicily, were assigned those two legions, which P. Cornelius had before: with a fresh supply out of the army of Cneus Fulvius, which the last year was shamefully deterred, beaten and put to flight in Apulia. These souldiers, all the sort of them, had the same limitation of service and no other appointed and set down by the Senat, as those former who remained after the overthrow at Cannæ. And this disgrace they had besides, as well the one company as the other, that they might not winter within any town, nor build them any standing camp for wintering harbours, within ten miles of a City. L. Cornelius the Lord Deputy in Sardiny was allowed to have the conduct of those two legions which were under the leading of Q. Mutius. And order was given unto the Consuls, to levy and enroll a new supply thereto, if need required. T. Octavius and M. Valerius were appointed to guard and defend all the sea-coasts of Sicily and Greece, with

At the help of those Legions and Armadoes which they had already. The Greeks had fifty sail in their fleet, and were manned with one Legion. The Sicilians had one hundred ships, and two Legions to furnish them. So that in this year the Romans maintained three and twenty Legions, to wage war both by sea and land.

In the beginning of the year, when the letters of L. Martius were read and scanned in the Senat house, the LL. there assembled, liked well of the contents, and spake highly in the praise of his worthy acts: but many of them were offended at the superscription, because he took upon him the honourable title of a Pro-Prætor in his title, and wrote thus, L. Martius the Pro-Prætor to the Senat: considering, that his command was neither granted by the people, nor allowed and confirmed by the Senat. "An ill precedent (say they) it is, and of bad consequence, that Generals of the field should be chosen by armies, and that the solemnity of Elections, so devoutly begun in the name of the gods, and with the religious observance of the Bird-flight, should now be transferred into the Camps and Provinces far from Laws and Magistrates, and committed to the inconsiderate wills of rash affectionate souldiers. And when some there in place were of opinion, that the matter should be put in question at the Council Table, it was thought better to defer that consultation, until those gentlemen of service, that brought the Letters from Martius, were gone and departed. As concerning corn and apparell for the army, they agreed to write back unto him, that the Senat would take order and provide for both: but they would not allow in any caule to give him this addition, and to write [To Martius the Pro-Prætor] lest that they might seem to approve the very same thing by their prejudice and doom aforehand, which they had left unto him to be decided and determined afterwards. When the Gentlemen aforesaid heard their dispatch, and were dismissed, the first thing that the Consuls propounded was it, and no other: and generally they jumped in this one point, for to deal with the Tribunes of the peoples, that with all speed possible they would move the Commons, and propound unto them, for to know, who their will and pleasure was should be sent L. Deputy into Spain, for to have the government of that army, whereof Cn. Scipio, L. General, had the conduct.

This matter, I say, was treated of with the Tribunes, and a bill preferred thereof unto the Commons: but there was another greater contention in terms, that had possessed their minds already. For C. Sempronius Blaesus had commenced a criminal action against Cn. Fulvius, accusing him for the loils of the Army in Apulia, and ceased not in all the assemblies of the people to make invectives against him, charging him, "That being Captain General, through his much folly, ignorance, and rashness, he had brought his army unto a place of danger: reproving him moreover, and laying, That never any Captain but Cn. Fulvius had corrupted, matted, and infected his legions with all kind of vices before that he betrayed them to the enemies in such wise, that it might be well and truly said, that they were altogether spoiled and defeated before they had a fight of their enemies: and were not vanquished by Annibal, but by their own Colonel and Commander. See (quoth he) the disorder that is in Elections, and how no man, when he is to give his voice doth well weigh and consider, who it is that he chooseth a General, and unto whom he committeth the charge of an Army. Behold the difference between Cneus Fulvius, and C. Sempronius. This man having the leading of an army of bondslaves, by discipline, good order and government, within short time brought his souldiers to that good pass, that there was not one of them all throughout the army remembered and regarded how badly he was born, and of what parentage descended, but all in general bare themselves so, that they were to their friends a sure defence, and to their enemies a fearful terror: and after that he had recovered them, he red them safe and sound to the people of Rome. Whereas contrariwise Cn. Fulvius having received an army of Roman Citizens, well and worthily born, liberally and honestly brought up, had taught them servile vices fit for slaves, and so trained them, that with their friends and allies they were stout, proud, and unruly: and among their enemies were cowards & very daftards: & so far from that they were to bear off the violence of the Carthaginians that they were not able to abide so much as their first cry and shout. And no marvel I assure you, that the souldiers could not stick to it in the battle, and hold out manfully: when the General himself was the first that ran away beastly. I rather wonder at it, that any of them stood to it and died in the field, and were not all of them as fearful as Cn. Fulvius, and took not heels with him for company. Yet C. Flaminius, L. Paulus, L. Posthumus, both Scipios, as well Cn. as Pub. chose rather to lose their lives in battle, than to forsake their armies when they were environed round with enemies. But Cn. Fulvius, he was in manner the only man that returned to Rome with news of the army defeated and overthrown. Now verily, a great indignity it is, and a shameful manner of proceeding, that the residue of the army, after the overthrow at Cannæ, because they fled out of the field, were reconfined and transported over into Sicily, with express condition, not to return again from thence, before that the enemy were clean gone and departed out of Italy: & that the very same rigorous and heavy decree passed likewise, and was executed against the Legions of Cn. Fulvius, and Cn. Fulvius himself, who fled out of the battell which was through his own folly and rashness begun should go away clear, and escape without all punishment: that himself I say should lead his old age in caverns, stews, and brothel-houses, where already he hath spent his youthfull daies: while his poor souldiers (who had faulted in nothing, but that they were like unto their Captain) be sent far enough off, and packed away (as it were) into exile, and endure shame

The Oration of T. Sempronius Blaesus against Cn. Fulvius.





The singular  
valour of An-  
nibal.

"compas round and environ them, and put them to a doubtful hazard, yea, and cut them in pie-  
ces within the midst. *Nævius* had no sooner heard the General speak these words, but he caught  
the ensign of the second band of *Hastati* from the ensign-bearer, and displayed it in the faces of the  
enemies, threatening to fling it among the midst of them, unless his soldiers made the better haste  
to follow him, and settle themselves to fight. He was a goodly tall and personable man of body,  
his brave armor befitted him out and beautified his person: and withall, the advancing of his  
ensign on high, drew every mans eye upon him, as well enemies as friends. But when he was ap-  
proached once to the banners of the Spaniards, then from all hands they spared him not, but en-  
circled at him their barbed javelins, and the whole battell in manner was bent only against him. But  
neither the multitude of enemies, nor the volley of their shot, was able to repress and rebuke the  
violence of that one man. Likewise *M. Attilius* a Lieutenant, caused the ensign-bearer of the first  
band of the *Principes*, belonging to the same Legion to enter with his ensign upon the cohort and  
troop of the Spaniards. The Lieutenants also *L. Porcius Licinius* and *T. Popilius*, who had the  
guarding of the camp, fought valiantly upon the rampier in defence thereof, and killed the Ele-  
phants upon the very counterescarp, as they were passing over and entering the camp. And by oc-  
casion that their bodies filled up the ditch, the enemies had a passage made them into the camp, as  
it were over a cauley or bridge raised of purpose to give them way: and there over the very car-  
casses of the Elephants, there was a cruel slaughter committed. But on the other side of the camp,  
the Campans and the garriſon of the Carthaginians had the repulse already: and under the very  
gate of *Capua* which openeth upon the river *Vulturmus*, there was another skirmish, whereto  
Romans striving to enter the town, were not so much put back and withstood by force of armed  
men, as by brakes, scorpions, and other engines of ordnance, which being mounted and planted  
upon the very gate, discharged shot so violently, that they drove the enemies farther off. Over and  
besides the horrible and furious assault of the Romans was danted and suppressed, by reason that  
their General himself, *Ap. Claudius* was hurt; who as he was encouraging his men to fight in the  
very forefront of the vanguard, hapred to be wounded with a dart above in his breast under the left  
shoulder: yet there were an exceeding number of enemies there slain before the gate, and the rest  
were driven for fear to make haste and get the City over their heads. *Annibal* also perceiving  
the Cohort of the Spaniards lying along dead, and the camp of the enemies so manfully defended  
even to the death: gave over at that assault, and began to retire his ensigns, and to turn backward.  
All his footmen, interposing his horsemen behind them, for fear the enemy should charge them  
on the tail. The legions were exceeding eager to pursue after the enemies: but *Flaccus* com-  
manded to found the retreat, supposing they had done well enough already, and effected two things,  
to wit, that both the Campans saw in how little stead *Annibal* served them: and also *Annibal*  
himself knew and perceived no less. Some writers that have recorded this battell, let down that  
of *Annibal* his Army there were slain that day eight thousand men, and of Campans three thou-  
sand: that the Carthaginians lost fifteen ensigns, and the Campans eighteen. But in others,  
I find that the conflict was not so great, and that the strig-t was much more than the skirmish:  
for when as the Numidians and Spaniards together with the Elephants brake at unawares into  
the Roman Camp, those Elephants as they passed through the midst thereof, overthrow and  
laid along many of the tents and pavilions: and the Sumpter-horses and other beasts there  
for carriage, with great noise brake their halters, and collars, fled for fear, and bare down all  
afore them as they went. And that besides this tumultuous fright and confusion, *Annibal* dealt  
fraudulently, by lending in among the rest certain that could speak the Latine tongue (for some  
such he had about him) who in the Consuls name gave commandment (since that the Camp  
was lost) that every souldier should make shift for himself, and flee to the next mountains.  
But this deceit was soon eiesped and prevented with the loss and slaughter of a number of  
enemies: and the Elephants were coured out of the Camp with fire. But howsoever this battell  
was either begun or ended, the last it was sought there, before that *Capua* was yielded up and  
surrendered.

The *Medismitimus* (for so they call the head Magistrare and Governor of the City of *Capua*)  
for that year, was one *Seppius Lælius*, a man of base parentage and mean calling. The report goeth,  
that his mother upon a time as she made satisfaction in the name of him (being then fatherless and  
under age) by a purgatory sacrifice, for a prodigious domestical portent, that hapned in her house,  
was told by the Soothsaier out of his learnings, that one day the chief government of *Capua*  
should befall to that child: whereas, she seeing no likelihood nor hope at all of any such matters,  
said thus again, You talk of a poor City of *Capua*, when that day comes; and God save all, when  
my son shall be advanced to the highest place and government thereof. But these words spoken at  
random and in jest, proved afterwards good earnest, and true indeed. For when as the Citizens  
were driven to great straits, through sword and famine, and were past all hope of recovery: so  
such sort, as they that were of quality and born for honour, refused to be in place of authority,  
this *Lælius* complaining that *Capua* was forlorn, betrayed, and abandoned by her own nobility took  
upon him the chief Magistracy, and was the last of all the Campans that bare sovereign rule in  
that City.

*Annibal* perceiving that neither his enemies would be drawn forth any more to fight: nor pos-  
sibly he could break through their camp for to come unto *Capua*: for fear lest that the new Con-  
suls should stop all the passages, and intercept his purveyance of victuals, determined to dilodge  
without

Without effecting his purpose, and to remove from *Capua*. And as he cast and tossed to and fro in  
his mind what course to take, and whither to go: it came into his head to make no more ado, but  
to march directly to *Rome*, the very head and seat-City of the whole war. This was the upshot of  
all, and the empre that he most desired. Howbeit as all others much grieved and greatly blamed  
him, that he had over-slipped the opportunity when it was, even presently upon the battell at *Canna*:  
so himself acknowledged no less that he was mightily overseen. And yet the thing was not so far  
past (he thought) that he should despair, but upon some sudden tright and unexpected tumult, he  
might seize of some quarter of the City or other. And if *Rome* were once in that hazard, then ei-  
ther both the Roman Generals, or one at the least, would immediately leave the siege of *Capua*.  
Who if they had once divided their forces, both of them would be the weaker, and minister ei-  
ther unto him, or to the Campans, some occasion of good fortune. The only thing that troubled  
his mind was this, for fear lest that as soon as his back were turned, the Campans would yield  
themselves unto the Romans. He therefore with large and liberal rewards induceth a certain  
Numidian (an audacious and adventurous fellow, one that cared not what dangers he undertook)  
to be the carrier of certain letters, and to enter into the camp of the Romans, counterfeiting him-  
self to be a fugitive, from the adverse part unto them: and so when he cespied his time, to slip secre-  
tly from the other side of the camp to *Capua*. The letters were very comfortable, importing unto  
them, "That his remove and departure from thence was for their good and safety, whereby he  
meant to withdraw the Roman Captains and their forces from *Capua* to the defence of their  
own City of *Rome*: willing them not to let fall their hearts and be discouraged: for by patience  
abiding some few daies they should be wholly freed and delivered of the siege. Then he made  
stay of all the shipping and vessels that he could find upon the river *Vulturmus*, and commanded  
them to be brought to *Castellum*, which he had fortified aforetime with a pile or Castle to guard  
and keep the place with a garriſon. And having intelligence that there was such store of barges  
and bottoms upon the river, as would serve to transport in one night his whole army: he made  
provision of victuals for ten daies, brought down his army by night to the river side, and crossed  
the water with all his power before the next day-light. But this was not carried so secretly, but be-  
fore that it was effected, intelligence was given thereof by certain running gate fugitives: where-  
upon *Flaccus* addressed his letters unto the Senate of *Rome*, and gave notice thereof. At  
which tidings men according to their sundry fancies and humours were diversely affected: and as  
so fearful an occurrence required, inconitently the Senate assembled.

*P. Cornelius*, surnamed *Afric*, was of opinion, that all the Captains and Armies whatsoever  
should be called home out of all parts of *Italy*, without regard of *Capua* or any other exploit be-  
sides, save only the defence of the City. *Fabius Maximus* thought it was dishonest, lewd, and a  
shamefull part, to depart from the siege of *Capua*, and to be scared to turn here and there, and to be  
carried away with every copy of *Annibal* his countenance, and with his vain threats and mena-  
ces. He that won a victory at *Canna*, and durst not then go forward to the City, hath he con-  
ceived any hope now to win *Rome*, being also lately repulled from *Capua*? No, he marcheth to-  
ward *Rome*, not minding to besiege it, but hoping to raise the siege from *Capua*. And however it  
be, I am assured (quoth he) that *Jupiter* (the witness of covenants broken by *Annibal*) and o-  
ther gods besides, will defend us with the help of that army which we shall find at home in the  
City. Between these two opinions *P. Valerius Flaccus* held the mean, and prevailed: for he having  
a regard and due consideration, both of the one and the other; thought good to write unto the  
Colonels that lay before *Capua*, and to certify them what strength they had of able men to de-  
fend the City: as for the forces of *Annibal*, and what power was needfull to maintain the siege  
at *Capua*, they themselves knew best. Therefore in case that one of the Pro-Consuls there, and  
part of the army might be spared from thence and sent to *Rome*, and nevertheless, the siege conti-  
nue with the conduct of the other Pro-Consul, and the rest of the army: then *Claudianus* and *Ful-  
vius* should lo order the matter between themselves, that the one of them might remain still be-  
fore *Capua* at siege, and the other repair to *Rome*, for to defend and keep their native country from  
the same danger. Hereupon the Senate agreed, and made an Act: which being brought unto *Ca-  
pua*, *Q. Fulvius* the vice-Consul who was to go to *Rome*, by reason that his Colleague was sick of  
his hurt, chose out of the three armies certain companies of souldiers, and so with fifteen thousand  
footmen, and one thousand horsemen, passed over the river *Vulturmus*. Then having certain intel-  
ligence, that *Annibal* minded to march along the Latine street way: he took his journey through  
the towns and burroughs situate upon the way *Appia*, and sent his courriers before unto *Seris*, *So-  
ran*, and *Levinium*, which are seated near unto it, not only for to lay provision of victuals ready for  
him in their Cities and towns, but also from the country villages farther out of the way, to bring  
their provision to that port through-fare: and to draw forces into their towns for their own de-  
fence, and every one to stand upon their good guard, and to look unto their state, as well publique  
as private.

*Annibal* the same day that he had crossed *Vulturmus* encamped not far from the river. And the  
morrow after entered into the territory of the Sidicins, and led his host near unto *Celest*. There,  
after he had staid one day, foraging and spoiling the country, he marched by *Suessula*, into the  
territories of *Alifas* and *Casertum*, by the way of the Latine street. Under the town *Casertum* he  
abode in camp two daies, and raised booties here and there in every place. From thence leaving  
*Interamna* and *Aquino*, he came into the country about *Fregelle*, as far as to the river *Liris*,  
whither

where he found the bridge cut down by the Fregellans for to impeach and let his journey. *Fulvius* likewise was flaid at the river *Fulturnus*, by reason that the barges and bottoms were burnt by *Annibal*: and much ado he had, for the great scarcity of timber and wood, to make puns and boats for to fer over his army. But *Fulvius*, after he had once transported his men in such boats and planks as he made (shift withall, had afterwards no hindrance in his journey: but found not only store of victuals in the Towns and Cities as he travelled, but also plenty thereof brought ready for him to the waies side right courteously. Then the souldiers as they marched on foot, cheered and encouraged one another to mend their pace and make speed, considering they were to the defence of their natural country. Now there was a post sent from *Fregella*, who rode night and day and never made stay, and he put the City in exceeding fear. The running together besides of the people, that ceased not to make every thing more than it was, and to invent some-what of their own fingers ends, and put it to the news that they heard, made a greater hurry than the messenger himself, and let the City in an uprose. And not only the women were heard to weep and wail in their own private houses: but also from all parts the Dames of the City came flocking into the streets, running about to all the Churches and Chappels of their gods and goddesses, sweeping the Altars with the tresses of their hair hanging down, kneeling upon the bare ground and stretching out their hands up toward heaven unto the gods, pouring out their prayers and supplications, That they would vouchsafe to preserve the City of *Rome* out of the hands of the enemies, and to save the Roman wives and their little children from harm and all abuse. The body of the Senat gave attendance upon the Magistrates in the common place, ready to give them their advice and counsell. Some receive of them direction, and departed every man to execute his charge: others offer themselves to the Cattle, in the Capitoll, and upon the walls: all places about the City were well manned. The Alban mountain also and the Castle of *Tusculum* were furnished with good garisons. Amidst this alarm tidings came, that *Q. Fulvius* the Pro-Consul, was departed from *Capua*, and onward on his journey to *Rome* with an army. And because he should not be abridged of his power and authority, after he was come into the City, there was a decree granted out of the Senat-House, that *Q. Fulvius* should have as large a commission of rule and command as the Consuls themselves. *Annibal*, after he had made fouler work and havoc in the territory of *Fregella*, than in other places, for anger that they had cut down the bridges: L. gaint his coming, led his army through the *Frusina*, *Ferentinat*, and *Anagnine* countries, and came forwards into the territory *Lavico*: and so by *Algidum* he marched toward *Tusculum*. And when he could not be let in there within the walls, he defended beneath *Tusculum*, on the right hand to *Gabii*: from whence he conducted his army into *Papstin*, and eight miles from *Rome* encamped. The nearer the enemy approached to the City, the greater slaughter was made of the peasants that fled from him, by his vancurriers, the Numidian light-horsemen whom he sent afore to make riddance. And many there were of all conditions and ages that were taken captive.

In this tumultuous trouble, *Fulvius Flaccus* with his army entred *Rome* at the gate *Capena*: from whence he went through the midst of the City, along the street *Carina* into the *Exquilie*, and from thence he went forth, and between the gates *Exquilina* and *Collina* pitched his tents. Thither the *Ediles* of the Commons brought victuals: the Consul and the Senat resorted to him into the camp, where they sat in Council about the State of the Common-weal. And agreed it was, That the Consuls should lie encamped likewise about the gates *Collina* and *Exquilina*: that *C. Calpurnius*, Prætor of the City, should have the keeping of the Capitoll and the Castle with a guard, and that the Senators keep residence continually in good number within the compass of the *Forum*, what need fower there should be of their counsell and advice, against all sudden accidents. By this time *Annibal* was come forward as far as to the river *Anio*, and within three miles of the City lay encamped where he kept a standing Leaguer. But himself in person with 1000 horsemen advanced forward toward the gate *Collina*, even as far as to *Heracles* his Temple, and rode all about as near as he well could, to view the walls, and the situation of the City. *Flaccus* took foul disdain thereat, and thought it a shameful indignity, that he should brave it as at his pleasure so scornfully without revenge, whereupon he sent out certain of his own Cavalry, and gave commandment, That they should set the enemies horsemen farther off, and chafe them back into their Camp. While they were in skirmish together, the Consuls gave order, that the Numidian horsemen, such as were fled from the enemy, and turned to the Romans (who were at that time to the number of twelve hundred upon the *Aventine* hill) should pass through the midst of the City to the *Exquilie*: supposing that there were none more near than they, for to fight among the valleys, the garden houses, the sepulchres and hollow waies on every side. Whom, when some from the Castle and the Capitoll, espied riding down the descent of the hill, called *Clevis Papius*, they ran crying about the City, The *Aventine* is taken, The *Aventine* is taken, Which alarm caused a tumult, and gave such an occasion of fear, and running away, that if the Camp of *Annibal* had not been without the walls, the fearful multitude doubtless would have abandoned and quit the City. But they took their houses, and got every man up to the terrasses and leads thereof: from whence they pelted with stones and other shot, their own friends instead of enemies, as they rode scattering one from another in the streets. This tumult could not be repressed, nor the error appear, by reason that the waies were so pelted with

with a number of the country peasants, and of cattell besides, whom sudden fear had driven into the City. Howbeit, the horsemen fought fortunately, and the enemies were removed and set back. And because it was necessary to stay all disorders and uprores that chanced upon small occasions to arise, it was thought good and agreed upon, that all those who had been either Dictators, or born the office of Censors, should have their full power and authority until such time as the enemy was clean departed from about the walls. And that was to good purpose: for all the rest of that day, and the night following, there were divers and sundry garbodies, without any cause or occasion raised, and the same filled and appeased by that means.

The next day *Annibal* pulled over *Anio*, and brought forth all his whole power into the field. Neither were *Flaccus* and the Consuls behind hand for their parts, but ready for battell. When both armies stood arranged in order on both sides, amuted upon the issue and event of that one fight, which was for no less a prize and reward to the victorious part, than the very City of *Rome*: there fell such a mighty storm of rain and hail together, and so troubled both hosts, that they could scarce hold their weapons in hand, but were driven to retire themselves for safety into their severall Camps, fearing nothing less than their own enemies. The morrow after likewise, when they stood in the same place in battell array, the like tempest parted them afunder. And they were not so soon retired into their Camp, but the day was wonderful fair, and the weather calm again.

The Carthaginians took this for an ominous preface to them of illluck. And *Annibal* was chafed (by report) to say, That one while his mind, another while his fortune, would not give him leave to win the City of *Rome*. There were other occurrences besides, as well (in) as great, that discouraged him and abated his hope. Of more importance was this, that whiles he lay with his host in arms before the walls of *Rome*, he understood, there were certain companies with banners displayed sent into *Spain* for to supply the armies there. Of less reckoning was this, that he was advertised by a certain captive, how the very same plot of ground whereon he was encamped, happened at the same time to be sold: not underfoot, but at the full price, and nothing abated. This he took to be presumptuous a part, and such a scornfull indignity, namely, that there should be a champion found at *Rome* to make purchase of that piec of land, which he was possessed of and held in right of arms, that presently he called for the publicke crier and trumpeter, and gave commandment unto him, to proclaim port-sale of all the shops of Banquets and money changes at that time about the *Forum* in *Rome*. Nevertheless, hereupon he was moved to dilodge and retired his camp backwards from the City to the river *Turia*, six miles from *Rome*. From whence he took his way to the grove of *Feronia*, where stood a Temple, in those daies much renowned for wealth and riches. The inhabitants thereabout were certain Capenates, who used to bring thither the first fruits of their corn and revenues yea and many other oblations besides, according to their store: by means whereof they had adorned and garnished it with much gold and silver. Of all those gifts and offerings was this Temple then robbed and spoiled. But after the departure of *Annibal* from thence, there were found great heaps of brasse, by reason that the souldiers upon touch and remorse of conscience, had cast in many brazen pieces. The sacking and pillage of this Temple, all writers do agree upon, and make no doubt thereof. *Cælius* saith, That *Annibal* as he went toward *Rome* from *Eretum*, turned thither, and he leteth down the beginning of his journey from *Rate* *Cutia*, and from *Amiternum*. And that out of *Campania*, he came into *Samium*, and from thence into the country of *Peligni*, and so passed beside the City *Sulmo*, to the *Marucins*, and then by the territory of the *Albenes* into the *Marfians* land, and from thence he marched to *Amiternum*, and so forward to the town *Foruli*. Neither is there any error or doubt in all this, because the marks and tokens of the voyage of so great an army could not within the memory and compass of so small an age be confounded and worn out. For certain it is, that he passed that way. The only difference lieth herein, whether he came to the City of *Rome*, or returned from thence into *Campania*, by that way aforesaid.

Now was not *Annibal* lo reolute to defend *Capua*, but the Romans were as fully bent, and more eager to continue the siege and assault thereof. For he sped himself so fast another way in his voyage back, first out of the *Lucans* country to the *Brutians*, and so on still to the streight of *Sicily*, and to *Rhegium*; that with his sudden coming thither, he surprised them at unawares, even before they heard of his arrivall. As for *Capua*, albeit in the time of *Fulvius* his absence it was no less faithfully beleagured, yet it felt the coming again of *Flaccus*: and besides, there was much marvel there, why *Annibal* returned not back as well as he. Afterwards, they understood, by conference with some that were without, how they were forsaken and furorn of *Annibal*, and that the Carthaginians were past all hope to keep and hold *Capua* still to their own use. There was an Edict moreover of the Pro-Consul, passed by order from the Senat, and the same published and divulged among the enemies, That what Citizen fower of *Capua* would turn to the Romans before such a certain day he should have a general pardon. But there was no coming in, nor ranging to the Romans side; for fear of punishment at the Romans hands: more than for any regard of their allegiance to the Carthaginians: because their transgression and trespass in their former revolt was so great, that it might not be abandoned. And as no one man at all privately on his own head came over to the camp of the Romans: so there was no good order taken by publicke counsell for the benefit and safety of the whole City. The Noblemen had given over managing of state-matters, and could not be brought by any means to assemble in the Senat.

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And in chief place of government was he, who had not won to himself any honour thereby, but his unworthiness was derogatory to the authority and power of that Magistracy which he bore. For now there was not one of the chief Citizens and Noblemen that would be so much as seen in the Market place or Common Hall of assemblies: but shutting themselves within doors in their private houses, they expected every day for the destruction of their country, together with their own undoing and overthrow. The whole charge and care lay upon *Bellus* and *Hannu*, Captains of the garrison in the fort: these were the Carthaginians, and more careful were they of their own welfare, than fearful for the jeopardy of their friends and Allies. These two wrote letters unto *Annibal*, entreated not only in plain terms but frankly, but also sharply and bitterly: wherein they laid unto his charge, "That he had not only betrayed *Capua* into the hands of the enemies, but also delivered and exposed them and the garrison to the cruel clutches of the Romans to be maltreated and executed. That he was gone his waies, and departed into the country of the *Bruttii*, as cred and executed. That he was gone his waies, because he would not see with his own eyes the loss of *Capua*. But, I wot the Romans contrariwise could not be withdrawn from the siege of *Capua*, no, not by the assailing of the City of *Rome*: so much more were the Romans resolute enemies, than the Carthaginians constant friends. But if he would return again to *Capua*, and bend the full force of his war thither, both they and the Citizens also of *Capua* would be ready to ally forth and encounter the enemies. For why, they passed not over the Alps with intent to war with the *Rhegins* and *Tarentins*; no but where the Roman Legions were, there ought the armies of the Carthaginians to be. Thus at *Canna*, thus at *Thrasymenus* were the victories achieved, by affronting and meeting the enemy, by joyning camp to camp, and by hazarding the fortune of the battell. To this effect were the letters penned, and given to certain Numidians; who for a good reward had offered their service before, for the safe carriage and delivery of them. These fellows presented themselves before *Flaccus* in the Camp, in habit and quality of slaves, unto his side hoping to spy out some convenient time when they might give him the slip, and be gone. Now by occasion of the ramine which had continued long in *Capua*, there was noise and might pretend a good and reasonable cause to depart from thence to the adverse part. But behold, there happened a Capuan wench to come into the leaguer (a naughty pack and an harlot, that one of the supposed counterfeit fugitives aforesaid kept.) She informed the General of the Romans, that those Numidians, fraudulently and by covin pretended to flee unto his part, and had letters about them unto *Annibal*. This would he stand to, and be ready to avert to the very face of one of them, who betrayed & disclosed the plot unto her. At first, when he was brought forth before her, he set a jolly countenance of the matter, & made it very strange, & pretending stoutly that he knew not the woman; but by little and little he was convicted by manifest truths, and especially when he saw that they called for the rack, and that he was upon the point to be put to torture: and so in the end confessed that all was true, and therewith brought forth the letters. Over and besides, another thing was now revealed, which before was kept close and secret: to wit that there were other Numidians besides, who under the colour of fugitives had gone up and down in the Roman camp: of these there were apprehended not so few as threecore and ten, and they together with the new were whipped with rods, had their hands cut off, and sent back again to *Capua*. This piteous spectacle and sight of so fearful execution killed their courage, and brake the very heart of the Campains. Whereupon the people ran together unto the Council-House, and compelled *Leptus* to assemble the Senate, and openly threatened the Nobles (who a long time had absented themselves from public consultations) that unless they would now repair unto the Senate, they would go home to their very houses, and pluck them out by the ears into the street. Forasmuch hereof the chief Magistrats had a frequent and full assembly of Senators. Whiles all the rest were of opinion to send Embassadors to the Roman Generals, *Vibius Virius* (who had been chief cause and principall author of their first revolt from the Romans) being demanded his advice, spake to the point in this manner.

"They that talk of Embassadors of peace, and of yielding, little consider and remember either what they would have done in case the Romans had been at their devotion and mercy, or what themselves must endure and suffer. For what think ye will become (quoth he) of this present surrender of ours, in comparison of that whereby in times past we freely gave unto the Romans our selves, and all that we had, for to obtain their aid and succour against the Samnites? And have we so soon forgot, at what time, and in what condition and state we were when we forsook and abandoned the people of *Rome*? Alas, after our revolt, how we most cruelly and shamefully killed their garrison, who we might have dismissed and sent away with their lives? Moreover, how often we have issued forth against them lying at siege, and how maliciously minded we were unto them, yea, and how we have fallen upon them in their camp? Over and besides, call ye not to remembrance, how we called for *Annibal* to surprize and defeat them? and (that which of all other is most fresh in memory) how we sent him from hence to give the assaile to *Rome*? On the contrary side mark well and call to mind, how maliciously they have attempted and practised all hostility against us: by which ye may well know what account to make of them, and what ye are to trust unto. For when they had a stranger and foreign enemy within Italy, nay, when they had *Annibal* their enemy: when the wars were so hot, that all was on a light fire: they passed by all other affairs, yea, they let *Annibal* himself alone, and let both their Consuls with two compleat Consular armies to besiege and force *Capua*. This is the

"second year that they keep us entrenched round about, penning us up, and pinning us with extreme famine and hunger: during which time, they themselves as well as we, have endured the utmost extremities and dangers that are, and sustained most grievous and infinite travels: oftentimes being killed and cut in pieces about their rampiers, trenches, and ditches, and finally driven almost out of their Camp and hold. But to let pass and speak no more of these ordinary matters, seeing it is an old and usuall case for them to abide painful toil, and incur many perils, who beseege and assaile any Cities or towns of their enemies: See a manifest sign of their deadly feud, and execrable hatred against us, *Annibal* with a puissant power of foot and horsemen both, assailed their Camp, yea, and in some part was Master of it. Think ye that in so great danger of theirs they were one jot withdrawn from the siege? He passed over the river *Fulturnus*, and burnt the territory of *Cales*: yet for all that calamity and loss, which their allies received, stirred not they one whit, nor gave over their enterprise. He commanded to march forward with banner displayed against the very City of *Rome*: they made as little account of that dangerous tempest toward, as of all the rest. After he had passed over the river *Anio*, he pitched his tents within three miles of the City; nay, he approached at length the walls, and made a bravoado even unto the gates: to be short, he presented unto their eye his resolution, and menaced to make *Rome* too hot for them unless they levied the siege before *Capua*: and yet they gave not over, but beleaguered us still. The very wild and savage beasts be they never so fell, be they maddened never so much with blind rage and woodness against one, yet if another go to their dens, and offer to take away their whelps, they will turn again to succour and help their young ones: but the Romans, notwithstanding *Rome* was besieged, their wives and children in danger, whose piteous cries and lamentable plaints were heard almost even thither; notwithstanding their altars, their sacred fires, the temples of their gods, the monuments and sepulchers of their Ancestors, were profaned, abused, and polluted, could not be drawn away from *Capua*. So eager, so hungry are they to be revenged of us, so thirsty are they to drink our blood, and good reason, happily they have so to do. For would not we also have done the semblable, if fortune had given us the opportunity? But seeing the will of the immortal gods is otherwise: and considering that I owe nature a death; in my power it is, whiles I am at liberty, whiles I am mine own man, and master of myself to avoid torments, to shun shamefull ignominies and reproaches (whereof the enemy hopeth I shall feel the smart) and that by one kind of death, which as it is honest, so it is also easie and gentle: Never will I endure to see *Ap. Claudius* and *Q. Fabius* proudly and insolently bearing themselves upon their conquest over us: never will I be led and haled bound with chains through the City of *Rome*, to make a shew, and to serve for a spectacle and gazing stock in their Triumph: and afterwards either in dark prison, or tied openly to a stake, yield my back and side to be retwed, whipped, and mangled: and then lay my neck upon the block, to have my head chopt off with the bloody axe of the Romans. Never will I behold my native country sacked, spoiled, and put to fire and sword, nor the chaste married dames of *Capua* to be forcibly ravished, the fair and beautiful maidens shamefully defouled, and the well-favoured young boys and freeborn, unnaturally abused. They raised *Alba* in times past from the top to the very foundation, and left neither stick nor stone thereof, *Alba* I say, from whence they had their off-spring, and were first defended: to the end that there might remain no memory at all of their stock and first originall. And shall I ever believe they will spare *Capua*, & receive into mercy, against which they are more hatefully and mortally bent than against *Carthage*? Therefore, my matters and friends, as many of you as are minded and resolved to die before ye see these so many miseries and wofull calamities, I have at home a supper this night well furnished and provided for you all: and when ye have eat meat your fill, and drunk wine to it liberally, the same waffell cup that first will be presented unto me, shall go round about to you all: and that one draught shall deliver your bodies from torments, preserve your spirits from anguish, and countenances disfigure: keep your eyes from beholding all cruel acts, your ears from hearing all shamefull indignities which follow and attend upon conquered persons. There shall be also in readines certain servitors of purpose to make a mighty great fire within the bale court-yard of mine house, and to cast our dead bodies thereinto. This is the only honest way to death, and becoming us who are free born and gentlemen indeed. In which doing, our enemies will wonder at our vertue and valour: yea, and *Annibal* himself shall well know that he hath forsaken and betrayed his trust and magnanimous allies.

This Oration of *Virius*, there were more men present that heard with applause and good liking than could find in their hearts to put that in execution which they so well allowed & approved. The greater part of the Senate, not despairing, but that the clemency of the people of *Rome*, which had been tried and seen oftentimes in many wars, might be gained and extended also unto them: they concluded, to send Embassadors with commission to yield *Capua* into the Romans hands. Some seven and twenty Senators there were that accompanied *Virius* home to his house, and supped with him: and after they had done what they could to drink themselves drunk, and to intoxicate their brains with freely taking in their wine, (thereby to withdraw their minds from the fence and apprehension of their imminent harm and misery) drunk all of the poisoned cup above said. This done, and the banquet ended, they rose from the table, took one another by the hand embraced each other, taking their last leave, bidding a small adieu and farewell, and bewailing together with plentiful tears their own misfortune, and the miserable state

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The fame of *Scipio* was no less bruited among the enemies, than it was rise with his own Citizens and loving allies: and a certain preface went withall of the future event, which carried (as good hap was) the greater fear and dread with it, as there was less reason that could be rendered and given thereof. They had betaken themselves into their wintering harbours far distant and remote a sunder. *Asdrubal* the son of *Gilgo* even as far as to the Ocean sea side unto *Gades*: *Mago* into the midland parts, and especially above the forest and chafe of *Castulo*. And *Asdrubal* the son of *Amilcar* wintered nearest unto *Iberus* about *Saguntum*.

In the very end of that summer, when *Capua* was won, and *Scipio* come into *Spain*, the Carthaginian Armado which was sent for out of *Sicily* to *Tarentum* for to intercept the victuals, and impeach the same for coming to the Roman garrison that held the Castle of *Tarentum*, had vehemently stopped all the passages from the sea to the said Castle: but by their long abode in those parts, and keeping the seas so straightly, they had caused a greater dearth and scarcity of victuals among their own friends than their enemies: for there could not by the help of those Carthaginian ships so much corn be along the river that was possessed by friends, nor from the open ports, for to furnish the townsmen of *Tarentum*, as the navy it self consumed and spent in maintenance of the rabble of sea-men, sailors, and mariners, mingled of all sorts of people. So as the garrison of the Castle being but few in number there was able to be sustained by the provision they had aforehand, without the help of any new brought in unto them: whereas the *Tarentins* and the Navy had could not have sufficient conveyed unto them: by reason whereof, at length the Armado had leave to depart thence with more thanks of the City, than they had for their first benevolence thereto. And yet victuals were not much cheaper, because when the help by sea was gone, there could no corn at all be brought from other parts abroad.

At the end of the very same summer, when *M. Marcellus* was come to the City out of *Sicily*, his own Province, *C. Calpurnius* the Praetor assembled the Senat for his sake in the Temple of *Bona*. Where, after he had discoursed of the acts by him achieved, and complained after a mild and modest sort, laying open his griefs, not so much in the behalf of himself, as of his soldiers: in that when he had performed and accomplished his charge and commission in his Province, he could not have licence to bring home his army with; he demanded that he might be allowed to ride in triumph into the City: but he could not obtain it. This matter was much canvassed and debated, pro & contra. Whether it were less meet and convenient, to deny him triumph being now present, in whose name whilst he was absent, for the fortunate success and good speed of all his affairs under his conduct and government, there was a solemn procession decreed, and sacrifices done to the honour of the immortal gods: or to grant him triumph (as if the war were fully finished) whom the Senate had commanded to make over his army to his successor: which surely they would never have decreed, but that the war remained still within the Province: and especially seeing the army it self was away, the best witness simply, whether he had deserved a triumph or no. At length, a middle and indifferent course between both was agreed upon, namely, that he should enter the City ovant in a petty triumph. And the Tribunes of the Commons, by the approbation first of the Senate, proposed unto the people, that *M. Marcellus* should the same day that he came ovant into the City retain still his full authority and government. The day before he entered the City, he rode in triumph upon the mount *Albanus*, and from thence, in ovant while he sent a rich booty before him into the City. There was carried in this pomp the counterfeit of the City *Syracuse* won, crossbows, brakes, standing slings, and all other warlike instrument: besides the ornaments testifying long and continual peace, and the great wealth and treasure of the Kings: as divers vessels of silver and brass curiously wrought; other household furniture alloyed with hangings of tapitry, and garments of great price; many goodly images and right noble statues, where with *Syracuse* was adorned and beautified, even with the best and principal Cities of *Greece*. In token also of a victory over the Carthaginians, there were eight Elephants brought in a few. And that which was not the least sight and spectacle to behold, *Sofis* the Syracusan, and *Merius* the Spaniard went afore with crowns of gold upon their heads. The one of them was the guide when *Syracuse* was entered in the night season: and the other betrayed *Nafus*, and the garrison there. Both these were enfranchised Citizens of *Rome*, and had fifty acres of land a piece granted unto them for ever. *Sofis* had his land set out in the territory of *Syracuse*, which either belonged to the Kings, or to the enemies of the people of *Rome*, by right of conquest. As for *Merius* and the Spaniards of all those that were seized upon by right of conquest, as for *Merius* and the Spaniards that with him fled from the enemies, and sided unto the Romans, they had assigned unto them a City to inhabit, and land to occupy in *Sicily*, which sometime belonged to them that had revolted from the people of *Rome*. And order was given to *M. Cornelius* for to appoint them the said City and land whereforever he thought good. And in the same territory there were allotted and set out four hundred acres of land unto *Belligenes*, by whose means *Merius* was allured and induced to leave the adverse part and turn to the Romans.

After that *Marcellus* was departed out of *Sicily*, the Navy of the Carthaginians disbarked eight thousand footmen and three thousand Numidian horsemen, unto them revolved the Murganian land, and *Hybla*, together with *Maçellus*: and other small piles of base account, took example by them and followed after. The Numidians with their Captain *Mutines*, ranged over all *Sicily* and in the towns and villages belonging to the associates of the people of *Rome*. Over and besides all this, the Roman army there, being discontented and angry, partly for that together with their General,

Marcellus triumpheth.

And all they were not licenced to go out of the Province: and partly for that they were forbidden and debarred, for wintering in any good towns, demeaned themselves slackly and lazily in their military service: in such sort, as if there had been a head to lead them as they had a heart to move them, they would have mutined and rebelled. Among these troubles and difficulties, *M. Cornelius* the Praetor, both appeased and mitigated the stomacks of the soldiers, as well by comfortable words, as by rebukes and checks: and also brought under his obedience and subjection, all those Cities which had revolted. Of which he according to the former act of the Senate, allotted *Murgania* to the Spaniards, unto whom both a City and land to it was by order afore said due. Both the Consuls who had the government of the Province *Apulia*, seeing there was less cause of fear and terror now from the Carthaginians and *Annibal*, were commanded to cast lots between them for the Provinces of *Apulia* and *Macedonia*, so *Macedonia* befell unto *Sciprius*, and he succeeded there instead of *Levinus*. *Fulvius* was sent for home to *Rome*, about the election of the Consuls. And when he held the solemn assembly of the people, for the choice and creation of the Consuls, the Century of the younger Citizens, which had the prerogative to give their first voice, declared *T. Manlius Torquatus*, and *T. Otacilius* for Consuls. *Manlius* being there present in place, when the multitude came about him to congratulate with God give you joy, &c. (for that there was no doubt, but the whole body of the people would approve this choice of the first Century) came with a great company about him to the tribunal seat of state where the Consul sat: and made request unto him, that he would give him the hearing of some few words, and command that prerogative century which had given their voices to be called back again to a new scrutiny. And when every man was attentive, and expected what he should demand, he alleged for his excuse a pair of ill eyes. "For a shameless Pilot of a ship is he, and as impudent a General of an Army (quoth he) who having to do all by other mens eyes, would require to have the goods and lives of other men to be put into their hands. And therefore may it please your honour to command this Century of the younger sort to give their voices anew, and in creating Consuls, to remember the war that is in *Italy*, to consider of the troublesome state of the Commonwealth, and to think of this, That scarcely yet mens ears have had any refreshment, since they refounded and rung again with the noises and alarms, that the enemies raised within these few months, when they lay in siege near unto the walls of *Rome*. But after these words, when the said Century cried with one accord, that they were of the same mind still, and would nominate the same Consuls again, and none other: then *Torquatus*, "Neither (quoth he) shall I be able, if I were Consul to bear with your fashions and conditions, nor you again endure my rule and commandment. To the scrutiny therefore once again, and think how the Carthaginians war within *Italy*, and *Annibal* is the General of the enemies. Then the Century moved as well by the authority and reverence of the man person, as by the applause and admiration of the people, who wondered at his virtue, besought the Consul to call forth and cite a Century of the elder bands, for that they would willingly consent with more ancient men than themselves; and by their sage advice and good discretion nominate the Consuls. When those elders were called to this Century, there was some time allowed for to commune apart secretly with them, within the place raised in, called *Opile*. These ancients said unto them, that they were to consult of three persons, whereof two already were full of honourable dignities, which they had born, to wit *Q. Fabius* and *M. Marcellus*. But verily (say they) in case ye would have some new Consul to be chosen, for to be opposed against the Carthaginians, ye have *M. Valerius Levinus*, a notable man, one who hath performed singular good service, and achieved many noble deeds, both by sea and land against King *Philip*. So when they had three propounded unto them the elder were dismissed and the younger entered into a second scrutiny: and declared for Consuls, *M. Claudius Marcellus* (glittering then in the prime of his glory, for the late subduing and conquest of *Sicily*) and *M. Valerius*, who was absent. This foredom and choice of the prerogative Century, all the rest followed after, and by their suffrages confirmed. "Let them mock on now and scoff hereat all they that have nothing in admiration but antiquity and things done in elder time. For mine own part, if there be any such City and Commonwealth at all, consisting of wise men and Philosophers, as some great Clerks have rather imagined in their fancies, than found in effects, I dare be bold to think & say, that in it there could not possibly be either rulers and Magistrates more grave and temperate in their desire of dignity and government, or a people better mannered, nurtured, and instructed. But that it should be thought an unlikely matter and scarce credible that a Century of younger persons were willing to consult with the elder and be advised by them to whom they should give their voices, for to be created the chief Magistrates: it is the corruption of this our age that is the cause: wherein we see how small reverence and authority even parents themselves have, and of how slender and base account they be amongst their own natural children.

After this followed the Election of Praetors, wherein were created *P. Manlius Volsco*, and *L. G. Manlius Acidinus*, *C. Leptorius*, and *L. Cincius Alimentus*. When this Election was finished, it was found that news came, how *T. Otacilius* (whom the people, as it seemed, would have chosen in his absence to match *T. Manlius* in the Consulship, but that the ordinary course of the election was disturbed and stopped) departed this life in *Sicily*. The Apollinare games in the former year had been exhibited: and when *Calpurnius* the Praetor put up a bill, and moved the Senate, that they might be celebrated again that year also, there passed a decree, That they should be vowed to continue from date to date for ever.

The Orator of T. Manlius to the Consul.

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The same year certain prodigious tokens were seen and reported. In the Temple of *Concordia* the image of *Vidory*, which stood upon the lantern and top thereof was smitten with lightning, and being shaken and driven from its own place, reit set fast upon those other Images of *Vidory* that were fixed in the forefront of the said Temple, and fell not down from thence. Word also was brought, That in *Anagnia* and *Fregelle* the walls and the gates were likewise blasted and struck with fire from heaven: and that in the market place of *Sutrinum* there ran streams of blood a whole day together: That in *Ereum* it rained stones: and that in *Reate* a female mule brought forth a foal. These strange and wonderfull signs were purged and expiate with greater sacrifices: and a solemn supplication proclaimed: wherein for one day the people should wholly attend their devotions, and pray unto the gods: and likewise a Novendial sacrifice. In that year died I certain public Priests of State, and new were chosen in their stead. *Catius Livinus* in the room of *M. Pomponius Matho* the High Priest: and *M. Servilius*, to supply the place of *Sp. Carvilius Maximus*, the Arch-Angur. And inasmuch as *T. Otacilius Maximus*, the Prelate or Bishop, died when the year was expired, there was none nominated for to succeed him. *C. Claudius* the Arch-flamine of *Jupiter* lost his Flaminship, and was deprived of that Sacerdotal dignity, because he had committed an error in sacrificing, when he should minister and distribute the inwards of the beast.

About the same time *M. Amylius Levinus* (after he had by secret conferences founded aforesaid and solicited the minds of the *Ætolian* Princes and great L.) came with a small fleet of ships lightly appointed, to their general Diet or Council, summoned before for that purpose only. In which solemn assembly, after he had made declaration, "That *Syracusa* and *Capua* were won, and under the protection of the people of *Rome*, and what good success they had in the affairs and wars of *Italy*: and discomfited besides, That the Romans, according to their ancient custom, received by tradition from their forefathers, used to respect and make much of their Allies: and namely, That either they received them into the City of *Rome*, and endured them with the same franchises that they themselves enjoyed, or else dealt so liberally with them as therewith, that they liked of their condition so well, as they chose rather to be allies than Citizens: he protested and said, That the *Ætolians* should be much more honoured amongst them than all others, for that they were the first that of all foreign nations beyond sea, entertained league and amity with them. As for King *Philip* and the Macedonians, their heavy friends, and dangerous neighbors, he had to daunted their courages, abated their forces, and driven them to that pit, that not only they were forced to abandon those towns, which by violence they had taken wrongfully from the *Ætolians*, but also had much ado themselves to keep *Macedonia* itself quiet, and without perill of hostility: promising withal, That he would bring and reduce the *Acarnanians* (for whom the *Ætolians* were so discontented and grieved, that they were dismembered from the body of their State) under their ancient form of jurisdiction and seigniorie again. These relations and promises made by the Roman General, were confirmed and assured unto them by the authority and countenance of *Scopas* (who for the time was the Prator or head Magistrate of that State) and of *Dorimachus* a Prince of the *Ætolians*, who with less modesty and greater assertion and confidence extolled and magnified the greatness, power, and majesty of the people of *Rome*. The principal matter that induced and moved them was the hope of recovering and keeping *Acarnania*. Whereupon, there were conditions drawn & engrossed, under which they should join in league and friendship with the people of *Rome*. And this branch was added to the rest of the defeazances, That if they were so pleased, and liked well of it, there should be comprized in the same league and privileges, the *Eleans* and *Lacedæmonians*, together with *Attalus*, *Pleuranus*, and *Scerdiletus*: of which three, *Attalus* was King of *Asia* the less, the other were Princes and Potentates of *Illyricum*. The articles ran in this form. Imprimis, That the *Ætolians* should immediately make war by land with King *Philip*, Item, That the Romans at sea should help with twenty gallies at the least, bearing five ranks of oars. Item, As touching all the Cities that should be conquered (beginning from *Ætolia*, so far as to *Coryra*) that the ground whereon the Cities were feared, the edifices, the walls, and the lands thereof, belonging, should be seized to the use of the *Ætolians*: all other goods and chattels else, should be a prize for the people of *Rome*. Item, That if the *Ætolians* hapned to make peace with *Philip*, it must pass with this clause and proviso, that the peace should stand good upon this condition, That *Philip* abstain to make war upon the Romans and their Allies, and all those that lived under their dominions. Item, In case the people of *Rome* fortune to piece again, and be confederate with the King, they should put in a caveat and proviso, that he might have no liberty to war upon the *Ætolians*, or their associates. These were the covenants agreed upon: and being fair engrossed two years after into a pair of indentures, the one of them remained for the *Ætolians* in *Olympia*, the other for the Romans in their Capitol, among other sacred records and monuments, for a perpetual memoriall to all posterity. The occasion of so great delay was because the Embassadors of the *Ætolians* were staid and kept very long at *Rome*. But that was no let nor hinderance at all to the proceedings in the wars. For the *Ætolians* presently made war upon *Philip*: and *Levinus* conquered *Zacynthus* (a little Island near to *Ætolia*, having a City within it of the same name, which he forced by assault, to save the Castle likewise) *Oenada* and *Naxos*, which he won from the *Acarnanians* before: and all these he gave to the *Ætolians*. And supposing that *Philip* having his hands full of the war upon his own frontiers had no time to think upon *Italy*, and the *Carrhaginians*; and to mind the

the covenants that passed between *Annibal* and him, he retired himself into *Coryra*. *Philip* lying in winter harbor within *Pellus*, was advertized of the *Ætolians* revolt. Therefore because he minded at the prime of the Spring to conduct an army into *Greece*, to the end that *Macedonia* and the Cities bordering thereupon, should not be molested by the *Illyrians*, whom he supposed would be at quiet and not stir, if they were once frightened with the harms of others, he made a sudden rode and expedition into the marches of the *Orinians* and *Apolloniatis*: and when the *Apolloniatis* issued forth against him, he repelled them, and with great fear and terror drove them within their walls. After he had wasted the confines next to the *Illyrians*, he turned his forces with like celerity and speed into *Pelagonia*: and then won by assault a City of the *Dardanians*, situate in the frontiers of *Macedonia*, through which the *Dardanians* meant to have their passage. And when he had performed these exploits in great haste, not forgetting how the *Ætolians* and Romans both maintained war against him jointly, he decended thence *Pelagonia*, *Nymphæum*, and *Bolæa*, into *Thessaly*; supposing jointly that the people of those countries might be incited to wage war together with him against the *Ætolians*. And leaving there behind him (at the freight of *Thessaly*) *Perseus* four thousand strong, for to debar the *Ætolians* entrance that way: himself in person, before that he should be occupied in greater affairs, led forth his army into *Macedonia*, and from thence into *Thracia*, and so toward against the *Medians*. That nation was wont to make incursions, and to invade *Macedonia*, whenever they could perceive that the King was either busied in other wars, or his Realm disurnished and slenderly provided of good guard and strong garriisons. He began therefore to forrage and spoil the territories about *Phrygia*, and to assault *Lamphorina*, the principall City and chief strength of that Region *Medica*.

*Scopas* having intelligence that the King was gone into *Thracia*, and kept there occupied in the wars, put all the serviceable young men of *Ætolia* in arms, and prepared war against *Acarnania*. The nation of the *Acarnanians*, albeit they were both in strength unequal, and allow law already, that they had lost the walled City of the *Oniadets*, and *Naxos*: and knowing well, that the Roman forces would come upon them besides: rather upon anger than any good counsell and adviement, made preparation for war, and resolved to meet them. Their wives and children, and elder persons such as were above forty years of age, they sent away into *Epirus*, adjoining near unto them. Of all that were fifteen years old and upward unto threescore, they took a solemn oath, that they would never return back without victory. They laid also a heavy curse and cruel malediction upon all those of their own nation: and framed a most humble request, in as effectual terms as they could devise, unto all their friends, that none of them should entertain within their Cities, their doors and houses, nor admit to their table, any one of them that were vanquished, and fled out of the field: yea, and brought withall the *Epirons* to gather together the dead bodies of as many of them as should chance to be slain in battell, and to inter them all in one grave and erect a tomb and monument over them, with an Epiaph and inscription to this effect: *Here lie buried and entombed the Acarnanians, who fighting in defence of their country, against the violence and injuries of the Ætolians, lost their lives miserably in the field*. By this means, when their courages were unkindled and incited, they encamped themselves in their utmost frontiers, abiding the coming of their enemies. And having dispatched messengers to *Philip*, to give notice to him in what jeopardy they stood, they constrained him to give over that war which he had in hand, considering, that *Lamphorina* was surrendered up into his hands, and that he had sped well otherwise in the rest of his affairs. The *Ætolians*, upon the first fame that was blown abroad of that solemn oath, taken by the *Acarnanians*, were wel cooled, and not so halty to set forward: but hearing once of *Philip* his coming, they were driven to retire again as far as possibly they could within their own confines. Neither *Philip* for his part marched on further than to *Cline* (notwithstanding that he made great speed aforesaid, and took long journeys: for fear, that the *Acarnanians* should be surprized, before he could reach unto them) for so soon as he heard that the *Ætolians* were retired, he himself also returned unto *Pella*.

*Levinus* in the beginning of the spring took the sea, and loosed from *Coryra*, and having doubled the point of *Leucater*, and sailed as far as *Naupactum*, there he published and gave knowledge, That he would shape his course from thence for *Anticyra*: and that *Scopas* and the *Ætolians* should there meet him, and be in readines. This *Anticyra* is situate in *Locris*, on the left hand, as you enter into the gulph of *Corinth*. By land it is a small journey thither from *Naupactum*, and as short a cut by sea. So within three daies after they began to assail the City on both sides. The fiercer assault was from the sea-side, both because they had in their ships engines of battery, and other ordnance and artillery of all sorts: and also, for that the assailants from that part were Romans. So within few daies the City was yielded up, and delivered again unto the *Ætolians*, the pillage thereof left to the Romans share, according to covenant. There *Levinus* received letters from *Rome*, specifying thus much, That he was declared Consul in his absence, and *P. Sulpicius* was coming to succeed him in the Province: but by occasion that he lay there sick of a long disease, he came to *Rome* later than all men expected.

*M. Marcellus* entering his Consulship upon the Ides of *March*, assembled the Senat that day, only for form and order sake: for he made open profession there, that during the absence of his Colleague, he would treat of no matters, either concerning the state of the City, or the Provences. But this protestation he uttered withall, and said: That he knew full well that there were "many

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\* *Nicja*.

"many Sicilians in the towns and villages near unto the City, backbiters and slanderers of him; who for his own part he was so far off from hindring, but that they might freely for all him, divulgate and publish abroad in Rome all those crimes which were devised and spoken against him by his adversaries, that were it not that they pretended some fear forsooth, to charge the Consul with any matters, in the absence of his Collegue, he would straightwaies give them audience in the Senate: but so soon verily as my brother Cornelius is come home, I will not, quoth he, I assure you, suffer any one matter to be debated here, before that those Sicilians be sent for into the Senate house. And I understand that *M. Cornelius* hath taken general search like a muster over all *Sicily*, to the end there might come a number to Rome with complaints of me: he also with letters full of untruths hath buzzed into all mens ears, and born the whole City in hand, I that the war was untriveth still in *Sicily*, and all to diminish and abridge my glory. The Consul having that day won the commendation and name of one that knew how to rule and govern his affections, dismissed the Senat: and it seemed that there would be a generally vacation not of law matters only, but of all other things & as it were holiday still, until the other Consul came unto the City. This rest and idleness (as the wonted manner is) let the Commons having nothing else to do, a talking: and now their tongues walked apace, ceasing not to spread rumours, that by this long and continuall war, not only the lands and territory about the City of Rome (especially where *Annibal* had marched with his cruel army) were wasted, but also *Italy* was in a manner dispeopled and laid desolate, by reason of so many musters and levies: complaining, that whole armies were defeated and put to the sword at *Cannæ* in defence of the Common-wealth: and that there were two Consuls created, both martiall men, and warriors, over-fierce and eager of fight, in such a time of peace and quietness were able to find occasions of war: so he it was it to be looked for at their hands, that in time of war they would seek for peace, and suffer the City to have any breathing time and intermission. These speeches rumoured among the common people were interrupted and staid by occasion of a Scare-fire that began in sundry places together about the Forum, in the night of that day, which was immediately before the festival daies of *Minerva*, called *Quinquagesima*. At one and the self-same time the seven merchants shops and ware-houses, which afterwards were turned into five, and the shops of the Bankers and money-changers which now are called *Novæ*, (or the new-shops) were on fire. Divers private mens houses also the fire caught, for as then there were no stately Halls and Palaces of the City there built. Likewise the fire took hold of the common prison, called *Lutania* the fifth market hall likewise, and the top-gallery or walking-place. Hardly could the Chappel of *Vesta* be saved, and that by the good help and pains-taking especially of thirteen bondslaves: whose bondage was bought out at the Cities charges, and they made freemen. The fire continued one night and a day: and no man made doubt, but it came by mans hand, and was the practice of some lewd persons: for that the fires began in many places at once, and those far distant asunder. Whereupon the Consul by the advice and direction of the Senat, made proclamation in a solemn assembly of the people, that whoever would come forth and give notice by whose means that fire was procured, he should be well rewarded: if he were a free-man, with a piece of money: if bond, with freedom. In hope of which recompence, a certain slave belonging to the *Calpurnii* the Campans, (his name was *Manus*) was induced to bewray the masters whom he served, and five other young Gentlemen of *Capua*, whose fathers had lost their heads by the commandment of *Q. Fulvius*. Those he appeached to have made the said fires: and he gave them a warning besides, that they intended to do more mischief about the City, if they were let alone, and not apprehended: so they were attached, and their household-ferraments. At the first, these persons made light account both of the informer, and the information they made, and elevated the credit that was given thereto: alledging, that the day before the party himselfe being chastised and scourged by his Masters, ran away, and so upon an anger and giddy fit deviled (by occasion of this misfortune which was meer casual) to frame an accusation against his masters. But when the matter was averred to their teeth in open place, and that they, by whose ministry the feat was done, were in the midst of the Forum put on stretch for to utter a truth, then they all made confession of the fact. So as well the Masters that were the setters thereof, as the servants that were privy and accessary thereto, had their deserts, and suffered for it. The informer who disclosed the villany, was made free, and had 20000 sicles for his labour.

As the Consul *Levinus* passed by *Capua* in his journey [homeward,] there flocked about him a number of Campans, and besought him with tears, that they might have leave to go to Rome, and present themselves before the Senate, there to make suit (if it haply there were any pardon or commiseration in them) not to destroy them utterly, nor suffer *Q. Flaccus* to continue the curse and generation of the Campans from off the face of the earth. "Now *Flaccus* for his part, desired flatly that he bare them any private grudge by malice: but only hated the Campans as the common enemies to the state, and so he would do ever, so long as he knew them so ill affected as they were to the people of Rome: for there was not a nation upon earth, nor a people under heaven more spitefully & deadly bent against the Roman name than they were. And that was the cause (saith he) that he penned them up within their walls. For whatsoever of them chose any way to make an escape, they ranged about the country like brute and savage beasts, robbing, tearing, and killing whoever came in their way. Some of them are led to the adverse side, unto *Annibal*: others are gone to Rome to set fire on the City, and there (quoth he) shall the Consul

ful find the market place half burned, and the very prints and tokens remaining fresh of the Campans mischievous practices. There should he see that they minded to have done violence upon the Chappel of *Vesta*, and to have put out those eternal fires, and utterly defaced the fatal pledge of the Roman Empire, bestowed and laid up sure in the most secret place of the Chappel. Neither thought he it was safe for the City to permit the Campans to come within the walls thereof. Then *Levinus* having caused the Capuans to take a corporall oath, and swear unto *Flaccus*, that they would make return to *Capua* before five daies were expired, after they had their answer and dispatch from the Senat: commanded them to come after him to Rome. Attended thus as he was with his company, he encountered the Sicilians also, who came forth to meet him: and with this multitude he entered the City, accompanied (I say) with the Campans and Sicilians, both vanquished and subdued by war, as accusers of two most famous persons, *Marcellus* and *Fulvius*, who had conquered two most noble and renowned Cities, *Syracuse*, and *Capua*.

But both the Consul, treated and consulted first with the Senat, about the state of the Common-wealth, and the government of the Provinces. Then *Levinus* related in what terms stood *Macedonia* and *Greece*: the *Ætolians* also, with the *Acarnanians* and *Locrians*: likewise what acts he had achieved in those parts both by sea and land: and how he had repulsed *Philip* back into *Macedonia*, when he began to make war upon the *Ætolians*, who now was retired and gone into the utmost parts of his Kingdom: so as the legion might be withdrawn from thence, for that the Armado was sufficient to keep the Kingdom of *Italy*. Thus much spake he of himself, and of the Province whereof he had been governor. Then both Consuls in common, propoed unto the Senat, concerning the Province. And the LL. decreed that one of the Consuls should take the charge of *Italy*, and of the war with *Annibal*: and the other should have under his hand the Armado, whereof *T. Octavius* was the Admiral: and together with *L. Cincius* the Prætor govern the Province of *Sicily*. They were allowed the two armies which were in *Tuscan* and in *France*, consisting of four legions: whereof two of the former year, that were of Citizens should be sent into *Tuscan*, and those two which the Consul *Salpurnius* had conducted, should be led into *France*. Moreover, that he should have the government of *France*, and the leading of the Legions there, whom that Consul would appoint, whose lot it was to have *Italy* for his Province. Unto *Tuscan* was *C. Calpurnius* sent, with Commission after the term of the Prætorship expired, to have his full jurisdiction to continue for a year. Likewise to *Q. Fulvius* was assigned the keeping of *Capua*, and his rule prorogued for another year. The armies, as well of Citizens as of Allies, were by commandment of the Senat abridged and made less: so that for two legions there should be but one, and that consisting of five thousand footmen, and three hundred horsemen: that they should be discharged of soldiery who had served longest: that of Allies there should be less seven thousand foot, and three hundred horse: with the same respect and consideration of service in dismissing the old soldiers. As for *Cn. Fulvius* the Consul of the former year, he ruled the same Province of *Apulia* still, without any alteration of his forces: only his government was continued unto him another year. And *P. Sulpurnius* his Collegue, was commanded to send away all his army, only the mariners and sailors excepted. Likewise order was given that so soon as the new Consul was arrived and landed in the Province of *Sicily*, the army there, which was commanded by *M. Cornelius*, should be sent out of *Sicily*. Unto *L. Cincius* the Prætor were assigned the soldiery that remained after the defeat at *Cannæ*, for to keep *Sicily* in order, and those arose to two legions. And as many legions were appointed for *P. Manlius Volsus* the Prætor, for to go into *Sardinia*, even those whereof *L. Cornelius* had the leading in the same Province the former year. As for the legions of Citizens, the Consuls were enjoined to levy and enroll them so, as they entertained no soldier of all those who had served in the army, either of *M. Claudius*, or *M. Valerius*, or *Fulvius*: nor exceeded the number that year of one and twenty legions of the Romans. When these Acts were passed in the Senate-house, the Consuls cast lots for their several Provinces, *Sicily* and the Armado fell to *Marcellus*: *Italy* and the war against *Annibal*, to *Levinus*.

This lot that fell to *Marcellus* so struck the Sicilians dead, (who stood in the presence of the Consuls, looking for the event of the lottery) as if *Syracuse* had been lost again: in such sort, as their pitifull lamentations, and their wooll plaints, for the present turned all mens eyes upon them, and none after ministered cause of much speech and talk. For they went about to all the Senators from one to another, in poor and vile array, protesting, "That if *Marcellus* came amongst them again as *L. Deputy*, they would not only forsake every man his own country where he was born, but also abandon the whole Island of *Sicily*: complaining that without any defect of their parts, heretofore he had been cruelly bent against them, and his hatred was irreconcilable: and what would he now do in his choler, and knowing that the Sicilians came to Rome of purpose to make complaints of him? The Island were better (say they) to be on a light fire to burn with *Ætna*: or to be all a very sea, than thus to be exposed as a prey unto a mortal enemy, for to be devoured. These grievous moans and piteous complaints of the Sicilians first carried to the houses of the Nobles and great men of the City, and there taken up and much talked of by many, whilst some pitied the Sicilians, others envied *Marcellus*, spread abroad at length so far, until they came to the Council-Table. And the Consuls were dealt withal, to propoed unto the Senat, that they might exchange their Provinces one for another. Then *Mar-*

The complaints of the Sicilians against Marcellus.

cellus stood up and said, "That in case audience had been given to the Sicilians already in the Senate-house, peradventure he would deliver his opinion to another purpose: but now left any man might say, that they were bridled for fear, and durst not speak their minds freely nor complain as they would of him, at whole command, and under whose obedience, they were to be within a while: he was for his part ready to make change of his Province, if his Colleague were as well content, and made no greater scruple of the matter. Only he requested that the Senate would not prejudice his cause. For if at the first (quoth he) it had been hard and unjust, extraordinarily and without calling lots, to give my Colleague the free choice of his own Province, how much greater wrong then should I have, nay, what disgrace were offered unto me, if my lot should be taken from me and transferred upon him. So for that time, the Senat having made an overture unto Marcellus, what they would have done, rather than by any decree prejudicial to the matter, brake up. And the Consuls between themselves privately made exchange one with the other. See the fortune and fatal destiny of Marcellus, that hailed him, as it were, to be marched with Annibal, and to fall into his hands: to the end that the same man, who of all the Romans, was the first that vanquished Annibal in fight, and won the honour from him: should now in the midst of prosperity and happy success of war, be the last Roman General that was slain by Annibal, and yielded the glory of giving him the overthrow. After the Provinces were thus interchangeably shifted, the Sicilians were brought into the Senat, Where they made a long speech as touching the perpetual and constant faithfulness unto the end of K. Hiero, towards the people of Rome; and all to curry favour and gain thanks unto the whole nation of Sicily. Recounting, that Hieronymus first, and after him Hippocrates and Epicles, as for other things, so especially for their revoking from the Romans, and turning to Annibal, were odious and hateful unto them. For which cause and nothing else Hieronymus was by the hands of the chieftains of their young gallants, as it were by a publick decree of the state made away and killed, and the noblest of their young gentlemen, to the number of seventy, conspired to murder Hippocrates and Epicles: who being did, appointed and put by the effecting of their designment, through the delay of Marcellus, who at the time before appointed, came not with his power to Syracuse: were appeached, their intended plot revealed, and they all by those tyrants put to death. And yet, to speak a truth, Marcellus himself was he that gave the first occasion of the tyrannizing of Hippocrates and Epicles, in that most cruelly he sacked and rifled the Leontines. But from that time forward, the Nobles of Syracuse never ceased to come in unto Marcellus, & promised to deliver the City into his hands, whensoever he pleased. But he, forsooth, at first, stood upon these terms, that he would rather force it by assault: but afterwards, seeing he could not effect that his purpose, notwithstanding he had wrought all the devices he could, both by sea & land, he made choice of one Sosis a copper-smith, & Mericus a Spaniard, to have them to work and contrive the betraying of the City, rather than of the principal of the Syracusan Nobility, who had so often offered that service, and never yet would it be accepted: & all, I wot, because he might pretend some colourable cause of justice, to proceed in all rigor against the most ancient allies of the people of Rome, for to massacre them, and make spoil of all that they had, set case that Hieronymus had not revolted and gone to Annibal, but the whole people and Senat of Syracuse: Suppose, that the Syracusians in general, by a publick consent had shut the gates against Marcellus, & not their Tyrants Hippocrates and Epicles, when they had the Syracusians sure enough under their own hands: Say they had wanted against the people Rome with as spitefull and cankered malice as the Carthaginians do, and ever did: what greater hostility could Marcellus possibly have exercised against them more than he hath, unless he would destroy and raze the City to the very ground? Surely he hath left nothing in Syracuse but the bare walls, the naked and empty houses of the City, the temples and chapels of the gods defaced & broke open: for the gods themselves, with all the rich & gorgeous ornaments are carried away. Many a man is spoiled and robbed of his goods, in such sort, as having nothing left him but the bare soil, they are not able when all is gone, with his leavings to maintain themselves, and sustain their wives and children. They were humble petitioners thereunto, and suppliant suiters unto the LL. of the Senat, to take order, that restitution might be made unto the rightful owners, if not of all (for that is impossible, yet of so much at least, as was to be found, and might be truly owned again.

After these and such like complaints, Levinus the Consul commanded them to go forth of the Council-house to the end that the LL. might be consulted with, and deliver their opinions concerning their demands. "Nay many (quoth Marcellus) let them stay still rather, that I may answer to their very faces: seeing my LL. our care and condition is so hard, who war and fight for you, that we must have those to inform against us, and be our accusers, whom we have conquered, and subdued by martiall arms; Let it even be so that two Cities, to wit, Capua and Syracuse, upon this year, may consent judicially both their conquerors, the one Fulvius, the other Marcellus. When the Embassadors were brought back again into the Senat-house, then began Marcellus the Consul, and spake in this wise.

"I am not so far overseen, and forgetfull, my Lords, either of the majesty of the people of Rome, or of this place of command which I now hold, that I would plead mine own cause. "Consul as I am, against these Grecians, my accusers, in case the question were of any crime or fault of mine own. But all the controversy to be discussed, standeth not upon these terms, to examine what I have done, whom the right of war will justify and bear out, howsoever I have proceeded

A proceeded against enemies: but what these men have deserved to suffer. If they were not enemies, nor so to be reputed, then it mattered not, and it had been all-one, either now or in the life time of King Hiero, to have forced Syracuse. But if it appear, that they have revolted, that they have evil intreated our Embassadors, threatened to lay violent hands, and to run upon us with sword and force of arms, that they have manned their walls, and shut their gates upon us; that they have maintained the army of the Carthaginians against us: who can be grieved and offended, if they have suffered as enemies, who themselves first to offer all hostility whatsoever? Rejected I the Nobles of Syracuse when they would have delivered the City into my hands? And made I more account of Sosis, and Mericus the Spaniard, and thought them worthy to be trusted in so important a matter? Yeare not, I am sure, the meanness of the Syracusians, that thus reproach others with benefices of estate. Who was it of all you here, that promised to open me the gates? that undertook to receive my armed soldiers into the City? Nay, nay, ye have and cutt them in your heart, who have so done; and even in this place cannot forbear to give them hard terms, and revile them: so unlike it is, that you yourselves ever meant to have done any such thing. Even this abject condition and base calling of theirs, my LL. which these men twice them with, is a manifest token, and a most evident argument, that I refused none; that was willing to do good service unto our state and Common-wealth. At the very first, before I laid siege unto Syracuse, I laboured by all means to have peace: one while sending Embassadors unto them, & otherwhiles going in person to parle with them. Afterwards, seeing that without all reverence of Embassadors, they shamed not to offer them abuse: without regard of my self, they designed me no answer when I came to the gates, and conferred with their chief Nobility: after much travel, toil, and infinite pains, sustained both by Land and Sea, at length by mere force and hot assault, I became Master and Lord of Syracuse. Now as touching that which hath befallen unto them, since they were overcome, and lost their City, I would suppose they had more reason, and juster cause to make their moan, and complain unto Annibal and the Carthaginians, those that are likewise conquered, than before the Senat of the people of Rome their Conqueror. For mine own part, my LL. if I had ever meant to deny and disavow the spoiling and sacking of Syracuse, and not to stand to it when I had done, I would never have been so ill advised, as to beautify and adorn the City of Rome with the spoils thereof. And what I have given or forgiven unto any particular person, I am assured that I may well justly and avow the same, both by the law of war, and also by the desert of every one. Now, my LL. whether ye will approve and ratify my doings or not, concerneth and toucheth the Common-wealth rather than my self. My part I have done, and discharged my duty faithfully. It much importeth now the State, that by reverencing (as it were) and dismissing mine actions, ye make not your other Generals from henceforth, to be more slack and backward in the like employment. To conclude my LL. since ye have heard both my self and the Sicilians speak our minds face to face, we will all together go out of this Temple, that in my absence the Senat may more frankly speak to the point, and deliver their opinions. Thus the Sicilians were dismissed, and he himself went forth also to the Capitol, for to take a levy of soldiers.

B The other Consul in the mean time, put to question the demands of the Sicilians before the LL. Much canvassing a long while, and discussing there was of the matter; and divers opinions passed. Many of the Senators following T. Manlius Torquatus the head and principal man, that maintained a side, were of this mind, "That they should have made war against the tyrants, the common enemies as well to the Syracusians, as to the State of Rome. And as for the City, it was (say they) rather recovered and received, than won by force: and being so received, it was to be re-established in her own ancient laws and freedom, and not after it was so wearied with miserable servitude, to be scourged and afflicted with war upon it. But between the warring of the tyrants of the one side, and the Roman General of the others, a most beautiful and noble City, standing in the midst (as a prize and reward for the winner) is undone by the means; even that City which sometime had been the garner (as it were) and the Treasure-house of the people of Rome: by the munificent liberality and bounty whereof, by whose rich presents and goodly gifts our City many a time and oft, yes, and but of late dayes in this Punick war, hath been relieved and adorned. If King Hiero should arise again from the dead and come among us, Hiero (I say) the most faithful maintainer of the Roman Empire, with what face could we the woe unto him, either Syracuse or Rome? When he should see of one side, his own native country, half rased and wholly spoiled: and on the other side, coming to Rome, in the very entring of the City, and hard at the gate, should behold the spoils of his own City? Notwithstanding these and such like speeches call out among them, to procure ill will and hatred to the Consul, and to move pity and compassion to the Sicilians, yet the LL. of the Senat in favour of Marcellus, agreed upon a milder decree, and enacted, That whatsoever he had done, either during the war, or after conquest, should be ratified and allowed for good: Item, for the time to come, the Senat would take order and provide for the good of the Syracusians, and give the Consul Levinus a special charge, to have regard of the welfare of that City, to far forth, as might not be prejudicial to the state of Rome. Then were two Senators sent into the Capitol to the Consul, to request him to repair again unto the assembly of the Senate: and after the Sicilians also were admitted into the place, their act and decree aforesaid was openly read. The Embassadors had good words given them, and were dismissed: whereupon they fell down prostrate at the feet of Marcellus the Consul, beseeching him

Marcellus his defence against the Syracusians.



him to pardon that which they had spoken, either to bewail, or to ease their calamity; and tore. He receive both them in particular, and the City of *Syracuse* in general, unto his merciful protection. After this, the Consul with gracious words licenced them to depart.

When the Sicilians had their dispatch, the Campanians had audience given them in the Senate: and as their speech was more lamentable, so the cause was heavier, and harder to be digested: for neither could they themselves deny, but that they deserved condign punishment: nor Tyrants had they any, upon whom they might lay the blame. But they thought they had suffered enough for their sins already, in that to many of their Senators died by poison, and so many lost their heads. Some few of their nobility and but a few remained yet alive, who as they were not touched in conscience, nor so faulty, as to lay violent hands upon themselves, so the Conqueror in his furious wrath, adjudged them not worthy of death: they therefore made humble suit for themselves, their wives and children, to obtain freedom, and to enjoy some part of their own goods, being, as they were, meer citizens of *Rome*, and most of them by affinity and near kinned, upon mutual and cross marriages, linked in alliance and blood to the Romans. After that they also were willed to void out of the Senat house: for a while, there grew some question and doubt, whether *Q. Fulvius* should be sent for from *Capua* (for presently upon the taking of the City, *Claudius* the Consul died) (that this matter might be argued and discussed in presence of the General himself, like as the other had been reasoned of and debated between *Marcellus* and the Sicilians. But afterwards when they saw in the Senat house *M. Anilius*, and *C. Fulvius*, the brother of *Plautus*, both his Lieutenants: likewise *Q. Minutius*, and *L. Veturius Philo*, Lieutenants unto *Claudius*, who had been present in all actions, and were eye-witnesses of every thing; and besides, were unwilling that either *Fulvius* should be called away from *Capua*, or the Campanians longer delayed: *M. Anilius Regulus*, who of all them that had been at the service of *Capua*, was of greatest authority and reputation, being demanded his opinion, spake in this wise.

"I take it (quoth he) when *Capua* was newly won, I was one of Counsel with the Consuls: there, when question was asked, and enquiry made, Whether any one Campanian had deserved well of us and our Common-wealth. And found it was, that two women only, to wit, *Festus Opia*, born in *Atella*, but dwelling then at *Capua*, and *Pancula Cluvia*, sometime a common strumpet and curizan, were well willers unto us. The former of these twain daily sacrificed for the welfare, life, and victory of the Romans; the other, secretly sustained the poor and needy Roman captives with food and victuals. As for all other Campanians, from the highest to the lowest, they were no better affected unto us, than the Carthaginians. And even those, who were beheaded by *Quintus Fulvius*, suffered death, not because they were more faulty than others, but for that they were of greater mark and calling than the rest. Now, that the Senate should decide the cause of any Campanians, who are enfranchised denizens of *Rome*, without a grant from the people, I see not how it can be. For in our fore-fathers time the like case was of the Sarracens that rebelled: and then *M. Anilius*, a Tribune of the Commons, first put up a bill, and the Commons afterwards passed it, namely, That the Senat might have power and authority, to give their opinion, and determine of the Sarracens. Therefore I am of mind, that we deal with the Tribunes of the Commons, that one or more of them, prefer a bill unto the Commons, by virtue whereof we may be authorized to set down some order for the Campanians. Then *L. Anilius*, a Tribune of the Commons, by leave and advice of the Senate, propoed unto the Commons a bill in this form and manner. Whereas the Campanians, *Atellans*, *Calatins*, and *Sabellans*, who have yielded themselves unto *Fulvius* the Pro-consul, to be at the pleasure and devotion of the people of *Rome*: all that also which they have surrendered together with themselves, as well their territory as their City, as all their habitations sacred and profane, their necessary implements, and all other things whatsoever, I demand your aid and pleasure, *O Quirites*, what shall be done with the premises? The Commons after deliberation, gave their voices to the said bill in this form. Our will and pleasure is, that whatsoever ye the Senators, who now are set in Council, or the most part of you think good and determine, shall stand by and fulfil. Upon this grant or Act of the Commons, the Senat by a decree awarded unto *Oppidum* and *Cluvia*, first their own goods and liberty: and moreover if they were delirious to crave further reward at the Senates hand, they were left to repair unto *Rome*. For every family and several house of the Campanians, there were special acts and decrees made, all which to repeat and rehearse, would not quit the labour. Some had their goods confiscate: themselves, their Children and Wives were to be sold, excepting those their Daughters which were wedded, before that they came under the subjection of the people of *Rome*. Others were to be kept in Prison, until further order were taken for them hereafter. Moreover, of some Campanians they made distinction by valuation of their wealth, whether their goods were to be confiscate or no. All their beasts and cattail which were taken, save Horses; all their bond-slaves, but males fourteen years of age and upward, all moveable goods also which were not annexed and fallen to the soil, they awarded for to be restored to the true owners. All Campanians, *Atellans*, *Calatins*, *Sabellans*, excepting those, who either themselves, or whose parents took part and sided with the enemies, they judged to be free: provided always, that none of them were either Free-denizens of *Rome*, or of *Latinum*. Item, it was enacted, that none of all them who had been at *Capua* whilst the gates were shut, should remain either in the City or territory of *Capua*, within a certain day prefixed: but should have a place let out unto them for to dwell in, on the farther side of *Tiberis*, so it were not upon the very bank close unto *Tiberis*.

A *Tiberis*. As for those that during the time of war had been neither at *Capua* nor in any other City of *Campania*, which revolted from the people of *Rome*, they should be removed to inhabit on this side the River *Liris* between it and *Rome*: but such as were turned and passed to the Romans side, before that *Annibal* came unto *Capua*, they should be transplanted on the hither side of *Pulturnum* the River: provided, that none of them should possess either house or Land within fifteen miles of the Sea. As concerning them who were displaced and confined to inhabit beyond the *Tiber*, neither they nor their heirs and successors for ever, should purchase and hold house or Land in any place, but in the territory either of *Fall*, *Sutrinum*, or *Nepejunum*: but so, as they exceeded not the limit of five hundred Acres of ground. As touching the goods and chattels of all the Senators, of such as had born Magistracy in *Capua*, *Atella*, or *Calatia*, they awarded that sale should be made thereof in *Capua*. As for those that were free born, and whose bodies were to be sold, they should be sent to *Rome*, and there let a sale. Finally, the Images and Statues of brass, which were said to have been won and taken from the enemies, whether they were sacred or profane, they referred to the College of the Priests and Prelates, to determine thereof at their discretion. Thus they gave the Campanians their dispatch, and sent them away much worse afraid for their decrees, than they were when they came first to *Rome*. And now they complained no more of the cruel proceedings of *Q. Fulvius* against them, but blamed the iniquity and unjust dealing of the very Gods, and their own cursed fortune together.

After the Sicilians and Campanians were dismissed, there was a muster taken: and when an army was levied and enrolled, there began some question and reasoning about the mariners and Rowers to furnish the Gallies. For the accomplishment whereof, when the Consuls could neither raise men enough, nor yet find money at that time in the Chamber of the City, for to prelie and hire them, and pay their wages withal: they published an edict, that private men according to the rate and proportion in the Subsidy book, out of all orders, degrees, and companies, should as aforesaid find Rowers at their own charges, and maintain them with meat and money for thirty dayes. Upon which Edict and Proclamation, all men so grumbled and muttered, and were to highly discontented and angered, that they wanted an head and Captain, rather then matter and occasion of a mutiny and insurrection: giving out, "That the Consuls had taken a course, and were in the very train to plague, undo, and destroy the Commons of *Rome*, like as they had already the Sicilians and the Campanians. For thus many years they have been pillaged, polled, clean spent and consumed with exaction of tributes, and had nothing left them but the bare ground, and the same lying waste and untilld. As for their Houses upon their Lands, the enemies had burned: their servants and bonds, such as should husband and till their grounds, the Commons had bereaved them of: one whilst buying them up to the war, for some small piece of money: otherwhiles levying and pressing them to the Seas to be Gally-slaves, for a thing of nothing. A man could not so soon get one brass farthing, or single silver denier before-hand, but it went by and by either for Gally-pay, or for yearly Tribute. And to give that now which they had not, they might never be brought by any force or for any mans commandment whatsoever. Let them sell and make an hand of their goods, imprison and punish their bodies too, when all is gone besides: seeing there is nothing left them to ransom and redeem the same again. These and such like words were not only muttered in huggemugger, but uttered also and given out in broad terms even in the market-place and before the Consuls, by the multitude that flocked and gathered together in exceeding great numbers: in such sort, as the Consuls were not able with all that ever they could do, to appease the mutiny, neither by sharp rebukes, nor fair words and comfortable speeches. Then they said, that they would give and allow them three dayes respite for to think and consider of these matters: which they themselves bestowed wholly and employed in taking a view and survey of their goods, and making dispatch and ridance thereof out of the way. The next day the Consuls called the Senate together to consult about the supply of Rowers and Gally-slaves: where, after much debating and arguing, that the Commons had good reason to make denial; at length the drift of all their speech was this, "That whether it were right or wrong, the burden must lye on private mens shoulders, there was no remedy: for seeing there was no money in the common chest, how should Mariners and Rowers be gotten and levied? And without Armadoes, how possibly should either Sicily be held still in possession, or *Philip* be kept out of *Italy*? or the Sea coasts of *Italy* remain in safety and security? In these distresses and difficulties the Council being perplexed, and to seek for remedy, and whilst every mans wits were in the war and so confused, as if they were benumbed and stone cold: Then *Levinus* the Consul, As the Magistrate (qd. he) goeth before the Senate in place of honor, and the Senat likewise before the common people in worth and dignity: so they ought in all difficulties and hard occurrences to undergo the weightiest burdens first, and be the Foremen and Leaders in all dangerous adventures whatsoever. For if a man would enjoy his inferiors to bear some grievous and heavy load, let him first take it up himself, yea and impose the same upon his own train and company: all the rest then, will be more willing and obedient to follow after, and do the semblable. And never will they grutch at any cost or charges, when they see their Leaders and Rulers take more upon themselves, than they are well able to wield and sustain. To the end therefore that the people of *Rome* may be provided and furnished of a fleet rigged and trimmed, as our desire is, and that private persons may not think much, nor refuse to find Rowers thereunto; let us first that we here command our own fellows: let us,

"I say, that be Senators, bring abroad in common all the gold, all the silver, all the brazen coin  
 "that we have, so as every man relieving only for himself, his wife and children: and a little  
 "tablet or Jewel for his son, as a pendant to hang about his neck. Alſo let all them that have wives  
 "or daughters, retain still one ounce weight of \* gold, and \* one pound of silver: And as many as  
 "have born office of State, and sitten in the Ivory Chair, keep still the trappings and caparison of  
 "their Horſes; and two pound weight a piece, the one of gold, the other of silver; for to have a  
 "Salt-fellar, and a little boll or cup, to sacrifice and offer unto the Gods withal. As for the rest of  
 "the Senators, let us leave them but one pound weight of silver, and no gold at all, and five thousand  
 "Ases in coin, to every household a piece. \* All other gold, silver, and brazen money be-  
 "sides, let us forthwith bring abroad and present unto the Triumvirs or publick bankers, before  
 "that we make or enact any decree of Senat: to the end, that our good example in this volum-  
 "tary benevolence and contribution, and our earnest endeavour to help the Common-weal, may  
 "ſtir up and provoke the hearts and affections, first of those that are by calling Gentlemen and  
 "Knights of Rome, and then forward the rest of the commons, to imitate and follow us with  
 "some emulation. This is the only means which we that are Consuls have thought upon and de-  
 "vised, after much talk and conference together. Set to therefore, my masters, in the name of  
 "God, and lead the way: God will bless your good beginnings. So long as the City standeth  
 "on foot, and holdeth up the head, no man need to fear his private state; but it shall do well  
 "enough. Go the weal publick to wreck once, and decay, let no man ever think to save his  
 "own. All the whole house liked it well of these motions, that not only they gave their accord  
 "and content thereto, but over and besides, yielded hearty thanks unto the Consuls for their good  
 "advice and counsel. When the Senat was dismissed, every man for himself brought forth his gold,  
 "his silver, and brasse money, and laid all together in common; and that with such speed, driving  
 "a vie who could go before another, and have his name entered first in the publick Roles and Regis-  
 "ters: as neither the foresaid Triumvirs were able to receive it fast enough, as it was tendered un-  
 "to them; nor the ordinary Clerks and Notaries to let it down in writing, and take note thereof  
 "accordingly. This content and agreement of the Senators, the Knights and Gentlemen of Rome in  
 "their place and calling seconded; and the commons for their parts were not behind. So without  
 "any constraint of law, without edict, without any exhortation made by the Magistrate, the com-  
 "mon-weal wanted neither Rowers for to furnish the armados, nor money to pay the Rowers.  
 "And thus when all things were provided necessary for the wars, the Consuls went forth to their  
 "several Provinces.

Never was there any time of this war, wherein Carthaginians and Romans together, had  
 "more tryal of the alternative and variable change of fortune: never hung they more in equal bal-  
 "ance, between fair hope and tearful danger. The Romans, in their Provinces sailed both in  
 "sweet and sour. In Spain on the one side, they sped ill and lost: in Sicily on the other side, they  
 "sped well and won: so as their sorrow was interlaced still and mingled with joy. Alſo in Italy,  
 "the losse of Tarentum turned to their woe and damage: but the keeping of the Castle there with  
 "the garrison, beyond all their hope and expectation, brought them joy and comfort for their sor-  
 "row. Alſo, their suddain fright and fear, for the siege and assault of the City of Rome, was raised  
 "and cured again within a few dayes after, by the forcing and winning of Capua: and all that be-  
 "wails and mourning turned into mirth and gladness. The affairs also beyond Sea, were checked  
 "with interchangeable turns and courtes. Philip became their enemy in an ill time, and when  
 "they had little need thereof. Contrary-wise, the Aetolians and Attalus the King of Asia the less,  
 "proved to be their new friends and loving allies: whereby even then fortune, seemed to smile on  
 "the Romans, and by that overture, promised as it were, unto them the Empire of the East.  
 "Sembly the Carthaginians, as they lost Capua, so they won Tarentum, and made a living  
 "game of it. In like manner, as they took no small pride and glory, in coming to the walls of Rome  
 "without resistance; so they were danted and dismayed again, that this their enterprize took no bet-  
 "ter effect in the end: and held themselves much disgraced and dishonoured, that whilst they  
 "sat themselves before one gate of Rome, there was an army of Romans led forth at another, and  
 "sent into Spain. And even in Spain alſo, the greater hope men had there, that upon the death  
 "of two so noble and valiant Generals, and the defeat of two so puissant armies, the war was  
 "come to a final end, and the Romans driven from thence for ever: the more spight it was, and  
 "the greater grief and vexation they conceived again, when by the valour of L. Marcius a tumultu-  
 "ary Captain, chosen in halt they knew not how, those former victories turned to vanities, and  
 "came to just nothing. Thus fortune was indifferent, and all things doubtful and wavering in  
 "ſpence, both on the one side and the other. Their hope all one as it was at first: their fear, the same  
 "still, neither more nor less: So as between hope and fear, they fared, as if the war at this time  
 "were new to begin.

Annibal above all other things, was vexed to the heart, that Capua being more hotly and  
 "eagerly assaulted by the Romans, than manfully and faithfully defended by him, had driven  
 "and turned away the hearts of many States of Italy from him. For neither was he able to hold  
 "them all with sufficient garrisons, unless he would dismember into many small portions, and mangle  
 "by piece-meal his army; which to do then, was no good policy: nor he thought it safe and good,  
 "to withdraw his garrisons from thence, & leave the fidelity of his allies at liberty, either to depend  
 "upon fickle hope, or to sway with suddain fear. And (as he was by nature covetous and crafty)

Ally minded) be relieved at length upon this course, to make spoil of those Cities which he was not  
 "able to keep, and so to leave them wast and empty for the enemy. This designment was not to  
 "dishonest and shameful in the first enterprize, but it proved as bad and hurtful to himself in the  
 "effect and conclusion: For he lost the hearts clean, not only of those that were the parties grieved,  
 "and suffered these indignities, but also of all others besides. The present calamity and losse touched  
 "but some few: but the precedent and example reached to many more. Neither was the Roman  
 "Consul behind hand for his part, to sollicite and sound those Cities, from whence he saw some  
 "light appear, and any hope to gain them unto him.

There were in Salapia two noble men above the rest, Dajius and Blasius. Dajius was friend to  
 "Annibal, Blasius to far as he might with safety affected and favoured the Romans. And by en-  
 "courte of secret messengers, had put Marcellus in some good hope of betraying the City; but  
 "without the help of Dajius the plot could not be compassed and effected. Wherefore, after much  
 "maiming and long deliberation, after many stayes and delays, at length he resolved (for want rather  
 "of better counsel, than upon any hope to speed) to address himself to Dajius, and acquaint him  
 "with the matter. But Dajius not only misliking utterly and abhorring the thing, but also carrying a  
 "secret enmity to the party himself, the only eye-sore and concurrent that he had, striving to be  
 "greater than he, disclosed all to Annibal. Whereupon, both were sent for, and convened pre-  
 "sumptuously before him. As Annibal was sitting upon the Tribunal seat, giving audience and dis-  
 "patch to certain other matters; and that he might anon the better attend unto Blasius and the as-  
 "sintended against him: whilst the plaintiffe and defendant stood apart by the selves from the  
 "C of the people a good way. Blasius went in hand again with Dajius, and solicited him for to  
 "deliver the City to the Romans. With that, Dajius (as if the matter had been too too apparent) cried  
 "out and said, That he bashed not to break unto him and move him, even in the presence and sight  
 "of Annibal, for to practise treason and betray the City. Annibal and all they that were there pre-  
 "sently gave little credit unto Dajius: and the more audacious the thing it self was, the lesse likely-  
 "hood it carried with it of a truth. Every man supposed verily, it was nothing but emulation, envy,  
 "and enkindled malice, that caused Dajius to charge upon him that crime, which because there was  
 "no witness to the contrary, he might untruly devile and more freely enforce against him. And so  
 "for that time, they were both discharged the court. But Blasius never gave over to follow still this  
 "bold enterprize, but beat still upon this one point, shewing how good and commodious the thing  
 "would be, both to themselves in private, and to their country in common, until he had wrought  
 "him so, and won him to grant, that the Carthaginian garrison, (and those were Numidians) to-  
 "gether with the City Salapia, should be rendered unto Marcellus. But without much bloodshed they  
 "could not possibly be thus betrayed and delivered: for they were the most hardy and valiant horse-  
 "men by far, of all the Carthaginian army. Wherefore, albeit they were taken on a suddain unpro-  
 "vided, and had no use of Horſes within the City, yet with such weapons, as in such a suddain tu-  
 "mult and uprose they could catch and come by, first they assayed and gave the venture to break  
 "through and escape a way: and when they saw that they could by no means save themselves and  
 "get forth, they fought it out to the last manfully, even unto death: so as there were not of them a-  
 "bove fifty left alive, and came into the hands of the enemies. And surely, the losse of this corner of  
 "the City, was a greater damage unto Annibal, than the forgoing of Salapia: for never from  
 "that day forward, had Annibal the upper hand in cavalry, which was the only service whereby  
 "ever before he most prevailed.

Much about the same time the Castle of Tarentum was streightly distressed for want of victu-  
 "als, and hardly could endure and hold out any longer. The only hope that the Roman garrison  
 "had, which lay there, and the Captain thereof M. Livius the Constable of the Castle, was in the  
 "provision fleet out of Sicily. For the safe convoy whereof, along the coast of Italy, there rid at  
 "anchor a fleet wellnigh of twenty sail before Rhegium. The Admiral of this fleet appointed to  
 "wait these victuals from time to time, was one Decimus Quinius, a man of obscure birth and base  
 "parentage, howbeit, for many worthy acts and feats of arms, much renowned in martial  
 "glory.

At the first he had the charge but of five ships, whereof two of the greatest, which were three  
 "banked Gallies, were allowed him by Marcellus: afterwards, upon his good service, when he had  
 "born himself bravely in many conflicts, he had three more committed unto him, and those were  
 "of five banks of oars, until at last himself, by calling upon the confederate Cities, as Rhegium,  
 "Velia, and Paſturn, for the ships due by covenant unto the people of Rome, he had made a pretty  
 "Armado, as is above said, of twenty sail. As this fleet had disanchored and was gone from Rhegi-  
 "um, Democrates with the like Armado for number of Tarentin ships, encountered almost five  
 "legues from the City of Tarentum, at a port called Sacripotia. It fortuned at that time; that the  
 "Roman Admiral, little looking for any battel, came forth under sail only, but about Crotona and  
 "Sibari, he had furnished his ships with Rowers also, and so his fleet for the biggels and tainels  
 "of the Vessels, was well appointed, and sufficiently armed and manned. And: even then it hap-  
 "ned at one time, that both the boisterous wind lay, and the enemies also were within kenning,  
 "so as they had scarce time enough to fit their tacking, to make ready their Rowers, and to let in  
 "order their fighting men, against a skirmish that was to meet toward. There was not lightly seen  
 "a greater conflict, fought more hotly and fiercely between two royal Armados that affronted  
 "one another, than between these small fleets. For why, the battel was for a greater matter, than all  
 "their



"us into his own country, and to come home unto him. I fear me greatly, lest this will seem  
 "unto some of you a greater demerit, and more audacious enterprise of mine, than may be  
 "ther suit and sort with the fresh remembrance of those late defeats, or stand well with my young  
 "and unripe age. The foils and unfortunate foughten fields in *Spain*, can be of no man in the  
 "World forgotten later, to the end that sorrow upon sorrow, funeral upon funeral, one monstrous  
 "30 dayes there slain, to the end that sorrow upon sorrow, funeral upon funeral, one monstrous  
 "death after another, should intortunately be heaped upon our house and family. But as this de-  
 "solate estate and defect almost of all my house and name (wherein I only, in manner, am left alive  
 "of my race) woundeth my heart and makes it bleed, as often as I think of it: Is the publick for-  
 "tune and vertue of the Common-weal, reviveth my spirit again, and will not suffer me to de-  
 "spair totally of the state of this Empire: considering the delivry and Providence of the Gods, I  
 "whereby it is a thing given unto us, and our luck hath ever been, that howsoever we have recei-  
 "ved overthrowes in all great wars and dangerous battails; yet in the end, we have gone away  
 "with the victory. I omit to speak of old examples, of *Porfena*, of the *Gaels*, and *Samnites*: and  
 "I will begin at the *Punic* wars. How many armados and fleets, how many brave Captains,  
 "how many valiant and puissant armies were there lost and miscarried, during the former? And  
 "what should I say of this in our dayes? In all the defeats and overthrowes, I was either preler  
 "my self in person; or if I were not in any of them, yet I am sure, I was he that felt the smart  
 "of them, more than any man else whatsoever. The River *Trebia*, the more *Thrasymene*, the Town  
 "*Canna*, what are they else, but the very sepulchres and tombs of the Roman armies there be-  
 "in pieces, and of their Consuls slain. And thereto; the general revolt of *Italy*, the rebellion of  
 "*Sicily*, the falling away of the greater part of *Sardinia*. Moreover and besides, this last strif  
 "and terror; namely, the *Carthaginians* camp pitched between *Anio* and the walls of *Rome*, and  
 "*Annibal* been well neer, as conqueror at the very gates of our City. In these to great ruins and  
 "adverse distresses of our state, yet the vertue alone and valour of the people of *Rome* hath hold  
 "upright, sound, and immutable; yea, and hath raised up again and set on foot, all that which  
 "along on the ground. You only, my valorous souldiers, were the first, that after the discomfite  
 "of *Canna*, under the leading and good fortune of my father, withstood *Asdrubal* in his journey and  
 "expedition toward the *Alps*, purposing to go down into *Italy*; who if he had joynd with his  
 "brother *Annibal*, certainly by this day, there had remained no memory of the Roman name.  
 "And in very truth, these affairs falling out to prosperously, made amends and recompence for all  
 "the former losses. But now through the goodness of the Gods, all things prosper and go well  
 "forward; and the affairs of *Italy* and *Sicily* both, mend daily, and are every day better than  
 "other. In *Sicily*, *Syracuse* and *Agrygenuum* are won and wholly ours: the enemies be driven  
 "out of all the land, and the state is reduced into the form of a Province, subject to the people  
 "of *Rome*, and under their obedience. In *Italy*, the Town of *Arpi* is recovered by surrender, the  
 "City of *Capua* is forced by assault. *Annibal* himself, having measured all the ways, (but in fac  
 "full halt and in manner of a flight) as long as it is from *Rome* to the Brutians country (in high  
 "*Calabria*;) is there driven up into the furthest angle and corner thereof, nothing moe willing  
 "and praying for at Gods hands now, than to be able to retire and get away late out of his ene-  
 "mies Land. What thing then were lesse becoming, my hardy souldiers, than this, if you who  
 "have sustained and upheld the decaying and down-falling estate of the Roman Empire in this  
 "Province you (I say) together with my two parents (whom for the reverence that I owe to  
 "them, give me leave to make equal, and to honour with that name) at what time as calamities  
 "and losses, hapned suddenly one to the neck of another, and the Gods themselves seemed to sit  
 "part and stand with *Annibal*; should now let fall your courages and be faint-hearted, because  
 "those Provinces afore said, all things go well to our hearts desire and great contentment. For  
 "the late misfortunes and adversities which have hapned here, would to God they had passed over  
 "without sorrow, as well of my part, as of yours. But for the present, the immortal Gods, *Pro-  
 "ctors* and Governors of the Roman Empire, who inspired into the minds and hearts of all the  
 "Centuries, to with and chaue me to this place of sovereign honor, even the same Gods by age  
 "ries and auspices, by all tokens of the birds either by flight or sight, yea, and by various also in the  
 "night season, do portend, signifie and promise unto me, all good speed and happy successe: yea  
 "and mine own mind giveth me, (which ever hitherto, hath been to me the truest prope, and  
 "never deceived me) that all *Spain* is ours; and that within short time the whole *Punic* name: all  
 "nation, being expelled and driven out from hence, shall fill all Seas and Lands with their thunde-  
 "rall and dishonorable flight. That which my spirit and soul of it self presageth, the same doth  
 "son also conclude by most certain and infallible demonstration. The allies and subjects here  
 "the *Carthaginians*, oppressed and wronged by them, have humbly by their Embassadors cured  
 "our aid and succour. The Captains General of their forces, being at difference and odds all one  
 "among themselves, inlomuch as they had like to have departed and revolved one from the other  
 "have distracted and dimembred their forces into three parts, and bestowed them in three sever  
 "all countries, most removed and distant slunder. And no doubt, the like fortune is ready to  
 "upon their heads, which lately was our undoing and overthrow, in so are they now abandoned of their alle  
 "even as we before were forsaken of the *Celtiberians*, in so are they now abandoned of their alle  
 "Besides, they parted and divided their armies slunder: which was the only cause, that brought  
 "the utter ruin and destruction upon my father and uncle. And be ye sure, that their intent

"discord and disfection, will never suffer them to joy n friendly and unite again in one. And thus  
 "singled as they are, they cannot possibly withstand our puissance. Now my souldiers, for your  
 "part, do but favour the name of the *Scipios*: do but affect and love me, the issue and off-spring of  
 "your noble Generals, budding forth again (as it were) out of the old stock, cut down to the roote.  
 "Go to, old souldiers, and redoubted levitours, with bold-courage set over the River *Iberus* a new  
 "army and a new Captain: pass over with them into those Lands, which ye have often conquered,  
 "and wherein ye have achieved many valiant and memorable acts. And for my self, I will fo  
 "endeavour and effect, that as ye now agnize in me, the resemblance of my fathers and uncles vi-  
 "sage and countenance, the same feature, proportion, and lineaments of the body: so I will hew  
 "and represent unto you, the true pattern and portraiture of their spirit, wit, faithfulness, and ver-  
 "tue, even as the exprets and lively image taken and drawn from their own selves: in such sort, as  
 "every man may say, That Captain *Scipio* is either risen from the dead, or new born again. Hav-  
 "ving by this Oration, incensed and inflamed the courages of his souldiers, and left *Syllanus* with a  
 "guard of three thousand foot, and three hundred Horse, for the defence of that coast; he transpor-  
 "ted over the River *Iberus*, all the rest of his forces, amounting to the number of five and twenty  
 "thousand foot, and 25 hundred Horsemen. There he was advised by some about him, seeing the  
 "Punic armies were departed into three countries to far remote and distant slunder, to let upon  
 "and assail that which was next: but he doubting and fearing lest by that means he should draw  
 "them altogether, and knowing that he was not able alone, to match and make his part good with  
 "many bolts at once, determined in the mean while, to be doing with new *Carthage*, and to besiege  
 "and assault it. This City, as it was rich and wealthy in it self, so it was full of all the enemies furni-  
 "ture and provision for war. There was their armour kept, there was their money laid up, there re-  
 "mained the hostages of all *Spain*. Besides, as it was leated commodiously to cross over from thence  
 "into *Affrike*: to it stood upon a convenient and large haven, able to receive and harbour the greatest  
 "navy at Sea, and the only haven (if I be not deceived) of all that coast and tract of *Spain*, which  
 "boundeth next upon our Sea. But no man was made privy to his determination, or knew whither  
 "they should take their journey, save only *Lalrus*. He being lent about with the armada, had di-  
 "rection to temporise and guide his course by fail and oar, that at one and the self same instant,  
 "both *Scipio* might present his Land forces in the view of *Carthage*, and the fleet enter the haven.  
 "So they departed from *Iberus*, and within seven dayes came before the City of *Carthage*, both by Sea  
 "and Land. His camp he pitched on the north-side of the City: which he entrenched and fortified  
 "on that outward back-part, that stood farthest from the City: as for the forefront, it was by natural  
 "situation of the ground, defended sufficiently enough. For the site of *Carthage* is in this sort. There is a  
 "gulf or creek of the Sea, in the middle coast and river well neer of *Spain*, opposite most to the  
 "South-west wind, running & retiring in length within the Land half a mile, out lying out in breadth  
 "somewhat more. In the very mouth of this creek, there is a little land from the open Sea; which  
 "saveth, sheltereth, and defendeth the haven from all other winds, but only the South-west. From the  
 "inmost nook of this bay, there beareth out a promontory like a demy land, which is the very Hill or  
 "Cape whereupon the City is built. The same on the East side and the South, is compassed with the  
 "Sea: from the West, it is enclosed with a lake or standing mear, which also spreadeth somewhat  
 "toward the North, of an uncertain depth; which altereth according to the tide, and as the Sea ei-  
 "ther ebbeth or floweth. Now, there is an elbo or bank of firm ground, some what lesse than a quar-  
 "ter of a mile over, that joyneth the City with the main or continent. To that side (notwithstand-  
 "ing it had been no great piece of work there to fortifie) the Roman General cast no trench, nor  
 "raised any rampier: either upon a brave and haughty mind, to shew the enemy how confidently he  
 "trusted in his own strength; or because, whensoever he advanced to the walls of the City (as  
 "oftentimes he took occasion so to do) he might have open recourse and regrets again into the camp.  
 "But when the outer side, which required fortifications, was finished, he let the ships in order with-  
 "in the haven, making a shew, as if he would befiege them also on the water side. And when he had  
 "gone through all his armada, and given the Captains of the ships in charge, to look well to their  
 "centines and watches in the night (for that commonly enemies at their first besieging, make what  
 "attempts and adventures they can in every place) he returned into his camp. And because he  
 "would not only yeeld his souldiers good reason of this his desjgnment, in that he began war first  
 "and principally with the besieging of that City: but also encourage them, and put them in good  
 "hope of the winning and conquest thereof, he assembled them together, and discoursed before  
 "them in this manner.

"My valiant souldiers and trusty friends, If any man here thinketh, that ye are brought hither  
 "to assail a City only, and there an end: he rather maketh reckoning of your present pain and  
 "travel, than calculeth the profit and commodity thereof ensuing. For ye shall in very truth give  
 "the assault to the walls but of one City: but in that one City ye shall be masters and conquer-  
 "ors of all *Spain*. Here lie the hostages of all their Nobles, their Princes, and States. And no  
 "sooner shall ye be Lords of them, and have them in your rule and custody, but presently, all that  
 "now is under the hands of the *Carthaginians* in *Spain*, will be surrendered unto you, and at  
 "your devotion. Here is all the money that the enemies have: without which like as they are not  
 "able to maintain war, (as who wage and entertain all their armies for pay) so it will mighrily  
 "lead us (if we light upon it) in gaining the hearts of the barbarous people. Here are their engines  
 "and artillery, here is their armour, here is their tackling and provision for their navy, and all  
 "other

The situation  
 of New Car-  
 thage.

The Oration  
 of Scipio to his  
 souldiers.





was a mighty mass brought unto the General. Golden cups or bowls there were 276, every one weighing almost one pound. Of silver trays, wrought, and coyned, 18300 pound weight: and much plate and vessels of silver. All this *C. Flaminius* the Treasurer, received either by weight or tale. Of wheat there was 40000 Modii, of barley 270000. Of barks and ships of burden, there were in the haven won by force, and taken, 113. Some were fraught with corn, armour, brags, bedsteads, and iron, sail-cloth, and hemp, or spart for cables and ropes, also with timber for shipwrights. Carriage the Town it self, in so great store of wealth and warlike provision, was the least of all other.

That day *Scipio*, having committed the charge of guarding and keeping the City unto *Leius* and the mariners, brought back the legions into the camp, and commanded the souldiers to refresh their bodies with food and rest, wearied as they were, and over-laboured in one day with all manner of toil and work that belongeth to war-service: as who, had both fought a battle in the field, and also taken to great pains, and undergone so much hazard and danger, in assaulting and forcing the City, yea, and after it was won, had fought with disadvantage of ground, with those that were fled into the Cattle.

"The next day, after he had called both souldiers and mariners together, first he rendered laud and praise, yea, and thanks unto the immortal Gods, who in one day had not only made him Lord of the most mighty and wealthy City in all Spain, but also had laid up for him there against his coming, all the riches well-near of *Affrick* and *Spain*: whereby as the enemies now had nothing left them, to be and his had all things plentiful. Then he commended the virtue and valour of his souldiers, whom neither the falling out of the enemies could fright, nor the mighty height of the walls scare, nor the blind and untrodden fords of the lake could once dismay, nor the situation of the Cattle feared upon an high cliff terrific, nor yet the Cattle it self most strongly built and fortified, was able to daunt and make afraid, but that they would pass over all and break through all. And therefore albeit every one of them deserved at his hands all rewards, yet the principal honour of a mural crown and garland, belonged properly unto him that first scaled and mounted over the wall. Come be forth therefore (quoth he) and shew himself, who taketh himself worthy of that gift, and let him claim his due. Whereupon there were two that put in for it, and demanded the same, *Q. Trebellius*, a Centurion of the fourth Legion, and *Sex. Diginius*, a Senator at the Sea. Neither itved these parties themselves to hotly about the matter, as the love and favour of them set all the whole army divided into legionary souldiers, and servitors at Sea, in heat of contention, to labour for him that belonged to their side, and was a member as it were of their body. *C. Lelius* Admiral of the fleet, went with the Sailers and Seamen. *M. Sempronius Tudicianus* was altogether for the legionary Land-souldiers. This debate was like to breed a riot, and to raise a very mutiny in the host. Whereupon *Scipio* pronounced that he would appoint as Delegates three Commissioners, to sit upon the cause who should take the deposition of witnesses, and give their verdict accordingly, whether of these two persons entered over the wall first into the Town. Now because *C. Lelius* and *M. Sempronius* were Advocates to the one party and the other, he therefore adjoynd unto them a third person, one *P. Cornelius Caudinus*, to go as an indifferent Mediator between them two: and gave order and commandment, that those other three Commissioners above said should sit together, and hear and determine the controversy. When as the matter grew to a greater heat of contention, by reason that men of such mark and worth, were acquainted with the action, and had their hand in it, who were not so much Advocates to plead, but moderators and judges to bear down a side; *C. Lelius*, rising out from the court, came to the Tribunal seat unto *Scipio*: and informed him that the manner of proceeding in this matter in question, was without all good order, modesty and reverence; and so handled, that they were like to go together by the ears, and try it out by knocks. But, be it, quoth he, that no blows be dealt, yet it is a most shameful example and detestable precedent, that the honour and guard due to virtue, should be carried by fraudulent coven and ungodly perjury. For, quoth he, the legionary souldiers stand of the one hand, the Sea-servitors on the other, and ready they be to swear on both sides all the oaths of God, and to that rather which their will and affection carrieth them to, than which in their conscience they know to be true. By which guilt of forswearing and perjury, they will not only bring a curse and vengeance upon themselves and their own lives, but also upon the ensigns, standards, and very Eagles, yea, and their religious military Oath and Sacrament. Thus much I thought good to give you advertisement of afore-hand, and that by the will of *P. Cornelius*, and *M. Sempronius*. *Scipio* after he had highly praised *Lelius*, called the souldiers to an assembly, and there with a loud voice pronounced, and said thus: I am sufficiently informed upon certain relation, that *Q. Trebellius*, and *Sex. Diginius* scaled the wall both together, and therefore I award as well to the one as to the other a mural garland, in token and testimony of their singular virtue. Then he rewarded the rest also, according to every mans desert and valorous service. But above all other, he honoured *C. Lelius* Admiral of the fleet, not only in marching him equally with himself in all commendable parts and qualities, but also in presenting him with a coronet of beaten gold, and thirty Oxen. Then he gave commandment that the hostages of the Cities and States of Spain should be called forth. What a number were of them, I am ashamed and loth to set down in writing: for almost as I find in some Chronicles, that they were upon some three hundred, in others 725. The like variety there is of other matters, amongst sundry writers; One writeth that the Punick garrison were ten thousand: another 7000

A and a third comes with his two thousand, and no more, I meet with one record which reporteth, that there were 10000 taken prisoners: and another, that there were above 25000. Of Scorpions or Crossbows, great and small, I should say there were gained some 60, if I would take for mine another *Silenus*, a greek writer: but if I follow *Valerius Antius* and go by him I should tell you a tale of six thousand of the greater sort, and thirteen thousand of the smaller. See how little rule they had of their tongues to over-reach, or stay of their pens to set down so loud lies upon record. Nay, they are not well agreed so much as upon this point, who were the great Captains and Commanders. Most of them say, that *Lelius* was *L. Admiral*: there be again that would have *M. Junius Syllanus* to be the man. And *Armet* was Captain of the Punick garrison, and yielded to the Romans, if ye list to believe *Valerius Antius*: but by the testimony and credit of others, it was *Mago*. Moreover, the records accord not about the number of ships that were taken, nor of the weight of gold and silver, nor yet of the sum of money that was raised of the pillage. To conclude, if we must needs believe some one or other, the mean between is the best, and carrieth most likelihood of the truth.

But to return again to *Scipio*: "When he had called forth the hostages into his presence first he had them all in general to be of good cheer: for why? they were now in the hands of the people of *Rome*, who ever desired to bind men unto them by favours and good turns more than to awe them with fear and dread; and to have certain nations knit and joynd in faithful amity, rather than held in subjection by heavy servitude. Then after he had taken the names in writing of their several Cities, he also reviewed the number of the prisoners, and counted just how many belonged to every State. Which done, he dispatched messengers home into their countries, willing their parents and friends to come and receive every man their own, if happily any Embassadors of their Cities were present, he returned unto them their own hostages without delay: for all the rest, he gave express charge to *C. Flaminius* the Treasurer to see unto them in all kind, courteous, and liberal usage. Whiles he was busie in taking this order, there hapned to come from among the hostages, even out of the midst of the company, an aged gentleman, the wife of *Mandanius*, brother to *Indibilis*, a Prince and great Lord of the *Ilergetes*. "She shed tears, and fell down prostrate at the feet of the *L. General*: and withall began to beseech him most intantly to give a more special charge, concerning the custody of the women-folk: and to recommend them to their keepers, for to be guarded with a careful eye, and to be kept and attended on as that is meet for them. Then replied this Dame again, We stand not so much (quoth he) upon these terms: for a little thing, God wot, may serve and content them in this poor estate and low condition: my care is for another matter, when I consider and behold the young and tender age of these maidens here. As for my self, I am now past date, and without danger of that injury, which our sex is subject and exposed unto. Now there stood about her the daughters of *Indibilis*, virgins in the fresh prime and flower of their age, and passing fair and beautiful withall: besides some other Ladies as nobly born as they: who all honoured her as their natural mother that bare them. Then *Scipio*, "I would (quoth he) in the ordinary course as well of mine own discipline as of that which is established by the people of *Rome*, have a respective consideration, that no one thing among us should suffer abuse, which elsewhere in any place of the world is held inviolable: this would I do, I say, for mine own credit, and for the honour of *Rome*: but to have a more special eye that way, your own virtue also and worthiness bindeth me: who in the midst of these your calamities and miseries have not forgot your womanly carriage and the honour of your sex. And thereupon he delivered them over to the custody of a man of approved honesty and integrity, commanding him to guard them with no less reverence, modesty, and continency, than if they were the wives or mothers of their nearest friends that gave them entertainment. After this, there was presented unto him by his souldiers a damoel and virgin of ripe years, taken also prisoner: but so well favoured and surpassing in beauty, that wheresoever she went every mans eye was upon her, in admiration of so rare and perfect a creature. *Scipio* having enquired of her country where she was born, and likewise of what parents she was descended: among other things learned, that she was espoused and affianced to a young Prince of the *Celtiberians*, whose name was *Alucius*. Forthwith he sent home to her parents and forefathers, for to repair unto him: and in the mean time he understood that her husband that should be was wonderfully enamoured of her, and ready to die for her love. So soon as the young Gentleman was come, *Scipio* entered into a more familiar speech with him, than he did either with the father or mother of the maidens, and in these terms he entertained him: "I am a young man (quoth he) as well as your self. Come on therefore, let us young men both devile and commune together more freely, and not too nice, coy, and bashfull one to the other. After that your espoused wife, taken captive by my souldiers, was brought unto me, and that I heard of the exceeding fame and affection that you cast upon her, I believed it full well for her singular beauty deserved no less. Now forasmuch as myself, if I might be allowed to use the pastimes of youth, (I mean no otherwise than in honest and lawful love) and were not called away by the Common-weal, &c. employed wholly in other affairs of state, I would think to be pardoned and held excused, if I had an extraordinary liking to a spouse of mine own, and loved her extremely. I must therefore needs favour and tender your love, which is the thing I can, considering that I may not the other in any wife. Your sweet-heart and best beloved I have entertained as well, and as respectfully, as the husband have

The rare continuance and courtesy of *Scipio*.







yet I am not ignorant, that some there be, who have affirmed that it hapned the next year following. But meaneles, it was an unlikely matter, that *Scipio* should spend one whole year in *Spain*, doing little nothing.

Now when *Q. Fabius* Max. was Consul the fifth time, and *Q. Fulvius* Flaccus the third time, on that very day upon which they entred their office (which was in the Ides of *March*) both of them by decree of the Senat, had the government of the Province *Italy*: but so, as their jurisdiction was let out by the countries: so as *Fabius* should war about *Tarentum*, and *Fulvius* in the *Lucans* and *Brutians* countries. *M. Claudius* continued still in government one year longer. The Prætors had their Provinces parted between them by lot: unto *Caius Hostilius Tuthin* fell the jurisdiction over the Citizens, but to *L. Veturius Philo*, over foreigners, together with *Gallia*, *Titus Quinctius Cripinus* ruled *Capua*, and *C. Avarunculeius* governed *Sardinia*. The armies were divided among the Provinces in this wise: unto *Fulvius* were assigned the two legions which *M. Valerius* *Levinus* had in *Sicily*: unto *Q. Fabius*, those in *Hetruria*, which were commanded by *C. Calpurnius*. The City army was appointed to succeed those Legions in *Hetruria*: and *C. Calpurnius* was ordained to sit in the government of that Province, and to have the leading of that army which *Q. Fulvius* had. It was agreed moreover, that *T. Quinctius* should be Lord President of *Capua*, and have the charge of the army there. And that *C. Hostilius* should receive the jurisdiction of *C. Lætorius* the Pro-Prætor, over the province at *Ariminum*: and likewise his army. Unto *M. Marcellus* the same legions were allowed, wherewith he had warred so fortunately when he was Consul. Unto *M. Valerius* and *L. Cincius* (for they also continued one year more governors in *Sicily*) was the army remaining after the battell at *Canna* granted: and they were commanded to supply, and make up all the companies thereof, out of those souldiers that were left of the legions of *C. Fulvius*. For the Consuls caused them to be sought out and gathered together, and sent them into *Sicily*: and disgraced them with the very same kind of ignominious souldiery, in which the *Cannians* were: as also those who remaining of the army of *Gn. Fulvius* the Prætor, had been thither sent by order from the Senat, for anger and despite that they fled like as the other. Unto *C. Avarunculeius*, the same legions were given by decree in *Sardinia*, wherewith *P. Manlius* *Vols* had ruled and governed that Province. And *P. Sulpicius* having his government prorogued for one year longer, was commanded to rule *Macedonia* with the same legion and Armado still. Thirty Gallies of five banks of oars were appointed to be sent out of *Sicily* unto *Tarentum*, to *Q. Fabius* the Consul. With the rest of the navy, it was agreed and order set down, that *M. Valerius* *Levinus* should either himself pass over into *Africa*, for to forrage and spoil the country, or send *L. Cincius*, or *M. Valerius* *Maxilla*, whether of them he would. For the government of *Spain* there was no alteration, save only this, that *Scipio* and *Syllanus* had their commission continued, not for a year as the rest, but untill such time as they should be called from thence by order from the Senat. Thus were the Provinces divided, and thus were the forces bestowed for this year.

Among other affairs of greater importance, the Election of the high Curio, or chief priest, who was to be elected in the room of *M. Aemilius* late deceased, renewed, and set on foot again an old contention between Commons and Nobles. For the *Patres* denied, that *C. Manlius* *Astilius* (who was the only man of the Commons that stood for it) was eligible, and therefore not to be pricked: forasmuch as never any before him obtained that sacred totall dignity, but by one of Senators calling. The Tribunes being called unto for their assistance referred themselves to the Senat. And the Senat put it unto the people, for to be decided by them. So *C. Manlius* *Astilius* was the first Commoner that ever was created *Maximus Curio*, (i. e. the grand superintendent over all the Curie in matters of Religion.) And *P. Licinius* the Arch-bishop constrained *C. Valerius* *Flaccus* to be intialled and inaugurate the Flamine of *Jupiter* against his will. And *C. Lælius* was created Decemvir for holy rites and ceremonies, and for sacrifices, instead of *Q. Mutius* *Scævola* late deceased. The cause and occasion of inaugurating that Flamine by constraint and compulsion I would willingly have concealed and smothered in silence, but that the ill name, wherewith he was, turned afterwards to good fame and reputation. This *Flaccus* for his careless, loose, and riotous demeanour in his youth, in regard of which vicious course of life, he was odious to his own natural brother *L. Flaccus*, and other his kinsfolks, was for the same cause chosen Flamine by *P. Licinius* the said Arch-bishop. This man, so soon as his mind was employed about Church matters, and religious ceremonies, so suddenly all at once altered his life, and cast off his old behaviours, that there was not one of all the young men in *Rome* in more account and credit, nor better liked of the chief of the Nobility and L. of the Senat, as well those of his own house and lineage, as others that were strangers unto him. And when he saw himself grown generally unto this good opinion and reputation among men, he began to have a very good conceit of his own parts and worthineis, inso much, as he brought up an old custom again, and was so bold as to take his place in the Senat-house (a thing, that for many years space had been intermitted and discontinued in regard of the base unworthineis and insufficiency of the former Flamines.) When he was entered into the Senat-chamber. *C. Licinius* the Prætor willed him to go forth, as being no place fit him, and therewith drew him out: when in the Flamine called for help of the Tribunes of the Commons, pleading the ancient right and prebeminence of that Priestly dignity, and alleging, that *C. Flaminius* in times past enjoyed that place, together with the pall, or embroidered rich robe, and the Ivory chair. The Prætor on the other side came upon him again, and said: That right was not grounded upon old examples past all date, fetch out of *Chronicles* time out of mind: but

As but he would needs have it to be carried by the most fresh practice of the newest and latest custom, affirming, That by prescription of the time, either of our fathers or grandfathers daies, there was no Flamine of *Jupiter* usurped that privilege. The Tribunes, who were to moderate this question, gave their judgment thus, That if a thing were forelet, and discontinued through the supine negligence of some Flamines, it was worth for themselves and they deemed it no reason, that it should hurt or prejudice the whole priesthood. Whereupon, the Prætor himself offered not greatly upon the point, nor stood much with him, and so they admitted the Flamine into the house with great content of the Nobles, as well as of the Commons. And all men thus conceived of it, That the Flamine had obtained the thing, rather in regard of his sanctimony and holiness of life than in the right of his sacerdotall dignity.

The Consuls before that they went into their Provinces, enrolled two legions of Citizens: for to supply and make up sufficiently the defect of all the other forces. The old City army *Fulvius* the Consul committed unto *C. Fulvius* *Flaccus* his Lieutenant, (and brother he was besides to the Consul) for to be led into *Hetruria*: with direction, that the Legions already in *Hetruria* should be brought to *Rome*. And *Fabius* the Consul caused the residue of the army of *Fulvius* to be sought up and rallied, which arose to the number of 3336: and commanded his son *Q. Maximus* to lead them into *Sicily*, unto *M. Valerius* the Pro-Consul, and of him to receive the charge of two Legions, and the thirty gallies aforesaid, bearing five ranks of oars. The withdrawing of these Legions out of the Island, nothing diminished nor abridged the garrisons of that Province, either in strength or shew. For besides the two old legions, well and sufficiently filled and furnished, he had a great power, as well horse as foot, of Numidians, such as were fled from the adverse part unto the Romans: and took up and levied besides for new souldiers, even those *Sicilians* also, who had been of the army of *Epides* and the Carthaginians, men of approved valour, and skillfull warriors. These forrain aids, when he had put to each of the Roman legions, he kept still the form of two compleat armies. With the one he gave order to *L. Cincius* to defend that part of the Island which had been the Realm of King *Hiero*: with the other he maintained the rest of the Island, divided sometimes by the confines of the Roman and Punick dominions. There was a fleet also rigged and trimmed, consisting of seventy ships, for to guard and defend all the maritime coasts, along the tract of the sea side. Himself in person, with the horsemen of *Mutius*, rode about all the Province, for to visit the lands and grounds, and to take note which were tilled and well husbanded, which lay forelet and untilled, and to command or chastise and rebuke the landlords and owners thereof accordingly. The care and regard of corn, thus far forth did good, that the Province was able both to send good store to *Rome*, and also to convey unto *Cannæ* sufficient to maintain the army that was to lie in standing Camp that summer about *Tarentum*.

But the souldiers who were transported over into *Sicily* (and for the better part they were Latines and other Associates) were like to cause a great rising and commotion: whereby we may see, that of small occasions and beginnings oftentimes arise great matters of important consequence. For the Latines and Allies in all their Dietets and Councils at home, began to mutter and E grumble, "That now for ten years space they were with continual musterings and payments of souldiers wages consumed and spent, that there was not a year in manner went over their heads, but it cost them some great loss and overthrow in battell. Many were slain in the wars, other died of diseases, so that a Citizen of theirs, if he were taken and prest once by the Romans, for robe a souldier was more sure to perish, than if he were taken prisoner by the Carthaginians: for the enemy sent their captives back again gratis, and without ransom, home into their country: the Romans posted and packed them away out of *Italy*, as confined to a place of banishment (to speak truly) rather than appointed to serve in warfare. For see how the souldiers, remaining after the field of *Canna*, have continued there, and waxen old these eight years already, and no doubt there were they like to lay their bones before that the enemy (who never so flourished, nor was so strong as now) would depart from thence. In case then that old souldiers return not into their country, and new still be chosen, within a while there would be none left behind. And therefore best it were for them before they were come to extreme poverty and desolation presently to deny the people of *Rome* that, whiles it were what is left, which shortly they must be driven to do of very necessity when all is gone. And if the Romans see their Allies once agree together, and take this course, they will then verily bethink themselves and grow to some terms of making peace with the Carthaginians. For otherwise be sure as long as *Anniball* hath a day to live *Italy* will never be clear of wars. These and such like speeches passed in their Diets above said. There were at that time thirty Colonies of the people of *Rome*: and whiles the Embassages from them all were at *Rome*, twelve of them denied the Consuls flatly, and said they were not able any longer to find either men or money. And those were theie, *Ardea*, *Nepes*, *Sutrinum*, *Circus*, *Alba*, *Carfedi*, *Suessus*, *Sora*, *Saturnia*, *Cales*, *Narnia*, *Interamna*, *Casertum*, *Nepe*, *Sutrinum*, *Circus*, *Alba*, *Carfedi*, *Suessus*, *Sora*, *Saturnia*, *Cales*, *Narnia*, *Interamna*. The Consuls amazed at this strange and unexpected accident, being desirous to drive them out of that mind, and to scare them from so detestable a resolution, supposed they should prevail more by chastising and rebuking, than by fair and gentle dealing: and therefore told them again, "That they had presumed to speak that unto the Consuls, which they again were ashamed, and could not find in their hearts to deliver and relate in the Senat-house. For surely (say they) this is not a refusal of souldiery and war service, but a very meeke revolting from the people



of Rome, and no better than an open rebellion. Therefore they were best to return again speedily into their several Colonies, and to consult with their neighbors & countrimen, whilst the matter remained yet all whole, as men who had rather let fall some words rashly at adventure, than resolved indeed to attempt and commit to hainous an act: yea, and to tell them, and put them in mind, that they themselves were neither Campani nor Tarentini, but meer Romans, from whom descended, and of their race: from thence sent as Colonies into the lands that were won by conquest; to breed, increase, and multiply; and to admonish them, That whatsoever duties children owe to their parents, the same they owed unto the Romans, if there remained in them any kind and natural affection, any remembrance of their ancient native country: and to exhort them to consider better of the matter, and to lay their heads together anew. Forasmuch as those designs of theirs tended to betray the State and Empire of Rome, and to deliver the victory of all unto *Annibal*. When the Consuls one after another had dealt and been in hand with them a long time in this manner: and the Embassadors nothing moved with their words, made answer again, That neither they knew what other message to bring home; nor their Senat what new counsell to take: since that they had not any more men to be mustered for soldiers, nor money to be paid for wages: the Consuls seeing them so stiffly and obstinately bent, made relation thereof before the Senat, whereupon every man was stricken into so great fear and trouble of mind, that many of them gave out, that the Empire of Rome was come to an end. The likewise they, will the rest of the Colonies do, and surely all our confederates and allies are combined and agreed to betray the City of Rome unto *Annibal*. But the Consuls comforted the Senat, and had them be of good cheer, saying, That all the other Colonies besides would continue loyall and faithful in their duty and allegiance: and even those also which had failed in their obedience, if there might be Embassadors sent amongst them, to rebuke and chastise them, and not to speak them fair and entreat them by way of prayer, would no doubt have a respective reverence of the majesty of the Roman Empire. Now when the LL. of the Senat had committed the ordering of this matter wholly unto them for to manage and handle, according as they should think good for the weal-publique: after they had thoroughly sounded the hearts and minds of all the rest of the Colonies, they called and cited all the Embassadors, and demanded of them whether their soldiers were in readines according to the capitulations of the covenant. Then *M. Sextilius of Fregella* made answer in the behalf of eighteen of them, "That not only their soldiers were ready according to the form of the covenant, but also if more were needful, more they would allow, and whatsoever else the people of Rome imposed upon them, and wished them to perform, the time would they strain themselves to do to the utmost: for, as yet they had people, force, and a power good enough: and as for their hearts, it was much better than their ability. The Consuls after they had made a short speech unto them by way of a preamble, saying, that they thought it not sufficient for their desert to be commended from their mouth only, unless all the LL. generally in the Senat-house gave them condign thanks with one voice and common accord, willed them to follow after them thither. The Senat having thanked them in as honourable terms as they could possibly devise, and entertained them with most gracious words, gave order to the Consuls, to bring them forth also in the face of the whole people of the City: and before them, among other singular favors and kindneses which they had shewed both unto them and also unto their ancestors, to make rehearsal of this late good desert of theirs, which they afforded unto the Common-wealth: to the end, that now also, after so many ages and lives of men past they should not be forgotten and buried in silence, nor defrauded of their just praise and due commendation. And these were they that remained true hearted and fast unto the City of Rome: The Signini, Nolani, and Norbani; the Saticulani, Brundisini, and Fregellani; the Lucerni, Venusini, and Adriani; the Firmani and inhabitants of *Ariminum*, And from the other sea side the Pontiani, Pesti, and Costani: and of mid-landers, the Beneventini, Efferntini, Spoletini, Placentini, and the Inhabitants of *Cremona*. Upon the aid and succour of these Colonies, the Roman state at this time rested and stood maintained: and these all were highly thanked both in the Senat, and in the assembly of the people. As for the other twelve Colonies, which had refused to do their obedience, the LL. of the Senat gave expresse commandment that they should not be so much as once minded or named: and that the Consuls should neither give them their dispatch, nor retain them still, nor so much as speak unto them. This silent kind of rebuke without word giving, seemed to stand most with the majesty and grandeur of the people of Rome.

Whilst the Consuls were diligent in providing and making ready all other things requisite and meet for the wars, it was thought good to bring abroad the *vicefimal* gold [to wit, the twentieth part of all their tributes and revenues] which had been laid up and reserved apart in a more secret closet of the City-chamber, against an hard winter (as they say) to serve for what need soever the Common-wealth should stand in. So there was taken forth four thousand pound weight of gold, whereof three hundred pound was given to the two Consuls apiece, and so likewise to *M. Marcellus*, and *P. Sulpicius* the Pro-Consuls: and to *L. Veturius* the Prætor, unto whose lot the Province of France befell. And *Fabius* the Consul had an addition besides himself above the rest of one hundred pound weight of gold for to be carried into the Castle of *Tarentum*. The rest of the gold they disbursed for to make ready payment down upon the nail unto them that undertook to provide apparel for the army in *Spain*, which to their own fame, and the honour of their General, served there in the wars.

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Moreover, it was thought good, that before the Consuls departed into their Provinces the prodigious tokens should be purged and expiate. On the Alban mount there were smitten with fire from heaven the Image of *Jupiter*, and a tree standing near unto the Temple: likewise the lake at *Hæstia*, the wall at *Capua*, and the Church of *Fortuna*: and at *Sinuessæ* the wall and gate of the town. These I say were, blasted with lightning, and smitten with thunderbolts. There were some also brought word, that the water at *Alba* ran blood. And at Rome within the sanctuary of the chapel of *Fortuna*, a little image that stood upon her coronet, fell of its own accord from the head of the goddess into her hands. And at *Prætorium* it was for certain reported and known of a truth, that an Oxe spake, and that a Vulture or Grife flew into a shop in the market place, when it was full of people. And at *Sinuessæ* there was an Infant born of doubtful sex, between male and female, (which the common sort call *Androgynus*, as for the most part greek names, admit more ease composition of two words than the Latine) and there it rained milk, and a man-child was born with an Elephants head. These (strange and fearful signs were expiate, and satisfaction made for them with greater sacrifices: and a solemn procession in all the Churches and Chapels, with prayers and supplications was proclaimed for one day. Besides, a decree was granted, that *C. Hostilius* the Prætor should sow and set out the games and plaies of *Apollo*, in such manner as of late years they had been vowed and set forth.

About the same time *Q. Fulvius* the Consul held an assembly for the creation of Censors, and elected Censors were *M. Corneli*, *Cethegus*, and *P. Sempronius Tuditanus*, who neither of them had ever been Coss. And by a grant or commission from the Senat, there was a bill preferred unto the Commons, and the same passed, that these Censors should set, and to farm let the territory of *Capua*. The review of the Senat and choice of new Senators was hindered and staid, by reason of a contention between the two Censors, who should be the president of the Senat. Now the choosing of him lay in *Sempronius* his hand. Howbeit *Cornelius* alledged, that the custom and tradition of fore-fathers should be followed, namely, to elect him for President, who of all them that were now living, had born first the office of Censor. And that was *T. Manlius Torquatus*. *Sempronius* replied again, and said, that as the gods had given him by lot the first place, so they had granted him free liberty to choose whom he would. And therefore he would elect *Q. Fabius Max.* whom at that time he was able to prove to be the principal man of all the City, without exception, and take *Annibal* himself for the Judge. After much variance and contesting of words, at length *Sempronius* by relenting and permission of his Colleague elected *Q. Fabius Max.* the chief Senator. Then the Senat was changed, and new Senators chosen, and eight were overpassed and left out, among whom was *L. Cæcilius Metellus*, he that gave the infamous and shameful counsell, to abandon *Italy* after the defeat at *Canna*. In noting likewise and disgracing the Knights and Gentlemen, the same cause was considered of, and took effect, but very few there were of them that were touched with that infamy: but all those horsemen belonged to the Cannian legions who were in *Sicily* (and no small number there was of them) had their hories taken from them: And to aggravate this sharp punishment and note of disgrace, they were plagued also with time of long warfare: for so many of them as had served with horse allowed by the City, should not reckon upon the years passed already, but were to follow warfare ten years forward, and find themselves hories. Moreover, these Censors after diligent search and survey found out and met with a great number of those that ought to have served on horseback: and look how many of them were sixteen years old and upward at the beginning of the war, and had not been employed in the wars those all they disfranchised, and made *Ætarii*, or contributaries. After this, they bargained by the great for the repairing and re-edifying again of those edifices which had been consumed by fire about the *Forum*, [or market place] namely, the seven shops, the [fish] shambles, and the Kings Hall, or royall gallery.

Thus when all things were finished which were to be done at Rome, the Consuls set forward to the wars. And first *Fulvius* went before to *Capua*: and some few daies after *Fabius* followed: who besought both his own Colleague by word of mouth most earnestly, and also *Marcellus* by effectual letters, to make sharp war upon *Annibal*, and to keep him occupied, while he assailed *Tarentum*: which City, if it were once taken from the enemy, he were then driven out of all, & having no place to put his head in, nor which he might make account to stand fast and trusty unto him, he should have no reason at all once to stay in *Italy*. He dispatched also a messenger to *Rhegium* unto the Captain of the fort and garrison, which by *Lævinus* the Consul was there placed against the *Bruttii*: and those were eight thousand men. The greatest part of them were of these good fellows, and that damned crew, wherof we spake before, who used to live by robbing and stealing, and were brought thither from *Agatirna* out of *Sicily*. Unto whom there were adjoynd many of the *Bruttii* also fugitives from thence, and as good as themselves every way, both for audaciousness, and also for neediness to set upon any bold adventure whatsoever. This power of men he commanded should be lead to waste and spoil the Bruttians country first, and then to lie against the City *Calonia*, and to assault it. They having performed this service, not only willingly & cheerfully, but also with greediness: having also chased away and sifted the husbandmen and peasants of the country, assailed the City with a horrible means. *Marcellus* stirred up and provoked by those letters of the Consul: and having a good opinion of his own that of all the Roman Captains there was not one so able to march *Annibal* as himself, left his wintering standing camp, so soon as ever there was forrage and grais in the country, took the field, and encountered *Annibal* at

at Cannisium. Now was Annibal in hand with the Canusins, and solicited them to revolt. But he hearing once that Marcellus approached, he dislodged from thence. The country thereabout was plain and open, without any covert places to bellow an ambush, and to lay trains in therefore he began to retire himself from thence into the woodland parts. Marcellus tracked him still, and followed him hard at heels, and encamped close unto him: and ever as he had fortified and entrenched himself, he brought forth his men into the field, ready for battle. Annibal entertaining small skirmishes with certain Cornets and troops of horsemen, and with light appointed footmen, that lanced darts and javelins, thought it not necessary yet to come unto a pight set battle, and venture all upon one throw. Howbeit he was drawn to a fight, maugre his head, howsoever he laboured to avoid it. For being gone afore one night, Marcellus overtook him upon a plain and open ground: and as he was pitching his tents he kept him from fortifying, by charging his pioneers and labourers on every side. Whereupon they came to a very battell, and fought with all the forces they had on both sides: and when it grew toward night, they departed asunder on even hand: but before it was dark they had encamped not far one from another, and in great haste made shift to fortifie themselves. The next morning by day light Marcellus came forth into the field with all his power: neither refused Annibal the challenge, having with many words comforted and encouraged his souldiers to remember *Thrasymenus* and *Cannae*, to cut the comb and beat down and tame this fell stomach and lufly courage of the enemy: who prefteth still (quoth he) and seeketh upon us, not suffering us to march on quietly in our journey, nor to pitch our tents: giving us no leave to breath our selves, nor time to look about us. There is not a morning but so soon as the sun is up in the horizon to give light to the world, the Roman army is out in the field to give us battle. If we could draw blood of him once, and set him out of the field with blood about his ears, he would for ever after fight more quietly, and take better leisure with him. With these and such like comfortable words and effectual remonitances they were well animated: as also provoked seeing themselves thus molested by the enemy, who day by day never ceased to challenge and brave them still: whereupon they began a fierce and cruell battell. They had now continued fight above two hours: and then began the Roman Cavalry from the right wing, and the extraordinary souldiers that flanked the main battell, to give ground and dismarch. Which *Marcus*, perceiving, he brought forward the eighteenth legion in the vanguard. And while some retreated back fearfully, others come forward but slowly, the whole battell was put out of order, and arrayed: and so at length it was discomfited: and for that fear smothered shame, they turned their backs and fled away main. Slain there were in the conflict and in the rout together some 2700 Citizens and Allies one with another: among whom, there were four Roman Centurions, and two Colonels, *Marcus Licinius*, and *Marcus Fulvius*. Of military engines, there were four lost of that right wing which first shrunk and lost ground: and two others of the legion which came to succour their fellows that gave back and retreated. Marcellus after that he was returned into the Camp, welcomed his souldiers with such a bitter and sharp Oration, that the very words of the General in his anger and wrath were more heavy and grievous unto them, than the conflict it self, which they had unfortunately endured all the day long before. "I yield praife yet, and render thanks to the immortal gods, (quoth he) as I may in such a case, that our enemies having vanquished & conquered you in the field, and driven you in to great fear to run headlong within your trenches & gates, came not with all at once to assaile the camp. For surely in the same fearful fright that you forsook battell, you would likewise have abandoned your tents & pavilions. What fearfulness is this? Whence cometh this terror? What means this oblivion of yours? How cometh it to pass, that ye should so forget all on a sudden, both your own selves, and them with whom ye have to fight? Why surely, they are the same enemies & no other, whom the summer past, you did nothing but either vanquish & overcome, or else pursue & follow in chase: whom for these certain daies past, ye have been ready to tread on their heels as they fled and ran away before you both by day & night: whom in light skirmishes ye have discomfited: whom no longer ago than yesterday, you suffered neither to march forward, nor to pitch their camp. Let us bear to speak, and I praise in silence those things which in good right ye may stand upon & smile at: your boast. I say nothing of that whereof ye ought to be ashamed & displeased with your selves: namely, how but even yesterday ye brake off the fight on even hand, and retired out of the field, when the enemy had got no advantage? What hath this one night, or what hath one day cut you off? Are either your forces in this mean time abridged & diminished, or your enemies augmented & increased? Now surely, me thinks, I speak not to mine own army, nor to Roman souldiers. Only ye carry about you the same bodies & armour that ye were wont. For if ye had born the same minds and hearts with you, should the enemies ever have seen your backs? Should they have taken either banner from any company, or ensign from cohort and squadron? As yet the enemy never wanted and made boast of the defeat of our Roman legions. You are the very first that this day have given him the honour of discomfiting and putting to flight our army. Then they all cried out, and besought him to pardon that daies default, and to make trial once again of his souldiers courages when and wheresoever he would. Mary, and that I will. (quoth he) my souldiers: I will put you to it: even to morrow I will bring you abroad into the field, and after ye have got the victory ye shall obtain that pardon which ye now crave. So he gave order, that those cohorts which had lost their ensignes should have the allowance of barley in stead of wheat: and as for those Centurions of the bands or companies, whose banners were

This Oration  
of Marcellus to  
his souldiers.

were lost, them he degraded in this manner: He caused them to be difarmed, and their skins to be drawn naked and taken from them, and to let them go and shake their ears. And withal, he made proclamation that the next day they should all present themselves in readines, as well footmen as horsemen. Which done, he diminished the audience, and they all confessed and acknowledged, that they were jultly and worthily thus checked and rebuked: and that there was not that day one man in the Roman army, setting aside the General himself only, but he was bound to make amends and satisfaction, either with spending hear-bloud, or achieving a noble victory. The morrow after they all shewed themselves unto him in their armor, and well appointed, according to his commandment. The General commended them for their forwardnes: and gave them to understand, that he would set those in the forefront of the vanguard, which the day before began to run away: also those cohorts likewise that lost their ensignes. And now he gave them warning, and charged them all to fight it out lustily, to win the field: and to endeavour and strain themselves, both all and some, that the news of yesterdayes flight came not to Rome before, and then their bodies: that in case the fight should hold long, they might be able to endure to the end. Now when all was said and done, that might encourage and stir up the hearts of souldiers, they went out & advanced their ensignes into the field, Annibal being advertised hereof, "Now believe me (quod he) we have to deal with an enemy indeed, who is of that nature, that he can neither brook his good fortune, nor away with bad. If he hath won at any time, he posseth to lose whom he hath vanquished, cruelly. Contrary-wise if he have lost, he begetteth to fight with the conqueror again right freshly. Then he commanded the trumpets to sound, and brought forth his power in battell array. A field was fought there on both hands more sharply a good deal, than the day before. The Carthaginians strived to keep the honor and reputation of yesterdayes service: the Romans strained to wipe away the ignominy and shame of that dayes foil. On the Romans side, the Cavalry of the left wings, and those cohorts which had lost their ensignes, fought in the vanguard, and the twentieth legion was marshalled and ranged in the right point of the battell. *L. Cornelius Lentulus*, and *C. Claudius Nero* had the leading of both these wings, *M. Marcellus* himself commanded the main battell, and withal his personal presence encouraged them, as a witness of their valour and courage. Now, when as the fight had continued long, and the victory inclined no way, Annibal commanded the Elephants to be put forth upon the very forefront of the battell, so le if that object might possibly work some terror and confusion among the Romans. And at first they disordered the ensignes, and troubled the ranks: so as partly by treading under foot, and partly by scattering them for fear, that were all about, they had laid naked and open the battell in one part, and in more places than so had the Romans fled, but that *C. Decimus Flavus*, a Colonel, having from the first band of the Hannati, caught up the banner in his hand, commanded the company thereto belonging to follow him: and thither he led them where the foresaid Elephants were gathered round, and made foulett work, and charged them to sling their darts and javelins at them. All this thot fight sure, and missed them not, yea, and some stuck in them: and no marvel, for the beasts were neer at hand, the bodies great and standing thick in a plump together. But as ready (such is their nature, dangerous to meddle withal) for to hurt their own matters, as the enemies: and all turned upon their fellows, that were unhurt, and drave them back. So as now, not that entire band only, but every souldier else for his own part, who was able to reach the herd (as it were) of the Elephants as they fled, did his best to lance javelins and short darts at them. And so much the more furiously ran the beasts upon their own, and made a far greater havock there, than they had done among the enemies: by how much more fiercely fear and fright let them agare, and sent them forward, than the will of their masters that fate upon them, was able to rule and restrain them. The Roman footmen empying this advantage, came forward with their ensignes and banners upon that battailon, which was put in disarray by the running to and fro of these unruly dumb creatures, and without much ado and farther skirmish put them to flight, after they were once broken out of their ranks, and set in a fright. Then Marcellus sent his Cavalry after them, to pursue them as they fled, and to follow the chace, and never gave they over hunting and courting them, until they had lodged them in great fear within their camp. For besides all other things, which made them thus scared and affrighted, there chanced two Elephants to fall down in the very gate & entrance thereof, so that the souldiers were forced to rush into it over the trench and rampier. In that place was the greatest slaughter made of the enemies. For there were slain eight thousand men, and five Elephants. Neither had the Romans a bloudles victory offit: for of the two legions, there died fast upon 1700, and of the Allies more than 1400. Besides many a citizen and confederate fore wounded. And Annibal the next night dislodged and departed, *Marcus*. The Ephials that were desirous to follow upon him, yet he could not for the multitude of his hurt that Annibal took his way into the Brutians country.

Neer about the same time, the Hirpines, Lucans, and Volscents, after they had delivered up the garrisons of Annibal, which they had in their Cities, yielded themselves also to *Q. Fulvius* the Consul, and were received to mercy with great clemency by the said Consul, after some rebuke given them in words only for their trespass and errour past. The Brutians also had the like hope of pardon, when as *Vibius* & *Pallius*, two brethren of the noblest house of that nation, came from them

them to sue for the same condition of yielding and surrendering themselves, which was granted him unto the Lucans.

*Q. Fabius* the Consul, won by assault a Town in the Salentin country called *Manduria*. Prisoners were taken there 4000, and some good store of other pillage. From thence he went to *Tarentum*, and in the very mouth of the haven, lay against the City. Those ships which *Livius* had for to wait the convoy of victuals, he partly charged with engines, and other ordnance to assault Towns withal, and partly furnished with artillery, with stones, and shot of all sorts: the ships of burden likewise, and not the Gallies only which were guided by oars: to the end, that some might bring Engines and Ladders unto the walls, and others aloof from out of the ships, would hurt those that defended the City. These ships were ordained and appointed to the open Sea to assault the City. And clear was the Sea of all danger from the Punick navy, which I was sent unto *Coryra*, at what time as *Philip* minded to assail the *Ætoliens*. In this mean while, the assaults of *Cantonis*, a little before the coming of *Annibal*, for fear lest they should be surprised, betook themselves to a little hill: which as it was (for the present danger) a place of safety, so it wanted all things else. *Fabius*, as he lay at siege about *Tarentum*, was much helped to the achieving of a matter of great importance, by a trifling thing to speak of, and of small moment in itself. The *Tarentins* had a garrison of the *Brutians*, sent from *Annibal* to defend the City. The Captain of this garrison was greatly enamoured and ready to die for the love of a woman, who had a brother that served in the army of *Fabius* the Consul. He being certified by letters from his sister, of this new acquaintance that he had with that forainer and stranger, so wealthy and so honorable a person among his country-men: conceived some hope by means of his sister, that her lover might be brought to any thing, and wrought as they would: and so acquainted the Consul with his conceived hope. And this seemed no vain imagination. Whereupon the young man was sent to *Tarentum* in habit and quality of a fugitive, and by the mediation of his sister, grew into some favour with the Captain aforesaid: and at first practised secretly to undermine and found his mind; and afterwards seeing the weakness and inconstancy of the man, he prevailed with him so much, through the flattering speeches and allurements of the woman, as to betray the keeping and guard of that place whereof he had the charge. After that the manner how, and the time when this plot should be put in execution, was agreed upon, the said soldier was let out of the City closely by night in a place between the corps de guard, and informed the Consul what was done already, and in what sort every thing was to be done. *Fabius* at the first watch, after he had given a token and watchword to them in the Castle, and to those likewise that had the keeping of the haven, himself set a compass about the said haven, and lay as closely as he could to that part of the City which lieth to the East. Then all at once the trumpets sounded from the Castle, from the haven and ships, which in the open Sea rid near at hand. Great shouting there was, and much ado on foot purpose from all these quarters, whereas indeed there was least danger or none at all there. In the mean season the Consul kept his men in. Whereupon *Democritus*, who had before time been Admiral of the Armado, and whose chance it was to have the guarding of that place, against which the Consul lay close, seeing all thereabout quiet enough, and no stirring at all, and hearing all other parts to ring again and resound with such alarms as otherwise it seemed the City was taken and won, and fearing lest if he sat still and bestirred not himself, the Consul would make some Camiada, and give the assay to enter the City with banner displayed: withdrew his guard toward the Castle, from whence was heard the greatest and most terrible noise. *Fabius* when he perceived once by guessing at the time, as also by the silence it self in that place (for where but a while before they kept much ado, raising up one another, and calling to arm, there now all was hush, and not a word) that the guards were had away from thence, he commanded that the ladders should be brought to that side of the wall, where the brother & brother both of the treason, had brought word that the cohorts of the *Brutians* were quartered and kept their guard. Thus on that part was the wall won by the means of the *Brutii*, who were ready to help and sale them up, and so they got over into the City. Then was the next gate broken open, that the army might come by companies under their several colours. Whereupon they set up a shout and alarum before break of day, they marched as far as into the market head, and met with none to make head against them, and caused all them that fought at the Castle and the haven, to turn upon them. There, in the very entrance of the market place, began a great skirmish, rather fought hotly than maintained thoroughly. For the *Tarentin* soldiers were nothing comparable to the *Romans*, either in courage of heart, or goodness of armour: in skill and knowledge of war, or in lustiness and strength of body. And therefore when they had only shot their darts, even before they came to hand strokes, they turned back and slunk away through the lanes of the City, where with they were well acquainted, some to their own home, and some to their friends houses. Two of their Captains, *Nico* and *Democritus*, fought manfully, and were slain. *Philomenus*, who was the principal head that wrought the revolt unto *Annibal*, fled out of the skirmish as fast as ever his horse would carry him: but a while after his empty horse was seen & known wandering astray in the City, but his body could never be found. It was commonly believed, that he flung himself headlong from his horseback, into a certain open pit. As for *Cartholo*, Captain of the Punick garrison, he cast away his armour and weapon, and as he was coming to the Consul with a goodly tale, recounting and remembering his fathers friendship and intertainment to the *Romans*, there happened a soldier to meet him and strike off his head. Then by some or other in every place, the *Carthaginians* and *Tarentins*

*A* *Tarentins* both went to wrack, and were killed without mercy and regard, as well unarmed as armed. Yea, there were many of the *Brutians* also fell upon the edge of the sword, were it that they were mistaken, or for an old grudge and in-bred hatred: or to suppress and extinguish the bruit and rumor that went of betraying the Town: to the end that *Tarentum* might seem the rather won by assault and force of arms. Then from murder and slaughter, they fell to sack and spoil silver tried and coined: of gold 87000 pound weight. Images and painted tables or pictures, so many, as very near amounted to the number of the ornaments of *Syracusa*. But *Fabius* of a braver mind, obtained from that kind of prize and pillage, which *Marcellus* forbore not. For when his Scribe or Secretary asked him, what his pleasure was, should be done with the images (and the Statues they were of the Gods, of a mighty bigness and proportion, portrayed every one in their own habit like warriors: *Mary* (qd. he.) let the *Tarentins* have their angry Gods still among them for me. After this, the wall which divided the City from the Castle, was dismantled, raised down, and laid even with the ground.

While these things hapned at *Tarentum*, *Annibal* (after they had yielded themselves unto him that besieged *Gaulonia*) hearing of the siege and assault of *Tarentum*, went night and day and made all the halt he could, with a running march, to rescue & succour the City: but hearing by the way that it was forced and gone, "Ah! see well, qd. he, the *Romans* also are not without their *Annibal*." In good faith, so was *Tarentum* won, and so lost again, by treachery and treason. But because he would not be thought to rumback & flee, in the very same place where he made stay, he sat down, and encamped almost five miles from the City: and after he had abode there some few daies, he retired himself to *Metapontum*. From thence he suborned two *Metapontins*, and sent them to *Fabius* at *Tarentum*, with letters devised from certain principal men of that City, wherein they promised to betray *Metapontum* and the Punick garrison into the Consul his hands, upon assurance made unto them, that all former trespasses & offences should be forgiven and forgotten. *Fabius* supposing all was truth and plain-dealing, appointed a certain day when he would come to *Metapontum*, and sent his letters also to those principal citizens, which letters were brought unto *Annibal*: whereas he was right glad and took great contentment that his fraud sped so well, and that *Fabius* also might be entrapped, caught, and overtaken by his wily fetches as well as others: and thereupon laid an ambush for him in the way not far from *Metapontum*. As *Fabius* (before he should go out of *Tarentum*) attended to know what the birds signified, he observed once or twice that they approved not his journey. And when he killed a sacrifice, thereby to know the will of the Gods, the Soothsayer, or bowel-prier gave him warning, to take heed of the deceit of his enemies, and beware of wait-laying. The *Metapontins*, seeing that he came not at the day appointed, were sent again to hasten him forward, and to encourage him to come: who were all suddenly at once apprehended, and for fear of farther torture, disclosed the practise of the ambush.

In the beginning of that summer wherein these occurrences hapned, after that *Scipio* had bestowed the whole winter, in winning and reconciling the hearts of the barbarous people, partly with gifts and rewards, and partly with enlarging and sending back their hostages, and prisoners: there came unto him one *Edesio*, a noble and famous Captain of the Spaniards. His wife and children were in custody with the *Romans*: but besides that occasion which brought him to not now, which withdrew and estranged whole *Spain* from the *Carthaginian* Empire, unto the doubt of all *Spain*, to leave *Asdrubal*, and with all the power they could make of their followers and vassals, to depart into the mountains standing just over his camp, from whence they might from hill to hill continually retire themselves in safety to the *Romans*. *Asdrubal* perceiving the pusillance of his enemies to grow and increase still more and more by little and little, and his own to diminish: and fore-seeing, that unless he made some hardy adventure and prevailed that way, all would be naught, and fall to the ground, as it was beginning already to reel, determined to put it to a battail with all speed possible. *Scipio* also was sharp set, and the more desirous of fight, as because, before the armies of his enemies should joyn together, he was more willing to fight with one General and one army, than with all them jointly at once: and yet he had well amended and increased his forces politically of purpose, against the work, in case he should be driven to fight with many of them together. For, seeing there was no use of ships, because all the Rivers and Seas along *Spain*, were cleared of the *Carthaginian* navy, he withdrew his fleet up into the harbor at *Taracena*, and joyned his Sea-servitors to his Land-souldiers. For armour he had store enough, by so many Artificers and Craftsmen that he kept there hard and close at work. With this power, *Scipio* in the beginning of spring departed from *Taracena* (for now by this time was *Lutius* returned from *Rome*, without whose company he was not willing to enterprise any service of great moment and importance) and led forward against the enemies. As he journeyed peaceably all over the country, and passed through the territories and confines of every City and State, his Allies were ready to exertain and accompany him. *Indibilis* also and *Mandonius* among the rest, with all their power met him. Then *Indibilis* in the name of them both, spake, not like a forthwith barbarian foolishly & inconsiderately, but rather with a modest kind of gravity, more like one that



Within few days after the battle at *Barula*, when as *Scipio* in his return to *Taraco*, was gone past the chafe or forrest of *Castulo*: *Asdrubal* the son of *Gisco* and *Mago*, the two Generals, arrived out of the farther province of *Spain* unto *Asdrubal* the son of *Amilcar*. But they came a day after the fair, and too late to help an overthrow past already: yet in very good time, to give counsel for the managing and executing of the war behind. There, as they conferred together, concerning the disposition of the Spaniards, and how they stood affected in the countries of each province, only *Asdrubal* the son of *Gisco* was of opinion, and persuaded, That the utmost trust and coast of *Spain*, which lieth upon the Ocean and *Gades*, was hitherto unacquainted with the Romans, and therefore fast enough and sure to the Carthaginians. But the other *Asdrubal* and *Mago*, were of another mind, and agreed in this, That *Scipio* with his favours and benefits had possessed the affections and hearts of all men already, both in general, and also in particular, and that there would never be an end of sliding from them, and siding to the Romans, before that all the Spanish souldiers were either removed into the farthest parts of *Spain*, or conveyed over into *France*. And therefore albeit the Senat of the Carthaginians had not granted out any such aid and commission, yet there was no remedy, but that *Asdrubal* must go over into *Italy*, where *Anibal* was the head of the war, and in whom lay the main chance of all: by which means also he might withdraw out of *Spain* all the Spaniards, far enough from the naming and hearing of *Scipio*. For *Asdrubal* his army, as well by daily falling away and revolting to *Scipio*, as also by the late dearth much empaired, was to be replenished again with new souldiers. Moreover, that *Mago* should deliver his army to *Asdrubal* the son of *Gisco*, and himself in person cross over into the *Edix* Islands, with a great sum of money, to wage new aids and succours from thence. And that *Asdrubal* the son of *Gisco*, with his army should retire farther up into *Portugal*, and not encounter the Romans at all in any hand. And that out of all the Cavalry there should be chosen out the very flower and strength, to the full number of 3000, for *Masaniissa*, and that he should range and overrun all the hither Province of *Spain*, partly to help the distressed Allies, and partly to spoil the enemies towns, and forrage their lands. After these orders and directions set down, the Generals departed asunder to the execution of these determined designs. Thus yece what were the affairs and occurrences of *Spain* for that year.

At *Rome* the same of *Scipio* grew greater every day then other. *Fabius* for the winning of *Tarentum*, albeit he got it rather by craft and policy, then by force and vertue, was glorious therefore. The name of *Fulvius* began to age and decay. *Marcellus* grew also into an ill name and some obloquy, both for that at first he had a foil, and also because he suffered *Anibal* to take up *Idryx* his pleasure, and himself at mid-summer had retired his souldiers to *Venusia* to range up there (as it were) their winter quarters. He had a fore adversary in the City, one *C. Publius Bibulus*, a Tribune of the Commons: who from the very first time of that discomfiture, with continual speeches and Orations brought *Claudius* into hatred and inanimy with the common people, and now was in hand with them to deprive him of his government. Howbeit, the friends and kinsfolk of *Claudius* obtained thus much, That *Marcellus*, leaving his Lieutenant at *Venusia*, should repair to *Rome* to make his purgation, and acquit himself of such crimes as his adversaries objected and laid against him: and that during his absence, they should not treat nor debate about his deprivation.

It happened much about one time, that both *Marcellus* came to *Rome* (to meet with the shameful slander that ran on him, and to save his honour) and also *Q. Fulvius* the Consul, about the new election for the year following. The question touching the government of *Marcellus*, was debated and handled in the lists of *Cereus*, called *Flaminius* and a great assembly there was, and much concourse of the Commons and of people of all degrees and calling. The Tribune accused not *Marcellus* only, but all the nobility: by whose fraudulent practice, and by whose cold and delayful proceedings, it was come to pass, that *Anibal* now these ten years had remained in *Italy* (as it were) in his province continually, where he had led a greater part of his life, then at *Carthage* in his native country. And now (quoth he) the people of *Rome* taste the fruit, proceeding of propping and continuing of government still in one person. For see what is come of it: *Marcellus* himself hath been twice defeated and fallen upon the enemies sword, and now, foolishly, is hounded in *Venusia* for sin-burning. But *Marcellus* to confuted this accusatory speech of the Tribune, by recounting his own worthy noble acts; that not only the Bill preferred for the deposing him out of his room, was dismissed, and the neck of it broken, but also the next day after, all the Centuries with one general voice created him Consul. There was joined with him companion in government *T. Quintius Crispinus*, who then was Pretor. The morrow after were the Pretors chosen; to wit, *P. Licinius Crassus Dives*, who was at that time the Arch-bishop, *P. Licinius Varus*, *Sex. Julius Caesar*, and *Q. Claudius Flamen*.

During the time of this solemn Parliament or Session for the election of Magistrates, the City was much disturbed for the revolt of *Hetruria*: *C. Calpurnius*, who ruled that province as Pretor, had by his letters given notice, that the beginning thereof arose from the Aretians; and therefore immediately *M. Marcellus* the Consul elect, was thither sent with commission, to look upon the matter, and (if he thought it requisite) to send for his forces, and to translate the war out of *Apulia* into *Tuscany*. For fear whereof, the Tuscans pild in their heads, and were quiet.

The Aretine Embassadors made suit for peace, and that together with their freedom they might enjoy their own laws. And this answer was returned by the Senat, That they should come again when *Fabius* the Consul was returned to *Rome*, The Roman Games, and also the plays called

A called *Plebei*, were exhibited that year, and renewed one day apeece more then ordinary. The Aediles of the chair were *L. Cornelius Caudinus*, and *Servilius Sulpius Galba*: but thole of the Commons were *C. Servilius*, and *Q. Cecilius Metellus*. As for *Servilius*, it was denied, that he had been Tribune of the Commons before, or now Aedile by right and order of law, because it was now for certain known, that his father (of whom the opinion went current for ten years that he was slain by the Boians about *Mutina*, at what time as he was Triumvir for the divition of lands) was now living, and in the hands of the enemies in slavery and bondage.

For none might be Tribune or Aedile, whole Father was living.

In the eleventh year of the Punick war, *M. Marcellus* entered his consulship the fifth time (so you reckon upon that Consulship which he never bore through, because there was an error committed in his creation) and with him *T. Quintius Crispinus*. To both Consuls the Province of *Italy* was assigned, and both armies of the Consuls the former year. There was a third army then at *Venusia*, whereof *M. Marcellus* had the conduct. Off these three, they were to chule two, which they would; and the third remaining, was to be committed unto him, who was by lot to have the government of *Tarentum*, and the Salentins. The rest of the Provinces were thus divided amongst the Pretors. *P. Licinius Varus* had the jurisdiction civil, and *P. Licinius Crassus*, (then *Pontifex Maximus*), that of the forraigners, and to go whither (soever the Senat thought good to send him, unto *Sew*, *Julius Caesar* besell *Sicily*, and to *Q. Claudius Flamen* the City of *Tarentum*. *Q. Fulvius Flaccus* had his commission renewed, to continue in government for one year longer; and he was appointed to govern *Capua*, which had been the charge of *T. Quintius* the Pretor; and to have under his hand the command of one legion. Likewise *C. Hostilius Tubulus* remained still in office, and that as Pro-pretor he should succeed *C. Calpurnius*, and have the conduct of two legions. Moreover, *L. Veturius Philo* had his authority & government confirmed to him anew, that as Pro-pretor he should in Lord Deputy in the same province of *France*, and have the same two legions as before, when he was Pretor there. The like decree that was granted for *L. Veturius*, passed also in the Senat for *C. Aurrunculeius*, and a bill was propounded unto the people for the proroguing and continuance of his office, who as Pretor ruled the Province of *Sardinia* with the strength of two Legions. And for the defence and guard of the said Province he had an addition of fifty ships of war, which *P. Scipio* had sent out of *Spain*. *P. Scipio* likewise and *M. Syllanus*, held still, by vertue of a decree, their provinces of *Spain*, and commanded the same armies for one year longer. As for *Scipio*, he had direction to send over into *Sardinia* fifty ships, out of thole eighty which he had under his hand, either taken with him out of *Italy* or won from the enemy at *Carthage*, because there ran a rumor, that there was great preparation at *Carthage* for a navy that year, and that the Carthaginians would take up, and fill all the sea coast of *Italy*, *Sicily* and *Sardinia*, with an Armado of two hundred sail. In *Sicily* the government was divided in this manner, *Sex. Julius Caesar* had the leading of the Cannian army: *M. Valerius Levinus* (for his government also was confirmed for a year longer) the charge of that fleet of seventy ships, which rid about *Sicily*: with commission to add thereto, thole thirty ships which the former year lay before *Tarentum*; and with this Armado consisting of one hundred sail, to put over into *Africk*, if he thought to good, and there to forrage and fetch booties. Over and besides, *P. Sulpicius* was for one year longer to continue in office, and to govern the provinces of *Macedony* and *Greece*, with the force of the said Navy which he had before. As touching the two legions which remained about the City of *Rome*, there was no alteration. Only the Consuls were permitted to levy and enrol a new supply, as need should require. Thus the Empire and State of *Rome* for that year was maintained with the power of 21. legions. *P. Licinius Varus* the Pretor of the City, was charged to repair thole thirty old ships, which lay at *Hostia*, and to furnish twenty new buile, with sailers and mariners, that with this Armado of fifty sail he might be able to defend all the sea coast near unto the City of *Rome*. *C. Calpurnius* was forbidden to remove his forces from *Arretium*, before a successor came in his place. The same order was given to *Tubulus*, and to have especially a vigilant eye, that no commotion arose from thence. And then the Pretors went into their provinces.

As for the Consuls they were troubled in mind and made some scruple of confidence to go to their provinces, upon the report of some prodigious and ominous signs, and because also in their sacrifices they found both the gods so propitious and favourable unto them. For out of *Campania* news came, that in *Capua* two Temples, to wit, of *Fortune* and *Mars*, and also some Tombs and Sepulchers, were smitten with lightning: and besides (see how vain and preposterous superstition, imputeth even the least trifling things to the hand of God) that certain Mice, forthwith in a Chappel of *Jupiter* gnawed the gold: Also that in *Capitulum*, a great swarm of Bees settled in the very market place. Moreover, that the Wall and one of the Gates at *Hostia* was blasted and stricken with lightning. That in *Cere*, a Gripe fled into the Church of *Jupiter*. That at *Volsinii*, there was a Pool flowed with blood. In regard of these strange and wondrous tokens, there was a devout supplication for one day. And for certain days together, greater beasts were killed for sacrifices, without any good token: and for a long time the grace and favour of the gods could not be obtained. But yet the fortune of the Common-wealth stood still upright, and all this anger and mischief portended by thole wonders, light upon the head of the Consuls alone, and their death executed all the rest. The Playes called *Agonimaster*, in the year of *Q. Fulvius* and *P. Licinius* Consuls, had been by *P. Corneli*, Sulla Pretor of the City, first exhibited: after whom all the Pretors ever after did like. But they vowed them a year before, and performed them on a day uncertain. The same year hapned a grievous plague both in the City and in the Countries about, which yet



yet in the end turned rather to long and chronick diseases, then to sharp and deadly maladies. For this pestilence there was not only iolemn going in procession, in all the high streets, carrellous, and crofs ways throughout the City: but also *P. Licinius Varus* Pretor of the City, was commanded to propound unto the people, that the Playes above said should be vowed for ever againe a set and determinat day. Himselfe therefore was the first that vowed them, and exhibited them upon the third day before the *Nones of July*, and the same day ever after was observed and kept holiday for that purpose.

5 day of July

As the rumor of the Aretines revolt encreased daily greater, so the LL. of the Senat were careful about it every day more then other. Letters therefore were sent unto *C. Hostilius*, that he should without delay take pledges of the Aretines: and *C. Terentius Varro* was sent with commission, to receive the said hostages at his hands, and to bring them to *Rome*. He was no sooner come, but *Hostilius* presently commanded that one legion, which lay in camp before the town, should enter the City with banner displayed, and there he put sufficient guards in places convenient. Then having called and summoned the Senators to appear in the market place, he demanded of them hostages. And when the Senat requested but two days respite to consider of the matter, he made proclamation, that either they should deliver them presently, or else the next day he would seize upon all the Senators children every one. Then he commanded the Colonels, the Captains of the Allies, and the Centurions, to ward the Gates, that none might go forth of the City by night. But this was wackly and negligently executed, for seven principal Senators, before the warders were set at the gates, escaped forth with their children before night. The morrow morning by break of day, when the Senat began to be cited into the Common Hall, these parties were missed, and their goods confiscated, and sold in port-sale. Of the rest of the Senators, their children were taken hostages to the number of 120. and were delivered to *C. Terentius*, for to be conveyed to *Rome*: who when he was come into the Senat, made such relation of the matter, that the suspicion of their revolt was much more pregnant then before. And therefore, as if some insurrection had like presently to grow from *Tuscan*, *C. Terentius* himself was commanded to conduct one of the two legions about the City of *Rome*, unto *Aretium*, and there to lie in garrison whilst for to keep the town in order. And it was thought meet that *C. Hostilius* with the army besides, should survey and visit the whole Province, and to be careful and circumspect, that no occasion nor opportunity might be given unto them, that were minded to seek alteration and to rebel. *C. Terentius* so soon as he was come to *Aretium* with the legion, when he called unto the Magistrates for the keys of the gates, and they made answer that they were but mislaid a while and could not be found: supposing that they were rather cautiously laid out of the way forborne, than lost by negligence, caused other keys and locks to be made, and set upon every gate: and took as great heed and cares he could, to have all under his own hand. He gave especial warning also to *Hostilius* as touching the *Tuscans*, and told him, that he should never hope to rest in security, that they would not rebel, unless he took order with them aforehand, that they possibly could not rebel.

After this, there was much debate and contention in the Senat about the Tarentines, even before *Fabius*, whilst himself excused and defended them whom he had conquered and subdued by force and arms: but others were mightily offended with them, yea, and most of them gave out plainly, that they were full as faulty as the Campanians, and deserved no less punishment. And so there was an act of the Senat granted according to the opinion and advice of *M. Acilius*, that the town should be held with a garrison, and all the Tarentines kept from stirring out of the City: and that the matter should further be debated and decided afresh another time, when the state of Italy stood in better terms of peace and quietness. And the like contention and variance was among the LL. of the Senat touching *M. Livius* Consilable and Captain of the Castle of *Tarentum*, which some were of mind to condemn him as in great fault, because through his carelessness and sloth, *Tarentum* the City was betrayed to the enemy: others again awarded him good consideration and reward, for that he kept the fort so well by the space of five years, and by his means especially and by none else *Tarentum* was recovered. But some were of opinion between these and said, that the diffusing and determination of that matter pertained properly to the Censors and not to the Senat: of which judgement *Fabius* also himself was. And this moreover he said withal, that he must needs confess, that true it was, which *Livius* his friends in the Senat stood so much upon, and iterated so often, namely, that he was the only means that *Tarentum* was recovered: for in good faith, quoth he, it never could have been regained if it had not once been lost before.

*T. Quintius Crispinus* one of the Consuls, went to the army which *Q. Fulvius Flaccus* had, with a new supply into the Lucans country. But *Marcellus* still was laid behind, upon occasion of new scruples of conscience, and sundry objects that troubled his mind, and kept a hammering in his head one after another. Amongst which, this was one, that having vowed in the Gauls war a *Clasidium*, a Temple to Honor and *Virtue*: the dedication of the said Church was hindered by two Bishops, who said, that one Chappell, by right and according to their ceremonies, served before one Saint, and could not be consecrated unto more. For in case it should be blasted and consumed by fire from heaven, or otherwise some prodigious token hap therein, hardly could the right expiation and purging thereof be performed, because it might not be known, to which of the Saints or gods the sacrifice should be done: for by order one sacrifice could not serve twain, unless there were some particular and especial gods named. So there was faine to be another Chappell

A built for *Virtue* and great hast there was made for the rearing thereof, and yet it was not his fortune ever to dedicate those chappels. So at length he set forward and put himself on his journey with a supply, unto the army which he had left the year before at *Venusia*.

When *Crispinus* minded to assault *Locri* in the country of the Brutians, because there were a great name of *Fabius* for the assailing and winning of *Tarentum*, he lent for all kind of artillery and engines out of *Sicily*, and ships also were brought from thence, for to batter that part of the City that lieth to the Sea side. But the enterprise went not forward, because *Annibal* had removed, with all his forces to *Laevinium*. And besides, the news went that his colleague had already brought out his forces from *Venusia*, with whom he was desirous to joyn. And therefore he returned out of the Brutians country into *Apulia*: and so between *Venusia* and *Brutia*, the Consuls encamped severally, within three miles one from the other. *Annibal* likewise was retired into the same country, considering that the war was turned from *Locri*. There the Consuls (hot men of nature both) almost every day led forth their men into the field, not doubting but if *Annibal* once met them (having two Consular armies joyned together) to make a dispatch of the war once for all. *Annibal* because the year before, he had twice affronted *Marcellus*, and both given and taken the loil: like as he had great reason, as well to fear as to hope, if he were to encounter and fight with him alone: so he thought verily, that he was never able to make his part good with both the Consuls together. And therefore laying off his Lyons skin, he took himself wholly to his old Foxes coat, and sought all means and opportunities to lay a train for to entrap them. Howbeit there passed some light skirmishes between both their camps, with variety of fortune and interchangeable success. By which, the Consuls thinking that they should hold out and keep the enemies play, during the summer season, and yet nevertheless be able to assault *Locri*, wrote unto *L. Cincius*, that he should take the Seas, and cross over with his fleet out of *Sicily* to the City of *Locri*. And to the end that the Town might be likewise assailed from the Land side, they commanded part of the army which lay in garrison at *Tarentum*, to be conducted thither. *Annibal* having intelligence afore-hand of these things, by certain Thurons, sent forth certain of his forces to bet the ways from *Tarentum*. And there under the side of the Perellian mount, he bestowed secretly in ambush two thousand horse, and three thousand foot. Upon whom the Romans (marching without their espials sent afore them) chanced to light, and were slain to the number of two thousand, and upon twelve hundred taken alive: the rest were scattered and fled over the fields and forrests back to *Tarentum*. Now there was a little hill between both the camps of the Carthaginians and Romans, and the same all overgrown with wood, which at first was possessed and kept, neither by one nor other: because the Romans knew not the situation of that side which lay toward the enemies camp: and *Annibal* supposed verily that it was a place fitter for to lay an ambush than to encamp in: and therefore he sent by night for that purpose, certain troops of Numidians, and bestowed them closely in the midst of the wood, and not one of them stirred all the day long out of their standings, for fear lest either their armour or themselves might be espied a far off. In the Roman camp, every man generally was of mind, and let not to say, that the said hill was to be seized and fortified for their rule, with a good fortrells built upon it, for fear lest if it were first gained by *Annibal*, they should have the enemy as it were over their heads ready to annoy them. And *Marcellus* himself was of the same opinion: whereupon, Why go not we ourselves in person (quoth he, to his colleague) with some few horsemen, to view and consider the place, where our eyes shall be our judges: and seeing the ground once, we shall resolve more certainly what course to take? *Crispinus* liked well of the motion: and so they went forward accompanied with two hundred and twenty horsemen of which forty were Fregellians, the rest all *Tuscans*. There followed after them, *M. Marcellus*, the Consul his son, and *Aulus Aulius*, two Colonels: also *L. Aemilius* and *M. Aulus*, two Captains of the allies. Some Authors have set down in writing, that *Marcellus* the Col. sacrificed that day: and when the first beast was killed, the liver was found without an head: howbeit in the second, all things appeared that were wont to be seen. But in the head of that liver there shewed I wor nothow, a kind of extraordinary excellence: which the Soothsayer had no liking to, because after those inward which seemed before short, unperceptible, and misliking: now those again were seen too well fed and overgrown. But the Consul *Marcellus* was so hot and desirous to fight with *Annibal*, that he thought himself never encamped neer enough unto him. And even then also as he went forth out of the camp, he gave order to his soldiers to be ready at a short warning, and have their eye upon the place: that presently, if he liked the hill, for which they went to view, they should dislodge, trust up bag and baggage and follow presently. Now there was a little flat and plain ground before the camp, from whence the way that led unto the said hill, was on every side very open and evident to the eye: where there lay a scour or spie, set of purpose to discover any of the enemies gone far from the camp, straggling and ranging abroad, either for fowel or forage, that they might be intercepted: and nor for any hope of great effect as fell out. This fellow gave a sign unto the Numidians, that all at once they should arise out of their lurking & starting holes. And they that from the top & ridge of the hill, were to rise & shew themselves affront, never appeared & made head before that they had set a compass about, for to shut up the passage at the back of the Romans. And then from all parts they began to start up & with a main shout charged & ran upon them. The Consuls now were in that valley, from whence they neither could possibly get up to the pitch of the hill, possessed aforehand by the enemy: nor had any place of safe retreat behind, for that they were environed & hemmed in on

on every side. Howbeit they might have maintained skirmish and held out a good while, but that the Tuscans began to run away, and put all the rest in a bodily fright. Yet the Fregellans, for as much as they were of the Tuscans, gave not over, but fought manfully, (so long as the Consuls stood on foot unhurt) & received the charge of the enemies, encouraging their people, and fighting themselves right valiantly. But when they saw once both their Consuls wounded, and Marcellus also run through with the point of a lance, and falling from his horse ready to die: then they also (and few of them God wot remained alive) together with the Consul Crispinus (who was wounded with two javelins) and young Marcellus, who was himself also hurt, fled away and escaped. There were slain in this skirmish, A. Manlius a Colonel, of the two Captains of allies, M. Aulus was killed on right, and L. Aemilius taken prisoner. As for the Lictors belonging to the Consul, five of them then fell alive into the hands of the enemies: the rest were put to the sword, or clapped with the Consul. So there were three and forty horsemen died either in the conflict, or in the flight, and eighteen taken prisoners. In the camp there was much ado, and crying out for to go and succour the Consuls, when they saw one of them, and the other his son grievously hurt, and the poor remnant of that unfortunate expedition, coming toward the camp. The death of Marcellus was much pitied and lamented in many other respects, but for this especially: that he, a man of that age (for he was now above threethree years old) and who should have had more wit: in an old Captain and Leader (I say) that should have had more wisdom and foresight, to unadvisedly had brought both his colleague together with himself, and also in manner the whole commonwealth into so desperate a danger. I should make much circumstance, and fetch many turns and compasses about one point: if I would rehearse all that writers have diversely set down, as touching the death of Marcellus. But to let all others go, L. Calpurnius delivereth the thing three manner of waies: the one by hearsay only, and a general report: the other, extant in an Oration of the praise of Marcellus, penned by his own son that was himself present at the action: the third, which Calpurnius himself allegeth upon his own knowledge, and after diligent enquiry into the matter. But howsoever the voice and fame varieth in some circumstances, most of them jump in the occasion. That he went forth of the camp to view the place: and all agree of the event, that he was entangled and so slain. Annibal supposing that the enemies were mightily terrified, as well by the death of the one Consul, as the hurt of the other: because he would take all advantage, and omit no good opportunity offered, forthwith removeth his camp, and pitcheth upon the very hill where he had fought. There he found the corps of Marcellus, and caused it to be entered.

Crispinus affrighted both at the death of his companion in government, and also at his own hurt received, dislodged in the dead time of the night following, and in the very next mountains that he could come unto, encamped, and fortified himself upon an high ground, and surely fixed on every side. There the two Generals of both parts, beat their brains, and occupied all their wits contriving the one to lay trains, and the other to avoid them. Annibal together with the body of Marcellus, had gotten his ring or sign manual. Crispinus fearing that Annibal might pursue some crafty fetch, and beguile some body by the means of that signet, sent messengers to all the Cities next adjoining, giving them notice, that his brother Consul was slain, and that the enemy had gotten his seal ring, and warning them, that they should give no credit to any letters written in his name, or signed with his seal. This message was not so soon brought to Salapia, but straight after there came letters thither from Annibal, framed and indited in the name of Marcellus to this effect. That he would the next night that immediately followed that present day, be in person at Salapia: willing the garrison (soldiers to be in readiness, for to be employed in some service that should be thought needful. The Salapians perceived whereabouts he went, and supposing that it was a perillous plot, whereby Annibal sought some opportunity to be revenged of them and to punish them, for anger, not only that they were revolted from him, but because they had killed his horsemen: they therefore sending the messenger back again, (who was a Roman fugitive and renegade, and had fled from them to Annibal) to the end, that their soldiers might effect that which they were minded to do, without the knowledge of the messenger, and not be deceived by him: bestowed all the Townsmen along the walls and in sundry convenient places of the Town, N to keep a standing corps de guard. The watch and ward they tended the next night very carefully, and about that gate where they supposed the enemy would come, they opposed the strength and most able men of all the garrison. Annibal near about the time of the relief of the fourth watch came to the City. In the vanguard marched certain Roman Rebels and Renegates, with Roman armor upon them: who when they were come to the gate, called up the watch, and spake all in Latin unto them, willing them to let the gates open, for that the Consul was come. The Townsmen making semblance as if they were rouled and awakened at their call, began to bestir themselves, to make haile with much ado, as busy as ever they might be. The Port-cullis which had been let down, stood yet shut. Then they began, to move heave and to weigh it from the ground with levers & colweights, others to draw it up with ropes unto that height, that men might go up upon it under it. The passage was scarcely made open & let wide enough, when the fugitive traitors came rushing in at the gate apaces, striving who might enter first. And when there were almost 600 of them got in, there was let go, at which the port-cullis hung, & it fell down with a mighty noise. The Salapians then, some ran upon the fugitive Romans above said, carrying their armor loudly and scatchedly hanging upon their shoulders, as travellers & wayfaring soldiers in a peaceable country of their friends: others to the towers of the gate pelted the enemies with stones, & pushed at them with

with punchion poles, or with darts and javelins flew them. So Annibal caught in his own snares, was faine to depart.

He went from thence to levy and raise the siege before Locri, which Town Cincius beleaguered (straightly, and assailed most forcibly, having raised fabricks about it, and planted all kind of engines, artillery, and ordnance against it, which were brought thither out of Sicily. Mago who began already to distrust that he should not be able to defend and keep the City, conceived now the first hope of better, when he heard once of the death of Marcellus. And then there came also a messenger with news. That Annibal having sent afore him the horsemen of the Numidians, followed after himself in person, as fast as he could, with the power of the footmen. And therefore so soon as he perceived, by a sign given from the hill tops, that the Numidians approached, him self at once let the gate open, and suddainly sallied forth upon the enemy with great violence. Annibal the skirmish was doubtful, more because he came upon them at unawares, than for that he was equal to match them in strength: but afterwards, when the Numidians charged them besides, the Romans were so terrified, that they fled here and there in every place to the sea and their ships, leaving their fabricks and engines wherever they had shaken and battered the walls. So by the coming of Annibal the siege brake up before Locri.

Crispinus, after he was advertised that Annibal was gone into the Brutians country, commanded Marcus Mancinus a Colonel or knight Marshal, to lead away unto Venusia, the army which had been commanded by his Colleague now deceased. Himself went to Capua with the legions, faine able to endure the shogging and shaking of the horrellitter, for pain and grief of his wounds. From whence he wrote letters to Rome, giving notice, That his brother Consul was dead, and in election, because he thought he should not be able to endure the travel of the journey: and besides, he was in great care for Tarentum, lest Annibal from out of the Brutians country would turn thither with all his power. Moreover, he gave the Senat to understand, that it was requisite there should be sent as Embassadors or Agents unto him, men of wisdom and discretion, whom he might confer with, and acquaint with his will and mind, as touching State-matters. The reading of these letters, caused them much to lament and mourn for the death of the one Consul, and greatly to fear what would become of the other. Therefore they not only dispatched Q. Fabius Censor, L. Lucinius Pollio, and L. Cincius Alimentus, who but a few dayes before was returned out of Sicily. These had in commission to signify unto the Consul from the Senat, that in case he were not able himself to come to Rome against the Election, he should nominat within the Roman territory a Dictator for to assemble the people for the said Election: also that their pleasure was, in case the Consul went to Tarentum, that Q. Claudius the Pretor should withdraw his legions from thence into those parts, whereas he might defend most Cities of the Allies.

In the same summer M. Valerius took the Seas, with a fleet of a hundred sail, and from Sicily passed over into Africa: and having disembarked and landed his men near the City Clupea, waited the country all about, and met no armed men, to speak of, to make head and withstand his invasion. Then the rovers and foragers retired in haile unto their ships, because on a suddain there was a rumour blown abroad. That the punick Armado was coming, consisting of 83 sail. The Roman Admiral fought fortunately with them not far from Clupea. And after he had boarded and booty, and much pillage found in the ships.

The same summer Philip also sent aid to the Achaei, that earnestly besought his help: whom not only M. Cleonides the Tyrant of the Lacedemonians, grievously afflicted with warring upon their confines, but also the Aetolians, who having crossed the streights or narrow Sea, between Naxos and Patra (which the inhabitants there call Rhio) and set over a power of armed men, had spoiled their territory: Moreover, there went a great rumour and speech, that Attalus King of Asia the 1<sup>st</sup>, would sail over into Europe, because the Aetolians in their last Parliament or general Diet had conferred upon him the sovereign magistracy and rule of their nation. For these causes Philip came down with a power into Greece, and at the City Lamia, the Aetolians encountered him with their Captain Phylus, who for that year was created Pretor together with King Attalus in his absence. They had in their army certain aids from Attalus, and almost a thousand Romans out of the Roman Armado, sent from P. Sulpicius. Against this Captain and these forces Philip fought two battails with prosperous success, and in both slew very many of his enemies: and when the Aetolians were driven for fear from thence, into the City of Lamia, and within the walls thereof saved themselves, Philip retired his army into Phaleria. This is a place situate in the gulf of Macedonia, sometimes much peopled and frequented for the passing fair haven, and many good harbours and safe rodes for ships, besides other special commodities as well of Sea as Land. Thither repaired sundry Embassadors from divers parts, to wit, from Ptolemus King of Egypt, from the Rhodians, the Athenians, and inhabitants of Chios, and all to treat about a pacification, to take up the war between Philip and the Aetolians. And of neighbour-borderers there was in behalf of the Aetolians as peace-makers, Aminander King of the Athamans. All of them were not so careful and earnest for the Aetolians, who were more fierce, stout and imperious than the Nation of Grecians naturally is: as they laboured this point, that Philip with his Kingly overangency, to the prejudice of their liberty hereafter, should not be interested, nor meddle in



above all others by many degrees, *C. Claudius Nero* excelled and was the cruelly Punger. But all companion with him in the government they were likewise to seek for. As for him, to select, they deemed him a singular man and a brave Captain: but yet more to avoid and eager, than the quality and occasions of this war required, or to be matched with such an enemy as *Annibal* was. And therefore they thought good to join with him for his colleague, a sober, wife, and prudent man, who might temper and qualify that fierce nature and disposition of his. Now *M. Livius*, many years ago had been upon his Consulship condemned by the judgement of the people. Which ignominy and reproach he took to grievously to the heart, that he departed into the country, and for many years together, forbore not only the City, but to converse or keep company with men. And almost eight years after his condemnation aforesaid, *M. Claudius Marcellus*, and *M. Valerius Lavinius* the Consuls, reduced him again into the City. But he used to go in old and worn apparel, letting the hair of his head and beard grow long, carrying in his very countenance and array, the fresh and notable remembrance of the disgrace before received. But *L. Veturius* and *P. Lucinius* the Censors, compelled him to cut his hair, and lay away his vile and unseemly weed, to come into the Senat, and to meddle again in civil matters and affairs of State. And yet in so doing, he would never proceed farther, than to say Amen to other mens opinions, and speak but one word, yea and say: or else nothing at all, but shew his mind by passing on his feet to one side or other. Until such time as a kinsman of his own, *M. Livius Mucianus*, being in trouble, and his name and honour called in question, caused him to stand up in the Consul-house and deliver his opinion. And when after to long discontinuance, he was seen and heard once to speak, he turned every man his eye upon him, and mislived occasion also of speech in these terms, namely, "That the people had done the man exceeding great wrong, yea, and hurt the common-weal much, in that during the time of so dangerous a war, there had been no in play ment of it to wit: a person, either for his travail and pains, or his advice and counsel. But to return again to the Lords of the Senat: they knew well, that neither *Q. Fabius*, nor *M. Valerius Lavinius*, could possibly be joyed as companion in government to *C. Nero*: forasmuch as it was not lawful that both should be chosen out of the Nobles or Patritii. And the same was *T. Manlius* his case also. Besides that, as he once refused the Consuls room, when it was offered unto him, no doubt he would not accept thereof the second time if it were tendered unto him. But if they should fort *Marcius Livinus* and *C. Claudius* together, there would be an excellent couple of Consuls in deed. Neither stood the people against this overture, thus moved first by the Lords of the Senat. The only man in the whole City, that denied it, was the very party himself, unto whom this dignity and honourable place was presented. Who much blamed the levity and inconstancy of the City: saying, "That they had no pity of him, when it was: namely, whiles he was in question and accused, and during the time of his trouble was poor and simple garments: but now against his will, they cuffed him a glittering white robe to stand for a Consulship. This (quoth he) they punish and deprecis, thus they honour and advance the same persons. If they took me for a good and honest man, why condemned they me as they did, for a wicked one and guilty? If they found me naught and faulty, what cause have they to trust me with a second Consulship, who used the former so badly, which was committed unto me? As he argued and made complaints in this wise, the Lords of the Senat reproved him, and replied again: setting before his eyes the example of *M. Furius*, who in times past was called home out of exile: and when the state was decayed and lying along, set it upright again in her former place and pristine glory. And like as the curtness and rigor of parents, is to be mollified by patience, even so the hard and shrewd dealings of a mans country, is to be dulced and mitigated by bearing and sufferance. So they all thruck close together, and chose *M. Livius* Consul, with *C. Claudius*. Three dayes after, they went to the election of the Pretors. And there were created Pretors, *L. Porcius Licinius*, *Caius Manlius*, *A. Hostilius*, and *C. Hostilius*, both *Cato*. When the election was finished, and the games celebrated, the Dictator and General of the Cavalry surrendered their places, *C. Terentius Varro* was sent into *Hetruria* as Pro-pretor, to the end that out of that province, *C. Hostilius* should go to *Tarentum*, unto that army which *T. Quinctius* the Coss. had. That *L. Manlius* should go beyond Seas Embassador, to see how the world went there: And withal, considering that in summer, there wereto be solemnized the famous games at *Olympia*, which were celebrated with a most frequent resort and meeting of all *Greece*, in case he might safely and without impeachment of the enemy, he should visit that great assembly: to the end that if he could light upon any Sicilians, who were fled and banished their country, or any citizens of *Tarentum*, confined thither and sent away by *Annibal*, they should repair home again into their own countries, and know, that whatsoever they were possessed of, before the wars began, the people of *Rome* would restore the same, and make good again unto them.

Because it was like to be a right dangero is year, and no Consuls were invested fully into the Common-weal, all men depended upon the Consuls elect, and were desirous that they should with all speed, call lots for their Provinces: and every man was willing to know beforehand, what Province each one should rule, and what enemy he was to deal withal. Moreover, a motion and speech there was in the Senat-house, that the Consuls should be reconciled and made friends, and *Q. Fabius Max.* propounded that first. For there had been notorious enmity and variance between them aforesaid: and the calamity of *Livius* made the same more grievous and unportable unto himself: in regard that he was periwaded, how in that misery of his, he was

despised

A despised of his adversary. Whereupon he grew to be more implacable of the twain, and worse to be treated. "There needs (quoth he) no reconciliation, neither is it material and to any purpose, For they will do all with more diligence and better spirit, who ever stand in fear that their adversary and concurrent shall grow great and be advanced by their default. Yet the authority of the Senat bare such a stroke with them, that they laid aside all malice and old grudge, and with one mind, consilium and counsel, admitted the affairs of the common-weal. Their Provinces were not intermingled, nor their government extended into one anothers country, as in former years, but distant alunder and divided by the remote frontiers and farthest marches of *Italy*. For unto *Gallia* against *Asdrubal*: who as the rumour and bruit went, was come forward near unto the *Alpes*. Of those two armies which were in *Gallia* and in *Hetruria*, he whose fortune was to go into *Gallia*, was to chuse which army he would, and have besides, that other of the City. And he whose lot should be to go into the Brutians country, besides the new legions enrolled of citizens, was to be Pro-consul, had the charge of that army which the Consul refused: and his authority was renewed for one year longer. As for *C. Hostilius*, whose Province *Tarentum* they exchanged for *Hetruria*, they altered his Province again, to wit, *Capua* instead of *Tarentum*. Unto him was allowed that one legion which *Fulvius* the last year commanded.

Now encreased their care every day more than other, concerning the coming of *Asdrubal* into *Italy*. And the Embassadors of the Massilians had brought news first, that he was passed over into *Gallia*: and that the minds of the Gauls were mightily cheered up by his coming, because the speech went, that he had brought a huge deal of gold with him, for to hire and wage soldiers for aid in the wars. Then afterwards, *Sex. Amiffius*, and *M. Retius*, who were sent Embassadors back with them from *Rome*, for to see whether it were so indeed, had made relation unto the Senat, that they had sent certain of purpose guided by the Massilians, who by means of their especial friends, the Princes and Lords of the Gauls, might learn the truth, and bring word back accordingly. By whose report it was for certain known, that *Asdrubal* having levied already a puissant army, was minded the next spring to passe over the *Alps*: and that there was nothing else laid him, but that it had been done already, saving only the passages of the *Alps*, which were closed up with the winter snow.

In the room of *M. Marcellus*, *L. Aquilius Pavius* was created Augur, and so consecrated, And likewise *C. Cornelius Dolabella* was inaugurated or installed King of the sacrifices, instead of *Marcius Marcius*, who died two years before. In this very same year the City was purged, and there was a general survey and numbering of the people, by the Censors taken, *P. Sempronius Tuditanus*, and *M. Cornelius Cethegus*. There were reckoned and entred into the Censors books of Citizens, 137180. A smaller number by much odds, than before the war. It is recorded in the Annals that this year first after that *Annibal* came into *Italy*, the Comitium was built over head and covered. And that the Roman Games were once renewed by the Ediles of the chair, *Q. Metellus*, and *C. Servilius*: and that the other Games called *Plebeii*, were renewed two dayes by *Q. Marcius*, and *M. Caelius Metellus*, Ediles of the Commons: who also offered three images and set them up in the Chappel of *Ceres*. And the solemne feastival dinner of *Jupiter* was celebrated by occasion of those Games.

Then *C. Claudius Nero*, and *M. Livius* the second time, entred their Consulship: who (because whiles they were but Coss. elect, they had cast lots for their Provinces) commanded the Pretors to do the like, And to *C. Hostilius* fell the jurisdiction over the citizens, who had that likewise over strangers and foreigners: to the end, that the other three might go forth into their Provinces. To *A. Hostilius*, was allotted *Sardinia*: to *C. Manlius*, *Sicilia*: and to *L. Porcius France*. In sum, the legions were in number three and twenty, divided into the Provinces in this sort: to wit, the Consuls had two apiece, *Spain* four. The three Pretors for *Sicily*, *Sardinia*, and *France* each of them twain, *C. Terentius* in *Hetruria* commanded two, *Q. Fulvius* in the Brutians country, other two, *Q. Claudius* about *Tarentum*, and the *Salentins* commanded twain: and *Caius Hostilius Tullius* at *Capua*, one. Last of all, two were enrolled for the City. In the four first legions, the people chose all the Colonels or Marshalls, but to all the rest the Consuls sent new to make up the defect.

Before the Consuls went forth, there was a Novendial sacrifice celebrated because at *Vesii* it had rained stones from heaven. And after one prodigious sight was once minded and spoken of, there were (as it is commonly seen) others also reported: namely, that in *Minturne* the temple of *Jupiter*, and the sacred grove of *Marica* was smitten with lightning: and at *Atella* the wall and gate likewise, was blasted with fire from Heaven. The men of *Minturne* spake also of a more fearful and terrible thing than that, to wit, that there ran a river of blood in their very gate. Last of all, at *Capua* a Wolf entred the gate at night, and worried and dimembered one of the watchmen.

These wonderful signs were expiate with sacrificing of greater beasts, and a supplication was holden for one day, by vertue of a decree from the Prelats. Then was the Novendial sacrifice once again renewed, because it was seen, that in *Arministrum* it rained stones. And mens minds were no sooner freed of one religious scruple, but they were troubled again with another. For word was brought, that at *Frinio* there was an infant born, as big as ordinary a child is at four years of age. And the thing was not so strange for the bigness of the body, as for

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that it was born doubtful, whether it were male or female, like as two years before, at *Sinuffe*, *H* The virgins that were lent for out of *Hetrur*, said, that this of all other was a foul and filthy monster, and that it should be had forth of the Dominion of *Rome*, and drowned in the deep, so as it might touch no ground. Whereupon they put it alive into a coffer, and when they had carried it a good way into the Sea, they flung it in. Moreover the Prelats made a decree, that certain Virgins in three companies, having nine apiece, should go through the City, and sing certain Canticles. And whiles in the Temple of *Jupiter Stator*, the Maidens were learning their song by heart, deviled and framed in verse by *Livius* the Poet, the Temple of *Queen Juno* in the Aventine hill, was stricken with lightning from Heaven. And when the Atrufices had declared that this prodigious token touched the matrons and dames of the City, and that the goddess was to be pacified with an oblation: they were (by virtue of an edict granted out by the *Ediles* of the chair) called all into the Capitol, as many as had any house, either in the City of *Rome*, or within ten miles every way. And they among themselves chose five and twenty into whole hands all the rest should put some small portion of their dowry. Of which there was made a fair and large golden basin, for to be presented unto *Juno*: and it was brought into the Aventine: and withal, the dames offered unto her purely and chafly their sacrifices. And straight after the Decemvirs proclaimed a day for another sacrifice of the same goddess, the manner and order whereof was this: There were two white heifers led from the Temple of *Apollo* into the City through the gate *Carmenalis*: after them were carried two Images, representing *Juno*, made of Cyprus wood: then went seven and twenty Virgins in long side garments, chanting hymns and songs to the honour of *Juno*. These songs in verse were peradventure commendable, and passed for good with those rude and grofs wits then living: but it they should be rehearsed now adays to our fine heads, they would seem but simple stuff, and composed without rime or reason. After this row of Maidens, followed the Decemvirs deputed for sacred Ceremonies, with chaplets and garlands of Baies, clothed in vesture and robes embroidered with purple. From the gate above named, they passed by the street *Jugarius* into the Grand-pa.e, and there rested this solemn pomp and train. Then these Virgins taking hold of a cord, which went through all their hands, sung a song, and danced the measures, footing it artificially according to the note. From thence they went by the *Tulcan*-street and *Clabrum* through the beasts market, and so forward into the *Clavus Publicus*, until they came to the Temple of *Juno*. There the Decemvirs sacrificed two heifers, and the Images of Cyprus wood were offered and set up in the Temple. When the Gods and Goddesses were duly pacified, the Consuls took mulsters more freightly and with greater precipitation, than any man could remember in former years. For both the fear of the war was two-fold, by reason of a new-come enemy into *Italy*, and also there was less store of youth, out of which the soldiers should be enrolled. Whereupon they compelled the inhabitants of the Colonies by the Sea side, who were said to have an especial immunity of warfare (by a sacred law) to find soldiers: and when they denied, and stood upon their privilege of exemption, they let them down a certain day upon which every man should repair into the Senate, and show what cards they had for their immunity and vacation. Upon the day appointed there presented themselves before the Senat these Commonalties following, to wit, of *Hofius*, *Alfia*, *Antium*, *Aveus*, *Minturne*, *Sinuffe*, and *Sena* from the upper Sea. When every one of these States exhibited and read their charter of immunity, there was none of all them dispensed with, but they of *Antium* and *Hofius*, in regard the enemy abode in *Italy*: and so the young and servicable men of those Colonies, were put to their oath and iware, that not above forty of them should lie one night forth of the way to their Colony, so long as the enemy continued in *Italy*.

When all the LL. of the Senat were of opinion, that the Consuls were to go forth to the wars with all speed possible (for that both *Asdrubal* was to be encountered coming down the Alps, for fear he should solicit the Gauls on this side the Alps: and the *Tulcans* likewise who hoped and looked every day for a change and alteration: and also *Annibal* was to be kept occupied in his own war, that he might not go forth of the Brutians country, and meet with his brother) only *Livius* made some stay and drew back, as reposing but small trust in the armies belonging to his own Provinces. And as for his Colleague, well he wist, that he had the choice of two notable Consular armies, and of a third, whereof *Q. Claudius* had the charge at *Tarentum*. Whereupon he had made some motion of calling the Volones [or volunteers] again to their colours, and to serve in the wars. The Senat granted the Consuls alarge and free commission, both to make supply from whence soever they would, by chusing out of all the armies whom they pleased, and to make exchange with whom they would, yea, and to draw out of the Provinces whomsoever, according as they should think it good for the Common-weal. And all this was executed with the exceeding concord and unity of the Consuls. The Volones were enrolled into the nineteenth and twentieth legions. Some Authors have written, that *Scipio* sent unto *Livius* from out of *Spain*, a strong power of auxiliaries for that war, to wit, eight thousand of Spaniards and Frenchmen, two thousand legionary footmen, and eighteen hundred men of arms, partly Numidians, and partly Spaniards: and that *Marcus Lucertius* brought these forces by Sea: also that *C. Masinius* sent out of *Sicily* four thousand archers and slingers.

The fear and troubles in *Rome* were much increased, by occasion of letters sent out of *Gallia* from *L. Porcius* the Pretor: purporting thus much, That *Asdrubal* was removed out of his winning harbours, and was passing over the Alps: that there were eight thousand Ligurians

levied and ready in arms, to joyn with him so soon as ever he was come into *Italy*, unless some one were sent against the Ligurians, to prevent and keep them otherwise busied with war. As for himself, he would with that weak army that he had, go forward, as far as he thought he might with safety. These letters caused the Consuls to dispatch the mulsters in great hast, and to go forth into their Provinces, sooner than they had purposed: with this intent, that both of them as well the one as the other, might in his several province keep the enemies occupied, and suffer them not to joyn, and lay their forces together. And verily the thing that helped them most in this their designment, was an opinion and persuasion that *Annibal* had: For albeit he was assured that his brother would that summer pass over into *Italy*, yet when he called to remembrance what a toil he had himself, and how much trouble and travail he endured in the passage, one while of the river *Rhodanus*, and then while of the mountains of the Alps, and how for the space of five months together, he was forced not only to fight with the people, but struggle also with the difficulties of the places: he never looked that *Asdrubal* could so easily and so speedily pass over as he did: which was the cause that he dislodged out of his winning places to much the later. But *Asdrubal* found better expedition, and all things more easy and speedy than either himself hoped for, or others expected. For the *Arverni*, and other nations (by their example) both of *France* and also about the Alps, not only received and entertained him, but also accompanied him to the war. Over and besides, as he conducted his army by those passages which were prepared and made open by his brothers journey, and had been sometime unpassable wilds and craggy rags: so against his coming, the Alps were much more easy, by reason of twelve years continual passage to and fro those ways: and the nature of the peasantries more civil and tractable. For the people before, being not used to any strangers and aliens, not accustomed to see passengers or travellers coming into those parts, were in manner untractable, savage and wild, and could not away with the society of men. And at the first not knowing whither *Annibal* intended to go, they supposed that he came for to surprise their holds in caves and rocks, to take their fortresses, and to drive away their people and cattail as booties. But afterwards, the same that went of the Punick war (wherewith now twelve years *Italy* was plagued and vexed) had taught them sufficiently, that the Alps were nothing but the way for the Carthaginians to travel through. And by this time well they knew, that two most puissant Cities and States, divided and removed one from another by a great space of Land and Sea between, lived together and waived for their greatness and Sovereignty. Upon these occasions, I say, the Alps were open and passable to *Annibal* with ease. But look what time he gained by speedy journeys, the same he lost again by stay about *Plaginta*, whiles he lay there in vain, rather believing than assailing it, the way carried away with a great nation, that the Town rested upon a plain and champion country, might soon be forced and won: and the great name that went of that noble Colony, induced him to believe, that by the overthrow and taking of that City, he should strike a terror to all the rest. But in lying against that Town, he not only hurt himself much, but also laid *Annibal*: who having heard that he was passed over the Alps, and come down into *Italy*, so much sooner than he looked for, was upon the point to dislodge out of his standing winter camp. For he considered and calt in his mind, not only what a long and tedious piece of work it is to besiege and assault Cities, but also well remembered how himself after his victory at *Trebia*, attained to force that colony in his return from thence, but might not prevail.

The Consuls being departed from the City, and gone divers wayes as it were for two sundry wars at once, distracted mens minds with many cares and troublous imaginations, as well in remembrance of those losses and overthrows, which they had received at *Annibal* his first coming: as also in thinking, what gods should be so propitious and favourable to the City and empire of *Rome*, as to prosper the affairs of the State and Common-weal, at one time in both places. For until then, their success had been variable and alternative: and their prosperity always delayed with temblable adversity: and again, their losses were recompensed with equal gains. For when in *Italy* the Common-wealth of *Rome* went one way down ward heading to the ground at *Thrasymenus* and *Canna*: the fortune wars another way in *Spain*, let it upright again. Afterwards, when in *Spain* one overthrow and defeat hapned in the neck of another, at what time as two noble Captains were slain, and two valiant armies in part destroyed: the happy and lucky issue in *Sicily* and *Italy*, made up those breaches, and set the reeling state upon foot again. For joyn in the very distance of the place so far remote, because one of the wars was managed in the inner part of the World, yielded time and respite to breath themselves and gather new strength. But now, two wars at once are entertained within *Italy*, two most brave warriors and renowned Captains enjoin between them the City of *Rome*: all dangers come huddle together: all the heavy load and whole burden beareth upon one and the self-same place, and no doubt, but whether of those two Captains first shall get a victory, he will within few days after joyn his forces to the other. The fresh and lamentable remembrance also of the very last year, wherein two Consuls lost their lives, mightily affrighted the hearts of the people. So as, in these perplexities and troubles of mind, they accompanied the Consuls as they departed and went into their several Provinces. It is more over in some records found, that when *Q. Fabius*, advised and warned *M. Livinius*, being upon his journey toward the wars, not rashly and haud over head to give battail to the enemy, before he knew his nature and qualities, he full of anger fill and discontentments with his fellow citizens, made this answer, That in soon as ever he could have a fight of his enemies army, he would fight: and being



asked again, why he would make such haste? Mary (quoth he) either shall I by victory of mine enemies win singular honor and renown: or by the overthrow of my fellow Citizens gain some hearty ease and contentment, if not honest in all respects, yet at least-wise such as they have deserved.

Before that *Claudius* the Consul was come into his Province, *C. Hostilius Tubulus* accompanied with certain cohorts lightly appointed, encountered *Annibal* as he led his army and marched by the utter confines and marches of the territory of *Lavinium*, which leadeth to the *Salentines*; and charging upon his disordered army, put them to great trouble, slew four thousand of his men, and carried away nine Ensigns. *Q. Claudius* who had certain garrisons planted in all the Cities and the *Salentines* country, hearing of the enemies coming, had removed out of his wintering camp; and therefore *Annibal*, because he would not fight with two armies at once, by night dislodged out of the territory of *Tarentum*, and withdrew himself into the *Brutians* country: and *Claudius* out of the territory of *Tarentum*, and with his army to the *Salentines* again. *Hostilius* in the way to *Capua*, met with the Consul turned with his army to the *Salentines* again. *Hostilius* the Consul picked forth forty thousand choice Footmen, and 2500 Horsemen, for to war with *Annibal*. The rest of the forces *Hostilius* was commanded to lead unto *Capua*, and to deliver them to *Q. Fabius* the Pro-consul.

*Annibal* having assembled his forces from all parts, as well those which he had in camp during winter time, as those that lay in garrison in the *Brutians* country, came as far as *Grumentum* in the territory of the *Lucans*, upon hope to recover the Towns, which for fear, had revolted to the Romans. Unto the same place the Roman Cons. making out his episals before to discover and clear the ways, marched from *Venusia*, and about a mile and half from the enemy, K encamped himself. The Carthaginians had fortified themselves, and cast a trench close in manner to the walls of *Grumentum*: and between the camp and the Romans was somewhat of a mile. A plain lay in the midst: and on the left hand of the Carthaginians, and the right hand of the Romans all along between, the hills overlooked them, bare and naked, and of neither part suspected, by reason that they had no wood growing upon them, nor any lurking places to hide an ambush in. Into the plain between they used to put out certain bands and companies of men. And it the Corps de guard of both sides, and made light skirmishes not worth the talking of. And it seemed that the duty of the Roman Consul was to keep the enemy in, and not to further him to his ways. But *Annibal* desirous to be gone, entered the field with all his power in order of battle. Then the Consul borrowing a little of his enemies cunning, for that in so open hills there I was less fear and suspicion of ambush, gave order that five Cohorts and Horsemen, reinforced with as many bands of footmen, should by night get over those hills, and in the Vallies behind, sit down closely: with direction to *T. Claudius Asellus* a Colonel of footmen, and *P. Claudius* a Captain of allies whom he sent to conduct them, at a certain time to arise out of ambush, and to charge the enemy: himself by day light led forth all his whole power as well foot as Horse into the field. Within a while after, *Annibal* likewise put forth the signal of battle: and all the camp over they let up a cry, running all about to their armour and weapons. Then Footmen and Horsemen both rushed apace out of the gates who could be footest forth; and scattered as they were all over the plain, made halt to the enemies. Whom when the Consul saw thus disordered, he commanded *C. Aurrunculeius* a Tribune or Colonel of the third legion, to put out the Cavalry belonging to that legion, for to charge the enemy with all the violence he could: for that like sheep they were so spread over the plain without all form and fashion, and might be surprised, discomfited, and beaten down, before they could be brought into array and set in order of battle. *Annibal* himself was not come forth of the camp, when he might hear the noise of them fighting together and hard at it: and excited with this tumult, he led in great haste all the rest of his forces against the enemy. By this, the vanguard and forefront of his battail was fought with the Horsemen of the enemies: yes, and the first legion of the Infantry and the Cavalry of the right wing began to charge. The Carthaginians disordered as they were, fought at venture, as they chanced to meet either with Footmen or Horsemen. The conflict grew hotter, by reason of new supplies and fresh succours, and increased still by the number of them that continually ran out to the fight. And surely *Annibal*, notwithstanding this tumult and troublesome fear, had set and marshalled his men in good order as they were fighting (which had been no easy thing to do, but that the army was of old soldiers, and their Captain well experienced and beaten to it) if it had not been for the shout of the cohorts and bands above-said, which they heard at their backs, as they from the hills behind ran down upon them: and let them in great fear, lest that they would thrust in between them and home; and so shut them out of their camp. Hereupon I say they were affrighted, and began to flee here and there. But the slaughter was the less, because the camp was near, and far they had not to run either and save themselves in this their fearful flight. For the Horsemen plaid upon their backs still, and gave not over: the cohorts from the open Mountains ran easily down the hill, and charged close upon their sides and flanks. Howbeit, there were slain more than eight thousand men, and above 100 taken Prisoners: nine Ensigns won and carried away: of Elephants also (whereof there was little or no use) in a sudden and tumultuary skirmish four were killed, and two driven alive. Of Romans and Allies, there died two hundred. The next day after, *Annibal* turned nor. The Roman Consul having brought his army forth into the field, and seeing none to come abroad and make head against him, commanded the slain enemies to be disarmed and despoiled,

At the spoils to be gathered up, and the bodies of his own men to be brought together into a place and buried. For certain dayes after continually, he pressed so hard at the camp gates, that he wanted but little of entering thither with banner displayed. In so much as *Annibal* at the third watch of the night, leaving behind him many fires burning, and divers tents standing, on that side especially which looked toward the enemies, and some few Numidians, to make a shew upon the Rampier and at the gates: dislodged, and purposed to go into *Apulia*. The next morning by day light, the Roman army embattailed, approached the trench and rampier. The Numidians of few purpose shewed themselves in the gates and upon the rampier: and when they had a good while dallied thus and played with the enemy, they mounted on Horseback, and spared no Horse-flesh until they had overtook their fellows. The Consul perceiving that all was quiet within the camp, and seeing not so much as those few appear any where, who in the morning betimes had walked their stations, sent forth two Horsemen into the camp as episals. After he understood for certain that all was safe, and the coats clear, he commanded his enemies to make an entry. And staying no longer there, than whilst his soldiers ran up and down to pill and spoil, he founded the retreat: and long before night, brought his army back again. The next morning after, he set forward by the dawning of the day, and with long journey, following his enemies by the voice of the country, and tracing them by their footprints, he overtook them not far from *Venusia*. There also was a cruel skirmish between them, and not so few as two thousand Carthaginians slain. From thence *Annibal* ever marched by night, and journeyed through the mountains, because he would give his enemy no vantage of sight, until he came to *Metapontum*. From whence *Hanno* (for he was Captain of the garrison there) was sent with some few in his train into the *Brutians* country, to levy a new army. And *Annibal* after he had joynted those forces to his own, returned again to *Venusia*, by the same way that he came from thence: and so forward he marched to *Canusium*. *Nero* never left the enemy, but was ready to tread on his heels, and as he marched himself toward *Metapontum*, he had sent for *Q. Fulvius* to repair into the *Lucans* country, because those parts should not be disurnished of defence.

In this mean space, there were four French Horsemen, and two Numidians, sent to *Annibal* with letters from *Asdrubal*, after he was removed from the siege of *Placentia*: who having travelled in manner all the length of *Italy*, through the mids of the enemies, whilst they follow after *Annibal* in his retire unto *Metapontum*, missed of their way, and light upon *Tarentum*: where they were encountered by the foragers of the Romans that ranged about the fields, and by them were brought before *Q. Claudius* the Propretor. At the first they entertained him with slim flims, with doubtful and intricate answers: but when the fear of the rack and other tortures, had forced them to tell a truth, they confessed, that they had letters about them to deliver from *Asdrubal* to *Annibal*. With those letters sealed as they were, they were committed unto *L. Virginius* a Colonel, for to be conveyed unto *Claudius* the Consul. And two troops or Cornets besides of Samnit Horsemen were sent to guard them. So soon as they were come unto the Consul, and the letters read by an interpreter, and some examination taken of these captives: then *Claudius* considering that the common-weal was not now in that good case, nor the occasion such, that each Governor needed no more, but to make war by the ordinary course of commission, within the compass and limits of his own Province, with the help of his own army alone, and against an enemy assigned unto him by the Senate: but that some looked for adventures must be enterprised, some new designments and unexpected put in execution, which when they are begun and attempted, might make no less wonder and fear among their own friends, that terror among the enemies: and being once performed and done, might turn the former fear into as great joy and gladness; sent the letters of *Asdrubal* to the Senat at *Rome*: and withal, himself acquainted the Lords of the Senate what he intended to do. And for as much as *Asdrubal* wrote unto his brother to meet him in *Umbria*, he advised them to send for the legion at *Capua* to *Rome*, to take musters also at *Rome*, and to oppose that army of the City, against the enemy at *Narnia*. F There were the contents of his letters to the Senat. He dispatched likewise messengers before, through the territories of the *Larinates*, *Marucins*, *Ferentins*, and *Preutians*, (by whom he meant to lead his army) for to give notice, that all the inhabitants of those parts, should out of their Villages and good Towns, provide and bring forth victuals into the high ways, for to refresh his soldiers: also to come with their Cart-horses, draught-oxen, and other beasts for carriage, together with wains and carts, that the wearied soldiers might ease themselves thereby. Himself out of his whole army, as well of citizens as allies, chose forth the stout and most picked men of all, to the number of six thousand foot, and one thousand horse, and gave it out openly, that he minded to surprize the first City that he came next unto in the *Lucans* country, and withal, the garrison of Carthaginians that lay there: and therefore commanded them to be ready for the journey and expedition. Thus when he had set forward in the night, he turned his way into *Peznum*. And the Consul made no more ado, but with long journeys highed him as fast as he could, and led his army directly to his colleague, leaving *Q. Titius* his Lieutenant, to guard and command the camp.

At *Rome*, they were no less terrified and troubled, than they were two years before, at what time as the Carthaginians were encamped before the walls and gates of the City. And men wist not well, what to make of this adventurous and audacious journey of the Consul, whether they should

should praise or dilpraise it. And it seemed that they would measure it and report thereof according to the event, than which surely, there is nothing more unjust and unequal. But thus they whispered, "That the camp was left with an army, and without their General, near unto the enemy *Annibal*, yea, and the fame guided of all the strength and flour thereof: that the Consul pretended an expedition into the Lucanus country, when indeed he went toward *Picevna* and *Gallia*; leaving the camp by no one thing more safe and secure, than by the error and mistaking of the enemy, who is altogether ignorant, that the General is gone from thence, and part of the forces with him. But where would they be then, and in what taking should the camp begin to take that were known abroad; or if *Annibal* would either with his whole army follow after *Nero*, that being gone with no more than six thousand; or assault the camp, left as it were for a prey unto him, without forces, without conduct, and without the fortune and good luck of the General to protect it? The old defeats received in this war, the fresh remembrance of two Consuls slain, but the last year, increased mens fear. All which misfortunes hapned, when there was in *Italy* but one Captain General, and one single army of the enemies. Now, of one war of the Carthaginians there are made twain: and two *Annibals* (as a man would say) be both at once in *Italy*, right valorous and renowned warriors. For even *Adrubal* also, was *Amilcar* his son as well as *Annibal*, as valiant and redoubted a Captain every way: as who for to many years together in *Spain*, hath been exercised in the Roman wars, and born the name of achieving a twofold victory, and defeating two armies, with two most noble and famous commanders: and as for expedition and speed in his voyage out of *Spain*, and for raising the Nations of *France* up in arms, he may make his boast much more truly than *Annibal* himself. For even in those very places, where *Annibal* had lost the greater part of his souldiers, with hunger and cold, which kind of death of all others is most miserable, this *Adrubal* hath levied a power of armed men. Moreover, they that knew *Spain* well, and the affairs which had passed there, said besides, that he had not to deal with *Nero*, as with a warrior whom he knew not already; for why? he had when it was, made a Child of *Nero*, by a good token. That when *Adrubal* was by chance in a wood, and could not get out, was put to his shifts; but wiles he trilled out the time with *Nero* in booking decent conditions and capitulations of peace, he shewed him a couleuing Carthaginian call, gave him the fair slip, and elapsed out of his hands. And to conclude, in all their discourses at *Rome*, they magnified every thing on the enemies part above all truth, and debased all their own means of help beneath all reason: such was their fear, which interpreteth and con-  
fesseth all to the worst.

The speech of  
*Nero* to his  
souldiers,

*Nero*, when he had now gained to much ground, and was gone so far from the enemy, as it had not mattered much if his designs had been revealed and made known unto him, for any danger that might ensue thereof: called his souldiers before him, and spake some few words to this or the like effect. "Never was there dejection (quod he) of any General in the field, in outward show more dangerous, in deed and truth more safe and secure, than this of mine. I lead you to a certain and assured victory, even to that war, unto which my colleague would not go before the Senate had allowed him to his full contentment, a greater power both of foot and Horse, and the same better let out and more furnished, than if he should have gone against *Annibal* himself: and therefore whatsoever small posse and addition of forces you bring thereto, you shall (away thereby the whole, and as it were weigh down the balance. For when the enemies ready embattailed to fight, shall hear (and before that time, I will take order I trow, that they shall not hear) that neither Consul and another army is come, no doubt the day will be ours, and they shall yield us the victory. For it is a fame & name only, that fighteth the field & determineth battails. And small matters many times carry away the game, and quick mens minds both to swoop for fear, and to rise with hope. And verily, of a well fought field you are they that shall reap the fruit & gain the glory. For always it is seen, that a little help that cometh last, is more than all besides. & seemeth to effect the whole. And you see your selves, with what concurrence, with what admiration, with what affectionate favour all men do entertain & regard you by the way. And in very truth, as they marched along in their journey, it was a world to see, how both men & women flocked out of all the villages of the country to see them, how they sorted themselves into companies & degrees to welcome them, and how as they passed asit were in a lane through them, they made vows in their name, they poured out their prayers in their behalf, & dealt praises among them calling them the very guard & defence of the Common wealth, the saviours & redeemers of *Rome* & the Roman Empire: acknowledging that the lives and liberties of themselves and their children, lay in their right hands, and depended upon the force of their arms: praying to all the gods and goddesses, and to all the holy halows of heaven, to vouchsafe them a lucky journey, a fortunate fight, and a speedy victory over their enemies: wishing heartily, that they might be bound and condemned (as it were) to pay and perform their vows, which in their name they had undertaken & promised: desiring earnestly, that as now they went along, & accompanied them with careful minds for fear of the peril which they went unto, to after few days they might meet with them upon the way with joyful hearts, as they return with Triumph for their victory. Every man for himself in particular invited them friendly, offered them frankly, entreated and brought them importunately, that all things whatsoever they stood in need of, either for themselves or their beasts, they would receive at his hands especially, as being ready to afford them all most liberally, heapful, and with the better. The souldiers again, for very modesty strove to take no more than was very needful and necessary,

As no stay they would make with any, nor one jot depart from their colours. Their meat they took by the way as they went, journeying night and day, and scarce allowing their bodies rest and sleep to content their weak nature that looked for it. Now had *Nero* sent afore-hand to his brother Consul certain Couriers, to give him advertisement of his coming, and to know again from him his mind, whether he should come openly or secretly, by day time or by night, and lodge in one camp with him, or in another apart by himself. *Livius* his advice was, and he thought it the better of the twain, to enter into his camp, closely in the night season, and had given a watch-word, and made it known throughout all the camp, that every Marshal and Colonel should lodge a knight or horseman, and every footman take unto him a footman into his pavilion and cabin. For it was not expedient that the camp should be enlarged and set out wider, for fear that the enemy might take knowledge of another Consul coming: and so much the more easily might many of them be bestowed in the freight room of their pavilions, because the army of *Claudius* had brought in manner nothing with them in this expedition, save their armour only. Moreover, in the very way as they came, the company was well minded and much increased by many volunteers that offered themselves willingly of their own accord, as well old souldiers, such as had served out their years, as young and lusty men: whom *Claudius* perceiving so to strive forth to have their names entered if he saw them personable and strong of body and like to do good service, had enrolled into the muster book. The other Consul lay encamped before *Senae*, and *Adrubal* some half mile from him. And therefore *Nero*, being now approached and come near, to him down close among the mountains, because he would not put himself within camp before night. And when they were come thither they were welcomed every man according to his degree, by them of their own place and calling, and brought into their tents and pavilions and with general joy of all, friendly entertained as their loving guests. The next day following they assembled together to counsel: at which meeting, *L. Porcius Licinius* the Pretor was present: who was himself encamped close unto the Consul's leaguer. He before their coming, by leading his army over the high places, and one while keeping the narrow streights of the forest to impeach and stop the passages, another while charging upon the flanks and sides, or else upon the back and tail of the enemy, had by all the devices and policies of war, mocked him and kept him play. This man, I say, was at the foresaid counsel. Many men there were of opinion, that the day of battle should be deferred for a time, whiles *Nero* might have some few days respite, both to refresh his souldiers, wearied with long travail and much watching, and also to know the quality somewhat better of his enemy. *Nero* not only perished still to persevere, but also began most earnestly to exhort. "That they would not by long delay make that design of his to seem rash and dangerous, which speediness in execution had made safe and secure. Considering, that whiles *Annibal* upon ignorance and error (which is not like to continue long with him) lay still asleep and benumbed, neither once thought upon it, to assail the camp left without a General, nor put himself upon the way, to make pursuit after me: now before he come I sit, I may (quoth he) defeat the army of *Adrubal*, and return again into *Apulia*. But he that by deferring still, giveth the enemy time and respite, betrayeth almost as much as lieth in him, the camp unto *Annibal*, and laieth the way open for him into *Gallia*, to joyn with *Adrubal* at his good leisure and pleasure. Nay (quoth he) the signal of battle must be given forthwith, and we must into the field. We must, I say, take the vanage and make the best of the error and ignorance of our enemies, both absent here, and present here: that neither they with *Annibal* may know that they are to deal with fewer: nor these again beware, that they are to fight with more in number, and stronger in power. Thus the counsel brake up, and the signal of battle was put forth, and presently they went into the field. The enemies were already advanced in battle array, and stood with displayed ensigns. The only stay of joyning in fight was this, That *Adrubal* hiding out with some few Horsemen before the ensigns, chanced to mark some old targets of his enemies which he had not as yet seen, and their Horses more lank and lean, than can be foretold. And (as he guessed) the number also was greater than ordinary and usual. Suspecting therefore, that which was indeed, he founded the retreat in all haste: and sent out presently to the river where they used to water, to see if they might either light upon some & catch them prisoners, or at least-wise take good marks by their eye, whether any of them haply were higher coloured, or looked sunburnt, presently upon their late travel. Also he gave them commandment to ride aloof about their camp, and to spy whether the rampier were enlarged or let out farther in any place, and to listen attentively whether the trumpet sounded single or double within the camp. When all other circumstances besides were related in order affirmatively, only the not enlarging of the camp, put them by their hint, and gave the occasion that they were beguiled. Two several camps they were, like as before the coming of the Consul: the one belonging to *M. Livius*, the other to *L. Porcius*. And in neither of them were the rampiers and trenches let out any jot, whereby they might put up more tents, and quarter themselves in larger room. But this one thing troubled this old experienced Captain, and acquainted so well as he was with the Roman enemies, that his espials brought word, how in the Pretors camp they founded the trumpet out, and in the Consuls twice. For surely that was an evident argument that two Consuls were there. And in thinking how the other Consul had departed from *Annibal* & given him the slip, he mightily tormented himself. And he could not suspect & imagine that, which was indeed the truth, namely,

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that *Annib.* was deluded and mocked in a matter of old great moment, as to be ignorant what he was become of the General, or of the army, to which he lay so close and neer encamped. Surely (thought he) and without all question, he hath received no small foil and overthrow, and in this fright dareth not make after and follow the enemy. Nay, he feared much, lest all were left and gone, and that he should not come time enough to help and succour him: and that the Romans had gotten already the fame good hand in *Italy*, which they had before in *Spain*. Otherwhiles he was perwaded, that his letters never came to *Annib.* at his hands, that they were intercepted, and so the Consul made haft to prevent him, and give him the foil by the way. Being perplexed with these careless cogitations, he caused the fires to be put out, and at the signal given at the first watch, to truss up bag and baggage, and to dislodge, and be gone. In this fearful haft, and nightly tumult, the guides whiles they were stenderly looked unto, and small heed was taken of them, one of them lay down and rested close in a secret lurking hole which he had before destined in his mind: the other waded over the river *Metamurus*, through the foords that he was well acquainted with, and so got away and made an escape. So the army left at random without their guides, first wandered over the fields, and then diverse of them being weary and sleepey with overwatching, laid them down along here and there, and left their colours with few about them. *Annib.* commanded them to march along the bank of the River, and to follow it, until the day-light might direct them the right way: and so going a compass in and out according to the winding reaches and cranks of the River, wandered a great while, and gained but a small ground forward. Now when day light once appeared, he purposed to spie out the first place for convenient passage and there to get over. But finding no foords by reason that the farther it was from the Sea, the higher were the banks from the water that kept in the River, he spent all the live-long day, and gave the enemy time to follow after him. And first *Claudius Nero* came with all the Horienes, then *Porcius* followed hard after with the van courriers, and light armed footmen. Whiles they made offer to charge their enemies in their march, every way, and plaid still upon them: ino much as now *Annib.* leaving to journey forward (wherein he seemed rather to flee than march) was delirous to take a little hill along the river side, and there to encamp and fortifie: *Livius* was come also with all the main power of footmen, so armed and so orderly appointed and marshalled, as they were not only provided to march in journey, but ready also presently to give battail. But when they were all joyned together, and arranged in battail array, *Claudius* had the leading of the right wing, *Livius* commanded the left, and the Pretor took the charge and conduct of the main battail. *Annib.* seeing no other remedy but to fight, never furnished his camp: but in the fore-front before the vanguard, and in the very mids, placed his Elephants: about them in the left wing he opposeth the French against *Claudius*: not so much trusting upon them, as supposing verily that the enemy was afraid of them: and in proper person he took up the right wing against *Livius* for himself and the Spaniards, in whom (being old beaten soldiers) he reposed his most hope. The Ligurians in the mids were bestowed behind the Elephants. But the battail was rather drawn out in length than stretched forth in breadth. The Frenchmen were defended with the hill, that bare out over them. That front which the Spaniards kept, encountered with the left wing of the Romans. And all the battail of the right side, which bare out from the conflict, stood still and fought not. The hill that was opposite against them, was the cause that neither afront, nor flank they could charge upon the enemy. But between *Livius* and *Annib.* there was an hot fight begun already, and cruel bloudshed on both sides. There were both the General Castains: there was the greater part of the Romans, as well foot as Horse: there were the Spaniards, old and experienced soldiers, skilfull also in the Roman manner of fight: there were the Ligurians, a tough nation, and hardy in fight. Against this battail were the Elephants turned, who at the first shok and onser troubled and disordered the vanguard, yea, and began to force the ensignes to give ground. But after upon the noise that grew greater, and the battail that waxed hotter, they began to be unruly, and travers between both battails, as it were doubtful to whether side they belonged, much like to ships left hulling and blowing without their pilots and steers men. Then *Claudius* cried out effoons to his soldiers: To what end, quoth he, made we such poise halt, and took so long a journey? But seeing that he laboured in vain to advance his banners and mount up the hill opposite unto him, and perceiving that way how it was impossible to come unto the enemy and to enter upon him, he drew forth certain cohorts out of the right wing where he saw they were liker to stand still than to fight, and wheeled about behind the enemies battail, and so unware not only to the enemies, but also to his own men, he charged upon the left flank of the enemies: and he bestirred himself so nimblely, that when he had shewed himself on the sides, presently he plaid upon their backs: in such sort, that now on all hands, afront, behind, and on their flanks, down went the Spaniards and Ligurians, and were hewn in pieces, yea, and the execution reached to the very French. There, with them was least ado, and small fight of all: for a great many of their fellows had abandoned their colours and being flipt away in the night, lay asleep all over the fields: and such as were there, weary with travail and watching (as having bodies that of all things cannot away with labour and pains taking) were scarce able to bear their coriletes on their backs. Besides, now it was high noon: and what with drought & heat together they stood gaping for air & yielded their bodies either to be massacred, or taken captive. As for the Elephants, there were more of them killed by the hands of the governors and guiders that late upon them, than by the enemy that fought against them. For their

At their manner was to have about them a Carpenters chissel and a mallet, and when the beasts began once to rage and to run upon their own fellows, their mallets would set the said chissel between their ears, even in the very joynt where the nape of the neck and the head meet together, and with his mallet to drive it as hard as he could: this was found to be the readiest and most speedy way to kill so mighty and huge a beast, when they were past all hope to rule them and keep them in order. And the first inventor and practiser of this feat was *Asdrubal*, a famous and memorable Captain, as in many other respects, so especially for this battail. He it was that held out to the end, exhorting his soldiers to fight, fighting also himself, and adventuring all dangers: he it was, that when his men were weary and drew back (by reason of long toil and labour) rebuked them again, one while by fair words and intreaty, another while by sharp checks and incentives: he reclaimed them again when they were running away: he renewed the fight in divers places when it flaked and gave over. And at the very last, when he saw evidently that the enemy had the honor of the day, because he would not remain alive after so great an army defeated that followed his standard, and were induced by the reputation and name that went of him, he set spurs to his Horse, and rode among the Squadrons of the Roman Horlemen: and there, as be-seemed *Amilcar* son, and *Annibals* brother, fighting right manfully, was slain. Never during the time of this war in one field were there so many enemies killed: and it seemed now that for loofe Captain and overthrow of army, they might well cry quittance with them for the defeat at *Canna*. Slain there were 56000 enemies, 6400 taken prisoners: and a rich booty and pil-lage gained of all sorts, besides gold and silver. Moreover, there were recovered of Roman Citizens above four thousand, who had been taken prisoners, and were among the enemies. That comfort they had to make amends for the soldiers that died in this battail: for they won not the victory without bloudshed in this field, wherein to the number almost of eight thousand Romans and allies together, lost their lives. And the Conquerors themselves had so much their fill of blood and slaughter, that the next morning, when word was brought unto *Livius* the Consul, that divers Citalpine Gauls, and Ligurians, which either were not at the battail, or escaped out of the execution, and were going away in one company all together, without a certain Leader, without Ensigns, without any order or command, and might all be put to the sword and utterly destroyed, if there were but one corner of Horlemen sent out after them, *Nay*, quoth he, let some remain alive to tell the news both of our enemies losse and ruin, and of our own vertue and valour. And *Nero* the very next night after the battail, marched with more speed backward, than he came thither, and within six dayes returned again so far as to his standing leaguer, and the enemies. All the way as he marched, he was not indeed so rejoyced unto and frequented by so many men, by reason that there were no harbingers or messengers before: but his coming was welcomed, with so great gladness and mirth, that for very joy, the people were welcuer besides themselves. As for *Rome*, it cannot be uttered and exprest in words sufficiently, how men were affected the one way or the other: neither how pensive the City was in doubtful expectation of the event, nor how joyous and jecund again, upon the news and tidings of the victory. For never one day (after the rumour once was blown thither, that *Claudius* the Consul was gone forth in his expedition) from the sun-rising unto the setting, departed either Senators out of the Councel-chamber, from attendance upon the Magistrats, or the people out of the Common-hall. The dames of the City, because other help they could yield none, betook themselves to their beads and devotions, and in every Church went up and down, and plied all the Gods with prayers, with vows, and humble supplications. As the City was thus perplexed and in suspense: first there came some flying news, that two Horlemen of *Narnia* were come out of the battail, and returned to the camp which lay to guard and keep the streights and passages of *Umbria*, who had brought word thither, that the enemies were defeated. At the first, they rather lent their ears to hear these tidings, than bent their minds to entertain the same, as being greater than they might in heart conceive, and more joyfull than they could assuredly believe: and the exceeding swiftness of the rumor hindered the credit thereof, because it was reported without, that the battail was fought but two dayes before. Then were letters brought from *L. Manlius Acidinus*, sent out of the camp, which confirmed the arrival of those Horlemen of *Narnia*. Those letters were brought through the common place, unto the Tribunal of the Pretor: whereupon the Lords of the Senat were sent for out of the Councel-house. But the people kept such a thrilling and thronging about the door of the Senat, that the messenger could not passe thither, but was haled and pulled by the people, questioning with him, and calling hard upon him, that the letters should be read at the market crosse, and in the *Roftra*, before they were opened in the Senate. But at the last, they were restrained by the Magistrats and caused to void, and hardly could the joy be contained among so unruly people, who had no measure nor rule of their affections. Well, the letters were first read in the Senat, and then in the assembly of the people: and there, according to the divers dispositions of men, some took joy and contentment of mind, as upon a certainty: others would give no credit, before they either heard the messengers speak directly from the Consuls, or saw their letters. After this word came, that there were Embassadors themselves at hand. And then indeed, there ran to meet them, of all sorts, young and old, every one desired to be the first, to see and to hear these glad tidings. And they went out so far as the bridge *Milvian*, and all the way along, was full of people. These Embassadors or messengers, were *L. Venerius Philo*, *P. Lucius Varnis*, *Q. Caelius Metellus*, Who being accompanied with people

of all degrees and qualities, that flock about them, came as far as to the common place: some questioned with themselves, others enquired of their train and retinue, what news, and how the World went. And as any one had caught an end from them, that the army and Captain General of the enemies was slain, or the Roman legions safe, and the Consuls alive and well, he would immediately impart his joy unto others. Much ado had they to come into the Curia, and more ado there was, to keep out the multitude, that they were not mingled among the Lords of the Senate. But at last the letters were read in the Senat. From thence were the Embassadors brought into the general assembly of the people. And *L. Veturius* after he had read the letters, explained himself from point to point in order, how every thing was done, with great applause; and afterwards, with a general shout of all the assembly, who hardly could conceive in their minds so great joy. Then they ran divers ways, some to the Temples of the Gods to render thanks, others to their own houses, to communicate with their wives and children to lucky and fortunate tidings. And the Senat decreed a solemn procession for three dayes together, forasmuch as *M. Livius* and *C. Claudius* the Consuls, with the safety of the legions had vanquished the enemies, killed their General, and put their army to the sword. This procession *C. Hostilius* the Pretor, published in the open assembly of the people: and it was celebrated and solemnized, both by men and women. All the Temples for three dayes fully, were likewise replenished with the oxen and the other. For the Matrons and Dames of the City, in their best apparel, together with their children, yielded praise and thanks to the immortal Gods, as if now they had been freed from all fear, and the war come to a final end for ever. This victory altered the very state and course of the commonwealth, so as from that time forward, as in time of feild peace, men durst make contests, buy and sell, borrow and lend, yea, and pay debts to their creditors.

*C. Claudius* the Consul, to soon as he was entered into the camp again, caused the head of *Asdrubal* (which he had preserved with great care and brought with him) to be thrown out before the Corps de guard and stations of the enemies, and that the African captives, should be shewed bound as they were in chains: and two of them to be sent loose unto *Annibal*, to declare and redound in order, how every thing happened. *Annibal* having at once received this double blow, mourning as well for the publick losse of the state, as for the calamity happened in his own house, fetched a deep sigh (by report) and said: Ah, I see well the hard fortune of *Carthage*. And dislodging from thence, because he would bring together all his forces (which being dispersed slaughter, he was not able to hold and maintain) into the utmost angle of *Italy*, (the Brutians country) he brought thither as well the Metropolitans, even the whole state of them, who abandoned their own Towns and Cities, as also the Lucans, as many as were subject unto him, and under his obedience.

## The eight and twentieth Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of *L. Florus* upon the eight and twentieth Book.

**T**HE prosperous affairs in Spain, under the conduct of *Syllanus* the Lieutenant of *Scipio*, and *L. Scipio* his brother, achieved against the Carthaginians: as also the acts performed by *Sulpicius* the Pro-consul, and *Attalus* the King of Asia (the last) in the quarrel and behalf of the *Ælians*, against *Philip* King of the Macedonians, are reported and set down [in this book.] When there was a triumph decreed and granted unto *M. Livius* and *C. Claudius Nero* the Consuls: *Livius*, because he had performed the exploit in his own Province, rode in a chariot drawn with four steeds: and *Nero*, because he came into the Province of his colleague, to help forward the victory, rode after him mounted on horseback. Howbeit even then, in this habit and manner of triumph, he carried the more glory, piety, and reverence: for to say a truth, in this war he had done more good service than his brother Consul. The fire went out in the chapel of *Vesta*, by negligence of a Virgin, that had the keeping and tending thereof, and looked no better unto it. The said Virgin was well whipped. *P. Scipio* finished the war in Spain against the Carthaginians, when it had continued fourteen years: and in the fifth year after that he went from the City of Rome. And having discomfited the enemies quite of the possession of Spain, he recovered it wholly for the Romans. From Tarragon he loosed, with two barks, and sailed into Affrick unto *Syphax* King of the Numidians, with whom he concluded a league. *Asdrubal* the son of *Gisco*, that there with him at one table, and they supped together. He exhibited a game and pastime of word-playing at new Carthage, in the honor of his father and uncle: and the same was not performed by common fencers, and sword-players hired thereto, but by such as either for the honour of their Captain, or to determine some controversy, gave defiance one to the other, and cured the lists in combat. Among whom, two great LL of the country, who were brethren, fought at sharp for the sovereignty of the Kingdom. When the City *Altapa* was besieged and assailed by the Romans, the Townsmen caused

caused a mighty pile of wood to be made, and set on fire, and when they had killed their wives and children, they threw themselves headlong into the fire after them. *Scipio* himself, whilst he lay grievously sick, and there happened by occasion thereof a mutiny to arise, one part of his army, when he was amended once, made an end thereof: and compelled the State of Spain (that mutiny) to come in and yield obedience again. There was likewise an amity and society concluded with *Matania*, King of the Numidians: who he promised him his aides, in case he would come over into Affrick. With the Gaditans also after the departure of *Mago* from thence: who had received letters from *Carthage*, that he should pass the seas into Italy. *Scipio*, after he was returned to Rome, was created Consul. And when he made suite to have the Province of Affrick, *Q. Fabius Maximus* withheld him: and so he had the government of Sicily: but with commission to sail over into Affrick, in case he thought it good for the Commonwealth. *Mago* the son of *Annibal* from the lesser Balear Islands, where he had wintered, took the seas and sailed over into Italy.

## The eight and twentieth Book of T. Livius.

**V**W Hen it seemed that Spain was eased as much of war, as Italy charged therewith, by the voyage of *Asdrubal* thither: behold, all of a sudden there arose other troubles there, equal to the former. And as for the Provinces of Spain at that time, they were possessed between Romans & Carthaginians in this manner. *Asdrubal* the son of *Gisco*, was retired with his power far within the country, even to the Ocean and *Gades*. But the coasts bordering upon our sea, and in manner all Spain bending toward the East, was held by *Scipio* and subject to the Roman Empire. *Hanno* the new General, being passed out of Affrick with a fresh army, and entered into the room of *Asdrubal* the Barchine, joynt with *Mago*: and when he had put in arms within a short time, a great number of men in *Celiberia*, whi h lieth in the midst between the two seas; *Scipio* sent forth against him; *M. Syllanus* made ten thousand foot, and five hundred horsemen. This *Syllanus* made such speed by taking along journeys as possibly he could (considering how much hundred and troubled he was, both by the roughness of the waies, and also by the straits, environed with thick woods, and forests, as most parts of Spain are) that notwithstanding all those difficulties, he prevented not only the messengers, but also the very fame and rumour of his coming, and by the guidance of certain fugitive revolts out of *Celiberia*, he passed forward from thence to the enemy. By the same guides he had intelligence, and was for certain advertised (being now some ten miles from the enemy) that about the very way where he should march there were two camps: namely, on the left hand the new army a-bowefild of *Celiberians*, to the number of more than nine thousand lay encamped, and the Carthaginians on one right. As for this Leaguer, it was well defended and fortified with *corpi de guards*, which watch and ward both night and day, according to the good order and discipline of war. But the other was as much neglected, discoloured, loose, and out of order, like as commonly barbarous people and raw soldiers are, and such as fear the leise, by reason they are at home within their own country. *Syllanus* thinking it good policy to let upon them first, gave commandment to march under their ensignes and colours, and bear toward their left hand as much as they could, for fear of being discovered in some place or other by the guards and Sentinels of the Carthaginians. And himself in person, having sent before certain vantage-outriggers and epiatls, with his army advanced apace directly toward his enemy. Now was he approached within three miles of them unespied, and not descried at all. For why? a mountain country it was, full of roughs and crags, overpread and covered with woods and thickets. There in a hollow valley between, and therefore secret for the purpose, he commanded his souldiers to sit them down and take their refreshment. In this mean time the epiatls came back and verified the words of the fugitives aforesaid. Then the Romans, after they had piled their packs, their trusses and baggage in the midst, armed themselves, and in order of battell set forward to fight. When they were come within a mile of the enemies, they were discovered by them, who began suddenly to be afraid. *Mago*, at the first outcry and alarm, set spurs to his horse, and rode a gallop out of his Camp to succour. Now there were in the army of the *Celiberians* four thousand footmen targettiers and two hundred horse. This Troop being in manner the flower and very strength of the whole army, and as it were, a full and complear legion he placed in the vanguard, all the rest, which were lightly armed, he belowed in the reereward for to succour and relieve. As he led them forth thus ordered and arranged they were not well issued without the trench, but the Romans began to lance their javelins and darts against them. The Spaniards to avoid this volley of shot from the enemies, couched close under their shields, and defended themselves, and afterwards they rose up at once to charge again upon them. But the Romans standing thick, as their manner is, received all their darts in their targets, and then they closed man to man and foot to foot, and began to fight at hand with their swords. Howbeit, the ruggedness of the ground, as it nothing availed the (wisdoms of the *Celiberians* (whose guile is to run to and fro in skirmish and keep no ground) so the same was not hurtfull at all to the Romans who were used to a set battell, and to stand to their fight: only the straight room, and the trees and shrubs growing between, parted their ranks and files asunder, so as they were forced to maintain skirmish, either singly one to one, or two to two at the most, as if they had been matched to cope together even. And look what thing hindered the enemies in









Italy. But the matter was not easily to be compassed and effected by the people, for that many of the free-holders were consumed up in the wars; and great scarcity there was of servants and hires to till the ground: besides, the cattell was driven away in booties, and the manor houses were either ruinate or burned. Howbeit, a great fort were compelled by the authority of the Consuls to repaire again into their country habitations. The motion hereof was first occasioned by the Embassadors of *Placentia* and *Cremona*; who made complaint, that their territories were much dammified and wasted by the incursions and rodes of the Gauls their next neighbours bordering upon them; and that many of their own natural inhabitants were fled and gone away, as their Cities were not well peopled, and their country lay waste and desart. Whereupon *Mamilius* the Pretor had commission to defend and guard the Colonies from the enemy. And the Consuls by vertue of an act of Senat made an Edict and Proclamation, that all Citizens of *Cremona* and *Placentia* should by a certain day return into their Colonies. And then, they themselves in the beginning of Spring took their journey, and set forward to war.

*Q. Caelius* the Cos. received the army of *Cl. Nero*; and *L. Veturius* of *Q. Claudius* the Pro-Pretor, and made up the full number of all the companies with those new souldiers whom he himself had enrolled. The Consuls led their army into the territory of *Consentia*, and having foraged and spoiled here and there, and being heavily laden with good booties, they were in a narrow and freight passage much troubled by the *Bruttii* and the Numidian archers: inlomuch that not only their prizes were in danger to be lost, but they themselves that were armed in some jeopardy. Howbeit, the alarm was greater than the skirmish, and the booty being sent before, the legions escaped safe into places of security. And so from thence they went into the Lucanus country. All that Nation without any fight returned under the obedience of the Roman Empire. With *Annibal* that year was nothing done: for neither he himself made offer of war, upon the fresh hurt and losse received as well in publique as private, nor the Romans provoked him as long as he was quiet. For they were all of this judgment, that there was such metall and valour in that one commander, although all things else about him went to wrack, that they held it no good policy to provoke him; and wake a sleeping dog. And verily I wot not what to make of him; whether he were more to be wondered at in adversity than in prosperity. For why? warring as he did in his enemies land for the space of thirteen years, so far from home, in much variety of fortune, with an army not consisting of naturall Citizens and subjects, but mingled of a confused ruff-raff and medley of all nations, having neither the same laws, nor manners; and customes, nor language; differing in fashions, in habit, in apparell, in armour, in riches, in religion, nor serving, as it were the same gods: he had to knit and united them in one link and freight band, that they mounted neither among themselves, nor against their General, notwithstanding oftentimes there wanted money for pay, and victuals in their enemies country: yet notwithstanding whereof, in the former Punic war, many outrages were committed both among Captains and souldiers. But when *Annibal* the Captain together with his army was defeated and overthrowen, in whom they reposed all their hopes of victory, and when they were faine to quit, as it were, all Italy besides, and to retire themselves into an angle and corner of *Bruttium*; who would not think it a marvellous matter, that there was no stir nor commotion in his Camp? considering that over and besides all other difficulties, he had no means nor hope else to maintain his army, but out of the *Bruttians* country: And say that it were all wholly tilled, sowed, and well husbanded, yet a small thing it was to find and feed so huge an host. Moreover, a great part of their youth was far away from the tillage of the fields and grounds, and wholly employed in warfare: to say nothing of the naturall guile and corrupt usage of that nation, which in time of war was wont to live and maintain the same by robbing and thieving. Neither had he any succour at all sent from home out of *Carthage*: whilst they all were studious and careful only to keep *Spain*, as if all had gone well with them in Italy.

In *Spain* the fortune was in some respect all one and the same, in other far unlike and different: the same, in regard that the Carthaginians being defeated in a fought field, and having lost their Captain, were driven to the utmost coast of *Spain*, even as far as the Ocean sea: different, in that *Spain* is a country more apt and commodious to the reparation of new war, not only than Italy, but also than any land in the world, as well for the site of the region, as for the nature of the people. For although it were the first nation of all the main and continent, that the Romans were first in hand withall to reduce into the nature of a Province; yet it was the last of all others that was subdued, and but lately in our daies even under the conduct and happy fortune of *Aurelius Caesar*. There at that time *Asdrubal* the son of *Gisco*, the greatest and noblest Captain in all those wars (next after the *Barchin* house) returned from *Gades*, and hoping by the help of *Mago* the son of *Amilcar*, to wage war afresh, took musters throughout the farther part of *Spain*, and armed to the number of fifty thousand foot, and 4500 horse. And as for the Cavalry, all writers in manner do agree: but for the Infantry, some write, there were 70000 brought unto the City *Hispa*. O There upon the open plains late these two Carthaginian Captains down, because they would not seem to fall off and refuse battell.

*Scipio*, when news came unto him of so puissant an army levied, supposed that neither with the Roman legions he was sufficient to match such a multitude, unless he opposed the aids of the Barbarous nations, if it were no more but for shew and outward appearance; nor yet was to repute such assured confidence in them, as in the fundamentall strength of his army, that in case they should

A should give him the slip when the time came, (the only occasion of the overthrow of his father and uncle) they might do much hurt to the main chance and totall sum of all. And therefore he sent *Syllanus* before unto *Coleas*, (a Lord over the signory of eight and twenty towns) for to receive of him those horse and foot which he had promised to levy in the winter time. Himself departed from *Taracena*, and gathered some small aids of his allies that inhabit along the way as he marched, and so came to *Calpula*. Thither *Syllanus* brought also certain auxiliaries to the number of three thousand foot, and five hundred horse. From thence he went forward to the City *Baerla*, being in all Citizens and Allies, with footmen & horsemen together, one with another 45000 strong. As they were pitching their tents and encamping, *Mago* and *Masani* with all their Cavalry set upon them: and no doubt, had troubled them mightily as they were making their defence, but that certain troops of horsemen hidden behind all hill, whom *Scipio* sent for the purpose had there bestowed, suddenly at unawares ran upon them and recharged them as they were loosely ridden forward without order and array. These had not well begun skirmish with them, but they discomited the forwardest of them, and such especially as engaged themselves near to the trenches to impeach and annoy the pioneers and labourers at work: but with the rest that kept to their colours, and went orderly in their ranks, the fight was longer, and for a good while continued doubtful. But when the squadrons which stood ready appointed in their guards and stations, were first brought forth; and after them, the souldiers also from their work and fortifications were whited to take arms; and still more and more continually came fresh and in heart, in place of those that were wearied, so as how from all parts of the Camp there was gathered together a full power, and ran to the battell; then the Carthaginians and Numidians turned their backs plain and fled, and at the first they went away by troops and companies keeping their order and array still, and not disbanded for hate or fear. But afterwards, when the Romans began once more eagerly to play upon the hindmost of them, so as now their furious violence could no longer be resisted, then without all regard of ranks or files they forgot their array, and ran on all hands by heaps, seeking every man the next way he could to escape. And albeit by this skirmish, the Romans were more encouraged a good deal, and the enemies hearts much daunted: yet for certain daies ensuing there were several exursions and bickerings maintained by the horsemen & those that were lightly armed. Now when by these small cufflings they had made sufficient trial on both sides of their strength, *Asdrubal* first led forth his forces into the field, & then the Romans likewise came forward ready to receive them. But when both armies stood without their camp, arranged in battel array, & neither of them gave the charge when the day drew toward sun-setting, *Asdrubal* first retired with his men into the Camp, and after him the Roman General likewise. Thus continued they certain daies together. *Asdrubal* was evermore the first that came abroad, and the first again that owned the retreat to his souldiers, wearied with long standing. But of neither side they made out to skirmish, or discharged any shot, or gave alarms, and set up a cry. Of the one part the Romans, on the other the Carthaginians, together with the Africans (led up in the main battell: and the allies of either side kept the wings, and those were Spaniards as well, in the one army as the other), but in the front of the Carthaginian battell were the Elephants placed, who afar off made a shew as if they had been Castles. And throughout both armies this word went for current, that the main time came, they would so fight as they should day by day arranged: namely, that the main battels of the Romans and Carthaginians, between whom was the quarrel & occasion of the war, with like courage of heart and force of arms would encounter and cope together. *Scipio* perceiving this once to go for good, & to be fitly sealed in their opinions, altered all on let purpose against the day that he minded indeed to give battell. And over-night he gave a watch-word and token throughout the camp, that both horse and man should take their dinner before day, and that the horsemen in arms ready appointed should hold their horses saddled and bridled. Now before it was broad day light he sent out all the Cavalry together with the light armour, to charge upon the Corps de guard and standing watch of the enemies. And himself straight after advanced forward with the whole strength of the legions armed at all pieces, and clean contrary to the conceived opinion and persuasion both of his own men, and also of his enemies he strengthened the wings with Romans, and marshalled the main battell with the allies. *Asdrubal* raised with the clamour and shout of the horsemen, leapt forth of his pavilion, and perceiving a tumultuous alarm and fearful stir of his own men before the rampier and trench, and seeing afar off the glittering ensignes of the Legions, and all the plains over-spread with enemies, presently made forth all his Cavalry against the fore-said horsemen. Himself with the battell of footmen issued out of the Camp, and made no change nor alteration at all in the marshalling of the battallions, otherwise than he used the daies past. The horsemen continued the fight a long time doubtfully: neither could it be determined by it self, because evermore, as any of them were put back (which hapned on both parts in manner by turns) they retired lately into the battell of footmen. C Now when as the battells were not past half a mile asunder one from another, *Scipio* founded the retreat and opened his ranks, and received all the horsemen and light armed souldiers within the middle ward: and having divided them in two regiments, he bestowed them for succours and supplies behind the wings. Now when the time was come to joyn in skirmish, he commanded the Spaniards (and those were the main battell) to take sure footing and so steadily together: and softly himself out of the right wing (for that point he commanded) dispatched a messenger to *Syllanus* & *Martius*, willing them to stretch out that wing on the left hand, like as they saw him

him to draw it at length on the right: with direction also unto them, that they together with the light horsemen and light appointed footmen should encounter and close with the enemy, before that both battels might meet and joyn together. Thus having enlarged out at full their wings, they with three squadrons of footmen, and as many corners of horsemen, together with the light armed skirmishers, advanced with full pace directly afront the enemies whiles the rest followed sideways across. Now there was a void piece of ground in the midst between, by reason that the Spaniards: enigns went but slowly forward: and the wings had been in conflict already, when the slower and strength of the enemies battell, consisting of old beaten Carthaginians and African souldiers, were not yet come within the darts shot, neither durst they put in to succour them that were in fight, for fear they should open the main battell for the enemy that came directly against them. Their wings were much distressed in the fight on every side: For the horsemen, the light armed souldiers, and the skirmishers, having wheeled about and set a compass to environ them, ran upon them on their flanks. The cohorts of footmen charged upon them afront, and all to break off their wings from the body of the battell. And as now in every respect the fight was unequal, so the rabble of camp-followers, Balear Islanders, and raw untrained Spaniards, opposed against the approved Roman and Latine souldiers, pulled down aside. The day went on still, and *Asdrubal*'s army began to faint: and no marvel, for they were surpris'd and taken on a sudden, betimes in the morning. & were forced in haste to enter into the field & go to battel before they had refresh'd and strengthened their bodies. And to that purpose *Scipio* had drawn the day on length, & trilled out the time, that the battel might be late. For it was the seventh hour (or one a clock after noon) before the enign of footmen charged upon the side points. And a good deal later it was ere the main battels fought and joyned together: so that the heat of the noon sun, the pain of long standing in armor, and hunger and thirst came all together to enfeeble and spend their bodies, before that they came to hand-strokes and to buckle with their enemies: which was the cause that they stood leaping and resting themselves upon their shields. And over and besides all other troubles, the Elephants also affrighted and maddened with this tumultuous and disordered manner of fight of horsemen, skirmishers, and light armed souldiers together, ran from the wings, upon the main battel. The Captains therefore themselves, being thus tainted, as well in courage of heart, as in bodily strength, gave ground and retreated. Howbeit they still kept their array, as if the whole battel had retired whole and found by the commandment of their General. But when the winners and conquerors on the other part were so much more forward to charge upon them more hotly on every side, because they law them to lose their ground and shrink back, so as their violence could not well be endured: then albeit *Asdrubal* held them still together, and did what he could to stay their flight, crying oftentimes aloud unto them, that there were hills behind them, and places of safe retreat, if they would retire in good sort, moderately, and in order: yet when they law their enemies press so hard upon them, killing and hewing in pieces those that were next unto them, fear was above shame, and so immediately they shewed their back parts, and ran away all at once as fast as they could. Yet at first, when they came to the root and foot of the hills they began to make a stand, and rally the souldiers again into order of battel, seeing the Romans to make some stay of advancing their enigns up the hill. But afterwards, when they perceived them to come lustily forward, they began again to flee afresh, and so in fear were forced to take their Camp. Neither was *Scipio* himself far from their trench and rampier, but in that very brunt had been master thereof, but that immediately upon the hot gleams of the sun, when he shineth in a watery sky full of black and rainy clouds, there poured down such a store of showers and tempests, that hardly could he himself after his victory recover his own camp. And some there were also that made it a scruple and matter of conscience to attempt any more for that day. The Carthaginians, although they had great reason to repose themselves, and take their necessary rest, so wearied as they were with travel, and forewinded, especially seeing the night was come, and the stormy rain continued: yet, because their fear and present danger wherein they stood gave them no time to loyter and slack their busines, against the next morning that the enemies should ally all their Camp, they gathered up stones from out of the vallies near about them, and piling them one upon another, amended the height of their rampier, purposing to defend themselves by the strength of their fence, seeing small help and remedy in force of arms. But the falling away of their Confederates was the cause that their departure and flight from thence, seemed more late than their abode there would have been. This revolt was begun by *Alcanes*, a great Lord of the Turdetans: for he with a great power of his followers and retainers fled from the Carthaginians to the adverse part. Whereupon two strong walled towns, together with their garrisons, were yielded by the Captains unto *Scipio*. *Asdrubal* therefore, fearing least this mischief might spread further, now that their minds were once set upon rebellion, dislodged about the midnight following, and removed. *Scipio* so soon as he was advertised at the break of the day, by those that kept standing watch in their stations, that the enemies were gone: having sent his horsemen before, commanded the standards and enigns to be advanced, and led so speedily a march, that if they had gone straight forward, and followed their tracks directly, they had no doubt overtaken them: but believing certain guides, that there was a shorter way to the river *Bari*, they were advised to charge upon them as they passed over. But *Asdrubal* seeing the passage of the river stopped against him, turned to the Ocean: and even at the first they depired in great haste, as if they fled, which was the cause that they got the start of the Roman legionary footmen, and won a good

space of ground before them. But the horsemen, and light appointed footmen, plaid one while upon their tails, flanked another whiles their sides, and by this means with charging and recharging they wearied them and staid their march. And when as upon many of these troubles by the way, their enigns were fain to stand, and forced to maintain skirmish, some time with the horsemen and footmen with the light javelottiers and auxiliary footmen beheld the legions also came on apace and overtook them. Then there was not so much fighting and resistance, as massacre and slaughter of them: down they went with them and killed them like sheep, so long, until their Leader himself began to flee, and escaped into the next mountains, together with 7000 half naked and unarmed. All the rest were either slain or taken prisoners. Then the Carthaginians began to B encamp and fortifie in all haste and tumultuous sort upon the highest mount they could find: from whence (by reason that the enemies had assaid in vain to get up the hill, having so difficult an ascent) they had not so much ado to defend themselves. But, the place being bare and naked, and destituted of all commodities for their reliefe, they were not able to hold out the siege for a few daies. And thereupon the souldiers fell apace to forsake their own Captain, and to go to the enemy. So that at the length the General himself in the night season abandoned his army, and having got shipping (for the sea was not far off) he embarked and fled to *Gades*, *Scipio* being advertised that the Captain of his enemies was fled, left with *Syllanus* ten thousand footmen, and a thousand horsemen to continue the siege of the Camp. Himself in person with the rest of his forces within seventy daies returned to *Taracón*, for to examine and hear incontinently upon his C Carvall the causes of the Princes and States: that upon the true estimate of their deserts they might be rewarded or chastised accordingly.

After his departure, *Masissa* having had secret conference with *Syllanus*, about inducing his people also to be pliable and to hearken unto a change, passed over into *Africk* with some small retinue. At which present time verily the occasion of his sudden alteration was not to evident and apparant, as afterwards his most constant truth and fast allegiance observed unto his dying day was a good proof and argument, that even then he entered not into this deligement and action, without good and important cause. Then *Maso*, in those ships that *Asdrubal* had sent back, passed over to *Gades*. The remnant, still forlorn of their Captains, some by way of voluntary yielding and ranging themselves to the adverse part, others by flight, were scattered among the next D Cities, and no troop remained of them behind of any mark and reckoning to speak of, either in number or strength. In this manner, and by these means especially were the Carthaginians driven all out of *Spain*, by the conduct and happy fortune of *P. Scipio*, in the thirteenth year of the war, and in the sixth of *Scipio* his government in that Province and command of the army. And not long after *Scipio* returned to *Taracón* unto *Scipio*, and brought word that the war in *Spain* was fully ended. And *L. Scipio* was sent with many noble persons captives, as a messenger to carry tidings to *Rome* of the conquest of *Spain*. And when all other took full contentment and infinite joy at the news, and abroad in all places highly magnified the glory of this service, he alone who was the man that did the deed (as one who had an insatiable desire of vertue and true honour) made but small reckoning of the recovery and winning of *Spain*, in comparison of those matters E that he hoped for, and conceived in that high and magnanimous spirit of his, which he carried with him. For now he cast in mind and aimed at the conquest of *Africk* and great *Carthage*: and therewith, to make perfect and consummate that glorious war to his own immortal honour and renown. And therefore, supposing it was now a good time to begin the way to those high exploits, add to lay plots, to prepare aforehand, yea, and to win unto him the hearts of the Princes and nations, he determined first of all other to found and assay King *Syphax*. This *Syphax* was King of the *Masassli*, a people bordering upon the Moors, and abutting upon that part of *Spain* especially where new *Carthage* is situate. At the same time the King was in league with the Carthaginians: which *Scipio* supposing that he would observe no more fairly and precisely, than commonly the Barbarians use, (whose fidelity dependeth upon Fortune) sent *C. Lelius* with rich gifts and presents, as an Otator to treat with him. The barbarous Prince was glad hereof, both because the Romans then prospered every where: and also the Carthaginians in *Italy* lived by the lo's: and in *Spain* went down to the ground, where they had nothing left: and thereupon he concended to entertain the friendship of the Romans. But for the confirmation of this amity, he neither would give nor take assurance, but only in the personal presence of the Roman General himself. So *Lelius* having obtained the Kings royall word and warrant that *Scipio* might come unto him with safe conduct and security, returned unto *Scipio*. Now for him that aspired to the conquest of *Africk*, it was a matter of great consequence and importance in all respects, to make F himself free of *Syphax*, the most mighty and puissant King of all that Land, who had aforetime made proof what the Carthaginians could do in war, and the confines and marches of whole Kingdom lay sit upon *Spain*, and but a small arm of the sea between, *Scipio* thinking it therefore to G be a matter worth the adventure with great hazard, (for otherwise it might not be) leaving for the defence and guard of *Spain* *L. Marius* & *Taracón*, and *M. Syllanus* at new *Carthage*, (whether he had travelled by land from *Taracón*, and taken great journeys) himself and *Lelius* together, loosed from *Carthage* with two great Caravels of five banks of oars, and passed over into *Africk*, through the calm and still sea, most of all tiding, and otherwhile also making sail with a gentle gale of wind.

Happy it is to fall out that the very same time *Asdrubal*, driven out of *Spain*, was entered the ha-

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ven with seven galleys of three course of oars, and rid at anchor near unto the shore for to be let a land. When he had a kenning of the two Carvels aforelaid, which albeit no man doubted but they were enemies, and might have been boarded by them being more in number, before they could gain the rode; yet hereupon ensued nothing else but a tumult and hurry among the mainers and fouldiers together, in vain preparation of their ships and their armour. For the wind before that the Carthaginians had any time to weigh anchor: neither durst any of them proceed to further dealing within the Kings Rode. So *Afrubal* first let a shore, and within a while *Scipio* and *Laelus* landed, and went all to the Court. *Syphax* took this for a great honour done unto him (as indeed it was no less) that there were come to him at that time; and in one day two General Captains of two most mighty and puissant States, to sue for peace and amity with him. He invited both of them friendly and gave them entertainment: and since it was their fortune to enter under one roof and the lame house for to be lodged in, he endeavoured to draw them to a party, and to make an end of all quarrels, grudges, and controversies between them. But *Scipio* denied flatly, that either there was any private malice or hatred between him and *Afrubal*, that should need an end with conference and speech: and as for State-matters, he might not treat with a professed enemy as touching them, without express warrant and commission from the Senate. But when the King laboured greatly with him, that he would find in his heart and not think much to bear *Afrubal* company at meat and meal (because he would not seem to exclude either of them from his board, he yielded thereto, and was content. So they supped both twain together with the King, and *Scipio* and *Afrubal* late both at one table in one meal, and upon one bed, for so it was the Kings pleasure. But so courteously *Scipio* behaved himself (as he was a man that naturally knew how to carry himself with a grace and dexterity in all things, and in every place wheresoever he came) that by his fair language and eloquent speech, he won not only the favour of the barbarous Prince *Syphax* (who before was not acquainted with the Roman fashions) but also the good will and love of *Afrubal*, a most malicious and mortal enemy: who seemed to have him in more admiration upon this one meeting and communication in presence personal, than for all his feats of arms achieved in war, and made no doubt but reckoned fully that King *Syphax* and his Realm would presently be at the devotion of the Empire of Rome. Such a regular gift had that man to win love and favour. And therefore the Carthaginians were not so much to seek how *Spain* was lost, as to consider and think how they might keep and hold *Affrick*. For thus they conceived, That this noble Knight and worthy Roman Captain was not come thither wandering at a venture, nor as a traveller to see countries, and to solace himself with walking along the pleasant and delectable coasts, leaving the Province which he had newly subdued, leaving his armies which he commanded, sailing thus with two ships only into *Affrick*, and committing himself unto an enemy country, and into a Kings hands, of whose fidelity and protection he had no experience: but no doubt upon some great hopes to compass the conquest of *Affrick*. And this was it that long since *Scipio* had in secret purpose and designment, this was it that openly he betided and stormed at, namely, that he warred not himself as well in *Spain*, as *Annibal* in *Italy*. Well he so having concluded a league with *Syphax*, departed out of *Affrick*; and notwithstanding he was tossed upon the sea with variable winds, and those for the most part boisterous and raging yet up on the fourth day he arrived at *New Carthage*.

Scipio to his  
fouldiers.

As *Spain* generally was at peace and rest for any Carthaginian war, so it was well known, that certain particular States, in regard that they were touched with the guilt of trespasses committed, were quiet for fear, rather than for any loyal allegiance. Of which the most notorious was well for their own greatness and power, as for their fault and transgression, were *Illiturgum* and *Cassulo*. The Castellonians, upon the defeat of the two *Scipios* and their armies. The Illiturgians, who their revolt and rebellion, added this wickedness, in that they betrayed and murdered the Romans who fled unto them for succour rather than overthrow. These two nations, it *Scipio* at his first coming had proceeded in rigour to revenge (whiles the States of the country stood in suspense) he should have regarded their desert more than his own good and commodity. But when all troubles were compounded and reduced to quietness, he thought it then a convenient time to punish and chastise them accordingly. And therefore he called *L. Marius* from *Tarcon*, with a third part of his forces, and sent him to assail *Cassulo*. Himself with the rest of the army marched toward *Illiturgum*, and within five daies presented himself before it. The gates he found shut against him, and all preparation and furniture for defence and to withstand the assault. For their conscience bare them witness what they had deserved, and there needed no other defence or intimation of war against them than the privy of their wicked fact. Hereupon *Scipio* took occasion to exhort his fouldiers, and began in this wise. "The very Spaniards themselves, quoth he by putting their gates declare plainly what they justly are to fear: and therefore ye ought to be with them in more hostile malice and deadly hatred than with the Carthaginians. For with them the quarrel was maintained, as it were, without anger and rank, only for sovereignty and glory: but of these men ye are to take vengeance for their disloyal treachery, for their cruelty and wicked villany. And now the time is come, to revenge not only the unworthy death of your fellow fouldiers, but also the like falsehood prepared for your selves, in case your hap had been to have fled for refuge thither at any time: yea, and to shew exemplary justice, to teach all posterity,

A posterity, that no man hereafter be so heady as to wrong any Citizen or fouldier of Rome, in what poor estate so ever he be, without fear of condign punishment. Upon this exhortation and comfortable words of the General, they belistred themselves and divided the scaling ladders amongst choicemen out of every company. And having to parry the army between them, that *Scipio* the Lieutenant had the conduct of the one half, they gave assault with great terror unto the City in two places at once. But neither any one general captain, nor many principal Citizens encouraged and heartened the townsmen manfully to defend their City, but only their own fearful and sinful consciences for they wilt well and remembered, yea, and put one another in mind, that it was their punishment and not victory that the Romans sought for. And as for themselves, since they were, whilst their lives, this was the only point that they were to consider upon, namely, where they were to die, whether in fight and in the field (where the fortune of battall was common, and oftentimes lifted up the conquered, and put down the conqueror) or after their City burnt and taken. To yeeld up breath in the sight of their wives and children taken captives amidst the torments of whipping and hard irons, when they had endured all villanies and indignities. Whereupon notably the serviceable youth for war, not only men I say, but women also and children, even above the bodily strength of their age, of courage of that sex, were ready and presented themselves to defend the wals. Some brought weapons to the defendants, others carried stones up to the wals, and others that were fortifying and repairing the breaches. For why they stood not upon their liberty alone, which whetted the stomachs of valiant and magnanimous men only, but they felt before their eyes all extremities of torture and punishment, yea, and the shamefullest death that could be devised, and their hearts were incited to undergo all pains and peril, by striving one together, and seeing one another to hazard themselves. In so much as they stood to it, and fought desperately, that even that noble army which had subdued all *Spain*, could not resist often times at the hands of the youth of one City, was driven from the wals, and finally to their honor received some foil in fight, and began to retreat. *Scipio* seeing that, and observing left upon so many bold attempts the enemies might take heart and his own fouldiers be heartened, thought good to exert himself personally into the action, and to take part in that dangerous service. Having rebuked therefore his men for their cowardice, he commanded the ladders to be brought and set to, and through that himself would scale the wals, if the rest made basting and thur draw back. With that he made no more ado, but approached under the wals in great peril of his person. Whereupon the fouldiers, respecting the dangerous state of their General, and fearing greatly of his being taken, began to shout on all hands, and began to rear ladders in many places at once. *Laelus* likewise on the other side plied the assault and gave no over. Then at last the townsmen, for all their valour and resolution, were overcome; the defendants overthrown and beaten from their standings, and the wals possessed by the enemies. The battle also on that side which was thought impregnable, was in this manner and manner taken. For there were certain Africans serving then among the Romans (fled before the enemy) who whilst the townsmen were wholly turned to defend the wals, they seemed to be exposed unto danger, and the Romans climbing and entering where they could, opened one part of the City much higher than the rest, which because it was compassed about with an exceeding high rock, was neither fortified either with bulwarks, nor manned with any dependant wall, and because men (as they all are) light and agile of body, and nimble by reason of such practice and exercise, they climbed up the rock where they could meet with any thing there to bear out unequally from the rest, and to yeeld them hold and footing: but when they came to a plumb upright steep place, and where the cliff was even and smooth, they fastened certain green iron spikes and nails, which they carried about with them of purpose, and stuck them up by the hand that followed next, and the hindmost heaved up those that went before them, until they were gotten up to the top; and then they ran down with an outcry into the City, which was already won by the Romans. Then it was well seen that they forced this City from very deep sleep and deep slumber. There was no thought of taking any prisoners alive, there was no thought of pillage, notwithstanding all lay open unto them for to be ravished and spoiled. But down they went with the unarmed as well as the armed, killed men and women one with another, nay, their cruel mood was such, as they spared not the sucking babes. Then they set fire on their houses: and what the fire saved they rased and pulled down: to ensure a mind they had, and in token they were; so leave no monument and token of such a City, and utterly to abolish and root out the memorial of those enemies.

After this, *Scipio* led his army against *Cassulo*. This City was defended not only by Spaniards who thither were repaired out of other parts, but also by the reliques of the Carthaginian army which were scattered abroad in their flight and thither fled. But ere *Scipio* was come before the City, they had heard the newes of the wofull calamity and destruction of the Illiturgians: by reason whereof they were all terrified and in despair of themselves: and as it falleth out in such variety of causes and defects every man fought means to shift for himself the best he could, without regard of his neighbour. And at first they began to have a secret jealousy and suspicion one of another, but afterwards they brake out to open dissension: in so much as the Carthaginians and Spaniards divided themselves, and passed a slender *Corrubia* openly advised the Spaniards, and persuaded with them, to yeeld. *Himilco* was the Captain over the Auxiliary Carthaginians, whom



whom *Scordellus* (upon promise secretly before made and protection granted) betrayed, together with the whole City besides, into the Romans hands. This victory was pursued with less enmity: for neither was the offence on their behalf committed to heinous; and the heat and colour of the Romans was well cooled and allayed, by reason of their voluntary surrender. From thence was *Marius* sent against others of the barbarous people, to reduce unto subjection and obedience, as many as yet were not fully subdued.

*Scipio* returned to new *Carthage* to pay his vows unto the gods, and to exhibit and let out a spectacle of sword-play as sharp, which he had prepared for the honor of his father and uncle deceased. This paltime and solemn show was not performed by those kind of men, out of which matters of fence are ordinarily to make choice, namely, such as were picked out of bondslaves and freed men, that use to make sale of their blood for money, but all those that he employed in combat, were such as offered themselves and their service voluntary and without hire. For some were sent unto him from the LL. of the country, to make shew & proof of the valour ingrained naturally in that nation; others of their own accord professed to fight, for the love of the Generall himself, and to shew him pleasure: and some there were again, who upon emulation of glory were drawn to make challenge, whiles others that were desisted refused not, but strove to get the victory. There were also divvins that determined those controversies by the sword, which by arguing & pleading they either were not able or not willing to end: having agreed among themselves that the matter in suit should fall to him that chanced to have the upper hand. And those were no mean persons of high degree and personage, but of noble descent and famous houses: as namely, *Corbis* and *Orsus*, two Brethren, cousin Germans by the father side: who differing and being at variance, about a principality of a City and State, which they call *Ilbes*, made profession to meet the issue at the utterance by dint of sword. *Corbis* was the elder of the twain; but *Orsus* his brother had been the last Prince before, and received that Seignory after the death of his elder brother. And when *Scipio* was very desirous to debate and decide the matter with words, and to appease their anger and mood, they both made answer and said, that they had denied to the common kindred of either party, and that they would have no other god nor man to be their judge, but only *Mars*. Both of them were fierce; the elder premining of his strength of body, the younger bearing himself upon the flower of his fresh youth: wishing rather to die both twins in fight, than the one to be subject to the dominion of the other. In conclusion when by no means possible they could be reclaimed from this furious rage of theirs, they became a goodly show and present to the whole army, and a singular example to prove what a mischievous malady among mortals, even the love of lordship is, and the desire of sovereignty. The elder, through pride of his weapons and cunning sight, soon overcame the foolhardiness and inconsiderate fierceness of the younger. After this posture of the sword-fight, followed the funeral games and plaies which were set forth magnificently, according as either the wealth of the province, or the furniture of the army might afford.

In this mean time, the Lieutenants plied and sped their business nevertheless, according to their commissions: for *Marius* having passed the river *Rodis* (which the peasants of that country called *Carium*) received two most rich and worthy Cities, surrendered into their hands by composition, without any assault. Now, there was another City called *Asapa*, which everided with the Carthaginians: and yet it deserved not so much anger and indignation in that regard, as for that (setting aside the necessities that follow war) it ever bare a spiteful hatred against the Romans: neither was the town either for natural situation so strongly fortified, or by manhand so surely fortified, that the inhabitants therein should take more heart, or presume the rather to be lusty and bold. But the natural disposition of the people delighting in robberies, moved them to make roades and invade the territory of the allies of the people of *Rome*, bordering upon them: and to catch and take prisoners any souldiers, cutlions, lackies, and followers of the camp, or merchants of the Romans, whom they could light upon ranging abroad. Yea, and when there happened great company of them together, to passe through their marches and confines, (for in no wise might a few travel in safety,) they were surprised by an ambuscade laid for them, and being enveloped in a place of disadvantage, were slain every man. When the army was come before this town to invade it, the townsmen carrying a guilty conscience for offences committed, thought it not the safest course for themselves, to yield and give up the place. For the enemies whom they had most provoked against them, and seeing no hope at all to save their lives, either by the strength of their wals, or force of arms, they resolved to execute upon themselves, and those things that were next and dearest unto them, a foul, detestable, and cruel fact. They set out and appointed a company of gronns, within the market place, where they bestowed and laid down a heap the most precious goods that they had, upon which they commended their wives, and children to die, and then they piled about them biers of wood, and laid faggots upon, of small young twigs. And after that they gave in charge to sing lustily till fellows: used that so long as the battell continued doubtful, they should defend and guard all their goods, and the bodies of those persons more dear unto them than all the goods in the world; but in case they perceived their own side to goe down and have the worse, and the City at the point to be lost, they should then woe well and be sitted, that all they whom they saw going forth to battle, would surely lose their lives in that very fight and skirmish. And here with they brought them in the name of the gods both celestiall and infernall, to be mindful of their liberty, which that day was to take an end.

A "either by honourable death or shamefull servitude: and to suffer nothing to remain, upon which the enemy in his furious anger might exercise his cruelty: & considering they had both fire and sword in their hands to do the deed, to let those friendly and faithful hands, consume and dispatch the things which were sure to be lost and perish, rather than the proud enemies insult over them, and make a scorn of them. To these exhortations they adjoined a fearful and horrible curse, to as many as either for hope of life, or upon timoroufness of heart & fear of death, should alter their mind and resolution. Whereupon all at once they rushed out of the gates far wide open, and with a mighty tumult and shout, made a rally. Now there was no let guard and station of any force opposed to resist them, because the enemies feared nothing less, than that they durst once issue forth of the gates. Some few troops of horse and the light armour, of a sudden were sent out of the B camp to make head, and they encountered them. Between whom there was a skirmish hotter and sharper in regard of courage and violence, then ordered by any skill and good government. And therefore the horsemen were discomfited, that first presented themselves against the enemy, yea, & put the light armed footmen also in great fear. And surely they had proceeded to have fought even under the very rampier, but that the main strength of the legions, who had but very small time to be marshalled and arranged, put themselves in array and came into the field. And yet for all that, they were distressed for a while about the ensignes, by reason that they ran as blind mad men in their furious fit, & as bold as witless fools for want of sense, even upon the sword and their own deaths. But afterwards, the old experienced souldiers, having flitted out against the first rash brute and violent flock of the enemies, yea, and killed the foremost, bridled and staid the rage of those that seconded them: and when they assaid with in a while after, to enter forward themselves & break in upon them, & saw none of them to give one foot of ground, but every one resolute to die in the very place where he stood, they opened their battell in the mids (a thing that they might easily do, considering the altitude of the souldiers) compassed and environed the wings of their enemies, who fighting round in a ring, unto the last man were slain every one. Thus were they that were in arms and made resistance manfully dealt withall by their enemies according to the rigor of war, and in the angry mood of souldiers; and such was their end. But within the City there was toiler work, and a more cruell butchery and slaughter committed, when the feeble unarmed and naked multitude of women and children were murdered by their own neighbours and citizens, who having laid the forestaid pile of wood on fire, fell to massacre them, and flung their bodies when they were but half dead, into the light fire under them; so that their streams of blood gushing out of their veins, were ready to quench the flame beginning to break forth. And in the end, when they themselves were even wearied with the pittifull slaughter of their own friends, they cast themselves armour and all into the mids of the laid fire. When this massacre was done and ended, the Romans entered the City with victory. And at the first sight of this monstrous object, they wondered for a while and stood astounded. But afterwards when they saw the gold and silver glittering within the heap among others goods, they were ready and desirous (as the nature of man is greedy of such things) to rake and pull the same out of the fire: but some of them were caught with the flame and burnt; others flamed and half singed with the hot steam of the vapour and breath issuing from the light fire, such (I mean) as were foremost, & could not retire themselves back, by reason of their exceeding presse behind, that thrust them still forward. Thus *Asapa* was destroyed by fire and sword, and yielded no pillage to the enemies. And when *Marius* had all the rest of the country yeelded unto him for fear of force, he led back his victorious army to *Carthage* unto *Scipio*.

About the very same time there came from *Gades* certain fugitive renegates, promising to betray the garrison of the Carthaginians lying there, and likewise the captain of the garrison, together with the navy. Now had *Mago* rested there after his flight, and having gathered together the ships in the Ocean, levied and raised certain aids, as well beyond the narrow seas along the coast of *Africa*, as also out of the parts of *Spain* next adjoining unto him, and all by the means of captain *Hanno*. When as between the Romans and those fugitives, there had passed faithful promise and security to and fro, both *Marius* was sent thither with certain squadrons and companies lightly appointed; and also *Lelius* with 7 Triemes [of three banks of oars] and one great galley of five, for to war jointly together by common counsel, as well by sea as land. *Scipio* himself lay sick of a grievous malady, but much worse by report then it was, by reason that every one as men commonly have a desire & delight to foster & multiply rumours for the nonce made ever somewhat of his own head, and put into the rest of the news that he heard: which brought the province out of frame and caused great disorder, especially in the most remote parts thereof, which it was well seen, what a world of troubles would have ensued upon some calamity indeed, when a vain rumour only, was able to raise such storms and tempests. For neither the Allies coalition loyal in their allegiance, nor the army dutifull in their vowed obedience. *Mandonius* & *Ludibius*, who made full account of the whole kingdom of *Spain*, now that the Carthaginians were driven out and expelled, seeing nothing answerable to their hope and expectation, and themselves disappointed of their designments, raised peasants and inhabitants of their own countries (and whole were the Lacetans) & solicited the youth of the Celtiberians: the country also of the Sestetans and Sedetans, that were confederat States with the people of *Rome*, they wasted all manner of hostility. Besides, there arose a civil mutiny and dissention within the camp at *Saguntum*; where there lay eight thousand souldiers, as a guard and garrison for all the nation that inhabited on this side *Iberrum*. Whole heads were let awork, and began to be busie not at that time

when doubtful & suspicious rumours were spread of their General, how he was in danger of death, H but long before, upon a licentious course of life that they had taken to, and so much the rather, for that now in time of peace they were held in, more strictly and neatly, who before were used in their enemies land, during the wars, to break out in more loose manner, and to live upon rapine and robbery. At the first they began to mutter and whisper secretly these and such like speeches: If there be war still in the province of Spain, what do we here among peaceable people? And if the war be ended, and the time of the commision come out and expired, why are we not had again back into Italy? Then they proceed to demand their pay very malapertly, and more loudly than might stand with the duty and modesty of soldiers: yes, and the Sentinels and *corpi de guard* would not stick to give reproachfull terms and ranting words to the Tribunes or *Marshall*, when they went the round: and some of them made no bones to enter by night into the peaceable territory about them, for to fetch in booties and prizes: untill at length openly at noon day, they departed from their colours without passport and licence. All things they did as transported away with lust and self-will of soldiers, not guided by the order and discipline of warfare, nor directed by the commandment of their captains and rulers. Nevertheless, there was retained still a form of Roman camp among them: and that upon this only hope that the soldiers had of the Tribunes aforesaid: whom they supposed in time would come to the bent of their bow, enter into the same furious courses, and have their hand in the mutinies, and follow them in their rebellion: and therefore they were well content with them to sit judicially in *Marshall court*, instead of them, yes, and orderly to go to their watch and ward in their course and due times. And whereas in very deed they had cast off all reverence and obedience of government, yet they would seem to shew a kind of loyal and dutiful diligence; in that (forsooth) they would be commanders of themselves, and keep some order without constraint. But in the end the mutiny broke out into open sedition: namely, when they perceived once, that Tribunes misliked and reprov'd their doings and endeavoured to crosse their designs, yes, and denied flatly and openly to take part with them in their follies and furious outrages. Whereupon they defizied the Tribunes of their judiciall places in the *Principia*, yes, and dispossest them quite of all room in the camp, and by a general consent conferred the sovereign rule on two common soldiers, the captains of their tedious commotion, *Albim Calenus*, and *C. Arivus Fimbrius*. Who not contented with their

\* Certain officers or sergeants going before them with vine rods

\* marks and ornaments of the Tribunes, were to bold as to handle the rods and axes, even the very royal ensigns of sovereignty: never thinking how those knitches of rods, and axes stick within them, which they caused to be borne before to the fear of others, were ready to light upon themselves, to scourge their backs and sides, and to chop off their own heads not long after. The supposed death of *Scipio*, whereupon they vainly built, was it that blinded their wits and minds: upon the rumour whereof, being already noised abroad, they had no doubt, but all Spain generally would be up in arms. In which garb and hubbubly, they made reckoning, that they might levy monies of the confederat States, and spoil and pill the Cities near unto them. And amidst these troubles, when all are in a stir, and every man would venture to do every thing at his pleasure, then they supposed their own deeds and actions would be less eiepied and marked. Now when as they looked every day still to hear fresh newes, not of his death only, but also of his funerals; and seeing there came none at all, but rather, that the former tidings were checked, and proved but a flying tale without head or foot, then they began to make semblance of enquiring after, & seeking out the first authors who raised those false reports: then they seemed to be angry also and offended with them, to the end, that they forsooth might be thought rather to have belied things inconsiderately, than to have devised such a matter themselves purposely. These leaders and captains thus disappointed and abandoned, began now to dread and stand in horror of their own ensigns of magistracy that were carried before them, and in stead of that imaginary rule which they usurped, they feared greatly, that the very edge indeed of the true and lawfull power of authority would be shortly turned upon them. As the sedition, was thus dashed, by occasion, that it was credibly and for certain reported, first, that *Scipio* was living; and within a while after, that he was recovered and in health: there came seven Tribunes or Colonels, sent from *Scipio* himself. At whose first arrivall at the camp, the soldiers grew more angrie and wrathful then before: but anon upon fair words and speeches, wherewith the Colonels entertained those of their acquaintance, with whom they had communication, they were well contented and appeased. For first they went about to their pavilions from one to another, and afterwards to the *Principia* and the *Pretorium*, where they hapned to see some knots of soldiers met together and talking one with another: and so spake unto them, as if they rather questioned with them what the cause should be of their anger and suddain commotion, then blamed them, or laid any action to their charge. The reason commonly pretended, was this, that their wages were not duly paid at the day. Besides, they alleged, that whereas at the same time, when upon the trecherous fact of the *Illurgitans*, there followed the losse and death of two Generals, and the defeat of their two armies, they by their vertue had defended the Roman name and honour, and likewise kept the province to their behoof, the *Illurgitans* had indeed received condign punishment for their offence and trespass, but there was none that had required and recompensed them for their good service accordingly. Believe me (say they again) your complaints are just and requests reasonable, and we will make relation thereof to the Lord General: and glad we are in our hearts, that it is no worse, and that the case is no more insupportable than it

A for God be thanked, *P. Scipio* and the common-weal, are both sufficient and also willing to make you amends for all.

But *Scipio*, a man though used to the wars, yet altogether unacquainted with storms of soldiers mutinies, was much troubled in spirit and perplexed, for fear the army might exceed measure in transgressing or himself pass his bounds in punishing: for the present he thought good to deal gently with them still, as he had begun, and sent abroad the collectors about the Tributary Cities to gather up the revenues, thereby to put them in good hope of pay, and that with speed. And hereupon there went out an edict and proclamation, that they should repair to *Carthage*, there to call for their wages, either by companies apart one after another, or altogether in general, wherther they would themselves.

B And now by this time, the sudden pacification of the Spaniards that were about to rebel, filled the legion of the soldiers quite, which of it self began to cool and slake already. For *Maximianus* and *Inabellus*, after it was reported that *Scipio* was alive and livelike, gave over their enterprise, and were retired again within their confines. So as now the soldiers had neither Citizen nor foreigner to take part with them in their folly & furious rage. And when they had cast all about what course to take and what shift to make, they found no other evasion, but the most common refuge and retreat of all lewd counsels and bad dispositions, even to commit themselves either to the just wrath of their General, or else to his clemency and mercy, wherof they were not past all hope, and in utter despair. For why? he had not pardoned even the very enemies, with whom he had fought in battle. And as for their mutiny, it was as yet without bloodshed, and no hurt done: and as it self was not cruel and outrageous, so it had deserved no extrem and rigorous punishment: thus reasoned they and comforted themselves, as naturally men are too prompt and eloquent, to excusate, to palliate and cloke their own faults, more I wot, than they should. This was their only doubt, whether they were better to go by cohorts and squadrons, or all at once to command their pay. In the end they were of opinion, that the safer way was to go all in one train.

At the very same time, whilst they among themselves laid their heads thus together in the camp, there was a council held at new *Carthage* about them, and much dispute there was, and variety of opinions, whether they should proceed against the heads and Captains only of the seditious (who were in number not above five and thirty) or by cutting off the greater sort to punish this loodious example and president of a rebellion rather than their amity. But the milder sentence took place, namely, that from whence the offence began, there the punishment should rest. And for the multitude, some chastisement and rebuke was sufficient for their correction. When the Council was dissimiled and broken up, to the end that it might be thought abroad that they sat about nothing else but this which they pretended, they published an edict throughout all the army in *Carthage* for an expedition or journey against *Mandonius* and *Inabellus*; and gave commandment to make provision of victuals for certain daies. And those seven Tribunes, who had before gone to *Sacro* for to appeale the mutiny there, were now sent to meet that army again: and having five names speere given them of the principal authors of the forfaisd tumult, they had a direction unto certain meet persons for the purpose, to shew them good countenance, to speak fair unto them, and courteously to invite them home to their houses, and afford them kind and friendly entertainment; and after they had made them good cheer and brought them to bed, to take them being fast asleep upon their liberal drinking of wine, and to bind them sure hand and foot Now when they were not far off from *Carthage*, they understood by those whom they met and encountered upon the way, that all the whole army, was the next day following to set forth against the *Laceans*: which tidings not only rid them of all fear, which secretly terrified and possessed their minds, but also made them exceeding glad and joyous, for that they supposed their General being now left alone with their forces, they might do with him what they would themselves, rather then be at his commandment and devotion. And about sun-setting they entred the City, and perceived the other army providing and making all ready for the voyage above named. Received they were and welcomed with gentle words, devised and framed on purpose: namely, that the L. General took great joy and contentment for their coming, for that they were come so just before the setting out of the other army: and so they went to repose and make much of themselves. And without any stir and tumult at all, the ringleaders of the sedition, were by the means of those Tribunes entertained and lodged in the houses of certain persons of good behavior and meet for that purpose, and there apprehended and imprisoned. At the reliefe of the fourth watch, the carriages of that army, whose expedition was pretended, began to set forward on the journey: and somewhat before day the standards and ensigns advanced, but the whole army was detained and staid at the gates, and certain warders sent to keep all the passages and wayes, that no man should go forth of the City. Then were those soldiers who came the day before summoned to an audience: and they ran boldly into the market place to the Tribunal of the General, (as if

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G with their outcries and clamours they would have put him in some fear and dread of them. And at one time both the Lord General himself in person ascended up the Tribunal, and with all the armed soldiers were brought again from the gate, and encloed round about at their backs the unarmed multitude gathered together to hear an Oration. Then were they danted, as listly as they were before, and all their courage cooled: and (as they confessed afterwards themselves) nothing terrified them so much, as the healthful strength and fresh colour of the L. General beyond all their expectation, whom they thought verily to have found sick and cratie: yes, and his countenance

tenance and face so vigorous and courageous, as they never remembered to have seen him so lusty in any battell before. For a while he sat still and said never a word, until he was advertised that the Captains of the mutiny were brought into the place and all things else in readiness. Then after silence made by an *Oyez* of the cryer, in this wise he began and said,

"I would never have believed that I should have wanted words and proper language unto mine own army: not because I have exercised my self at any time rather to make eloquent speeches than to manage valiant actions, but for that being always from mine infancy almost trained up in the camp, I have been acquainted with the natures and humours of soldiers. But in what manner I should speak unto you, neither my wits will give me advice, nor my tongue afford me utterance: you, I say, whom I wot not so much as by what name to call. Should I term you Citizens, who have revolted from your native country, or soldiers, who have pronounced your Generall, refused to beunder his command, his charge and government, and made no conscience to break the oath of your allegiance? Last of all, should I give you the name of enemies? Now surely, me thinks I agnize the bodies, the faces, the apparel and habit of mine own natural Citizens: but contrariwise, I see plainly the deeds, the words, the intents and minds of arrant enemies. For what have ye wished and hoped for else, but the Illegers and the Lacertanes have done the like? And yet I must needs say, that they had to follow for their captains in their outrage, *Mandonius* and *Indibilis*, two Princes of royall blood: whereas you imposed the sovereign command & government upon *Vmber Arius*, & *Calenus Albinus*, two brave companions. Denie it now hardly if you will, that you all either were in the action, or willing in the intention. Verily I can easily beleve you in so disavowing, and namely, that all this proceeded from the folly of some brainfick fellows among you. For the trespasses committed are of that quality and consequence, that if the whole army were therein culpable, the expiation & purging thereof could not be procured without great sacrifices and exquisite punishment. Full against my will I touch these points, as sores and galls that will not abide the rubbing: but unless they be touched and handled too, they cannot possibly be cured and healed. I assure you, for mine own part, I thought verily, that when the Carthaginians were driven out of *Spain*, there was neither place nor person throughout the whole province, that had envied my life and health: such hath been my carriage, and so have I demeaned my self not only with Allies, but also with enemies. But see, how much I have been deceived! even in mine own camp, the news of my death was not only received with joy, but expected also with a longing desire. I speak not this, that I would have any man to imagine that I conceive, how all in general are guilty of this fact (for if I were yet I swayed in my mind, that my whole army wished my death, I would here die presently before your eyes: for what good would my life do me, repined of my soldiers and fellow Citizens?) But the multitude of every people is like the seas in nature; which of themselves are unmovable and firr nor as the winds blow, as the gales go and come, so are they either calm or troublesome and iniquitous: and even so the cause and source of all this fury and outrage, is in some few heads and leaders. As for you, ye have caught the infection from them, and played the fools with them for company. Surely I am thus perverted of you this day, that ye know not yet, to what enormous height of folly ye have proceeded: what mischievous acts ye were entred into against mine own persons: what you attempted against your native country, your wives and children: what you entred against the gods and witnesses of your loyall oath; what ye have done against the sacred auspices and happy fortune, under which ye have served in warfare; what ye have committed against the custome & law of war, against the discipline of your ancestors; & finally, how prejudiciall and offensive your designs have been against the sovereign majesty of the Roman empire. As for my self, I am willing to say nothing: content I am to think, that ye have given credit to my death rashly and inconsiderately, then hearken thereto willingly and greedily. And it may be, that I have so behaved my self, that no wonder it is, if mine army be weary of me and of your government. But what harm hath your country deserved at your hands, which to betray, ye should complot with *Mandonius* & *Indibilis*? How hath the people of *Rome* offended you, that you have deprived the Kn, Marshalls and Colonels created by the voices of the people, of their lawful rule and authority, and conferred the same upon private persons? And being not therewith contented, to have taken and knowledge them for your Colonies; yet even you the army of the Romans, have taken the knitches of rods belonging only to the General, and bestowed them upon those that never kept so much as a bondslave of their own to command, *Albinus* and *Arius* forthwith, set up their pavilions in that chief place and State in the camp, where the sovereign magistrat ought to quarter: with them the trumpet sounded: from them the signall and watch-word was demanded: they sat as judges in the Tribunal seat of *Scipio* the Pro-consul: upon them the Lictors and Sergeants attended: for them they made way & voided the place, against they should go forth & march in their state: and before them were the rods borne, and the axes withall. When it raineth stones, when thunderbolts are shot, when lightnings flash from heaven, when beasts bring forth strange, uncouth, and monstrous young ones, contrary to the course of nature, you take them for prodigious signs and fearful tokens. Nay this is a monstrous sight and wonder in deed, with no sacrifices of beasts by no supplications and prayers, can be purged and expiated, without the blood of them that have committed so heinous a fact. And albeit no wicked crime can be founded upon any reason, yet would I gladly know of you (as in a case that indeed should not be once named and remembered)

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"what was in your mind? what imagined you? and what was your design? There was in times past a legion sent to *Rhegium*, there to lie in garrison. Traitorously and villainously they murdered the principal citizens there, and for ten years space possessed and kept that wealthy town to their own behoof. For this notorious and beastly fact the whole legion, even four thousand men and no fewer, were in the market place of *Rome* beheaded every one. And yet they at the first followed not for their captain *Atrius Vmber*, one little better than a lander, skulking, and follower of the camp, a man of an unlucky and unfortunate name, but *Decimus Afulchus* a Tribune or Kn. Marshall; neither joyed they with *Pyrrhus* nor with the Samnites and *Lucius*, professed enemies of the people of *Rome*. Whereas ye, have plotted in counsell, and meant to have banded in arms together with *Mandonius* & *Indibilis*, their purpose was to have leaved themselves for ever in *Rhegium*, like as before them the Campanians, who took *Capua* from the Tuscans, the old inhabitants: and the Mamertines likewise; who possessed themselves in *Sicily* of *Messina*, and never minded to molest and make war either upon the people of *Rome*, or any of their allies and confederats. But tell me I pray you, intended ye to have made your continual residence, and to have dwelt at *Sueto* where if I your General at my departure out of the province, when my time and commission was expired, should have left you behind me, ye might have cried out upon me, and called for vengeance to God and man in regard of hard measure and wrong offered unto you, in that ye might not be permitted to return home to your wives and children. But alas, wife and children were clean excluded out of your mind: ye thought no more upon them, then of me or of your native country. Well, I will follow on still, and discourse upon your plot and designs, wicked and ungracious though they were, yet happily not altogether so foolish and foolish in the highest degree as may be supposed. Imagined ye being eight thousand men in number, (and say that ye were all of better account & reckoning then *Albinus* & *Arius* are, under whom ye submitted your selves) to have been able for to defeat the people of *Rome* of the province of *Spain*? To long as I lived, and the other army stood found and strong: wherewith in one day I forced new *Carthage*, with which I discomfited, put to flight, and chased out *Spain*, four brave Generals, and as many puissant armies of the Carthaginians? But let that go by, and to say aside my name, and to speak of no more abuse but this, that ye were very credulous and quickly believed that I was dead. How then? what if I was departed this life and gone indeed? Had the common wealth together with me yeelded up her ghost? Would the main state and empire of *Rome* have lain to the ground with me at once? Forsooth (*O Jupiter*, almighty and most gracious) that ever a City founded first most happily, with the approbation of the gods, built eternally for ever to endure, should be compared and made but equal with this frail and mortal body of mine, *Flaminius*, *Paulus*, *Gracchus*, *Posthumus Albinus*, *M. Marcellus*, *T. Quintus Crispinus*, *Cn. Fulvius*, two *Scipios*, my father and uncle both, so many noble warriors and captains have been slain in this one war: and they are dead and gone: yet the people of *Rome* continue on foot and overlive them, yes, and shall still, when a thousand more of them shall die, either upon the edge of the sword, or upon some sickness or other. How should then the fate of the people of *Rome* be entered & buried with the dead corps of me, but one man and no more? Even you your selves (to go no farther to seek examples) here in *Spain*, when my father and uncle two Generals, were killed, chose *Sepimius Martius* for your captain, to lead against the Carthaginians, being in the ruff and jollity of their fresh and late victory. I speak now, as though if I had miscarried, *Spain* had been left destitute and without a Commander and General. *M. Syllanus* who was sent with me in the province, joined in the same commission and of equal authority; *L. Scipio* my brother, and *C. Laelius*, both Lieutenants general: would these have fit still and doing nothing? would these have failed to maintain and recover the majesty of our empire? What could ye have compared army for army, captains for captains with them? was either your reputation and credit, or your quarrel and cause comparable? and suppose that in all these regards, ye have been superiour and gotten the vantage, would ye indeed with the Carthaginians, have your arms against your native country against your fellow citizens? would ye in very truth, that *Africk* should have commanded *Italy* and *Carthage* the City of *Rome*? And for what dement and great trespass, I pray you, that your country had committed? *Coriolanus* long ago, being wrongfully condemned and unworthily banished, seeing himself to live a miserable exiled man, was moved to take arms and to come against his country to assail it. A private regard of love and natural kinde, reclaimed them from publick parricide. But what grief of heart, what fit of anger hath incited and provoked you? Set case your wages was paid later by some daies, whilst your General lay sick; was that a sufficient cause for you to give defiance to your country & proclaim open war against it? was that enough to cause you to revolt from the people of *Rome*, and turn to the Illegers and to spare no law of God and man, but to break all and make shipwreck of conscience and common honesty? now surely, soldiers, ye were out of your wits, and fools ye were in the highest degree. I was not my self farther out of frame and sicker in body, then ye were in your mind and understanding. I tremble to think upon it and to rehearse, what folk believed, what they hoped, what they wished. Let all be forgotten and buried in oblivion, if it be possible: if not let us not speak of it yet, howsoever we do, but rake it up in deep silence. I cannot deny, but my words have seemed sharp and bitter unto you, and all this my speech very rigorous. But how much more cruell thinke ye are your deeds, then my words tart and sour? And if ye deem it reasonable, that I should bear & put up the things that ye have done; will ye not abide them

\* *Atrius Vmber*: alluding to *Atr*, black and *Vmber* a dark shadow.

"and take in good part, and patiently to hear me to tell all that I can say? But these matters I will H  
 "lay no more in your dish from henceforth; ye shall be checked no more for them. Would God ye  
 "could as soon forget them, as I will put them out of my remembrance. And therefore as touching  
 "you all in general, if ye repent and be displeased with your selves for your fault and folly, I shall  
 "be content and think you punished to the full. But as for *Albius Calpurnius* and *Arruntius*, with  
 "the rest of the authors of this cursed and detestable mutiny, they shall make amends for their  
 "treipasse and transgression, even with their heart-blood; and they shall surely die for it. The  
 "spectacle of their exemplary punishment ought not to seem unto you grievous and odious, but  
 "rather a pleasant and delectable sight, if ye have any grace in you, and be come again to your right  
 "wits. For their intent was to hurt and do mischief to no man alive, more then to your selves."

He had scarce made an end of his speech, when all at once, according to the order given before, I  
 hand, there was presented to their eyes and ears a terrible and fearful object on all sides. For the  
 army which had environed the assembly round about clattered their swords & bucklers together.  
 The common crier was heard to cite by name all those that were condemned there, in the presence  
 of the whole audience. Stripped they were naked, and haled forth in the midst of them all, and  
 every thing brought out at once for to accomplish the execution. Thus were they bound to the  
 stake, whipped with rods, and their heads chopped off. So benumbed they were all and astonished  
 for fear, that were present at the sight thereof, that there was not heard amongst them all one  
 shrewd & hard word, in mistaking the rigor of the punishment, no, nor so much as one groan or  
 secret sigh. Then their bodies were all drawn at one side, the place was made clean, & purged of  
 the soldiers were called by name & before the Colonels & Kn. Marshals, (where all came, and K  
 to be true soldiers unto *Scipio*, And every one according as he answered to his name, had his wa-  
 ges truly paid. This was the issue and final end of the soldiers mutiny, which began at *Suessa*.

At the same time, Captain *Hannus* sent by *Mago* from *Gades* with a small power of Africans,  
 solicited the Spaniards about the river *Batis*, for money, to rebel and put in arms upon a four thou-  
 sand able men. But afterwards he was forced by *L. Marius* to quit his camp, and having lost the  
 greatest part of his men in the very tumult of taking the camp, yes, and some in the flight, whom  
 the horimen pursued in chafe and flew as they ran stragling, himself with few others escaped a-  
 way. Whiles these things hapned about the river *Batis*, *Lalius* in the mean time having pulled  
 through the streights into the main Ocean, arrived with his navy at *Carræa*. This is a City hand-  
 ling on the sea coast bounding upon the Ocean, even in the mouth of the river, where it first open-  
 eth from the streights into the broad sea. Now there was some hope (as hath been aforesaid) to  
 gain the City of *Gades* without any assault, by treason, for as much as there came some into the  
 Roman camp, that of themselves made offer and promise thereof. But the treason brake forth too  
 soon and was revealed before it was ripe, the conspirators were all apprehended; and sent by *Ma-  
 go* unto *Adherbal* the Pretor, for to be conveyed to *Carthage*. And *Adherbal* having embarked  
 those traitors in a Caravel or Gallion of five banks of oars, and sent her afore, because he was  
 slower of sail than those of three banks; himself with eight three-banked gallees, followed a pre-  
 ty way after. The said Caravel of five course of oars, was not so soon entered the streights, but  
*Scipio* also being embarked in another Caravel of the same sort, made out of the haven of *Carræa*  
 with seven Gallies of three ranks of oars and invellied *Adherbal* and the foresaid Gallies. Up-  
 posing verily, that the enemies Caravel being taken tardy in the very current, was not able against  
 the tide to retire. *Adherbal* being thus surprised on the sudden, for a while stood in fear and doubt  
 what to do; whether he had best to follow on after his own Caravel, or turn the prow and  
 beaks of his gallees, and make head against the enemy. Thus whiles he stood at a baylingring, he  
 lost the opportunity of shunning and avoiding a battell: for now they were come within the dart  
 shot, and the enemies on every side were ready to charge. And the current was so strong, that  
 they were not able to rule and manage their ships as they would. But the manner of fight was no-  
 thing at all like to a sea-battell, for as much as they could do nothing to their mind, nothing by skill  
 and dexterity, nothing by counsel and advice. The nature onely of the narrow sea, the violence of  
 the current was all in all, and ruled the conflict, driving the ships one against another, as well up N  
 on their own fellows as upon their enemies: notwithstanding they rowed and laboured what they  
 could to the contrary. So as one while ye should see a ship that fled and scudded away, whirled  
 about back again with a winnow by the waves, upon those that had her in chase: and likewise  
 another that seemed to follow and pursue after her enemies, if she hapned once into a contrary  
 course of billows, to turn top and tail, and seem to flee. And in the very conflict it so fell out, that  
 when as one vessel ran with her beak head full butt upon another, she was forced by waves to  
 turn her side, and receive in her flank the push of her enemies. And contrariwise, when as one  
 with her flank opposite to the enemy, suddenly all at once the should wind and while again  
 upon her prow. As the gallees fought thus doubtfully together, hap hazard, at the pleasure and  
 will of Fortune: the Roman Caravel (where it became of her weight she was able to stand more O  
 ready against the surging billows, or by reason that she had more ranks of oars that cut the waves,  
 and so was more easily ruled) chanced to sink two of the smaller gallees of the enemies, and run-  
 ning salt by one with a forcible violence wiped away clean all the oars of one side, and had no  
 doubt spoiled and marred all the rest that she would have invellied and charged upon. But that  
*Adherbal*, with the other five made sail, and got over into *Africa*: *Lalius* having sailed back  
 to *Carræa* with victory, and heard what had been done at *Gades*, namely, how the plot of  
 betraying

A betraying the Island was disclosed, the conspirators sent bound unto *Carthage*, and consequently  
 all their hope frustrated and turned to nothing upon which they came to *Gades*; dispatched mes-  
 sengers to *L. Marius*, giving him to understand, that unless they meant still to lie before *Gades*,  
 trifling away the time and doing no good, the best way was to return unto *Scipio* the lord Gene-  
 ral: and so with the content of *Marius* both of them within few days repaired to *Carthage*. Up-  
 on whole departure *Mago* had not only a time to breath himself being frightened as he was with a  
 double fear both by land & sea; but also hearing that the Illegers were revolted, conceived some  
 hope to recover *Spain* again, and addressed his courriers to the Senat at *Carthage*: who by rela-  
 ting not only the civil mutiny that arose in the Roman camp, but also the rebellion of the confeder-  
 rats (and all by way of amplification and enforcing every thing to the highest degree) should en-  
 courage and exhort them to send aids for to regain the domieion of *Spain*, left unto them by de-  
 scent over their ancestors. *Mandonius* & *Indibilis* who were retired for a time into their confines,  
 untill they knew how the sedition sped and what was the issue thereof, staid still in suspense. For  
 if the natural citizens had their treipasse forgiven, they made no doubt themselves but they might  
 be pardoned also. But when it was published abroad how severely and sharply they were punish-  
 ed, they supposing their own transgression to deserve the like punishment, solicited their own  
 people again to take arms: and thus having levied and assembled the same power of aids which  
 they had before, they passed into the Sedetans country, where at the beginning they lay in standing  
 camp, being in all 20000, and 2500 horse strong.

C *Scipio* after he had soon reconciled and won again the heart of his soldiers, as well by making  
 true payment of their wages, to the faulty and innocent alike, as also by shewing a loving coun-  
 tenance, and giving friendly words unto all indifferently; before that he dislodged and removed  
 from *Carthage*, assembled them all together to an audience. "Where he inveighed bitterly and at  
 large against the falsehood and treachery of the lords of the country that rebelled: and protested be-  
 fore them all, that he went not now to be revenged of them for their wickedness with the same  
 mind, wherewith lately before he had cured the folly, and reformed the error of his naturall  
 citizens: for then quoth he with grief and grone, yea, and with tears like as one that rent and cut  
 his own bowels, expiated and purged either the inconsiderat folly, or the wilful malice of eight  
 thousand men, with the head of thirty perions: but now I go with joy and glad heart, yea, and  
 with a resolution to execute and massacre the Illegers. For neither are they born in the same land,  
 and with me, nor linked now in any society at all unto me: the only bond of faith and amity which  
 was between us, that they have themselves first impiously broken. But in my own army, besides  
 that I see they are all either Roman citizens or else allies, and those not Aliens but meer Latins:  
 this doth me good and moved me much, that there is not among them so much as one soldier  
 to speak of, but was brought out of Italy either by mine uncle *Cn. Scipio* (who was the first of  
 the Roman name that came as *L. Deputy* into this province for else by my father who was Con-  
 sulor last of all by my mine own self. They are every one of them well acquainted & inured with  
 the name of *Scipio*, and used to their fortune and government: whom I gladly would conduct  
 home safe with me to deserved triumph, and whom I hope to find ready to assist me with their  
 E honour when I stand for a Consulship, as if it were a matter that concerned the honor of them  
 all in general, as well as mine particular. And as for the expedition now in hand, whosoever  
 taketh it to be a war, little remembereth the noble acts by me achieved for lately I make more  
 reckoning of *Mago* and his exploits, who is fled with a few ships as it were out of the compass  
 of the world, in an land environed with the Ocean sea, than I do of the Illegers. For there  
 in that place is not only a Carthaginian captain, but all the Carthaginian forces and strength that  
 now remain. Here are none but thieves and robbers, and their leader: who peradventure  
 may be of some power and sufficiency to forge the fields, to burn the houses, to drive away some  
 cattell of their neighbours, but to come to hand-strokes in a set fight and ranged battell, they are  
 of no valour and worth at all: who no doubt will come into the field, trusting upon their good  
 footmanhip to run away in the rout, more than upon any force of arms to maintain the fight.  
 And therefore I have thought good to put down and suppress these Illegers, before I depart out  
 of the province; not for any present danger at all, or fear of greater war that I see may spring  
 from thence: but first and principally, that so ungracious and wicked a rebellion should not re-  
 main unpunished; and next because it might not be said, that in a province so subdued, as well by  
 singular prowess as rare felicity, there was left one enemy behind of the Romans. And therefore  
 in the name of the gods follow after me, not so much to make just war (for ye are not to deal  
 with enemies any way comparable unto you) as to take vengeance of wicked men, and to punish  
 these persons. When he had finished his speech, he dismissed them, with commandment to  
 be ready the next morrow to put themselves in the journey: and after that he set once forward, by  
 the next day he came to the river *Ithrus*, and when he had passed over, within 4 daies more, he  
 encamped in the sight of his enemies. Now there was a plain there, environed round about with  
 mountains: into which vale between, he caused the cattell (and those were for the most part driv-  
 en out of the enemies country) for to be put forth to grazing and all to provoke the anger of the  
 fire and savage enemies: and sent out withall, the light appointed archers to guard them: he  
 took order besides, that when there were one in skirmish with the vanguarders of the enemies, *La-  
 tius* with his Cavalry should cloley from some covert place give a suddain charge. And for  
 this purpose, there was a hill that bare out handsomely to bide the ambush of those horsemen.

*Scipio* to his  
 soldiers.

And presently without any delay, they came to skirmish: for the Spaniards made out to the cattle, so soon as ever they discovered them a far off: the archers again and darters of the Romans ran upon the Spaniards as they were busie in their booty. And at first they terrified them, and skirmished with their shot: but afterward, when they had spent their arrows and darts, which were better to begin a fray, then determine a battell, they drew their naked swords and began to fight close together foot to foot. And surely the skirmish of the footmen had been doubtfully decided, but that the horsemen came upon them: who not only affronted the enemies in their face, and trampled them all under their horsefeet that came in their way, but also some of them living wheeled about and set a compass along the hill-foot, presented themselves at the back of the enemies, to as they enclosed and shut up the most part of them in the middle between. Inasmuch as there ensued a greater slaughter, then commonly upon light skirmishes by way of such rides and excursions. But the barbarous people by this discomfiture were rather kindled and enflamed to anger, then daunted any way or discouraged. And therefore, because they would not seem to have been dismayed or affrighted the morrow morning by day-light, they shewed themselves in battell array. The freight and narrow valley, as is before said, was not able to receive and contain all their power: for two third parts welner of the infantry and all the horse were come down into the plain field: and the rest of their footmen besides, stood together quartered on the side of the hill. Scipio judged that the scantiness of the ground made for him both because it seemed that the Roman souldiers were more fitted to fight in a small room then the Spaniards: and also for that the enemies were engaged within that place, which was not able to containe the whole multitude: and therefore he devised a new stratagem besides. For considering that he could not in so narrow a space bring his own cavalry about to compass and charge the wings and points of their battell, and that the horsemen which the enemies had arranged together with their infantry, would serve them in no head; he gave direction unto *Lalio* to conduct the horse as closely as he could about the hills, and to keep off the squadrons of the cavalry so far as possibly might be from the skirmish of the Infantry. Himself directly turned all the ensigos of the footmen opposite against the enemies, and marshalled the forefront with four cohorts only, because he could not stretch out the battell any broader: and then without delay he made halt to begin the conflict, to the end, that while the enemies were amuled and occupied in fight they should be withdrawn from ebbing the horsemen as they traveled over the hills. Neither had they an eye of them at all, while they were brought about, before they heard the noise and tumult of them: they charged upon their backs. So they fought slander in two severall places and battels of foot, and as many of horse encountered & joyined along the plain, because the straightness of the ground would not admit both horse and foot to fight together in one plot at once. Now when as the infantry of the Spaniards could not help the men of armes, and they again were a little discomfited by the Cavalry, but that the footmen trusting upon the Cavalry, were without good direction rashly to fight in the plain ground, and to be beaten down and slain; and the horsemen being enclosed round, could neither abide the enemies footmen against them (for by this time their own infantry was overthrown and defeated) nor yet endure behind them the hot assault of their horsemen; they left their horses, cast themselves into a ring, and after they had stood to it a defence long time, were slain every one to the last man: there was not I say one footman or horseman left of all those that fought in the valley. As for that third part which stood upon the hill side, rather to behold the fight in a place of security, than to take part with their fellows in the battell, they had both time and space to shift for themselves and escape. Among whom, were the Princes also themselves in person, *Madonius* and *Indibilis*: who were slapt away in the first tumult of the fight, before all the battalions were equivoiced. The same day was the camp all of the Spaniards forced, and therein besides other pillage, were taken prisoners almost three thousand men, Romans and allies there died in the fight upon a 200, and above three thousand were for lost. The victory no doubt had been obtained with lesse bloodshed, if they had fought in a more open piece of ground, where there had been better scope to flee away. Then *Indibilis* giving over claim to think any more of wars, & supposing nothing safer, then to have reconcile to the approved goodness and clemency of *Scipio*, sent his brother *Madonius* unto him: who fell prostrate down at his feet, blaming much (as the cause of their folly) the fatall rage and fury of the time; wherein not only the Illegates and Lacetanes, but also the Roman camp, as it were by some contagious and pestilent infection, became frantick and besides themselves: and said withall, that the condition of himself, his brother, and their followers and subjects was such, as they were ready if it were so thought good, either to yeeld up their lively breath unto *Scipio*, at whole very hands they had once received the same; or if they might now be pardoned and saved, to devote and employ their lives for ever hereafter wholly in his service, as being now twice due unto him alone, and no other. Once after they presumed upon confidence in their innocent cause, when as yet they had no experience of his clemency: but now contrary wife they repoled all their full hope in the mercy of the conqueror, and nothing trusting in the goodness of the quarrell. Now it was an old custome among the Romans, not to exercise the absolute authority of the government upon any (as they did to peaceable subjects) with whom they were neither confedered in equal and reciprocal covenants, nor linked in the bands of amity; before they inureded up unto them all rights, as well divine as humane: before I say they had received hostages of them, taken from them, and planted garrisons in their towns and Cities. *Scipio* after he had sharply rebuked

and roundly shaken up *Madonius* there present, and likewise *Indibilis* that was absent, said; that for their wicked parts & lewd demeanor they had worthily deserved death: but live they should by his goodness and the gracious favour of the people of Rome. And moreover he promised neither to depolish them of their armour & weapons (the taking whereof was put a pawn and assurance unto such as feared rebellion; for as for him, he left unto them their armour freely to use at their pleasure, and their hearts and minds secured from fear) nor proceed in rigor and cruelty against the guiltless hostages, but against their own persons, if they went out and revolved again: nor yet would he content himself to be revenged of disarmed and naked enemies, but the offenders & transgressors should in their armes suffer for their delicts. And now since they had tried both fortunes, as well the one as the other, he put into their choice, whether they had rather have the Romans pacified or displeased, friends or enemies? So *Madonius* had a fair delivery; only there was an imposition and fine laid unto him and *Indibilis*, of a sum of money for souldiers pay. *Scipio* himself after he had sent *Marius* before into the farther part of Spain (beyond the river *Iberus*) and *Syllanus* back again to *Tarraco*, staid some few daies untill the Illegates had made payment of the monies that they were charged with: and then with all his souldiers lightly appointed without carriage, marched in a running camp to overtake *Marius*, who by that time approached near unto the Ocean.

The treaty which *Masaniassa* began before time, was upon sundry occasions put off still and deferred. For the Numidian Prince was very desirous to parley & commune with *Scipio* himself in person & in the right hand to assure him of fealty: which was the very cause then, that *Scipio* took so long a journey to far out of his way. *Masaniassa* being now at *Gades*, and advertised by *Marius* that *Scipio* was coming and near at hand, shewed false semblance to *Mago*, made many excuses, & found much fault, namely, that their houses being pinned up and peltrid within the land, were welner lost and spoiled: and that by their long abode there, not only they made others feel the want and scarcity of all things, but also tasted thereof themselves: and besides that his men of armes for very ease and idleness, became feeble and unskilful. By which suggestions he perswaded with *Mago*, and prevailed with him so much, as to suffer him to croffe over into the continent, under colour to wait and spoil the land of Spain next adjoining. When he was passed over, he sent before him three principall Numidian gentlemen of mark, to appoint both the time and the place of their meeting and conference, and gave order, that *Scipio* should detain some of them with him as pledges: the third was sent back to conduct *Masaniassa* to the appointed place, according as he was commanded; and so with a small company they met for to emparle and commune together.

Now when *Masaniassa* the Numidian King possessed before with a wonderful admiration of *Scipio* and his name; by reason of the fame that was blazed abroad of his noble acts: and had conceived him self and imagined, that he was a man right personable, of a mighty big and goodly stature; but when he once saw him in place, he grew into a far greater reverence and honor of his person. For besides the exceeding majesty and port that naturally be carried with him, his goodly long bulk of his well becom and graced him; the habit also and attire of the body, manly & soldierly; his brave look and countenance, delightfully and delicately, much adorned and let him out. And for his age he was in the best & height of his strength: which seemed upon his late sickness, more full, more strong and fresh, as if the very prime and flour of his youth had been renewed, and himself cast again in a new mould. The Numidian (at their first meeting) almost astonied, gave him thanks for sending back his brothers son unto him, saying, "That ever since that time, he fought to euple some occasion and fit opportunity, which now at length by the goodness of the immortal gods being presented unto him, he had not neglected and let slip: Professing that he was most desirous both to do him favour, and to gratifie the people of Rome in any kind of service: in so much as there was no more forceter more earnest & ready to advance and better the State of the Romans than himself: which albeit he had been willing unto heretofore, he could not possibly shew in effect, so long as he was in Spain, a strange country, and unknown unto him; but in that wherein he was born & brought up in hope of succession in his fathers Kingdom, he would be most forward to performe. For in case the Romans would send but *Scipio* as L. General into *Africa*, he made no doubt but hoped assuredly, that *Carthage* had not long to continue and stand, but soon would come to a small end. *Scipio* for his part was glad both to see him, and hear him so speak; knowing this full well, that of all the cavalry of the enemies; *Masaniassa* and the Numidian were over away with bribe & prize & the young man himself in his very countenance carried with him a good shew of a brave and happy mind. So after faithful promise given and received on both parts, *Scipio* retired to *Tandon*: and *Masaniassa* when he had by the permission of the Romans traced the coasts next adjoining, because he might not seem to have passed over into the main land for nothing, returned into *Gades*.

When *Mago* now being in utter despair of Spain (whereof he had conceived great hopes, and bare himself to proudly; first upon the mutiny of the souldiers, and afterwards upon the revolt & rebellion of *Indibilis*) made preparation to sail over into *Africa*, there came a message unto him from *Carthage*, that the Senate there had given order and direction, That he should transport the armada which he had at *Gades*, and pass into Italy: and there take up and wage all the able men that possibly he could levy, either of Gauls or of Ligurians; & so to join with his power unto *Antiochus*: and not to suffer that war to quail and flake now, which was enterprised with great cost



force and endeavor, and yet, with greater favour of fortune. For this exploit, both treasure was it brought from Carthage to Mago; and himself also raised as great sums as possibly he could of the Gaditanes, having not only emptied the common treasure of the Island, but spoiled also the temples, yea, and forced all privat persons to bring abroad all their gold and silver whatsoever. As he sailed along the coast of Spain, he landed his souldiers not far from new Carthage; and after he had waited and overrun the territories by the Sea side, he approached near with his fleet, and rid at anchor before the City: where all the day long he kept his souldiers within their ships, and by night let them ashore, and led them toward the part of the wall, whereas Carthage was by the Romans won: supposing that the City was not sufficiently defended with a strong garrison, and that some of the townsmen, upon hope of a change and alteration, would rise up in arms against the City souldiers flood ready, well appointed, and in arms, and kept within that gate, which turned toward the lake and the sea. And when the enemies, souldiers and mariners confusely together, were come in great disorder under the walls, with more tumultuous noise then forcible violence: the Romans at once suddenly set open their gate, and with a great cry and shout, made a rally upon them, charged the enemies, troubled and disordered them, & at the first onset volly of shot discomfited and put them to flight, yea, and with much slaughter chased them to the shore: and that the vessels flood close to the strand, ready to receive them abroad as they did; & fearfully, there had not one man left alive, either in the flight or fight. Nay, that they were in very ships were in great fright & peril, whilst to prevent the enemies of breaking in upon them pell mell with their own company, they pulled up the ladders, drew in the planks, cut a two the ropes where by the ships were fastened to the banks, yea, and the very cables for half, that they might have no hinderance by weighing anchors so that many there were, who in swimming to the ships, because they knew not in the dark night, which way to go or what to avoid, perished miserably. The next day, when the armada was fled from thence back again into the Ocean from whence it came, they were found slain eight hundred men: and of armors and corns besides the City wall and the sea shore, two thousand.

Mago being retired to Gades, was excluded from thence, and arrived with his fleet at Gades, a place not far from Gades. From whence he sent Embassadors, to complain that the gates were shut against him, being their ally and friend: and when the Gaditanes excused themselves and said, that it was long of an uprore of the multitude, who were offended & aggrieved for certain robberies committed, and spoil made by the souldiers at their departure, and when they were ready to be embarked; he trained forth to parly their head magistrates (whom the Carthaginians call Suffetes) together with the chief Treasurer: and after they were scourged and their skin piecefully torn, he commanded them to be roundly trusted up and crucified. From thence he sailed to Puzusa, an Island distant from the main an hundred miles, inhabited at that time by Carthaginians, where the fleet was friendly and peaceably received: & not only provided for liberally of store of victuals, but also furnished with luty men, for mariners to serve at sea, yea, and with armor and munition for souldiers. Upon which forces Mago bare himself confident and bold, and setting sail fell within the Balcar Islands, that were fifty miles off. Now there are two of these Islands called Baleares, the one greater then the other, and more mighty both in men and munition: having an haven and harbour where Mago supposed that he might commodiously winter in. But the landes withstood his navy with as great hostility, as if they had been Romans that had inhabited the Island, they could not have done more, And as now adiaies they use for the most part slings, so at that time they practised no other kind of weapons at all. And in no action besides, can ye find one speciall person, so much to excell in that feat, as all the Balcares generally do exceed all people others in the cast and slight thereof. And therefore they discharged and levelled among them, as the armada approached the shore, such store of stones flying about their ears as thick as hail, that they durst not enter the haven, but turned their ships into the main sea again. Then they retired to the lesser Island of the Balcares, which as it was fertile in soil, so for men and armor was nothing so strong. Whereupon they disbarked and came a land, and above the haven in a strong and well fenced place they encamped. And having gotten to be masters both of the City and the bay, two thousand auxiliary souldiers, whom they sent to Carthage for to winter, and then they drew up their ships along into the dock. When Mago was once departed from the Ocean sea coast, the Gaditans surrendered themselves to the Romans.

These were the acts achieved in Spain, under the condu& fortunat government of P. Scipio, who having delivered the charge of the province to L. Lucius, and Manlius Acidinus, returned to Rome with a fleet of ten sail. He had audience given him in the Senat, assembled in the temple of Bellona, without the City: where he discoursed before them in order from point to point, of all the affairs and exploits that he had done, in Spain: Namely, how often he had fought in sea and ranged battels: what a number of towns he had forced and won from the enemies; what nations he had subdued and brought in subjection under the state of Rome; how a full

he passed into Spain, against four general captains and four victorious armies; and now had not left one Carthaginian in all those parts. Yet for all these noble deeds, he rather ascribed what hope he might have of a triumph, than made any hot & earnest lute therefore: because it was never seen to that day, that any one had triumphed who made war, being himself no principal Magistrate. After the Senat was risen and dismissed he entered the City: and caused to be carried before him into the Chamber of Rome, of silver in bullion, 14342 pounds weight: and in coin besides a great quantity. Then L. P. Philo held the solemn assembly for creation of Cons, and all the Centuries in general, with exceeding favour and affection elected P. Scipio Cons, and for to be his companion in government, P. Licinius Crassus the Archbishop was joynted unto him. But this assembly (as we find in records) was celebrated with more frequency of people, than ever any had been known during this war. For they repaired and met from all parts, not only to give their voices, but also to see Scipio: nay they ran in great numbers to his house, and into the Capitoll, when he sacrificed and slew an hundred oxen in sacrifice for the honour of Jupiter, according to his vow which he had made in Spain. And all mens minds gave them, and they were assuredly persuaded in their hearts that as L. Lucius finished the former Punick war, so P. Cornelius would make an end of that which was now in hand: and like as he had driven all the Carthaginians forth of Spain, so would Scipio hunt them out of Italy: and every man in his conceit withied and assigned unto him the Province of Affrick, as if the war in Italy had been toly brought to an end. Then ensued the election of the Prators. And two were created that were then Adiles of the Commons, to wit, P. Lucretius, and Cn. Octavius: and of private persons, Cn. Servilius Scipio, and L. A. Syllus.

C. Pappus, in the fourteenth year of the Punick war, P. Cornelius Scipio, and P. Licinius Crassus entered their Consulship. And unto the Consuls were the Provinces appointed: namely, unto Scipio was Sicily granted without casting lots, and that with the consent and good liking of his Colleague, because he being the Archbishop, was by vertue of that dignity kept till in Italy, for to see to the sacrifices, divine service, and Church matters: and unto Crassus the cuntry of Brutis was assigned. Then the provinces for the Prators were put to the lottery: and the civil jurisdiction within Rome fell to Cn. Servilius Ariminum (for so they called Gallia) unto P. Lucretius: Sicily was allotted to L. A. Syllus: and Lardinia to Cn. Octavius.

The Senat assembled in the Capitoll: where P. Scipio propounded an Act, and it was confirmed by the authority of the house. That out of the money which himself brought into the common treasure, he might be allowed to defray the charges of those plaies and games that he had vowed in Spain during the time of the Souldiers mutiny. Then he called the Embassadors of the Saguntins into the Senat house: and the most ancient man amongst them spake in this wise:

"Although right honourable, it be not possible to find any more miseries & calamities than we have endured already in the maintenance of our faithful allegiance unto you even unto the end, yet such have your desires been to us ward, & so many favours have we received of your Captain Generals, that we think not much nor repent of any damage or loss, that we have sustained in that behalf. For first ye entered into the quarrel, & began the war for our sake: and having once begun it, ye have continued therein for the full space of 14 years; and that with such resolution, that oftentimes, as ye have plundred your selves into extrem peril & danger, so ye have engaged no less the State of the Carthaginians. For at what time as ye had within Italy a cruel and bloody war, & Annibal your mortal enemy, ye sent forth your Cons, with armies into Spain, as it were to gather up the broken reliques of our shipwrack, Pub. and Cn. Cornelii the two brethren, from the first time that they came into the Province, never ceased to devise and do whatsoever might either advantage us, or endamage our enemies. For first and foremost they restored unto us our town again: then having made enquiry throughout all Spain, where any one of our Citizens were sold as slaves, they delivered and redeemed them out of miserable servitude, and recovered for them their former freedom. But see! When we were well-near come to this good pass, that from our poor & pitiful estate we were raised up to a wished for and desirable fortune, then Pub. and Cn. Cornelii your Generals suddenly died: whose death happened in manner more lamentable and dolorous unto us than unto you. For then we thought verily thus of our selves, that we were reduced from remote & distant places unto our ancient habitation for this purpose, that we should perish once again, and see a second overthrow and destruction of our native country: knowing thus much, that for to work our utter confusion there needed not a Carthaginian captain or army to be the instrument and the means; for even the Turdetans alone, our own forces to root us out clean, and extinguish our name. But behold, whilst we were in these perplexities, immediately beyond all our hope and expectation, ye sent among us this noble Scipio here in place. In whole behalf we count our selves of all Saguntins most happy, because we have seen him declared Cons, already, and shall be able to report the news unto our neighbours and fellow Citizens, that we have beheld with our own eyes, even our whole hope, our help, our health and safety. Who having forced & won very many Cities and towns of your enemies in Spain, at all times and in all places let the Saguntins apart from out of other prisoners & captives, and sent them home again into their own country. Finally, assure Turdetani, a nation so adverse and so dangerous enemies unto us, that if it should continue still in prosperity, Saguntum could not possibly stand upright: he hath by force of arms quelled and tamed it, that neither we our selves, nor (be it spoken without arrogance) any of our posterity hereafter need stand in

"fear of any danger from thence, We see before our eyes their City raised, at whose indignation & whom for to gratifie *Annibal* before had raised *Saguntum*; and out of their lands now we gather rents and revenues; which contenteth our hearts, not so much for profit & gain, as for quittance and revenge. In consideration and regard of these benefits and good turns, which be such, as greater we cannot hope nor with for at the hands of the immortal gods: the Senat and people of *Saguntum* hath sent us ten here in Embassie unto you, for to give you thanks in their name: & wish all to rejoice and congratulate in your behalf for the happy hand ye have made, and the fortunate exploits ye have achieved these last years past, as well in *Spain* as in *Italy*; namely, that ye have subdued, and do hold in possession all *Spain*, not only so far as to the river *Ilerus*, but even to the lands end, the utmost point lying upon the Ocean sea, And as for *Italy*, ye have left no more ground in it for *Annibal* and the Carthaginians, than they empace within the compass of a trench and rampier. Moreover, we have in speciall charge, not only to render thanksgiving therefore to almighty and most gracious *Jupiter*, the patron of the fortres and Castle of the Capitol, but also to offer & present unto him (if it might stand with your good grace and liking) this golden crown; and to let it up in the Capitol, in token and memorial of Victory. Which we humbly beseech your HH. of your favour to grant unto us: and moreover, (if it please you) to ratifie and confirm for ever by your authority and approbation, all those benefits, franchises, and privileges, which your Generals have of their goodnes vouchsafed to endow us with.

The Senat made this answer to the *Saguntin* Embassadors, "That both the raising and also the rearing again of *Saguntum* should be a memorable example to all nations, of the faithful society and alliance, observed both of the one part and the other inviolate. And whereas their Generals had re-edified the City of *Saguntum*, and delivered the Citizens thereof from servitude and bondage, they had therein done well and truly, and by direction according to the will and pleasure of the Senat. And whatsoever else was performed by them to the good and benefit of the *Saguntins*, the Senat stood willing and contented therewith, and gave order therefore. As for their present and oblation, good leave they had to bestow it solemnly in the Temple of the Capitol. After this order was given, That the Embassadors should have their lodging appointed them, and presents sent unto them, and all other entertainment at the charges of the City, ye, and by way of a reward, an allowance of no less than ten thousand *Ases* apiece.

Then were the other Embassadors admitted into the Senat-house, and audience given them. Also the request of the *Saguntins* was granted to go and see *Italy* for their pleasure, so far forth as they might with security of their persons: and certain guides were assigned to conduct and accompany them, with speciall letters also directed unto all Cities and towns, for to receive the Spaniards friendly and give them courteous entertainment.

These things done, the Senators sat in consultation about the state and commonweal, & treated concerning the levying of new armies, & the distribution of the Provinces. Now when as the common brute went that *P. Scipio* was defined & named to a new province of *Affrick*, & all men went out with open voice, that he was the man to be sent thither directly, without casting lots for the matter: & himself besides not resting content now with mean glory, said openly, that he was declared *Col*, not only for to maintain war but also to finish and make an end thereof once for all, which could not be effected by any other means, unless himself in person made a voyage with an army into *Affrick*; protesting moreover, That if the Senat crossed and gainsaid this design of his, he would propound it to the people, and carry it away clear by their voices: whiles the principal LL and ancients of the Senat were nothing pleased with this resolution of his, but durst not say a word and speak their minds, either for fear, or for courting of him, in hope of preferment: only *Q. Fabius* being demanded his opinion spake to the matter in question to this effect,

The Oration  
of *Q. Fabius*.

"Right honourable and my LL of the Senat, I know full well, that many of you here assembled are of this mind & severally perswaded, That we are set this day to no purpose, but even to consult & debate of a matter clearly determined; & that in vain he shall spend words, who shall deliver his advice of the Province of *Affrick*, as of a point as yet doubtful & not resolved upon already. For mine own part, first I cannot conceive neither will it enter into my head, how *Affrick* can possibly now be accounted as a Province & assigned certainly unto your *Col*, (let him be a man right hardy, & of as much valour as may be) considering, that neither the Senat unto this day hath judged it, nor the people ordained & assigned it to any person in the nature and name of Province. Furthermore, if it were so indeed without all peradventure: then in my judgement the *Col*, hath done amiss, who in making semblance to put a matter for to be debated, which is already agreed upon, hath deluded and mocked the whole Senat, and not the Senator, who in his course delivereth his opinion of the thing in question. But I am assured, that in gaining and crossing this hally voyage into *Affrick*, I shall incur the sinister opinion & surmise of two things: the one is of my usual lingering and slow proceeding in all mine actions (a course that naturally am given unto) which young men may term at their pleasure, timorousness and laziness: but so long as I have no cause to repent therefore, I pass the less. For surely hitherto the advices of others have ever at the first fight made a goodlier heaven, and seemed more honourable: but by experience, mine own waies have sped better, and been found in the end more effectual. The other is of backbiting, detraction, and envying at the glory and reputation of the *Col*, a man of singular prowess (I must confess) & whom I see to grow from day to day in greatness and honour. From which jealousie and suspicion, if neither my life passed and the carriage of my self; if neither my

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"Dictatorship with five Consulships, nor so much glory which I have acquired as well in managing the affairs of war abroad, as of civil policy at home (that a man would think I should rather be glured therewith than desire any more) be able to clear and assuage me: yet my years at least will free me very well. For what concurrence and emulation can there be between me and him, who is not of equal age with my very son? When I was Dictator, in the vigour and flower of my strength, in the very court and train of my greatest and bravest exploits, no man either in Senat or in the assembly of the people, heard me to refuse and deny. That my own General of Cavalry, who could not afford me a good word, but ever raised at me (a thing that was never heard before) should be made equal with my self in command and government. And yet by good deeds: rather than by fair words, I effected and gained thus much in the end, that he, who in the judgment of others was matched with me and made my fellow, confessed within a while himself to be my inferior. Let reason have I then now, after I have gone through all degrees of honors and dignities, to enter into contention & emulation with a young gentleman, of all others at this day most flourishing in the eyes of the world: unless forthwith it bea likely matter that I am weary not only of managing affairs, but also of this world, and of this life) should look to have the Province of *Affrick* offered unto me, if it were once denied him. Nay verily, I have enough already: in that glory I am content to live and die, and seek for no more. It was sufficient for me to hinder *Annibal* from achieving the victory, to the end that by you, who now are gallants in the best of your strength, he might be vanquished & overcome. Meet it is then and great reason *O P. Cornelius*, that you should bear with me, and hold me excused, if I, who never in regard of mine own self seek greater store by the fame and opinion of people, than of the good of the Common-weal, prefer not now your glory before the weal-publicke. And yet I will not say, but in case there were no war at all in *Italy*, or the enemy of that quality as by considering of whom there were no credit & honour to be gotten: then he that would seek to keep you still in *Italy*, were it never so much for the good of the State, might seem to go about to disappoint and frustrate you (in putting you by the charge of the war) of the very means and matter of your glory and renown. But seeing that *Annibal* is your object, seeing he is our enemy, who with an entire army still holdeth *Italy* as it were besieged now these fourteen years, will you not *O P. Cornelius*, hold your self well contented with this honour and reputation. That you being Dictator, should drive that enemy out of *Italy*, who hath been the cause of the death of so many of our men, and of so many toils and overthrowes that we have received; that, like as *C. Flaminius* had the name of finishing the former Punic war, so you may win the title of ending this other also. Unless that a man would say that *Annibal* was a warrior and Captain worthy to be preferred before *Annibal*: or that war of more importance than this; or that victory greater and more honorable than this is like to be, in case it happen that we may be conquerors under your conduct, and whiles you are Consul. Whether would you chuse rather to have drawn Aemilian away from *Drepanum* & the mountain of *Eryx*, then chased and hunted the Carthaginians and *Annibal* out of *Italy*? Nay truly, even your own self (howsoever you embrace glory already won than hoped for hereafter) would not take more joy & contentment, and triumph rather for freeing and delivering of *Spain* than *Italy* from the wars, *Annibal*, I wot, as yet is not come to that low ebb, not to down the wind, but that he which made choice of another war, may seem well in so doing to stand as much in fear and dread, as in contempt of him. Why then address you not your self to effect this imprese, and leave building these Castles in the air, and hope by fetching these reaches and this compass, & going the longest way about, that when you are passed over into *Affrick*, *Annibal* will follow you thither: and not rather go the next way to work, and fight with *Annibal* where he is, and make no more ado? Are you willing indeed and desirous to win this honour of dispatching quite the Punic war? Why, it is the course of nature to defend and make sure your own before you go in hand to assail the dominions of others. Let us have peace first in *Italy* before we make war in *Affrick*: and let us first rid our selves of fear ere we take occasion to put others in fear: unless we had some greater quarrel. And if by your conduct and fortunate government, both these may possibly be effected: conquer *Annibal* here, and then go thither to assail *Carthage* a Gods name. But if the one or the other of these victories must needs be left for new Consuls to achieve: as the former of the twain will be the greater and more memorable, so it will open the way, and give the overture unto the finances of our state, are not able to maintain and wage two sundry armies both in *Italy* and in *Affrick*: besides, I say, that we want the means to keep two Armados afloat, and have nothing left sufficient wherewith to furnish them with victuals and munition: who leest not I pray you how far we engage our selves in peril and danger by this enterprise? *P. Licinius* shall war in *Italy* and *P. Scipio* in *Affrick*. What will ye say if *Annibal*, (which God forbid & my heart even dreads to preface, but that which once hath happened may happen full well again) upon the train of some new victory, fortune to go forward and assault the City of *Rome*? Where are we then? Shall we have time then to send for you our *Col*, out of *Affrick*, as we did for *Q. Fulvius* from *Carnuntum*? And what say you to this besides, That the fortune of war is doubtfull & uncertain even in *Affrick*, as well as in other places: Call to mind, and learn bytimes by the examples of your own house and family, by your father and uncle, who within 30 daies were slain, & their armies defeated: even there, where for certain years space they had performed both by sea and land most noble

\*He meant  
Africk.

"noble exploits: and highly renowned among tarrain nations both the Roman people, and also thy  
"your own name & family. The time will not cease, if I would do all this day do nothing else but  
"reckon and recount unto you, how many Kings, Emperors, & General Captains there have been,  
"who have entered rashly into their enemies countries, and received many joys and overthrows  
"thereby, as well in their own persons, as in their whole armies. The Athenians, a most prudent &  
"politic State, having left the war at home in their own country, and following the counsel and  
"suggestion of one \* young man, as hardy & valiant in arms, as noble in birth & parentage as any  
"fick (none dispraised) failed into *Sicily* with a brave and puissant navy; and there in one battell  
"fought at sea, overturned and ruined for ever their most flourishing City & Common-weal.  
"But why seek I tarrain examples of strangers, and stories of times too far past, and over-long ago.  
"Let even this same *Africk*, and *M. Asellius*, serve as a notable example of both fortunes, for our I  
"intrusion & learning for ever. Now surely, *P. Cornelius*, when you shall once discover *Africk* with-  
"in your view from the sea, you will think then that your Provinces of *Spain* were matters of sport  
"in comparison of it. For what seemable proportion is there between them? When you were in  
"your voyage for *Spain*, you failed in the calm sea peaceably along the coast of *Italy* and *France*,  
"and arrived at *Emporia*, a friend City and Confederat: and when you had landed your men, you  
"led them in security through all places to the friends and allies of the people of *Rome*, even as far  
"as *Tarracoe*. From thence ye journeyed all the waies by Cities and towns, furnished with Roman  
"garrisons. About the river *Iberus* you found the armies of your father and uncle, which remained  
"upon the loss of their Generals more fierce and fell for the calamity that they had received than  
"before. You met there *L. Martius*, their Captain and Leader, chosen (I must needs say) known  
"not how in a hurry by the soldiers themselves for the time; but otherwise I assure you, if no  
"bility of birth and the titles of dignities which he justly deserved had graced him, he was in all  
"feats of arms and martial knowledge, comparable to the very best warriors & noblest Captains.  
"After this you assaulted *Carthage* without any impeachment, and took your time at your own  
"pleasure, even when there was not one of the three *Carthaginian* armies to aid & defend their  
"affociats. As for all the exploits besides (without offence be it spoken) & not to debate any good  
"service there) they are in no respect to be compared with the African war: where we shall find  
"no haven open to entertain our *Amado*, no Country peaceable, no City confederate, no King  
"friendly, no place at all either to journey and rest in, or to march forward and pass through with  
"safety. Which way soever you call your eyes, nothing but hostility threatening danger and peril.  
"unto us. Do you indeed trust *Syphax*, or rely upon the *Numidians*? We see, that fraud fe-  
"ye trusted them. Rash adventures speed not always best. And oftentimes we see, that fraud fe-  
"meth faithfull, and maketh way of credit in small things, that in matters of greatest importance,  
"and when the time serveth it may pass home and work a mischief with a witness. The enemies  
"overcame not your father and uncle by force of arms before that the *Celtiberians* our Allies  
"over-raught them by falshood and treachery: neither were your self in so much danger from  
"*Mago* and *Asdrubal* the chief Captains of your enemies, as from *Indibilis* and *Mandacius*, your  
"new friends and confederate. Can you repose any confidence in the *Numidians*? You say they  
"have experience of your own soldiers mutiny, and have seen their rise against you: As for *Sy-  
"phax* and *Masinissa*, as they had rather trust themselves to the sovereign & most mighty in *Africk*, M  
"than the *Carthaginians* should: so surely they wish the *Carthaginians* to be the highest above  
"all others besides their own selves. Now at this time there is some emulation and heart-burning  
"among them, and all occasions of quarrell whet them on to maintain sides and factions, so long  
"as fear of forrain enemy is far enough off. Shew them once the Roman arms and forces, let  
"them see an host of strangers once, they will run I warrant you altogether then as it were to  
"quench a common fire. You shall find that the very same *Carthaginians* will far otherwise  
"stand to the defence of the walls of their Country, their Cities, the Temples of their gods, their  
"Altars and private houses when going to battell they shall have their fearful wives to bear them  
"company, their small children to go afore them in their eye; you shall find them, I say, stick be-  
"twee to it than they did in the quarrell and defence of *Spain*. But what and if the *Carthaginians* N  
"finding themselves strong enough upon the confidence of the general concord of *Africk*, of  
"the fast fidelity of the confederate Kings, of the strength of their own walls, should forsake  
"themselves, when they shall see *Italy* destitute of your help, and disarmed of their forces, shoul  
"ther to make out a fresh army from *Africk* and lend it into *Italy*, or else give order and directi  
"onto *Mago* (who as it is well known for certain, is departed with his navy from the *Balea*  
"Islands, and lyeth floating and riding continually upon the Alpine *Ligurians*) for to joyne his  
"power with *Annibal*: It is a clear case, that we shall be in as great trouble, and as much dang  
"red then as we were of late, when *Asdrubal* mounted over the Alps, and came down into  
"*Italy*. *Asdrubal*, I say, whom you (that will with your army compass not only *Carthage*, but also  
"all *Africk*) let go out of your hands, and suffered to pass over into *Italy*. But you will say, that O  
"you have vanquished him. Say you so? I would not for any thing, not only in regard of the loss  
"I beare to the Common-weal, but also of the affection that I carry toward your self, that a van-  
"quished man could find the way by you into *Italy*. Be content & suffer us to attribute all things  
"that have gone well with you or the Common-weal, during the time of your government, to  
"your wisdom and policy; and contrariwise, whatsoever hath fallen out croise and adverse joine  
"pure and assign the same to nothing else, but to the variable events of war, and to sickle fortune. The

A under their hand: & decreed it was that they two, namely, *L. Ferrius* & *Q. Caelius*, should either  
"The better and more valiant that you are, the more need hath your native country, yea, and all  
"*Italy* besides, to keep you still at home with them, to brave a captain, or rare a Protector. You  
"annot your own self dissemble the matter, but confesse, That whosoever *Annibal* is, there is  
"the very head, the fort & strength of all this war; for as much as you pretend, that the only cause  
"why you would passe into *Africk*, is to draw *Annibal* thither after you. Well then, be it here or  
"be it there, with *Annibal* you must have to deal. Tell me then, whether are you like to be stronger  
"*Africk*: your self alone, or here where your own forces and the power of your Colleague shall be  
"joyed together? Is it possible that even the late example of *Livius* and *Claudius*, so fresh in  
"memory, should not inform and teach us, what difference there is between the one and the o-  
"ther? In whither place I pray you, will *Annibal* be more strong in men and munition; here in the  
"small corner & angle of the *Brutians* country, where this long time he hath waited in vain for  
"aid from home; where he hath sent for succour and gone without, or neer unto *Carthage*, and in  
"the mids of *Africk* among his friends and allies? What kind of policy is this of yours, there to de-  
"cide the quarrell and try the whole matter, where your own forces are left by a halfe moiety, and  
"the power of your enemies much greater and stronger; rather then here, whereas you may  
"fight with the power of two armies against one, toiled out of heart in so many battles, and wea-  
"ried with long warfare, so tedious and grievous withall? Consider with your self, what comfort  
"and resemblance there is, between your dignities and your fathers. He, as Consul having  
"made a journey into *Spain*, to the end that he might encounter *Annibal* as he came down the Alps,  
"returned out of his own province into *Italy*; and you, when *Annibal* is in *Italy*, purpose to  
"C abandon and leave *Italy*. And why? forsooth not because you judge it good for the common-weal,  
"but because you think it an enterprife that may import you in great honour and glory: like as  
"when you being captain General of the people of *Rome*, left your province at random and your  
"army at six and seven, without warrant of law, without order or act of Senat, hazarded in two  
"bottoms the whole state and majesty of the Empire of *Rome*; which at that time together with  
"the danger of your self, incurred the perill and jeopardy of the maine chance. To conclude, for  
"mine own part (my LL. of the Senat, am of this mind, and this is my conceit, that *P. Cornelius*  
"was not created Col. privately for himself and his own behoof, but for the good of the common-  
"weal and us all: and then the armies were levied and enrolled, for the guard of the City and de-  
"fence of *Italy*; and not for the Coll. in their proud self-conceit & overweening of themselves.  
"D after the manner of absolute KK. to transport & lead into what parts of the world they list them-  
"selves. When *Fabius* by this oration (premeditated and framed to the time) had through his authori-  
"ty land settled and confirmed opinion that men had of his wilddome, drawn unto his side  
"agood part of the Senat and especially the ancients; in somuch as the greater number commended  
"and the grave counsell of the old man, above the lusty and youthfull courage of the other gallant:  
"then *Sepius* by way of answer made these remonstrances, and spake in this wise. "My lords of the  
"Senat, even *Fabius* himself in the beginning of his oration, said very well, that his opinion which  
"he was to deliver, might be suspected of detraction and envy. Of which note, verily I don't not  
"my self tax and accuse a man of his quality and reputation so much, as I me thinks is not so well  
"E decreed as it ought to be the very suspicion it self: and I wot not whether it be by a default of his  
"speech orator or that the thing it self is so pregnant. For in such manner he extolled with good-  
"ly words, and magnified his own dignities and renowned deeds, and all to quench the jealousie  
"and crime of envy: as if my self was to fear the danger of emulation and concurrence of some  
"companion of the basest degree and condition, and not of him; who because he far surpasseth other  
"men, (which height and pitch of honor I deny not, but I endeavour my self to reach unto) would  
"not in any hand, that I should compare with him. So highly hath he advanced himself in regard  
"of his old years, & minding that he hath gone through all ranks and honour; and so low debased  
"me, and put me down even under the age of his own ion; as though the desire and love of glory,  
"should passe no farther then the length of mans life, and the greatest part there of extended not  
"to the memory of posterity and the future time. This I hold for certain, that it is a thing inci-  
"dent to the most magnanimous men and of greatest spirit and courage, to have a desire for to  
"match themselves not only with them that live in their daies, but with most famous & excellent  
"personages, that ever were or might be in any age. And surely for mine own part, *Q. Fabius*,  
"I will not make it goodly, but frankly bewray my mind that way, namely, that I would full fain  
"not only attain unto your praise-worthy acts and commendable virtues; but also (with your good  
"leave be it spoken) if possible I can, even to excell and surmount the same. Therefore let us not ca-  
"st this mind, either you towards me, or I to those that are younger then my self, to be unwilling  
"and think much, that any one citizen amongst us, should prove equal to our selves: for in so do-  
"ing, we should offer wrong and do hurt not only to them whom we have envied and malign'd,  
"also to prejudice the common-weal, & in manner the whole state of all mankind. And thus much  
"to you self. He hath now (my lords) recounted, to what great perils I should enter into by the A-  
"frick voyage in such sort, as he would seem not only to have a careful regard of the common-  
"wealth and the army, but also to pity me and tender my case and fortune. Whence cometh it, that  
"you should all on a sudden take to great care for me? when my father and uncle both were slain,  
"when their armies both twain, were utterly almost defeated and put all to the sword; when  
"*Spain* was lost; when 4 armies of *Carthaginians*, and 4 Generals, held all in fear by force of  
"armes; when there was a captain fought for to undertake that war, and no man durst be seen to

put himself forward, no man so hardly as to present and offer his service, but my self; and when H the people of Rome had committed the charge and government of Spain to me a young man but four and twenty years old; how hapned it that no man then took exception at my age, made mention of the enemies force, discoursed of the difficulty and danger of the war, or laid abroad the late and fresh defeat and death of my father and uncle? I would demand and gladly know whether we have influenced now lately, some greater calamity and losse in Africa, than we received at that time in Spain? or if the armies at this present in Africa be more puissant, or whether captains more in number, or better in valour, then they were in Spain at that time? Last of all, whether mine age then, was more ripe and sufficient to manage wars, then now it is? Last of all, whether it be better, more commodious & easie, to maintain war with the Carthaginian enemy in Spain, then in Africa? After that I have dit omitted and put to flight four hoits of Carthaginiens; after I have either forced by assault, or reduced under mine obedience (for fear) many Cities; after I have vanquished and subdued all, even as far as to the Ocean sea, so many princes and potentates, so many fierce and cruel nations; after I have so full recovered Spain as there is not remaining to be seen there, so much as the footing and bare token of any war: an easie matter it is, and all one to elevate and depress the acts past that I have achieved: as also par-die it will be, when I return with conquest out of Africa, to debase and make nothing of those very things, which now to keep me back from thence, and to make them appear strange, are amplified with great words, & stretched upon the sinners to the ill. He doth that there is no accesse, no entrance into Africa, nor havens open to receive an armada. He telleth us and alledgeth that M. Attius was taken prisoner in Africa: as if M. Attius' overthrow at his first strike in Africa, had caught that harm and heavy misfortune. But he never remembereth and cleaveth to mind, how that even the very same captain, as infortunat as he was, yet found thebies open enough into Africa: and the first year bare himself right valiantly, and victoriously: and not from Carthaginian captains, continued in, in-ble to the end. You thin, never therefore scare me with the example so much, (were it so), that the calamity you speak of, hapned in this war, and not in the former: of late, and not before, because Regulus there was taken prisoner: as well as ed purpose and not fall into Africa now, because Regulus there was taken prisoner: as well as I passed before into Spain, whereas the Scipios chanced to take Carthage, then my Zanthippus the Laedemonian was born into this world more happy for Carthage, then my self for Italy: but rather, that thereby I should think the better of my self, considering that the virtue of one only man can be of such consequence, and to great effect. But we ought (you say) to consider the example of the Athenians, who leaving the war at home in their own country, passed over into Sicily unadvisedly. Seeing you are at so good leisure to tell tales and report the fabulous stories of Greece: why discourse you not rather of Agathocles the king of the Syracians? who feeling that Sicily a long time was troubled & vexed with the Punic war, failed out into the self same Africa, whereof we speak, and withdrew the war thither from whence it came? But what need I to instruct and teach you by rehearsing old and forrain examples, when I have material a thing it is and important, to begin with an enemy first and put him in fear; and bringing another in danger, to remove the peril from our selves. At this point, then Anniball more pregnant more present and fresh in memory to provide and enforce this point, then Anniball himself? A great difference there is between the waiting and pilling the lands of others, and seeing of our own burnt and destroyed. And he which giveth the assault to end anger another, is ever of more courage then he that standeth upon his own guard and at defence only to save himself. Moreover, the fear and dread is alwaies greater of things unknown unto us: but so soon as a man is entered into the confines of a forrain country he may behold and see at hand as well the good as the bad: what may advantage and what may endamage the enemies. Anniball would never have thought and hoped, that so many States in Italy would have revolted to him as they did upon the overthrow at Cannae. How much lesse account then may the Carthaginians make of any thing in Africa, to remain safe and assured unto them; who are fickle and lies to strangers without all truth and fidelity: proud lords & intolerable tyrants over their own subjects, full of wrath & cruelty? Over and besides, we albeit we were forsaken and abandoned of all our confederats, stood alwaies upon our own forces & maintained our selves with meer Roman souldiers: whereas in Carthage they have no strength of natural citizens: the souldiers that they have, are mercenaries all & waged for money partly Africans and partly Nations: the most unconstant nations of all others by nature, and aptest to entertain changes & innovations. Let me have no stay and hindrance in this place only: ye shall hear news at some time that I am set over in Africa, that all the country there is up in a broil: that Anniball is ready to drive himself and remove out of these parts; & also that Carthage it self is besieged. Expect you daily out of Africa better and luckier tidings, yea, and oftner then ye heard out of Spain, that hopes of mine, I ground upon the fortune of the people of Rome: upon the justice of the gods: witnessers of the league broken by the enemies upon Syphax and Masinissa, both Kings, whole truth and fidelity I will trust to far forth as I find them, and ever stand in fear and doubt of their falsehood and treachery. Many things they avow, that by distance of place appear not, which were once begun will soon discover, and this is a special point of a man indeed, & of a good captain, in no case to be wanting unto fortune when she offereth herself, but to take all advantages that she giveth: and those accidents and occurrences which fall by chance to make use of them

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yea and by wisdom and counsell to frame them to his own purpose and designs. True it is, O Fabius, I shall have Annibal to beard and to match me; a souldier, I confesse, as good every way as my self, but I will rather draw him after me, than he shall keep me back at home. Force him I will to fight in his own country, and Carthage shall be the price of my victory, rather then the decayed peeces, and half ruinat peccables of the Bruttii. Only provide, O Q. Fabius, in the mean time whiles I am at sea in my voyage, whiles I am landing mine army in Africa, whiles I approach Carthage with a running camp, the Common-weal suffer no harm and damage here at home. See to this, I say, and be well advised, that it be not a shameful reproach to say that P. Licinius the Consul, a man of singular valour (who because he is a high Priest, and by vertue thereof, not to absent himself from the solemn celebration of sacrifices and divine service, was content and willing, that the charge of so distant a province should not befall unto him by casting lots) is not able to perform that, now when Annibal is half defeated, and his heart almost broken, which your self was sufficient to effect when Annibal squared it out, and braved all Italy like a conqueror. But let the case, and suppose I say, that by this course which I mean to take, the war be never the sooner brought to an end: yet surely it were for the honour of the people of Rome, and for the reputation and name which they have among forrain princes and States abroad, that they may see and know, that our hearts serve us not only to defend Italy, but also to offend Africa. And that it might neither be thought, and believed nor spoken and noised abroad in the world, how no Roman captain durst adventure that which Annibal hath already dared and done: and when as in the former Punic war, when I question Africa should itself, and be at rest. Nay, rather let Italy be at repose and quiet now at last, after so long travel and affliction and let Africa in her turn be fired and forsged another while. Let the Roman camp be pitched rather under the very walls and gates of Carthage, then we see once again from our walls the trench and rampier of our enemies, to invest our City. Let Africa be the set place and seat of the war, let fight and flight, foraging and harrying of countries, revolt and rebellion of allies, and all other inconveniences and enormities that follow war, which have lien heavy upon us these 14 years, turn from us thither. It shall content and suffice me to have spoken as touching State matters & the commonweal of the war present: and concerning the provinces and their government now in question and confusion. For it would require a long and tedious discourse, and the same impertinent altogether unto you, as if Q. Fabius, hath defaced and depraved mine acts in Spain, so I likewise should disgrace him and diminish his glory, and set out my self and mine own reputation with goodly and magnificent words. But my LL. I will do neither one nor the other. And if in nothing elie, yet as it will, young man as I am, I will in modesty and government of my tongue, beyond him as old and ancient a personage as he is. Thus have I lived, and thus have I carried my self in all mine actions, that without blazing of mine own praises, I can soon content my self with that good opinion which you of your selves have conceived and entertained of me. Scipio had audience given him, with lesse indifference, and patience, because it was commonly voiced abroad, That if the Senat would not grant him to have the province and empire of Africa, he would immediately propound and put it to question before the people. Whereupon Q. E. Fulvius, a man that had been four times Consul and Censor besides, required the Consul to speak his mind openly before the Senat, whether he would refer unto the LL. there assembled, to determine of the provinces and stand to that which they should let down, or prefer the thing unto the people. When Scipio had made answer again and said, That he would do that which might be good and expedient for the service of the Common-weal: then Fulvius replied upon him and said: I demand not this question of you, as ignorant what either you would answer, or what you meant to do. For I know full well, that ye pretend no lesse your self, that you do but sound the Senat, and feel rather how they had enclined, then to stand to any advice of theirs in good sadness. And in case we do not presently grant you the province according unto your desire, you have a bill framed already to present unto the body of the people and Commonalty. And therefore (quod he) my matters, ye that are Tribunes, I beseech your aid and assistance, in that I beseech to speak unto the point and deliver mine opinion: in this regard, because I know that the Col. will not approve and assente the same, howsoever the whole house will go with me, and allow my sentence. Hereupon arose some brawle & debate among them, whiles the Col. urged and enforced this point especially, and said, It was against all reason and equity, that the Tribunes should encrope their authority, and not permit every Senator being requested to speak in his name, to deliver his mind and opinion. Then the Tribunes made a decree in this manner, if the Col. be content that the Senat shall determine of the Provinces, we will and command, that all men rest in that which the Senat shall ordain and judge: neither will we suffer the same to be propounded unto the people: if he be not content nor yeeld thereto, then we will assist him who shall refuse to speak to the matter. Then the Col. requested a daies respite to confer with his Colleague and to take more time after he had considered to put all to the censure of the Senat. And in this while were the provinces distributed and appointed: unto one of the Coss. Sicily was assigned, and thirty ships of war, with brazen beak heads (even at that time that C. Servilius the year before had the charge of) with commission also to pass over in Africa, if he thought it were for the good of the Common-weal. The other Consul had the government of the Bruttii and the managing of the war against Annibal, with the power of that army which L. Veturius and Q. Casilius had

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cast lots, agree between themselves who should remain still in the Brutians country to follow him the wars there with those two legions which the Consul left; and that whether of them chanced to have that province his government should be prorogued and continued for another year. The rest of the Pretors also and Consuls, who were to govern any province, or have the conduct of armies, had their commission renewed and sealed again for a longer term. Now it fell to Q. Caelius his lot, to make war together with the Consul against Annibal in the Brutians country.

After this, ended the games and plagues of Scipio; which were exhibited and set forth, with great concourse of people and exceeding applause and affectionate favour of the beholders. M. Pomponius Mætor, and Q. Caelius were sent as Embassadors unto Diophobus, to carry thither an offering and stately gift of the booty and pillage of Africabal: who presented there a crown of gold weighing two hundred pound: also certain counterfeits resembling the spoils, which were made of silver, amounting to a thousand pound weight. Scipio when he could not get leave granted to levy soldiers and take musters which he greatly forced not of, obtained this much yet, that he might have with him in his train voluntary soldiers: as also receive whatsoever the Allies would contribute and give towards the building of new ships, he aule he had passed the word, that the City should not be charged with setting out an armada. And first and foremost, the States of Hæturia promised to help the Consul, every one according to their ability. The Caries came off, and granted to give corn and all kinds of victuals for the mariners and sailors, the Populonians to provide iron the Tarquinians to find sail cloths, the Volaterrans to send all tacklings and furniture belonging to ships, and also corn: the Arretines to confer 30,000 targets, as many morions or head-peeces, besides javellins darts, fauchions, lances, and pikes, to the full number of fifty thousand, as many of the one sort as of the other. also axes, spades and mattocks bills, fitches, and hooks, and sickles, meal, troughs and quern milis, as many as would set to furnish forty long ships or galleys: of wheat 120000 Modii, and all voyage provision for the De. urions, petty captains. Mariners and Ore-men by the way. The Perunines, the Clunus, i. e. Ruellians offered fir trees for the framing and making of ships, and a great quantity of orem. But for this work, he occupied only the fir hewn out of the publick forest and waists. All the States of Vahria, the Nursines also, the Reatinæ Amitermines and the whole country of the Sabines, made promise to help him to soldiers: the Marî, the peligni, and Marricines, in great number came of their own free wils, and were enrolled to serve at sea in the navy. The Camertes, being allies and confederat to the Romans, but not tied to any service, sent a brave company of 11 hundred men well armed. And when as there were set out the keels or bottoms of thirty ships, twenty Caravels of five couple of oars, and ten of four, himself in person piloted the carpenters and shipwrights 10, and set forward the work that 45 daies after the timber was brought out of the wood, the ships were finished, rigged and furnished with all things, and shot into the water. So to Sicily he sailed with thirty long ships of war having embarked therein almost seven thousand of voluntary servants, P. Lucinius also for his part, came into the Brutians country unto the two consularie armies, of which he took unto him and chose that which L. Veturinus the Consul had commanded, and suffered Metellus to have the leading still of those legions, which had been under his conduct before: supposing that he should more easily employ them in service because they were acquainted already with his manner of regiment and governance. The Pretors likewise went into their sundry provinces. And because money was wanting for to defray the charges of the wars, the high Treasurers were commanded to make sale of all that tract of the Campanie country, which from the Greek Fosse extendeth towards the sea. And there was granted unto a commission to give notice of those lands: and look what ground forever belonged to any citizen of Capua, it was confiscated to the use of the people of Rome: and for a reward to him that gave notice, there was assigned the tenth part of the money, that the land was rated and prized at. Also C. Servilius the City Pretor, had given him in charge to take order that the Campanes should dwell where as they were allowed to inhabit by virtue of a decree granted forth by the Senat, and to punish those that dwelt elsewhere.

In the same summer Mago the son of Amilcar, being departed from the lesse Balear Islands, where he abode the winter season, and embarked a choicè power of young and lusty men, sailed over into Italy with a fleet of thirty ships headed with brazen piked beaks, and many hulls of burden: and there he set aland his soldiers, to the number of twelve thousand footmen, and welnear two thousand horse: and with his suddain coming surprised Genoa, by reason that there lay no garriions in those parts to guard and defend the sea coasts. From thence he sailed along and arrived in the river of the Alpine Ligurians, to see if he could by his coming raise some commotion and rebellion. The \* Ingauni (a people of the Lignians) fortunate to war at that present with certain mountaineers the Epaneritii. Whereupon Mago having laid up and bestowed till of the prizes and pillage that, when he won in \* Savona, a towne upon the Alpes) and left ten ships alo war tiding in the river, for a sufficient guard, and sent away the rest to Carthage for to keep the coasts at home (because there ran a mighty rumor, that Scipio would pass the seas, and over to Africa: himself after he had concluded a league and amity with the Ingauni (whose favour he more affected and esteemed than the other) set in hand to assaile the mountaineers. Besides, his power increased daily: for that the Frenchmen flocked unto him in all parts, upon noise and voyce of his name. Intelligence hereof was given to the Senat by the letters of Sp. Lucinius who were with these news exceedingly troubled and perplexed, for fear lest they had rejoiced in vain

O. Albenga.

V. Vado, or Savona.

A vain for the death of Africabal, and the defeat of his army two years before; in case there should arise from thence another war as great and dangerous as the other, differing in nothing else but the exchange of the General. And therefore they gave order and direction both to M. Lænius the Pro-Consul, to come forward with his army of Voluntaries out of Tuscany unto Ariminum: and also unto Cn. Servilius the City Pretor, (if he thought requisite and expedient for the Common-wealth) to commit the two legions of Citizens attending about Rome, to whomsoever he pleased, for to be commanded, and led forth of the City. So M. Valerius Lævinus conducted those legions to Ariminum.

About the same time, certain hulks of the Carthaginians, to the number of fourscore, were boarded and taken about Sardania, by Cn. Octavius, governor of that province, Cælius writeth, that they were laden with corn and victuals sent unto Annibal. But Valerius reporteth, that as they were carrying the pillage taken in Hæturia and certain prisoners of the Ligurian mountaineers; into Carthage, they were intercepted and surprized by the way. There was no memorable thing that year done in the Brutians country. The pestilence reigned as well amongst the Romans as the Carthaginians, and they died thereof alike on both sides. Many the Carthaginian army, besides the plague, were afflicted also with famine. Annibal passed all that somer time near unto the Temple of Juno Lacinia, where he built and reared an altar, and dedicated it with a glorious tide of his worthy acts, engraven in Punick and Greek letters.

## The nine and twentieth Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the nine and twentieth Book.

Cælius Lælius being sent from Scipio out of Sicily into Africk, brought from thence a huge booty, and declared unto Scipio the credence and message that he had from Malanilla, who complained of him that he had not as yet passed over with his fleet into Africk. The war in Spain which Indibilis had raised was dispatched: himself slain in the field; and Mandonius was delivered by his own men into the Roman hands that demanded him of them. Mago who was in France and Liguria, had out of Africk sent unto him both a great power of soldiers, and also money to wage aid with a commission and precept to join himself unto Annibal. Scipio crossed the seas from Syracuse into the Brutii, and recovered the City Locri, after he had discomfited the garriison there, and put to flight Annibal. Peace was concluded with Philip. The goddess Dame Idæa was brought solemnly to Rome from Pelennus by occasion of a prophete found in the books of Sybilla to this effect: That then the forraign enemy might be driven out of Italy when Dame Cybele of Ida was brought to Rome. And to the Romans she was delivered by Attalus King of Asia. A thick stone it was, and nothing else which the Inhabitants called the mother of the gods. P. Scipio Nasica, the son of that Cneus who was killed in Spain, judged by the Senat a right good man, and that was very young, and had not been yet so much as Quæstor, was he that received her: for it was by the Oracle imported, that the said goddess should be received by the best man of the City, and so dedicated. The Locrians sent their Embassadors to Rome, to complain of the outrage and cruelty of Q. Pleminius the Lieutenant: in that he had unjustly taken away the money consecrated to Proserpina, and unlawfully forced their wives and children. Pleminius was brought bound with chains to Rome, and there died in prison. There ran a false rumour of Pub. Scipio, (Pro-Consul in Sicily) and spread as far as to the City, that he should spend his time there in riot. Whereupon there were sent certain messengers from the Senat for to enquire and see whether those reports were true. And Scipio being cleared from all infamy, by the permission and good leave of the Senat, sailed over into Africk. Syphax affianced and wedded the daughter of Africabal the son of Gisco: and thereupon renounced clean the amity which he had contracted with Scipio. Malanilla the King of the Massylians, whilst he served in the wars in defence of the Carthaginians quarrel within Spain, after he had lost his father Galla, was with ill officed of his kingdom. And when he had oftentimes fought to recover it again by war, he was in certain battles vanquished by Syphax King of the Numidians, and utterly deprived of his royall dignity. So with two hundred horsemen he rejoined as a banished person with Scipio: and with him, immediately in the first battell, he slew Hannibal the son of Amilcar, together with a great number of men. Scipio upon the coming of Africabal and Syphax, who were almost 100000 strong, was compelled to break up the siege at Utica, and so he fortified a standing camp for winter harbour. Sempronius the Consul had a fortunate battell against Annibal in the territory of Croton. The Consors held a solemn review and precept of the City, and numbered the people: In which survey taken, there were assessed in their books 215000 Citizens. Between the two Consors, M. Livius and Clandius Nero, there fell out a notable discord: for C. Claudius took from Livius (company with him in office) his horse of service: for that he had been sometimes condemned by the people of Rome, and driven into exile. And Livius again did the like by him, because he had borne false witness against him, and not dealt bona fide with him, considering the reconciliation between them, wherein



wherein they seemed to be made good friends again, The same Livius left all the tribes but one, disarmed, and caused them to pay tribute as no denizens, for that they had both condemned him being innocent, and also made him a Consul and Censor afterwards.

### The nine and twentieth book of T. Livius.

**S**cipio after he was arrived in Sicily, disposed his voluntary souldiers in order, and enrolled them by Centuries. Over and besides them he had about him three hundred lusty tall fellows, for the flower of their age and strength of body, the bravest men of all others: but they wist not themselves for what purpose they were reserved; being neither assigned to any colours under a Captain, nor so much as armed at all. Then he made choice from out of the whole manhood and youth of Sicily three hundred men of arms, such as for birth and wealth were the very principall and best in the Island, who were to pass over with him into Affrick: and he appointed them a day, upon which they should all present themselves in readines, furnished and appointed in the best manner with horie and armor. This warfare so far from home was like to be liskeome unto them, and to bring with it much trouble, many difficulties and dangers, as well by sea as land. The consideration and fear hereof mightily disquieted not only the parties themselves, but also their parents and kinsfolke. Now when the day appointed was come, they shewed their hories and armour. Then Scipio made a speech unto them, and said, "That he was given to understand, that certain Sicilian horsemen stood in great fear and dread of this fouldest, as it were, being a fore and painful piece of service: In case then (quoth he) there be any of you lo minded and disposed indeed, I had rather you would now presently be known thereof unto me, and confess at once, then hereafter to whine and complain, and so to prove lazy lubbers and unprofitable souldiers to the Common-wealth. And therefore utter your minds in plain terms, and I will be content to hear you without offence. Whereupon, when as one of them took good heart, and said flatly, "That if it lay in his choice freely to do what he would, he was alwayes gether unwilling to serve: then Scipio answered him again in this manner, Forasmuch as thy youth thou hast not dissembled thy hearts grief, but spoken out what thou thinkest, I will soon depute one in thy turn unto whom thou maist deliver thy armour, thy horie and other furniture of warfare, and whom thou shalt forthwith have home with thee, there to train, teach, and exercise him after thou hast given him thy horie and armor. The young man was glad hereof, and accepted the offer upon that condition: and so he assigned unto him one of those three hundred above said, whom he kept about himself unarmed. When the rest saw that horseman in this manner discharged of his service, and that with the favour and good will of the L. General: every man then began to speak for himself, and to make excuses, and took others in their stead. Thus for the three hundred Sicilians were substituted as many Roman horsemen, without any expences at all of the State. And the Sicilians themselves had the charge of instructing and training them up. For the General had made an Edict and Proclamation, That whosoever did not so, should keene himself in person. This proved by report a brave cornet of horsemen above the rest: and in many battles performed right good service to the Common-wealth. After this, he took a survey of the legions or footmen: and all those who had born arms longest in the wars he selected forth, especially such as had been employed under the conduct of Marcellus. For those he well wist to have been brought under the best discipline of warfare, and also by reason of the long siege of Syracuse, to be most skilfull in assaulting of Cities. For now they were no small matters that he had in his head, but he plotted even the very destruction and ruin of great Carthage. After this, he divided his army and placed severall forces in sundry towns. The Cities of Sicily he enjoyed to provide comestibles, and made spare of that which was brought out of Italy: the old ships he newly repaired and rigged, and with them he sent Lelutius into Affrick for to prey upon the country and fetch in prizes: the new which rid at Panormus he drew up to land, that they might all winter long lie upon dry ground, and be seasoned, because they were made in haite of green timber. When he had prepared all things necessary for war, he came to the City of Syracuse, which as yet was not in good order and well quieted, since the great troubles of the late wars. For the Greeks made claim for their goods, granted unto them by the Senat of Rome, which certain of the Italian nation desired and withheld from them by the same violence, wherewith in time of war they had possessed themselves thereof. He supposing in meet and requisite to maintain above all things, the credit of the State; partly by vertue of an edict and commandment, and partly by a civill course and process of law against such as were obdurate and avowed their wrongs done, he forced them to make restitution to the Syracusians. This act of his pleased not only them, but also all the states of Sicily: and therefore they were more willing and forward to help him in the wars.

The same summer there arose in Spain great troubles, raised by the means of Indubilis the Iberogete for no other occasion or reason in the world, but because in regard of the high admiration of Scipio, all other Captains besides whatsoever were but despised. "Him they supposed to be the only General that the Romans had left, now that all the rest were slain by Annibal. And because upon it was (thought they) that when the two Scipios were killed, they had no other to send into Spain but him: and afterwards, when the wars grew hot in Italy, he was the only man sent for over to match with Annibal. And over and besides that, the Romans had now in Spain no Cap-

ains at all, but in bare name and shew: the old experienced army also was from thence withdrawn. All things are out of frame, and in great confusion, & none there, but a disordered sort of raw fresh water souldiers. And never they looked to have again the like occasion & opportunity to recover Spain out of their hands. For hitherto they had ever been in subjection to that day, either to the Carthaginians or the Romans, and not always to the one or the other, by turns, but otherwise to both at once. And like as the Carthaginians have been driven out by the Romans, so may the Romans be expelled by the Spaniards, if they would hold together. So that in the end Spain being freed from all forrain war, might be reitorred for ever to the ancient customs and rights of the country. With these and such like suggestions and discourses, he solicited and raised not only his own subjects and countreimen, but the Auleians also, a neighbouring nation, yea, and other States and Cities that bordered upon his and their confines: so as within few daies there assembled together into the territory of the Sedetans (according to an Edict published abroad) thirty thousand foot, and fast upon four thousand horsemen.

The Roman Captains likewise for their part, L. Lentulus, and L. Manlius Acidinus, left by neglected of the first beginning, the war might grow to a greater head, joynted their forces together, and marching through the country of the Auleians, as peaceably as if they had been friends, (notwithstanding they were known enemies) came to the very place where they were encamped and pitched themselves within three miles of the enemies. At the first they assayed by way of Embassage deal with them, and to persuade them to lay aside all arms and hostility: but they laboured in vain. Afterwards, when as the Spanish horsemen gave charge suddenly upon certain Roman Cavalry to refuse: so the horsemen skirmished, but no memorable act to speak of was effected on the one side or the other. The next morrow by sun-rising the enemies all shewed themselves armed and in order of battel, and braved the Romans within a mile of their Camp. The Auleians were marshalled in the main battel; the Ilergetes in the right point, and certain other Spanish nations of bafe and mean account in the left: between both those wings and the battel, of either hand they left certain wide and void places, whereas when the time served they might put forth their horsemen. The Romans having embattelled and put themselves in array after their old and usual manner yet in this one thing followed the examples of the enemies, in leaving out certain open waies between the legions for the men of arms to pass through. But Lentulus supposing that the use of the horie-service would be advantageous to that part which first should fend out their Cavalry into the battell of the enemies, that lay so open with spaces between, gave commandment to Ser. Cornelius a Knight Marshall or Tribune, to will and charge the Cavalry to let to with their hories, and to enter those open lanes between the enemies battalions. And himself having sped but badly in beginning the fight with footmen so rashly, staid no longer, but untill he had brought the thirteenth legion (which was let in the left wing opposite to the Ilergetes) to the rearward into the vanguard, for to succour and strengthen the twelfth legion, which already began to shrink and give ground. After that once the skirmish there was equal and fought on even hand, he advanced forward to L. Manlius, who in the forefront of the battell was busie in encouraging his men, and sending supplies and succours into all parts where he saw needfull: shewing unto him, that all was well and whole in the left point, and that he had sent out Cornelius who with his horsemen, would like a tempestuous storm come upon them, and soon overcast and bepred the enemies round about. The word was not so soon spoken, but the Roman horsemen were ridden within the thickest of the enemies, and not only disordered the arrayes and companies of the footmen, but also at once shut up the waies and passages that the Spaniards could not make out with their horsemen. And therefore the Spaniards leaving to fight on horseback, alight on foot. The Roman Generals seeing the ranks and files of the enemies disordered, themselves in fright and fear, and their ensignes waving up and down every way: fell to exhorting, yea, to entreating of their own Infantry to recharge them with all their force, whilst they were thus troubled and disbanded, and not suffer them to come into order, and re-enforce the battell again. And surely the barbarous people had never been able to abide their violent impression, but that Indubilis himself their Prince and Lord, together with the men of arms that were now dismounted on foot, made head against the ensignes of the footmen in the vanguard. Whereupon ensued a sharp and cruell fight for a good while. At length, when as they that fought about their Prince (who first, although he were half dead, yet stood their ground and afterwards with a javelin was nailed to the earth) were overwhelmed with darts, and slain: then they began to flie on all hands: but the greater number were killed in the place, because both the horsemen had no time nor space to recover their hories, and mount upon them again, and also the Romans pressed so hotly upon them after they were once discomfited, and never gave over untill they had stript the enemies quite out of their Camp. So there died that day thirteen thousand Spaniards, and well near eight hundred were taken prisoners. Of Romans and Allies, not many more than two hundred left their lives behind them, and those especially in the left point. The Spaniards, that either were driven out of their Camp, or escaped out of the battell, first ran scattered and dispersed over the fields, and afterwards returned every man to his own City where he dwelt.

Then Mandonius summoned them to a generall council: where they all bewailed their calamities & miseries, greatly blamed the authors of the war, and agreed in the end to fend their embassadors

ladors to give up their arms, and to yield their bodies. These having excused themselves and laid the whole fault upon *Indibilis* & the rest of the Princes who were the stirrers of the war, & were for the most part slain themselves for their labour in the field, yielded up their armour and themselves, and received this answer from the Romans: That they should be received to mercy, and their submission accepted, if they would deliver alive into their hands *Mandonius*, and the rest that were the breakers of peace. Otherwise, they threatened to lead their forces into the territories of the Illegetes and Auletans and so forward, of the other nations their complices in that rebellion. With this answer the Orators departed, and related the same in the council assembled. Where *Mandonius* and the rest of their Lords were apprehended & delivered to the Romans for to be punished and executed accordingly. So the States of *Spain* obtained peace again: and a double tribute for that year was imposed upon them, and they enjoined to provide corn to serve the army six months besides fouldiers liversies, short coats, and side casks, and they received hostages wel-near of thirty Cities. Thus the troubles and rebellions of *Spain* being begun and ended after this manner, without any great ado within few daies, all the force of the war turned upon *Affrick*.

*C. Lælius* being arrived in the night at *Hippo* Royall, by the break of the day, led forth with banner displayed in order of battel all his fouldiers and mariners, for to harrey and spoil the country. And finding the inhabitants there retchless and careles, and living in security as in time of peace, they did much hurt and annoyed them sore. Whereupon the news went in post to *Carthage*, for all on a hurry & put them in exceeding great fear. For it was reported, that the Roman Armado was arrived, and that *Scipio* the General was landed (for the rumour ran before, how he was passed over already into *Sicily*). And because they never desiered the ships, nor discovered certainly what power of men invaded and spoiled the country, they thought the most and doubted the worst: as fear commonly maketh every thing more than it is. And so at first they were only affrighted and terrified; but afterwards they grew melancholy and troubled in spirit in their teares, to think, That fortune should so much be changed, that they, who a little before as noble conquerors had lain encamped with an army before the walls of *Rome*, defeated so many hosts of enemies, and either by mee force or mee love, held all the States of *Italy* under their Signory, should now themselves see the wheel to turn about, as they were like shortly to behold the waiting and spoiling of *Affrick*, and the City of *Carthage* besieged: a thing that they were never able to endure with that valour and resolution, nor to abide with such strength as the Romans had, for the Romans had ever the Commons of *Rome*; they had alwaies the youth of *Latium* ready to hand: who still increased more and more the new fry, and daily grew in number to make up, and to repair & furnish out so many armies that were defeated. Whereas, their natural people were neither in town nor country fit for service, their aids were waged and hired for money from among the Africans, a nation liketo turn upon any accident, & to change with every gale and puff of vain hope, and were besides false and unfaithful in their promise. For now the Kings already, *Sipha* and *Masaniissa*, the one upon conference with *Scipio* is secretly alienated from us in heart, and the other openly revolted in action, and become our most deadly enemy: so that there remaineth neither help nor hope for us at all in any place. For neither *Mago* is able in Gaul to make any commotions and rebellion nor yet to joyn with *Annibal*: And as for *Annibal* himself, he weareth space, and deaith daily both in fame and reputation, and also in strength and forcible means. When their minds being thus disquieted upon those fresh and present tidings, they were fain to bewail and lament their wofull state, the instant danger recalled them again to consult by what means they might withstand the imminent perils. So they thought good to take musters in all haste both in the City and the countries by, to send some to levy and wage the aids of the Africans, to fortifie their City, to bring in store of grain, to provide weapons and armour, to rig their navy & to send it out to *Hippo*, for to encounter the Roman Armado. Whiles they were devising these courses, there came at last a post with news, that it was *Lælius* and not *Scipio* who was set ashore: that there was landed no greater power than for to make rodes into the country for booties only: and as for the main strength of the whole army, it remained still in *Sicily*. So they had some respite to breath themselves, & began to address their Embassies to *Sipha* and to other Princes, for to establish and confirm peace and league between them. They dispatched also *Philp*, who should make promise unto him of two hundred talents of silver, in case he would take the seas and pass over either into *Sicily* or *Italy*. Messengers also were sent as far as into *Italy* unto their own Generals serving there, to will them to raise what troubles they could possibly, for to keep *Scipio* a work, and hold him back from coming into *Affrick*. And unto *Mago* were sent not only those messengers aforesaid, but also five and twenty long ships of war, fix thousand footmen, eight hundred horsemen, seven Elephants, and great store of treasure besides for to hire aids, whereby he might advance forward with his forces nearer to *Rome*, and joyn with *Annibal*. These preparations were making, and these courses devising at *Carthage*, when as *Masaniissa* upon the bruit that went of the arrivall of the Roman fleet, began to start up and rouse himself: and accompanied with some few horsemen, came unto *Lælius*, busie in driving still great booties out of the country, which he found altogether disurnished of armour, and unprovided of guards and garrisons for defence. He much complained that *Scipio* was so slack in his affairs, and grieved that he had not passed over ere this time with an army into *Affrick*, whiles the Carthaginians were thus affrighted, whiles *Sipha* was troubled with the wars of the borders of whom he was thus much perswaded, that if he might have resting time to compose his own affairs

A "to his mind, he would not continue fast unto the Romans, nor deal in any thing faithfully and soundly with them: willing him to solicit *Scipio*, yea, and to spur him on and importune him not to stand longer at a bay and make delays. And for his own part, notwithstanding he was seized of his fathers Kingdom, yet he would be ready to assist him with such a power of foot and horse as were worth God amercy: advising *Lælius* withal not to make any longer stay in *Affrick*, for as much as he believed verily, that there was a fleet already let out from *Carthage*, which in the absence of *Scipio*, he might not with safety enter into conflict and battail. After this communication, *Masaniissa* was dismissed, and *Lælius* the next day looted from *Hippo*, with comel and credence that he had from *Masaniissa*.

B About the very same time those ships which were sent from *Carthage* to *Mago*, coasting along the Albiginians and the Ligurians, arrived at *Genna*. It fortuned that *Mago* at that time lay with his fleet in those parts: who upon the words of the messengers, & the commission to raise as great forces as possibly he could, immediately held a council of the Frenchmen and Ligurians: of both nations there were great numbers in those coasts. "Wherefore then all he declared how he was sent unto them for to let them at liberty: and how (as they might see themselves) to that effect he was furnished with new aid and succour from home. But what forces, and how great an army was needful for the managing of the war in hand, it lay in them to determine. As for himself, first and formost he knew full well, that there were two Roman armies abroad, the one in *France*, the other in *Tuscany*: and that *S. Lælius* would joyn with *M. Livius*: and therefore C they themselves were to put many a thousand in arms, for to make head against two Generals: & two complex armies of Romans. The Frenchmen made answer again, That their will was good enough, and they had an exceeding desire to compels and effect the designment intended: but for as much as the Romans had one camp within their confines, and another in *Tuscany* near adjoyning and in manner within sight: if peradventure they should be seen in the action to aid the Carthaginians; incontinently both armies, as well the one as the other would in all manner of hostility invade their territories: and therefore they requested him to desire of the Gauls such things, wherein they might stand him in stead secretly under hand. As for the Ligurians, because the Romans lay far enough off encamped from their Lands & Cities, they might dispole well enough of themselves as they list: and therefore it was good reason that they should put their young & able men in arms, & bear a part in the managing of the war. The Ligurians replied not. Only they craved respite of two months, for to take the musters. In the mean time *Mago*, having sent away the Gauls, closely took up & preit fouldiers throughout their country Towns for money. And from the States of *France*, there was sent secretly provision of victuals of all sorts unto him. *Macius Livius* led his army of Voluntaries out of *Tuscany* into *France*, and having united his forces unto *Lælius* his power, was ready to receive and welcome *Mago*, if haply he removed out of the Ligurians country nearer to the City of *Rome*: but in case *Mago* kept himself quiet in a corner under the Alps, he minded also himself there to keep his standing league about *Ariminum*, for the guard and defence of *Italy*.

After the return of *C. Lælius* out of *Affrick*, both *Scipio* was pricked forward by the instigations and persuasions of *Masaniissa*: and also his fouldiers, seeing great prizes brought out of the enemies Land, and every ship fraught therewith: were mightily incited and let on fire with a burning desire to be transported over thither with all speed possible. But as they were plotting about this enterprise of greater importance, they thought also upon a lesser that came between, namely the winning again of the City of *Loeri*, which in the general revolt of all *Italy*, had sided also with the Carthaginians. The first hope that they conceived both to affect and effect this enterprise grew upon a very small matter: by occasion that in the Brutians country, the whole manner of service was performed by way of robbing and roving, rather than by any ordinary course of war. The Numidians first began, and the Brutii soon took it up and seconded them: not so much because they would keep the Carthaginians company, and do as they did; but for that of their own natural inclination they were prone, and ready enough to follow that course. At last the Roman fouldiers also, infected as they were by their example, took delight in robberies: and so far forth as they might have leave of their Captains, would make inrodes into the territories of their enemies. It fortuned so, that when some of them were gone abroad a plundering, certain thieves, were some carpenters and maions, who as it chanced, were hired to work for the Carthaginians in the Cattle of *Loeri*. These were discovered and known by certain great men, and the as by the contrary faction that banded with *Annibal* had delivered *Loeri* into his hands, were who have been long out of their own Country of many matters, and among the rest, how all things fared at home: who told them all accordingly: and therewith, put them in some good hope, that if they might be ransomed, set at large, and sent home again, they would betray the Cattle unto them: for as much as within it they dwelt, and the Carthaginians put them in trust of all things there. They therefore, as men that were wonderful desirous to return thither, as well for love of their native country, as for to be revenged of their adversaries, out of hand paid their ransomes: and after they had given order how to work the feat, and in what sort; as also agreed upon

upon the signs and tokens which they should mark from on high a far off, they were sent back to again. Then the exiled Locrians repaired unto *Scipio* at *Syracuse*, with whom also were others of the banished persons of *Locri*: and there they related unto him the promises of the captives aforesaid, and put the Consul in very good hope that the effect would be correspondent to their designation. With them were sent two Tribunes or Marshals, to wit, *M. Sergius* and *P. Maternus*, with commission to conduct three thousand souldiers from *Rhegium* to *Locri*. Letters also were dispatched unto *Q. Plinius*, the Vice-pretor, for to be assistant in this action. Who being departed from *Rhegium*, and carrying with them scaling ladders, proportioned to the height of the Castle wall fore-told unto them, about midnight gave a token by fire to those that were to betray the Castle, from that place which they had agreed upon: who being in readines also, and looking wittily for them, put down likewise ladders of their own, made for the purpose; and in many places at once received them that climbed up: so as, before there was any alarm heard, they set upon the watch of the Carthaginians, fast asleep as they were, and dis-trusting no such matter: who first were heard to grone as they lay a dying, but afterwards, to make a noise and keep a running and much ado, upon their suddain starting from sleep, all the whiles that they wist not what the occasion was. At length, upon the discovery of the matter, one man awakened another, and every one called aloud to arm: crying out, that the enemies were within the Castle, and the watchmen slain. And without question, the Romans had been put to the worse and defeated quite, being far fewer in number than the enemies, but that there was an outcry and shout set up by them that were without the fortresses: which so long as men knew not from whence it came, put them in great fear: and the tumult besides by night made every small and vain thing much greater than it was. By means whereof, the Carthaginians stood off (as if all places had been full of enemies) abandoned all fight, and betook themselves into the other fortresses (for two there were distant not far asunder.) The Townsmen kept possession of the City as the prize and guard in the mid-way for the winners. But out of the two Castles there were light skirmishes every day. *Q. Plinius* was Captain of the fort and garrison of the Romans, and *Amilcar* over the Carthaginians: and both parts increased their strength, by aids that they had coming unto them from the places adjoining. Until at last *Amilcar* shewed himself in person: and no doubt the Romans had never been able to hold out, but that the whole multitude of the Locrenians fore-galled and grieved with the proud government and the covetous polling of the Carthaginians, took part with the Romans. When intelligence came to *Scipio*, that the Romans were distressed in *Locri*, and that *Amilcar* himself was advancing thither: for fear lest the garrison also should be in some hazard (as having no ready means to retire from thence) himself leaving at *Messana* his brother *L. Scipio* for the guard of the place, passed over from thence with his vessels down the water, when he espied the current and the tide together to serve for a lane. Likewise *Amilcar* having sent out a vanguard from the River *Butrous* (which is not far from the City *Locri*) to signify unto his men, that by day light they should give a hot charge with all their might and main upon the Locrenians and Romans both, whiles he himself made an assault upon the Town behind, not looking for him, but wholly turned away and amused upon that other tumult. Now when as early in the morning he found the skirmish begun, he was not willing to put himself within the Castle, for fear of pestering with over great a company the place so freight and of so small receipt: and for to scale the walls they had brought no ladders with them. So causing all their carriages and packs to be piled up in one heap together: he presented all his footmen in battail array before the City, to terrifie his enemies withal: and with the Numidian horsemen he made a bravado under the walls, and rode about the City. Whiles the ladders and other ordinance meet to give an assault, were in preparing and making ready, he approached on horseback near to the wall, for to view on which part above the rest, he might give the assault: and there he was shot with a quarrel discharged from an engine called a Scorpion, which happened to be planted next unto him. And being affrighted at this dangerous an occurrence, he commanded to found the retreat, and fortified his camp aloft without the peril and shot of any dart. Now was the Roman fleet from *Messana* arrived at *Locri*, and had the day afore them: so as they were all set a land, and entered the City before the sun setting. The morrow after, the Carthaginians began to skirmish out of the Castle: and *Amilcar* being now provided of ladders, and having all things else in readines needful for the assault, came under the walls: with that, all upon a suddain the Romans set open a gate and sallied out upon him, who feared nothing less than any such accident: and thus letting upon them at unawares, slew two hundred of them. *Amilcar* perceiving that the Consul was there, retired with the rest into the camp: and after he had sent a messenger to them that were within the Castle, willing them to shift for themselves, in the night season he dislodged and departed. They also who were in the fort, after they had set on fire the houses which were in their keeping, of purpose by that tumult to cause the enemy to make some stay and tarry behind, ran away in manner of a rout, and before it was night with good footmanship overtook their own company. *Scipio* seeing as well this cause quit by the enemy, as their camp also empty, called the Locrenses to a general assembly, and gave them a sharp check, and rebuked them for their revolt. The principal Captains & Authors of that trespass he put to death; and gave away their goods to the chief heads of the other faction, in reward and consideration of their singular fidelity to the Romans. But as concerning the publick state of the Locrians, he said he would neither make nor meddle therewith, either in giving to them, or taking ought at all from them. But willed them to send their Embassadors to

Rome,

A Rome, and look what the Senat would award in equity, that fortune they should abide. This one thing he was well assured of, that how ill soever they had deserved of the people of Rome, yet they should live in better condition under the signory of the Romans, provoked to anger as they were, than they had already under the government of Carthaginians, pretending love and amity as they did.

Then himself in person cut over to *Messana* with those forces that he brought with him, leaving *Plinius* his Lieutenant, and that power that won the Castle, in garrison for the defence of the City. The citizens of *Locri* had been so proudly misused, and so cruelly handled by the Carthaginians, after they were revolted from the Romans; that it seemed they could be content to abide any small wrongs, not only patiently but also willingly, and in manner with a glad heart. But so far as now exceeded *Plinius*, *Amilcar* the former captain of the garrison so far went the Roman garrison souldiers, before the Carthaginians in wickedness & avarice, that a man would have thought they had strove together who should pain the other in finitely vile and ungodlines, and not in tears of arms and prowess. For neither Captain nor souldier forbore to practise upon the poor Townsmen any enormous facts, which are wont to make the great & mighty men odious unto the poor and meaner persons. They wrought and committed shameful villainies upon their very bodies: upon their wives and children. And their greedy avarice so far proceeded, that they could not hold their hands from spoiling and robbing the very religious and sacred Temples. In omnes, as among other holy Churches which they polluted, they met even with the rich measure of *Pyrrhus*, which had lien still in all ages, and unrouched by all others: save only it was reported to have been pillied by *Pyrrhus*, who indeed carried away the spoil of her, but he dearly bought it, and paid still sweetly for that sacrilege. And therefore like as before time the Kings ships shaken with tempests, and torn and split with the rage of the Sea, brought nothing at all in that wreck safe to Land, but only that sacred money of the goddesses, which they had stollen and carried away; even so at this present, the very same money (but in another kind of calamity and misery) brought upon all them that were tainted in that wicked action of robbing the Temple, a strange & frantick madness: which caused Captain against Captain, and souldier against souldier, to fare as if they were stark mad, and enraged as mortal enemies one with another. *Plinius* had the chief rule and command of all. As for the souldiers, some were under him, such as himself had brought from *Rhegium*: others were commanded by the Tribunes or Colonels. Now it chanced that one of *Plinius* his souldiers had stollen a silver cup out of a Townsmans house, and ran away when he had done; and the owners after him with hue and cry, and returned to come in the way, and to meet with *Sergius* & *Maternus* the two Tribunes or Colonels, in the face. Whereupon the cup was taken from him by the commandment of the Tribunes; and thence arose first a brawle, and some hard words were dealt between; and from them consequently they went to open clamors and loud outcries, until at length there grew a very fray between the souldiers of *Plinius* and of the Tribunes: and according as they came still one or other in time to help their own side, both the number and the riot increased at once. In the end, *Plinius* his men went away with the blows, and moaned themselves unto *Plinius*, running to him with open mouth and great indignation, shewing their bloody wounds: and reporting besides, what opprobrious words to the Tribunes before him, and commanded them to be stripped naked, and the rods to be brought forth ready for to scourge them. But whiles there was some time spent in turning them out of their apparel & uncasing them (for they struggled & made resistance, and called to their souldiers for help) at once they came thick about them (for very lusty they were upon their fresh victory) and ran from all places, as if the alarm bell had been rung against the coming of some enemies. But when they lay low the bodies of their Tribunes rewed with rods, then they fell into far more furious rage and a very fit of madness: and thus incensed as they were, without all regard, not only of the reverent majesty of authority, but also of common humanity, they fell upon the Lieutenant himself, after they had most pitiously beaten and evil treated his Lictors and Officers about him. Then having singled him out apart from his Ministers and Sergeants, they cruelly mangled him, cut off his nose, crept his ears, and left him for dead. News hereof came to *Messana*, and within few dayes *Scipio* highed him apace to *Locri* in a gally directed with six banks of oars: who after due examination and hearing of the cause between *Plinius* and the Tribunes, acquit *Plinius* as innocent, and left him Governour of the garrison of the place: but he judged the Tribunes guilty, as Malefactors, and caused them to be bound in chains for to be sent to Rome unto the Senat: and so he returned to *Messana*, and from thence to *Syracuse*. *Plinius* not able to over-rule his anger, and thinking that *Scipio* had dealt but coldly and negligently in the matter, and made too light of the injury which he had received, and not punished the offenders accordingly; and supposing that there was no man else able to make true estimate of the cause, but he that in his own person had felt the indignity and main offences thereof, commanded the Tribunes to be haled before him, and after he had put them to all the cruel torments, that any mans body is able to abide, he put them to death: and not satisfied therewith with their dolorous torture whiles they were quick, nor with taking their lives from them, cast their dead bodies forth into the fields, there to lie as above ground unburied. The like cruelty he exercised upon the principal Burgeses of the Locrians, such as he heard say went to *Scipio* for to make complaint of his wrongs and injuries. And look

what foul and shameful pranks he had plaid afore with his friends and allies, proceeding of lust and covetousness; the same now in his fell and furious rage he multiplied and wrought in divers sorts: so as he brought infamy, hatred and obloquy, not only upon himself, but also made the world to think hardly, and to speak much shame of the General himself.

Now drew the time near of the solemn election of Magistrats: when as there came letters to Rome from Pub. Licinius the Consul, the tenor whereof was to this effect: That himself and his army were fore visited with a grievous sickness: and that he could not possibly have staid there, but that the violent contagion and influence of the same malady, if not greater & more grievous, had not assailed the enemies. Seeing that therefore himself was not able to come unto the election, he was minded, if it might so stand with the good liking of the Lords of the Senat, to nominate as Dictator Q. Cecilius Metellus, for to hold the foresaid election. And as for the army of Q. Cicerilius, it was for the good of the Common-weal that it should be called and discharged, since that there was no employment of them at this present; considering that Annibal was retired already with his forces into his standing camp, and taken up his wintering harbor; and again, the pestilence grew so hot in that leaguer of his, that if they were not discharged betimes, there was not one of them like to escape and remain alive. In these points, the LL. of the Senat granted unto their commission unto the Consul, for to do according as himself thought fittest either with his own credit and trust committed unto him, or the benefit of the Common-weal.

At the very same time there was a certain religious opinion that had possessed of a sudden the whole City, by occasion of a certain Prophecie found in the books of Sibylla. When search was made into them and they diligently perused, about the raining of stones, which happened so often that year. The Prophecie ran in this form: "At what time soever an enemy of a strange and forth-coming country shall happen to make war upon Italy, he may be chased out of Italy and vanquished, if the Decemvirs moved the Senat the more for that, the Embassadors also who carried the oblation before said to Delphos, related, that as they themselves sacrificed unto Pythia Apollo, all the inwards of the beast killed for sacrifice, appeared good and shewed prosperity; and the Oracle besides gave answer, That there was a far greater victory toward the people of Rome than that was, out of the spoils whereof they brought gifts and offered to the God at this present. And for to make up and fully accomplish these hopes, they alleged withal, how P. Scipio in demanding the Province of Affrick, did preface (as it were) before-hand in his mind the final end of this war. To the end therefore that they might with more speed obtain this honorable victory of this fore-taken, and offering (as it were) it self, by all lucky prelagings of men and Oracles of the Gods, they thought and devised some man to transport the said goddesses to Rome.

The people of Rome in those dayes was condescended with no States of Asia: howbeit the LL. calling to mind how long ago, upon occasion of a sickness, and to purchase health unto the people, Aesculapius was sent for likewise out of Greece, before it was with the City of Rome in any league or society: and considering withal, that there was some friendship and amity begun already with King Attalus (in regard of the common war against Philip) and that he would be ready to do for the people of Rome, whatsoever lay in his power, they resolved to send unto him an honorable Embassage to wit, M. Valerius Levisinus, who had been twice Consul, and had warred in Greece; M. Cecilius Metellus, who had been a Pretor, and Servius Sulpitius Galba: likewise an Edile, and two late Questors, C. Tremelius Flaccus, and M. Valerius Falco. For these five, they assigned five Quinquerems or Gallies of five ranks of oars, that according to the credit and dignity of the people of Rome, they should make a voyage into those Lands, with whom they were to win a reputation and Majesty to the Roman name and State. These Embassadors, as they held on their course toward Asia, so soon as they were put on Land at Delphos, repaired directly to the Oracle, for to know what good hope it might afford unto them and the people of Rome, of effecting that business and commission, about the which they were sent forth. And this answer by report, was returned to them again, That they should obtain their desire, and effectuate their purpose by the means of Attalus the King: advising them moreover, That when they had conveyed the said goddess down to Rome, they should take order, that the very best man of state in the City, should give her lodging and entertainment. But to proceed, to Pergamus they came unto the King. Who having courteously received and welcomed the Embassadors, conducted them into Phrygia to Pessinus, and delivered into their hands that sacred and holy stone, which the inhabitants of the country said, was the Mother of the Gods, and willed them to carry it to Rome. Then M. Valerius Falco was sent back from the other Embassadors to advertise them at Rome, that the goddess was coming, and that they should seek out the best man in all the City, for to receive and lodge her in his house with all devotion that might be.

Now was Q. Cicerilius Metellus nominated Dictator by the Consul in the Brutians country, against the solemn election of the Magistrats. His army was disbanded and called, and L. Varius Philo created master of the horse. Then the Dictator held the Election. In which were chosen Consuls, M. Cornelius Cethegus & P. Sempronius Tuditanus in his absence, who at that time held the government of Greece. After them were elected Pretors, T. Claudius Nero, M. Martius Rullus, Scribonius Libo, & M. Pomponius Mabo. When the Election was finished, the Dictator resigned up his place of magistracy. The Roman Games were thrice renewed and set forth, & the plaies Pluvia seven times exhibited. The Ediles of the chair were Cn. and L. Cornelius Lentuli both. This Lucius

verned then the Province of Spain: created he was in his absence, and absent as he was he bare that dignity. The Ediles of the Commons were T. Cl. Annius Sestius, and M. Junius Pennus. That year M. Marcellus dedicated the Temple of Veritas, near the gate Capena, the five teenth year after it was vowed by his father at Clastidium in Gallia, during the time of his first Consulship. There died also this year a Hamine of Mars, namely, M. Emilius Regillus.

For the last two years, the affairs in Greece had not been well followed, Philip therefore taking the vantage, that the Aetolians were forsaken of the Romans (the only aid upon which they trusted) forced them both to sue for peace, and to contract the same under what conditions and capitulations himself pleased: which if he had not made the better halt, as that ever he could to accomplish in good time, P. Sempronius the Vice-Consul, sent to succeed *sulpitius* in the government, had utterly defeated him while he waged war with the Aetolians: considering that he was ten thousand foot and a thousand horse strong, and had five and thirty tall ships of war, headed with brazen pikes before a power of no small importance. I assure you, to aid and assist his allies. For the said peace was not so soon concluded, but news came to the King, that the Romans were arrived at Dyrrhachium: that the Parthines and other neighbour nations, upon hope of change and a new world, began to rise and rebel: and that Dimallum was already beleagued and assailed: for to that City the Romans bent their power (in stead of aiding the Aetolians unto whom they were sent) upon high displeasure and indignation, that without their advice and content, yea, and against the tenor of the accord and covenant they had made a peace with the King. Philip upon these advertisements, for fear lest some farther troubles might arise among the nations and states where bordering, took long journeys, & sped him apace toward Apollonia. Thither Sempronius was retired, after he had sent *Levisinus* his Lieutenant with part of his forces and thirteen ships into Eolia to visit the country, and to see in what terms they stood, yea, and to disturb and break the peace if possibly he could. Philip waited and spoiled the territories and lands of the Apollonians, and approaching the City with his whole power, had battail to Sempronius the Roman General. But after he saw once that he kept himself quiet within the City, standing only upon his guard and defence of the walls; distrustful also his own strength, as not able to force the City by assault: & desirous still to entertain peace with the Romans as well as with the Aetolians, if he could; if not, yet at leastwise to have truce with them: without effecting any more (seeing he could but only rub an old sore, & renew creaked malice upon fresh contention & quarrel) he returned into his realm.

About the same time, the Epirots weary of long wars, after they had first founded the disposition and mind of the Romans that way sent their Embassadors unto Philip, to treat about a general and universal peace: affirming, that they had assured hope of an honorable end and agreement, if his highness would vouchsafe so come to a party with P. Sempronius the Roman General. And soon they obtained thus much of him, as to pass over into Epirus, for the King himself was not unwilling thereunto. Now there is a City in Epirus, named Phenicother, the King after communication had first with Eropus, Danda and Philippus, Pretors of the Epirots, entered into an interview also with P. Sempronius. At this solemn meeting and conference, Antinander the King of the Athamans was present, and other Magistrats of the Epirots and Acarnans. And first Philippus the Pretor began to speak and request, as well King Philip as the Roman General, to make an end of all wars, and likewise to give the Epirots leave to do the same. P. Sempronius propounded and set down the articles and conditions of peace in this wise, That the Parthins, Dimallum, Bargulum and Eugenium, should belong to the Seignory of the Romans, notwithstanding that they had obtained of the Senat by their Orators sent to Rome, to be annexed to the dominion of Philip King of Macedonia. When they were agreed for peace upon those capitulations, there were comprised within the league on the Kings behalf, Prusias King of Bitynia, the Achians the Beotians, the Thessalians the Acarnans, and the Epirots: and on the Romans the Illynes, K. Attalus, Pleuratus, Nabis the Tyrant of the Lacedaemonians, the Eleans the Messenians, and the Athenians. And here of were instruments and indentures ingrossed and sealed, and truce made for two moneths, until such time as Embassadors were sent to Rome, that the people might by their suffrages approve of the conditions in that form. So all the tribes in general granted the same, because the war now being intended and bent against Affrick, they were willing for the present to be discharged of all other troubles.

P. Sempronius having concluded peace, departed unto Rome for to enter his Consulship. Now when as M. Cornelius and P. Sempronius were Consuls (which was the 15 year of the Punick war) the Provinces were assigned unto them in this manner, namely, unto Cornelius, Hetruria with the old army: unto Sempronius the Brutii, with the new legions that he was to enrol. And to the Pretors in this wise were the Provinces allotted, that M. Martius should be Lord chief justice of the citizens pleas, and L. Scribonius Libo have the jurisdiction of foreigners, together with the government of Gallia. Item that M. Pomponius Mabo should rule Sicily, and T. Claudius Nero sit as L. Deputy in Sardinia. As for P. Scipio, his commission was renewed and continued for one year longer, with the command of that army and Armado which he had conducted before. Likewise P. Levisinus had his commission newly sealed for to have the charge of the Brutians country with him to remain in the government of that Province. Also M. Livius & Sp. Emilius, with the assistance of those two legions with which they had defended Gallia against Mago, continued still in their room for another year. Moreover Cn. Octavius remained in place, with commission, that

when he had delivered up *Sardinia*, & the legion there unto *T. Claudius*, himself should with 40 long Gallies scour the seas, and guard the coasts along the river, within those limits, for which the Senate had given order. Unto *M. Porcius* the Pretor in *Sicily* were appointed the two legions of the *Campanian* army. And *Q. Quintus* and *C. H. Tabulus* Vice-pretors, were to govern as they did the former year, the one *Tarentum*, and the other *Capua*; and both of them were allowed the old dignities. As for the government of *Spain*, it was put to question before the people; what two Vice-pretors their pleasure was should be sent into that Province. And all the Tribes with one accord gave their grant, that the same Pro-consuls *L. Cor. Lentulus*, and *L. Manlius Acidinus*, should be as Governors in those Provinces as the year before. The Consuls began now to muster soldiers, as well to enrol new legions for to be sent into the *Brutians* country, as also to supply and fulfil the number of the other armies; according as they were directed by the Senate. And albeit *Africk* was not yet openly declared a Province, but dissembled by the LL. of the Senate, (of purpose I believe, that the *Carthaginians* should have no inkling and intelligence thereof before hand) yet the whole City was in good hope, and made full reckoning that this year the war would be determined and fought out in *Africk*, and to an end for ever of those troubles. This persuasion of theirs had possessed their hearts with much superstition: and very forward men were, both to report, and also to believe many prodigious and strange wonders, which daily were blown abroad & divulged more and more: To wit, that there were two suns seen; that in the night season between whiles it seemed day light: that in *Scia* there was a burning torch or blazing Star reaching from the East to the West; that in *Taracina* the gate, and in *Anagnia* as well, the gate as the wall in divers parts were blasted and shaken with lightning; lastly, that in the Temple of *Juno Sospita* in *Lavinium*, there was a noise and a rumbling heard, with a horrible crack. For the expiation and purging of these prodigies, there was a supplication holden for one day: and a novendial solemn sacrifice was also celebrated, because it had rained stones out of the sky. Besides all this, there was some consultation about the receiving of dame *Idea*. For over and besides that *M. Valerius* one of the Embassadors was returned & had brought word that the would very shortly in *Italy*, there came a new messenger with tidings, that she was now already at *Taracina*. This deliberation came about no small matter, namely, whom they should give judgement to be the best man simply in the whole City held the Senat much amused: considering that every one for his part was more desirous of true victory, and pre-eminence in this behalf, than of any promotions, honors or dignities whatsoever, awarded unto them by the voices either of Senators or Commoners. In conclusion, they judged *P. Scipio*, the son of that *Cn.* who was killed in *Spain*, a very young man, and as yet not of full age to be a Quæstor, the very best man without exception in the whole City. Upon what motives of his singular virtues they were induced thus to deem of him, as I could willingly have delivered unto posterity, what had been set down in record by the ancient and first writers of those times; so I will not interpose mine own conceits, in guessing at a thing which hath been dead and buried so long time. This *P. Cornelius* was commanded to go accompanied with all the dames of the City as far as to *Olisipa*, there to meet the Goddess, and then to take her forth of the ship, and being once set on land, to deliver her unto the foresaid matrons for to be devoutly carried to the City. Now when the ship was arrived at the mouth of the river *Tyberis*, he, according as he was directed, went aboard in a pinnace, & lunched into the sea; where he took the Goddess at the Priests hands, and brought her on shore. And the dames which were the noblest and chief of the City, amongst whom *C. Quimæ* was the Lady most renowned, received her. This *Claudius*, who before time (as it is reported) was of no better name & fame than she should be, now by this religious and devout ministry, was for her chastity and continency recommended better to posterity. These women carried this Goddess charily & daintily in their hands, and took her by turns one in course after another. All the City came forth by heaps to meet her: and along the streets as she was conveyed, they stood at the doors with censers, making sweet perfumes, & burning frankincense: yea, & praised unto her, that she would willingly enter the City of *Rome*, and continue protections & gracious unto it. Thus they transported her into the Temple of *Victoria* within mount *Palatine*, the day before the \* Ides of *April*, which was always after kept as a festival holiday. The people with great frequency brought gifts unto *Platinius*, which they offered unto the goddess & solemnized a *Lætißimum*. And those plaies called *Megalæ* came up then & were first instituted.

Now when the Council were busy and fat about the supply of those legions which were in the Provinces, there were certain of the Senators began to whisper & blow into their heads. That the time was now come, no longer to abide those things which during the troubles and dangerous daies they made a shift to endure: considering that now at length by the goddesses of the Gods, all fear was past, and the dangers overblown. At which words the Lords of the Senat being in great expectation and attentive to hear out the rest; they went on and said, That those soldiers, now almost for six years had intermitted their service in the wars, as exempted from warsfare altogether, and enjoyed that immunity as an honor and reward for their good deities: whereas in the mean time, other loyal and obedient allies were by mustering every year continually, wasted and consumed, in performance of their faithful allegiance and dutiful service to the Empire of *Rome*. At this speech, the Lords called not so much to mind a thing long forgot and almost worn out of remembrance as they were provoked to anger and grew very hot; & therefore would not suffer the Consuls to pass any other matter before, but decreed that they should

peremptory

A peremptory convent to *Rome* the Magistrats, and ten principal citizens out of every of these Colonies, to wit, *Nepes, Sutrinum, Ardea, Caletis, Alba, Carfeli, Sora, Suessa, Setia, Circei, Narnia*, and *Interamna*, (for these were the Colonies touched in that point above-named) and to lay upon them every one a double levy of footmen, to that number and proportion which they were charged with, when they set out most in the service of the Roman wars, ever since that the enemies were come into *Italy*: besides one hundred and twenty footmen a peece. And in case any one of those Colonies were not able to make up that full number of footmen, then to allow for every man of arms three footmen: Provided always, that for foot and horse both, such should be chosen and no other, as were most substantial and of the best behaviour, and be sent to what place soever there was need of supply, even out of *Italy*. And if any of them refused thus to do, then the Consuls had commission to lay the Magistrats and deputies aforesaid, and not to give them audience in the Senat, (although they should require the same) before they had performed those impositions. Moreover those Colonies were enjoined to pay every year a tax or tribute, and that there should be raised and levied, one Als in the thousand, of their tribute by the month; and be assessed in those Colonies according to the rate and rule that the Roman Centors should let down; which they gave order to be the same that was laid upon the people of *Rome*: and the information thereof to be exhibited and presented at *Rome* by the sworn Centors of the foresaid colonies, before they went out of their office. By virtue of this Act of the Senat, the Magistrats and chief men of those Colonies were sent for and compelled to repair to *Rome*: and when the Consuls commanded of them, those soldiers and tribute aforesaid, they began all of them (but some more than others) to retieve and gain say it, yea, and flatly to deny, that so many soldiers could possibly be made, nay, hardly were they able, although they should strain themselves to furnish the bare single number, according to the usual proportion and old precript order: requesting and beseeching them, to give them leave to have recourse unto the Senat, and there to make fore for their release: neither have we (say they) so much offended as thus hardly to be used, nor deserved worthily to be undone. And say, we must needs miscarry and be cast away; yet neither our offence, nor the wrath of the people of *Rome*, can force us to find more soldiers than we have. But the Consuls, in their purpose, commanded the Delegates and Committees of those Colonies, to stay still at *Rome*, and their Magistrats only to repair home and take matters: for almost as (unless the full number of soldiers which was set down unto them were brought to *Rome*) there was no Consul that would grant them audience in the Senat. Thus when all hope was cut off, to have access into the Senat, and to obtain a release; those twelve Colonies took a levy and enrolled the full number. Which was no hard matter to be done, considering how their youth was increased in that time of long vacation and intermission of warfare. There was likewise another matter (by as long silence forgot and well near quite forgotten) proposed newly again by *M. Valerius Læcinus*: who said, That it was meet and good reason, that those private persons which had credited forth their monies to the Common-weal, when himself and *M. Claudius* were Consuls, should now at last be satisfied, contented, and paid: neither ought any man to marvel why he (notwithstanding the City were bound for the debt) had a special care and regard to call upon them for to have it discharged: for, besides that the Consul for that year being, when those monies of money were granted, was in some sort properly obliged, to see that credit were kept; himself more over was the very man that made the motion of taking up those monies; in regard that the City chamber was so empty of treasure, and the Commons puries to bare of money, that they were scarce able to pay the ordinary tribur. This overture made by the Consul, was well taken of the Senat, who willed the Consuls to put up this matter to the house: and so they entered an Act and decree, that the said debts should be discharged at three payments: whereof the first should be made presently by the Consuls then in place; the other twain, by the Consuls that were to succeed in the third and fifth years next ensuing.

But there fell out one new object and occurrence, that drowned all other cares besides, and wholly possessed the heads of the Senat, by occasion of the miseries and calamities of the *Locrians*, whereof before that day, they had no knowledge nor intelligence, and now were by the coming of their Embassadors declared and divulged. Neither were the people provoked to choler and anger, so much at the lewd behavior and wicked pranks of *Q. Pleminius*, as the slackness and negligence, or else the partiality and connivency of *Scipio* in dealing between them. These Embassadors of the *Locrians*, ten in number, presented themselves before the Consuls sitting in the open Hall called *Comitium*: clad they were in homely weeds and coarse apparel, looking pale and poor on the matter; and carrying withal in their hands as tokens of humble suppliants, certain branches of the Olive, according to the manner of the *Greeks*, fell down prostrate upon the ground before the Tribunal, with piteous weeping and sorrowful lamentation. The Consuls demanded who they were: and they made answer again. That they were *Locrians*, who had endured at the hands of *Q. Pleminius* the Lieutenant, and the Roman soldiers, such indignities, as the people of *Rome* would not find in their hearts, that the very *Carthaginians* themselves should suffer and sustain: beseeching them to do them this favour, as to give them leave to have access to the Lords of the Senat, there to make their moane and complain of their woful distresses. Being admitted into the Senat and audience given them, then the ancientest man of the company spake in complaints of this wile, "Right honorable (my LL.) I know full well (quoth he) how important it would be, before the Senat, and available to the due estimate and weight of our complaints and grievance, in case ye were informed



"informed sufficiently and knew the truth, as well in what sort *Loeri* was first betrayed unto *Anibal*, as also after what order the garrison of *Anibal* was thence expelled, and the City restored again under your obedience. For, if it may appear that the trespass of our revolt, cannot be imputed any way unto the publick counsel and consent of our City; but contrary-wise, that our return under your signory and dominion was not only performed with our good will, but also first wrought and compassed by the means of our helping hand and valour; ye have the greater cause to be discontented and displeased with your Lieutenant and souldiers, for offering us (your good and loyal allies) such abuses, so cruel wrongs and unworthy indignities, as for the cause of our double revoltment and change, I think it good to defer the speaking thereof to another time, and that for two reasons: the one is, that the matter might be heard in the presence of *P. Scipio*, who recovered *Loeri*; & was an eye-witness of all that we have done, be it good or bad; the other is this, that howsoever we be, yet we should not have abidden those calamities in such sort as we have supported them. We cannot dissemble (my LL.) nor conceal, how all the while that we had the Carthaginian garrison within our Cattle, we suffered many foul outrages and shameful villanies, both at *Anibal*'s hands (the Captain of the garrison) as also from the Numidians and Africans: but what are they in comparison of the abuses & indignities that we endure at this day? May it please you (my LL.) to give us the hearing of those things with patience, that I shall utter even against my will with grievance. All the world at this day is in suspense, & standeth in great doubt, whether to fee you or the Carthaginians, the Sovereign Lords of the whole earth. But if they were to weigh and counterpoise the Roman and Carthaginian Empire, by those injuries which have been offered to us of *Loeri*, either from them or your garrison; and which at this day, more than ever before, we still endure: there is none but would rather make choice of them to be their sovereign LL, than the Romans. And yet consider, I pray you, and see how well affected the Locrians are towards you: when we were nothing so hardly used, nor so ill entreated by the Carthaginians, yet we had recourse unto your Captain General: and now that we are misused of your garrison, and put to more sorrow than if we were professed enemies, yet we have run no whither with our complaints but unto your selves. Either that you (my LL.) vouchsafe to have compassion of our miserable state, or else we see not what we have left wherein we should pray unto the immortal Gods, for to be good and propitius unto us. *Quintus* Lieutenant to the General *Scipio*, was sent with a strong garrison and power of men to recover *Loeri* out of the hands of the Carthaginians; and with the very same garrison was he sent there: but this Lieutenant of yours (for, the extremity of miseries and afflictions wherewith we are driven, maketh us bold, and putteth courage in us to speak our minds freely finding nothing at all in him of a man, my Lords; but the bare shape and outward form; nor of a Roman citizen, unless it be the habit of apparel which he weareth, and the sound of the Latin tongue which he speaketh. A very plague he is & no better, a monstrous & ugly beast, like unto that, which sometimes (if old tales and fables be true) haunted the narrow seas between us and *Sicily*, for to devour all passengers that failed by. Who, if he could have content himself alone to have stilled & wrought upon us your allies, all mischiefous acts & pranks, of wickedness, of filthy words, and greedy covetousness, we would peradventure in all patience & long sufferance, have filled up that one gulf and pit were it never so deep, & satisfied one gorge never so unsatiable. But now that one gulf & pleasure hath he taken, that all lewd & licentious parts, all shameful acts and so great a delight & pleasure hath he taken, & in every place committed, that he hath made all your villanies should be commonly practised & in every place committed, that he hath made all your Centinels very *Pleminius*, yea, and your souldiers as bad as himself. All of them can skill now of robbing, rifling, spoiling, beating, wounding, and killing; they are all good at forcing of dames, ladies of honor, at ravishing and deflowering of young Virgins, at abusing (against kind) of younglings, free born and well defended, whom they pull perforce from between the arms, and out of the very bosoms of their parents. Daily is our City assaulted and taken; daily is it sicked and pillaged, night and day, there is no place free, but ringeth again with the piteous shrieks and lamentable plaints and cries of women and children, harried and carried away in every place. He that were a stranger to these things, and knew nothing, might wonder well enough, how either we N can possibly hold out in suffering such outrages, or they which are the doers, not yet be satisfied and full of committing so great wrongs and injuries. For neither will my tongue and utterance serve to deliver, nor needful is it and expedient for you to hear every thing in particular, what we have sustained. But in general I will compromise and knit up altogether, I will abide by it that there is not one house throughout all *Loeri*, dare avouch there is no person either one or other, exempt from the wrongs that he hath done. I say, & stand to it, that there is no kind of wickedness, no manner of filthy lust & uncleanness, no untractable avarice besides, that he hath not assailed to practise upon as many as were capable thereof, & fit subjects to work upon. Hardly can a man devise and think, whether of these two mischiefous incident to a City be more detestable, either when the enemies force it by assault in time of war, or when a pestilent & cruel tyrant oppresseth it by force & arms during peace. All calamities we endured before, that Towns won and lost are put unto. And now at this hour more than ever (my LL.) *Pleminius* hath perpetrated upon us, our children & our wives, all those excessive villanies, that the most inhumane, cruel & outrageous of our tyrants can devise to exercise upon those subjects, whom they keep down with oppression & tread under foot. Yet one thing there is (right honorable) whereof both sense of religion importuned & engendered naturally in our minds, constrains us to make particular complaint by speciality; and

A "and also our desire is, that ye should have the hearing, yea, and to absolve and discharge your Commonwealth of the scruple of conscience, in case ye think it to meet and require. For we have observed and seen with our eyes, with what devotion and ceremonial reverence, you not only honor and worship the Gods of your own, but also receive and entertain those of strangers and forrainers. We have in our City a Chappel of *Proserpina*, concerning the holiness of which house, I suppose verily, that ye have heard some report and fame, during the war of King *Pyrrius*; who in his return out of *Sicily*, passing along the sea side with his fleet by *Loeri*, among other shameful villanies and outrages which he committed against our City in despite of us, and for our fidelity shewed toward you, pillaged also and robbed the treasure of this *Proserpina*, which to that day had never been touched by any man whatsoever. And when he had it done, he embarked the money, & sent it away by water, but journeyed himself by Land. But fee what happened my LL, hereupon! His whole navy the morrow after, was all even tossed, split, & torn a pieces in a most hideous gulf and horrible tempest, save only those ships wherein that sacred treasure was belloved, which were cast upon our coast & driven ashore. Whereupon this King, as proud & fierce a Prince as he was, being taught by so great harms and losses, to believe that there were Gods in heaven that ruled all: made diligent search for all the laid monies, and caused the same to be brought back again, and laid up in the treasury of *Proserpina*. And yet for all that, never picked he well in any thing that he went about, from that day forward. Hunted he was and chased dead out of *Italy*, and coming by chance one night, & entering unadvisedly the City of *Argos*, he died an obsecrate, base, and dishonorable death. And notwithstanding your Lieutenant, your Colonels, and knight Marshalls heard of this and a thousand more such instances & examples which were recounted unto them (not for to amplify and set out with the highest the great religion and holiness of the place; but as we and our ancestors have had right evident proof, and that full oftentimes, to shew the manifest power and puissance of that goddes; yet were they so hardy, as to lay their theevish and sacrilegious hands upon those treasures, that were inviolate and not to be touched; and so by that cursed prize and booty have polluted themselves, their houses, and their souldiers. Whole service take heed my LL, as ye render your selves and your credit, how ye employ either in *Italy* or in *Africa*, in any of your affairs and wars there; before ye purge and expiate this foul and heinous fact: for fear lest they make amends, and pay for this detestable forfeit, not only which their own blood, but also with some publick loss & calamity of the whole State. And even already my LL, the ire and displeasure of the goddes hath been well seen upon your Captains and souldiers both, & at this present day continueth still, sundry times they have been together by the ears, and scuffled one against another with banners displayed, *Pleminius* the Captain bare up one side, and two Marshalls or military Tribuns another. Never fought they more fiercely & sharply with the Carthaginians in the field, than amongst themselves in fraies at the sword point. And through their furious rage they had given *Anibal* good opportunity and vantage to regain *Loeri* into his own hands; but that *Scipio*, whom we sent for, came in the mean time upon him. But peradventure (some will say) this madnes and fury bantereth and tormenteth the souldiers only, who are tainted with the foresaid sacrilege, and no power at all of the goddes hath been shewed in punishing the leaders and captains themselves. Nay I wot, in them it hath most evidently appeared. The Tribuns have been beaten with rods by the Lieutenant; & the Lieutenant again, being laid for by the said Tribuns, and caught in a train, hath not only been mangled all his body over, but when they had cut off his nose, and cropt his ears, was left for dead in the place. And afterwards, when the Lieutenant was recovered and cured of his hurts, he first imprisoned the Tribuns; then he scourged them; & after he had martyred them, & put them to all exquisite tortures that might be devised against bondslaves, he put them to death; & when they were dead, would not suffer them to be entred. Thus ye see how the goddes hath punished and taken vengeance of them that have pillaged and robbed her Temple; & never will she give over to torment and harry them with all manner of furies and hellish fiends, before the sacred money be again bestowed in the chests & coffers of her treasury. Our ancestors long ago in time of grievous and cruel war between them and the Crotonians, because the Temple standeth without the City, were desirous to remove that treasure and money from thence, into the City. But in the night there was a voice heard from out of the shrine, that they should hold their hands off; that the goddes herself knew well enough how to defend her own Temple. And because upon this warning they made it a matter of conscience, & were afraid to fit the treasure from thence, they would needs cast a strong wall about the said Temple; & when it was brought up to a good height from the ground, behold, suddenly at once all the work came tumbling down. But both now, and oftentimes besides, hath this goddes either guarded her seat & chapel, or else if it hath been any way violated, the hath been grievously revenged by some fearful example of them that have seemed to offer violence to the same. Now for the wrongs that we abide, he is not alone; neither is there any other but your selves (my Lords) to right us, and revenge our quarrel. You are they whom we flee unto; unto your protection only in all humble manner, we have recourse, And all one it is to us, whether ye suffer *Loeri* to be under that Lieutenant and that garrison or yeeld us unto *Anibal* in his anger, and to the Carthaginians, for to wreak their teen upon us & our throats. Neither require we, that you should credit and believe our complaint of him that is not now in place, without liberty of his answer, & pleading for himself. Let him come hardly; let him be at the hearing himself, and spare not, let him in Gods name clear



also in person to *Scipio*, to be eye-witnesses and to make report at *Rome* of their own knowledge, it as touching the manner of apparel, the idle life of the General, and the loose, dissolute, and corrupt military discipline of his soldiers: so life and common in many mens mouths. Against their coming to *Syracuse*, *Scipio* was provided of deeds to approve his innocency, and not of words to excuse his folly. He gave order for all his forces there to meet, and for his armada to be in readiness, as if he were that day to give battail both by Land and Sea to the Carthaginians. The very same day that they arrived thither, they were friendly received and courteously entertained by *Scipio*. The morrow after, he shewed them all his forces, as well for Land as Sea service: not only furnished, well appointed, and in readines; but the one fort, namely the land soldiers, running, and charging one another at turney; and the Sea servants likewise within the haven, representing naval combat with their ships. Then he led the Pretor and the other commissioners all about, to see the arsenal and armory, the store-houses the garners of corn, and all other provision and furniture for the war. At the view and sight whereof, they were stricken with such exceeding admiration, both of every thing in particular, and of all in general, that they were fully persuaded, that either by the conduct of that Captain and valour of that army, the Carthaginians might be overcome and conquered, or by none other in the world: yes, and they willed him in the name of God, without more ado to pass over into *Africk*, and with all speed possible to make the people of *Rome* to enjoy the effect of that hope which they conceived that very day, on which all the Centuries nominated and declared him with one voice the former Consul of the twain: and with joyous hearts they took their leave and departed from thence, as if they were to bring tidings to *Rome* of a glorious victory; and not to make relation and report of a magnificent and flatly preparation for war. *Pleminius* and all they that were likewise attainted and guilty, after they came to *Rome*, were immediately clapt up and laid fast in prison. At the first time when they were brought out before the people by the Tribunes, they could find no grace, no favour nor mercy amongst them, their minds were so forsailed and possessed aforehand, with the consideration of the wofull miseries and calamities of the poor Locrians. But afterwards, being produced oftner unto them, as the hatred conceived against him, began to wear and decay, so mens anger grew to awe and soften: besides the pitious plight and deformed hew of *Pleminius* there present, and the remembrance withal, of *Scipio* now absent, gat him some favour with the people. Yet he died in prison, before his cause was judicially tried, and definitive sentence of him passed, *Clodius Licinius* repeateth in this third book of the Roman histories, that this *Pleminius* in the time of the games which *Africanus* second time Consul, exhibited at *Rome*, according to a vow by him made, went about (by the help of some whom he had corrupted and waged for money) to set the City on fire in divers places, thereby to have opportunity to break prison and make escape: but when his wicked purpose was once disclosed and brought to light, he was condemned and awarded by and of Senat to the dungeon *Tullianum*. But as for *Scipio*, there were no words made of him, neither come he in question any where else but in the Senat: where all with one accord, both commissioners and Tribunes by extolling and magnifying with glorious words, the navy, the army and the Captain, brought it so about, that the Senat thought good and were agreed, that with all convenient speed *Scipio* should over into *Africk*, and have liberty granted out of those armies which were in *Sicily*, to make choice of those whom he would himself transport over with him into *Africk*, and whom he would leave behind for the guard and defence of the Province.

Whiles these things passed thus amongst the Romans; the Carthaginians also having spent all the winter time in much suspicion and continual fear, hearkning to all news, and enquiring fearfully of every messenger, and keeping watch upon all their promontories and high hills by the Sea side, beset themselves likewise, and procured the society and alliance of *K. Syphax*, a matter of no small importance for the safeguard and defence of *Africk*, in hope and confidence of what amity and friendship especially, they were persuaded, that *Scipio* intended to fall over into *Africk*. Now there had been already between *Asdrubal* the son of *Gisgo* and the King, not only familiar acquaintance by way of kind welcoming and reciprocal hospitality, since the time (as hath been said before) that *Scipio* and *Asdrubal* fortune to meet at one time together in the Kings house, when they came out of *Spain*: but also some treaty was already begun of alliance and amity, and a motion made, that the King should espouse and wed the daughter of *Asdrubal*. For the pleasure of this matter, and the appointment of a certain day for the solemnizing of the marriage (for now the Damoel was ready for an husband, and marriageable) *Asdrubal* took a journey, and seeing the King burning in love (as these Numidians of all other barbarous nations are most given that way, and exceeding amorous) he sent for the maiden from *Carthage*, and hastened the wedding. And among other congratulations that passed between to the end, that besides the private affinity there should be also a public league, there was an alliance concluded between the people of *Carthage* and the King, by giving and taking their faithful promise interchangeably and obliging themselves by a solemn oath one to the other to observe it as well offensive as defensive, and to have the same enemies, and the same friends for ever. But *Asdrubal* remembering both the friendship begun between *Scipio* and the King, and also how fickle and variable the natures of the Barbarians are; and fearing if *Scipio* should pass over into *Africk*, that this bond of wedlock would not be strong enough to hold the King in: took the time whiles this Numidian Prince was enamoured with his flesh love, induced him what with reasons, and what with the fair words and allurements of his young spouse, to send Embassadors into *Sicily* to *Scipio*, for to advise him not to

pass over into *Africk*, nor to rely upon any confidence of him, nor yet to build upon his former promises. For himself was not only linked in matrimony with a Citizen of *Carthage*, the daughter of that *Asdrubal* whom he law entertained as a guest in his court, but also joyined in a public league with the people of *Carthage*. And first he exhorted him that the Romans would war with the Carthaginians far from *Africk*, as hitherto they had done; for fear lest he should of necessity be forced to have an hand, and intermeddle in their quarrels; and so while he desired to avoid the danger and hostility of one part or other, be driven at length to side all one way: giving him more plainly to understand, that if *Scipio* would not forbear *Africk*, but needs come with an army against *Carthage*, then must he necessarily fight in defence of the land of *Africk*, wherein himself was born, and for the native country, for the father and house of his own wife. With this commission and direction were certain Orators sent unto *Scipio*, who met with him at *Syracuse*, and there delivered their message. *Scipio*, albeit he was disappointed greatly of his ground-work that he had laid for his wars in *Africk*, and put besides his good hopes; gave the Embassadors letters into the King, and sent them back again in all haste, before the thing were published and come abroad. In which letters he requested him earnestly to be advised and bethink himself that he brake not the rights either of friendship & hospitality begun with him, or of the league and society entered with the people of *Rome*: nor violated justice and faithful promise made by giving right hands; nor yet beguile and abuse the gods, the witnesses and judges of all covenants and agreements made. But forasmuch as the coming of those Numidians could not be concealed (for they went all about the City, and were daily conversant in the Generall his lodging: and if it should have been kept secret whereabout they came, it was to be doubted lest the truth the more it was smothered and dissembled, the more it would break forth and come to light: and so the army was to stand in fear, that they were to war at once both with the king and Carthaginians. *Scipio* therefore buzzed aforehand into mens heads, false devised matters, and so withdrew them from the understanding of the truth indeed. He assembled all his soldiers together, and said unto them, that now it was no longer staying and trifling out the time: bearing them in hand, that the Kings, his allies and confederates, importuned him to set over into *Africk* with all convenient speed; that *Masimissa* beforetime himself in person came to *Lalium*, grieving and complaining that the time ran thus on in delays and doing nothing; & *Syphax* now sent his Embassadors, making much and wondering what the cause should be of so long temporising: and requiring that either the army without more ado, should be sent over at once: or else if their minds and purposes were changed, to certify him so much, that he likewise might provide for himself and his kingdom. And therefore he did them to wit and understand, that he intended (now that he was sufficiently provided and furnished of all things; and considering that the impere might abide no farther stay.) to conduct his armada to *Lilybæum*, to wait the first good day of wind and weather, to take the seas for a bon-voiage, and with Gods grace and favour to set sail for *Africk*. His letters he dispatched to *Marcus Pomponius* to this effect, that if he thought it good, he should repair to *Lilybæum*, to the end they might commune and consult together: what Legions especially, and what number of soldiers he should transport over with him into *Africk*. In like manner, he sent a labour the maritime and sea coasts, to stay all the carriages and ships of burden, and to bring them away at once to *Lilybæum*. Now when all the ships and serviceable men in *Sicily* were assembled to *Lilybæum*, so as neither the City was able to receive the multitude of soldiers, nor the haven contain the number of the vessels, so earnestly minded they were all, and so hotly set upon their voyage into *Africk*, that they seemed as if they were conducted not to fight a war, but to enjoy the assured rewards of a victory. But especially above all others, the soldiers remaining of the Cannian army, were verily persuaded, that under this captain, or else none, by valiantly quitting themselves in the service of the Common-weal, they should be able to end and finish their ignominious and shameful soldiery. And *Scipio* himself made no base account of those kind of soldiers, as knowing full well that the defeat received at *Canna*, was not occasioned by their cowardice: neither were there throughout the Roman army any soldiers so ancient and of so long continuance, or so well experienced not only in many and sundry foughten fields, but also in the assaulting of towns and Cities. And these Legions of *Canna* were the fifth and sixth in order. Now when he had once resolved and given out, that he would transport them over with him into *Africk*, then he took a particular view of them, man by man. And having culled out those, and left them behind, whom he supposed unmeet and insufficient, he substituted in their place those whom he had brought with him out of *Italy*: and so fully he supplied and made up his number of those Legions: that either of them had six thousand and two hundred foot, and three hundred men of arms. He chose also out of the same army of *Canna*, both horsemen and footmen, of the allies and confederates of the Latine nation. What power of soldiers in the whole were set over into *Africk*, writers differ not a little in the number. In some authors I find, that they were twenty thousand foot, and two thousand and two hundred horse: in others, fifteen thousand footmen, and fifteen hundred horsemen. In some records again, they were more by one halfe and better, namely, that of horse and foot there were embarked five and thirty thousand. And others there be that have set down no number at all, amongst whom, as in a matter to doubtful and uncertain, I would my self be counted for one. But *Cato* for his part, as he forebore to put down any number at all, so he seemed for to imply an infinite multitude of them, in that he saith that wherery and shew that the soldiers set up, the very toils of the air fell down to the ground:

and he that had seen the multitude of them when they went a shipboard, would have said there had not been a man left behind either in Italy or in Sicily. Well how many or how few (over they were, Scipio himself took the charge to see the fouldiers embarked in good order, and without any tumult. As for the sailors and mariners, who were forced before to shipboard, C. Laelius the Admiral of the navy, kept them still and quiet within their ships. M. Pomponius the Pretor had commission for to furnish the armada with corn and victuals: who made provision of food and sustenance for 45 daies: of which there was of baked meats and other viands already dressed, as much as would suffice for 15 daies. Now when they were all embarked, he sent about to all the ships, certain pinnaces or cock-boats, and commanded all the pilots and masters of every ship, with two fouldiers apiece, to come into market place, there to receive their charge. When they were all met and assembled together, first he enquired of them whether they had provided and taken into their vessels fresh water sufficient both for man and beast, to hold out to many daies as their com would serve? and when answer was made that they had water in their ships to last five and forty daies: then he charged and commanded the fouldiers to keep silence and be quiet during their navigation, and without any strife and contention to be obedient unto the mariners, and willing to help in any ministry and service whatsoever, saying, that himself and L. Scipio would keep on the right wing with twenty strong ships with brazen beak heads, and C. Laelius the Admiral with M. Porcius the Treasurer on the left, with as many of the same sort, to wait over and guard the hulks and ships of burden: willing and requiring that there should be light in all their vessels, namely, that every brazen headed ship should have one: each Carrick twain; and the Admiral ship, wherein the General was, three lights, for a special mark, to be discerned from thence in the night. And so he commanded the Pilots to steer and direct their course for Emporia. [The territory hereabout is most fertile and fruitful, whereby the whole country aboundeth in plenty of all things: the barbarous peasants (as commonly it falleth out in battell and plentiful lands) are cowards, and unfit for war, and it was thought they might be surpris'd and subdued before any incur could come from Carthage.] When these directions were given, they were commanded to retire to their ships, and the next morning at the signal, with the help of the gods to weigh anchor, hoist up sails and away. Many Roman Armadoes had sometime let out of Sicily, and the very same port: but never any voyage all the time of that war, nor during the former, made so goodly a shew, and was to much looked on. And no marvel, for most of their other fleets were sent out only to rob and to fetch in booties and prizes. And yet if a man would esteem as L. Scipio by the number and greatness of ships, there had been sometime two Consuls together, who went over with a power of two complete armies: & in every of those fleets there were welcome as many war ships with brazen beak heads, as hulks & carricks in those that Scipio transported over. For besides fifty long ships of war, he had not all out four hundred ships of burden and passage to transport his army with. But if we would compare both wars together, the second seemed unto the Romans more sharp and cruel than the former: both because it was fought within Italy, and also by reason of to great overthrows of so many armies, together with the losse and death of their Generall captains. Moreover great expectation there was of Scipio the Commander and General of this voyage, a man much renowned and talked of, both in regard of his own noble acts of cavalry, and also of a speciall and singular fortune that followed him in all his exploits: where by he grew every day more glorious than other: which caused all mens hearts to be set upon him beside his very resolution and mind that he carried, to pass in Affrick, which all the while of that war entred not into the head of any Capraine before him: in that he gave it out abroad, That he meant to go over, with intent to draw and fetch Annibal out of Italy, and to deliver and translate the war into Affrick, and there to finish and make an end of it. There came running unto the haven to see the setting out of his Armado, the whole multitude, not only of the inhabitants of Lilybæum, but also the train of all the Embassages out of Sicily, which were come together for to accompany Scipio, and to do him honour, and also attended upon the Pretor of the province M. Pomponius. Over and besides, those legions also which were left behind in Sicily, went forward to bear their fellow fouldiers company. So that not only the army was a goodly prospect unto the beholders upon the land, but also the strand so overpread all about with numbers of people, made a brave and pleasant shew unto these passengers, that were in the ships. When day light once appeared, Scipio from out of the Admirall (after silence commanded by voice of the crier) praised in this wise: O ye gods and gooddeies all, that haunt and inhabit seas and lands both, I beseech and pray you to vouchsafe, that all that ever hath been done or attempted, is now intended, or shall hereafter be enterprised, during my conduct and government, may speed well, and turn to the good of my self, the people and commonalty of Rome, our allies, and especially those of the Latine nation; who by land, by sea, by rivers, follow the direction, command, government, and fortune of my self, and of the people of Rome, and that in all our actions ye would be good, gracious, favourable, and helpful unto us, and advance all our proceedings: that ye would grant us the victory over our enemies: and after we have subdued them, to continue safe and sound: and adorned with their goodly spoils, laden with rich pillage, to return home all together with glorious triumph: & give us the hand and opportunity to be revenged of our foes and mortall enemies: and deign me and the people of Rome that power and strength, to execute upon the City of the Carthaginians those fearful examples of cruelty, which the people of Carthage intended to practise and bring upon our City

The prayer  
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A "and state. After these prayers thus pronounced, he took the row inwards and portenance of the best killed for sacrifice (as the manner is) and flung them into the sea: and with that loud trumpet, gave the signal of departure.

Now were they under sail: having a good great gale of a forewind, they soon lost the sight of land. In the afternoon, there began to fall a thick mist; by reason whereof the ships could hardly avoid running one upon another. But when they were once in the main and deep sea, the wind became more mild: and all the night following, the same dark mist continued still. After the sun was once up it brake and dispersed, and then the wind again grew big and high, by which time they might discover land. And not long after, the pilot said unto Scipio, that they were not fall too leagues from Affrick; and that he saw well and discerned the cape or point of Messarim. B and if his will and pleasure were thither to direct their course, presently the whole armada should be in the road, Scipio so soon as he was within view of land, after he had made his prayers unto the gods, because this first discovery of Affrick to his own good and the benefit of the common-weal gave commandment to sail still, and to put with the shore and ride at anchor in some bay beneath. So they made way with the same wind. But about that very time as the day before, they were mist again, and lost the sight of land. And as the fog increased, the wind fell: the night also that came upon them besides, made all things more doubtful. Whereupon they cast anchor, for fear that the ships should hit one against another, or run aground. When day light arofe, the same wind was up again, but the foggy mist scattered; and then they might see plainly all the coast of Affrick. Scipio then demanded what promontory it was that he saw next; and hearing that the name of it was The head Pulebrum, [or The fair Cape] the name (quoth he) pleased me, and the preface thereof I like full well; even thither put the ships land, and so the armada entred the bay, and all the host was set ashore. Thus have I reported that they had a prosperous voyage without any fearful danger, or much trouble: giving credit hereunto very many writers, as well Greeks as Latines. Only Caelius (letting aside that the ships were not cast away and drowned amid the surging waves) writeth how other dangers both of water and weather encountered them in as much as at the last the Armado was driven by tempest from the coasts of Affrick, and fell upon the Island \* Aginnum, from whence they had much ado to recover their direct course again; and finally when the ships were at hand to sink under the water, then the fouldiers faring like men at point to suffer shipwreck, without licence and commandment of their General and without their armor, D in great fear made shift with boats to recover the shore.

The Romans thus being landed, pitched their tents among the hills next adjoining. By which time the terror and fearful fright of this their arrival was not entred only into the Maritime coasts and territories bounding upon the sea, first upon the discovery of the fleet, and afterwards by reason of the rumor and tumult of the army, as it came ashore; but also spread forward as far as to the good towns and very Cities. For not only the high waies were all filled and overpiled with multitudes of men, women and children, who went by heaps together one with another; but also the country peasants draw before them whole herds of cattel as a man would have said that had seen is, how all Affrick was like to be abandoned at once on a suddain: in such sort, as they put the Cities indeed in greater fear & perplexity than they were themselves, and especially Carthage above all others: where there was no lesse trouble and hurlyburly, then if it had been surpris'd and forced by the enemy. For since that time that M. Attilius Regulus, and L. Manlius were Coff, for the space almost of fifty years, they had not once so much as seen an army of Romans, but only certain fleets of rovers and men of war, who had landed at times, and made some rodes into the lands lying upon the sea side: and when they had harried some prizes, such as came next hand, they ever were retired again to the ships, before the alarm could be given to raise the country. The greater therefore now was both the sight and fright within the City. And to speak a truth, good cause they had; by reason that there was neither at home in readines an army of puissance to encounter the enemy, nor a captain of valour to conduct and lead an army. Asdrubal was the son of Gisco, for nobility and high parentage, for honour and renown, for wealth and riches, and besides for the new affinity then contracted with King, was of all others the personage by many degrees, yea, and the only man of the whole State. And him they remembered very well to have been foiled, discomfited, and beaten out of the field in Spain, by the self-same Scipio in divers and many battles. Also they made account, they were no more able to match the Captains man for man, than to compare and set their tumultuary power raised in bait, with the staid and experienced army of the Romans. Therefore they gave the alarm presently, as if Scipio were ready to assault Carthage out of hand: the gates with all speed were shut and made sure: the walls manned with fouldiers: the corps de guard set to watch and ward kept: and all the night following the sentinels duly relieved and maintained. The next day, 500 light horse were sent out as espials and vancuerers to discover and scour the quarters to the sea side; and withall to impeach them that were a disturbing and coming land: who chanced to light on the Romans corps de guard. For Scipio had sent away the fleet already to Utica, and before he was gone up into the land far from the sea, had encamped upon the next hills thereby, placed guards of horsemen in convenient places, and put out certain foragers into the fields and villages for to raise booties. These having entred skirmish with the Carthaginian corner and horsemen, slew a few of them in the very conflicts, but most of them as they fled and were followed in chase, amongst whom was Hanno also the provok marshal, a noble young gentleman. Scipio not only waited the country all about, but

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also was a City of the Africans that stood neereſt, and was of ſufficient wealth : where beſides ſome other pillage which was preſently imbarked in the ſhips of burden and ſent into *Sicily*, there were taken priſoners eight thouſand polles of free and bond one with another. But the greateſt joy and contentment that the Romans took in this new entrance, and beginning of their warlike affairs, was for the coming of *Mafaniſſa* : whom ſome report to have pretended himſelf with 200 horſe and no more : but the moſt do write that he came with 2000. But for as much as this *Mafaniſſa* was of all other Kings for hiſt time the greateſt Prince and moſt puſſant, and withall he that ſtood the Romans in beſt head and helped their ſtate, none like unto him : me thinks it were worth their labour, and would quit for all the paines, to digreſſe a little out of the way, for to ſhew and declare in what variety of alternative fortune he was toſſed, both in the loſſe and alſo in the recovery of the inheritance of his fathers kingdom.

This *Mafaniſſa*, while he was employed during the wars of *Spain*, in the defence and quarrell of the Carthaginians; his father, whoſe name was *Gala*, hapned to die : and then the kingdom fell by deſcent, according to the cuſtome and manner of the Numidians unto *Deſaleſ* the late Kings brother, a man of great years and very aged. And not long after, when *Deſaleſ* alſo was departed his life, *Capuſa* the elder of his two ſons, (for the other was a very child) ſucceeded in his fathers Kingdom. But for as much as he the foreſaid *Capuſa* maintained his royall ſtate and throne, more by reaſon of the authority and reputation that he carried among his friends and favourites, than by power and ſtrength; there aroſe up in arms one named *Mecetulus* (who alſo was deſcended of royall blood, but of an houſe that was ever of the adverſe and contrarie ſide) and contended in much variety of fortune about the crown, with thoſe who then ſwayed the ſcepter. This *Mecetulus* having gathered a power of his tenants, followers, and peſants of the country (with whom he carried a great ſtroke and was highly eſteemed, by reaſon of the hatred that they bare unto the Kings race) encamped openly and threwes himſelf in action, yet and forced the King to come into the field, and to trie the title of the crown in a field battell by dint of ſword. In which conſiſt, *Capuſa*, together with many of his peers and nobles were ſlain, and the whole nation and ſeignory of the Maſſilians, was reduced under the rule and obedience of *Mecetulus*. Howbeit he forbore to be called King : and contenting himſelf with the mean name of Tutor or Protector, gave the Kings ſtile to the child *Lacmax*, who only remained alſo of the Kings iſſue and line. He took to wife a noble dame and lady of *Carthage*, Annual his neceſſary hiſter who had been lately wedded unto King *Deſaleſ* : hoping thereby to enter into league and alliance with the Carthaginians : and beſides, for to renew the ancient familiarity and unity with *Syphax*, he ſent Embaſſadors unto him of purpoſe. Thus made he himſelf ſtrong ſtored againſt *Mafaniſſa*.

*Mafaniſſa* likewise for his part, being advertiſed of his uncles death, and alſo how his couſin german was deſcended, croſſed the ſea out of *Spain* over to *Mauritania*, at what time as *Beechar* was King of the Moors. At whoſe hands by humble ſure and importunate prayers in moſt lowly manner, he obtained a power of 4000 Moors to accompany him in the journey, for otherwiſe to employ them in war he might not. And after he had diſpatched a meſſenger afore-hand to thoſe that were his fathers friends and well-willers to himſelf, by that time that he was come with them to the confines of his realm, there met him almoſt 500 Numidians. Having therefore ſent back againſt the Moors from thence unto the King, according to covenant, albeit there was aſſembled together a ſmaller number of people than he hoped and looked for, and not ſo ſufficient that he durſt adventure upon ſo great an enterpriſe : and ſuppoſing withall, that by entering into ſome action, and by travell and endeavour, he ſhould gather ſtrength ſtill to perform ſome great exploit, he encountered at *Tibapſa* the young King *Lacmax*, as he journeyed unto *Syphax*. And when the Kings company in great fear fled into the town, *Mafaniſſa* both at the firſt aſſault won the town, and alſo of the Kings train received ſome that yielded themſelves, and ſlew otherſome that made reſiſtance in their own defence. But the greateſt part with the child himſelf the young Prince, got away in that tumult and eſcaped unto *Syphax*, unto whom at firſt they intended their journey. The fame of this ſmall thing, ſo happily achieved in the firſt beginning and entrance of his affairs, cauſed all the Numidians to revolt and ſide with *Mafaniſſa*. So as there flockt unto him from all parts of the country, and out of the villages, the old ſouldiers of King *Gala*, and incited the young Prince and ſet him on to recover his fathers kingdom. Now in number of ſouldiers, *Mecetulus* was a good deal ſuperior : for both himſelf and the ſame army ſtill entire, with which he had vanquiſhed *Capuſa*, beſides had ſome others that after the ſlaughter of the King, he had received out of their yielding : and alſo young *Lacmax* the infant, had brought great aids from *Syphax* : ſo that *Mecetulus* was fifteen thouſand foot, and ten thouſand horſe ſtrong. With whom *Mafaniſſa*, albeit he were nothing ſo puſſant either in foot or horſe, fought a battell; yet achieved he the victory through the approved valour of the old ſouldiers, and his own pollicy wiſedome, being a captain well experienced and exerciſed both in the Roman and Punick wars. The young Prince together with his tutor and protector, and ſome ſmall number of Maſſilians, fled and eſcaped into the territories of the Carthaginians. Thus *Mafaniſſa* having recovered his fathers Kingdom, and foreſeeing that there remained ſtill behind a far greater bickerment and encounter with *Syphax*, &c. taking it to be the beſt courſe and policy for him, to be reconciled and made friends with his couſin german : addreſſed certain meſſengers both unto the child, for to put him in good hope and aſſurance, that if he would ſubmit and yield himſelf under the protection

of *Mafaniſſa*, he ſhould live in as honourable place and degree with him, as *Deſaleſ* ſometime had done with his father *Gala* : and alſo to *Mecetulus* to give their word and promiſe unto him, not only for impunity of all treſpaſſes, but alſo for faithfull reſtitution of all things that were his. By which means he perſwaded both of them to take part with him : who made choice of a mean either at home in their own country, rather than to live in exile : notwithstanding the Carthaginians laboured all that ever they could to the contrary.

*Althab* hapned at that time when theſe occurrences fell out, to make his abode with *Syphax* : who finding the Numidian King *Syphax* reſolved upon this point, and fully perſwaded, that it mattered not, nor imported himſelf much, whether *Lacmax* or *Mafaniſſa* were King of the Maſſilians, replied unto him and ſaid; that he was ſouly deceived if he thought that *Mafaniſſa* would keep himſelf within thoſe terms; that either his father *Gala* or his uncle *Deſaleſ*, held them contented with : No, no, (quoth he) there is much more towardneſſe in him and far greater ſignes of hearty mind and forward wit and ſpirit apear in him, then ever ſhewed in any of his houſe and line before him. Full often hath he in *Spain* made good proof of rare valour and ſingular prowdeſſe, as well unto his friends as his enemies. And let both *Syphax* and the Carthaginians look as well about them as they can, for unleſſe they put out this ſparkle of fire betimes, and even at the firſt beginning, it will be their chance to be caught there with, when it ſhall burn forth; and able they ſhall not be to help the matter and quench the rage thereof. May, as yet his ſtrength is ſmall and ſtate, his forces ſmall, tender, and feeble; and not well united together to maintain his ſtate, unleſſe as he is in his Kingdom. Thus he importuned him ſtill by reaſons and perſuaſions, untill at length he reduced him to lead forth an army into the confines of the Maſſilians and there in that territory, about the title whereof he had oftentimes not only contended by plea and words with *Gala*, but alſo by arms and dint of ſword, to encamp himſelf as in his rightfull and undoubted inheritance : with this direction, that if any came againſt him to warn him off the ground, then to trie his intereſt by ſword : which was the only way to be taken and moſt for the purpoſe : but in caſe for fear of him they quit the poſſeſſion quietly, then to advance forward into the heart of the kingdom; for either the Maſſilians would without battell render themſelves under ſubjection, or elſe in a pitched field not be able to ſtand out againſt him. Upon theſe ſuggeſtions *Syphax* was incited and prickd on : inſomuch as he made war upon *Mafaniſſa*, and in the firſt battell diſcomfited and put to flight the Maſſilians. And *Mafaniſſa* with ſome few horſemen fled out the field and cleaped unto a mountain which the inhabitants call *Balbus*. Certain whole families and houſholds with their ſheds and tents, together with their cattell (which is all their riches) went after and followed the King. But all the multitude of the Maſſilians beſides, did homage unto *Syphax* and came under his obedience. This mountain aforeſaid, which theſe exiles that fled their country were poſſeſſed of, was plentifull of graſſe well watered, and being ſo good for pasture to feed their cattell, it yielded ſufficient maintenance and food abundant, for the people that ſtied to live upon fleſh and milk. From hence they began at firſt to ſteal out by night and make rodes; but after wards in open day light to rob and ſpoil all the country about : but above all others to fire and burn the territory of the Carthaginians : both becauſe there were more prizes to be had from thence, than from the Numidians; & alſo for that it was more ſafe robbing and harrying there without danger. This they practiſed ſo long, ſo licentiouſly, and in ſuch ſcornfull manner, that now they would carrie their booties to the ſea ſide, and make markets & ſale thereof to the merchants : and for this purpoſe divers ſhips arrived thither to traffick : yea, and other whiles there were many of the Carthaginians cut off and came ſhort home, and more of them were either ſlain or taken priſoners then oftentimes in open war and ſet battells. The Carthaginians bewailed and complained of theſe matters unto *Syphax*, and ſpurred him forward (diſpoſed well enough as he was of himſelf to revenge) for to purſue the reliques of the war, in his own perſon. But for ſomuch as it was not thought to ſtand with the royall Maſtety of a King, to chaſe and hunt a rabble of vagrant thieves about the mountains ; therefore *Beechar* one of the Kings Captains, a right hardy and valorous man, was choſen to do the feat, and to perform that ſervice. Who had the command of four thouſand foot, and two thouſand horſe : and was promiſed beſides, great gifts and mighty rewards, in caſe he brought away the head of *Mafaniſſa* : but if he could take him priſoner alive, that were alone indeed, and a peerleſſe peece of work, of incalimable joy beyond all meaſure. He waiting his time when the enemies were ſtraggling reſtleſſely abroad, came upon them as unawares and charged them, and having ſingled from the guard of the armed ſouldiers, a huge number both of people and cattell, he forced *Mafaniſſa* himſelf with ſome few horſemen to take the top of the mountain. From whence after he had ſent away unto the King (as if the war had now been at point of an end) not only a great booty of people and cattell, the which he had taken, but alſo part of his forces, as being much greater in proportion, then for to diſpatch the remnants of a war, accompanied with no more then five hundred foot, and two hundred horſe, he purſued *Mafaniſſa* being come down from the hill tops, and there having betet and ſtopped the paſſages at both ends, encloſed him within the ſtreight and narrow valley. Where there was committed a great execution and ſlaughter of the Maſſilians, but *Mafaniſſa* with fifty horſemen and not above, got away through the unknown and hidden cranks of the mountain, and eſcaped the hands of the purſuers. Howbeit, *Beechar* traced him ſtill, and followed him at heels ſo narrowly, that near to the City *Clupſa* he overtook him in the plains, where he ſo ſtreightly environed him about, that he killed all his company every one, ſave only four horſemen.



With whom in that tumult he let slip as it were out of his hands *Mafaniffa* also himself fore-  
wounded and lost him clean. As he fled, he had still in his eye certain cornets of horsemen dispersed  
all over the plain, and some of them crossing the waies overtwaie to meet the enemy at every  
turn, and to intercept him. But he and the four horsemen with him fled forwards still, and took the  
great river before them: for their fear and flight was greater then to make any stay at the bank  
side, but to put their horses to it, and plunge in: where they were carried with the current of the  
stream and born to a side: two of them in the fight of the enemies were swallowed up of the deep  
whirlpools; himself also was supposed to have perished with them, but he and the other two horsemen  
besides caught hold of certain twigs of osiers that grew under the banks on the farther side. So  
*Boecbar* made an end of farther pursuit, as neither daring to take the river, nor believing that he  
had any enemy for to chafe. And thus returned he to the King with false news, that *Mafaniffa*  
was drowned. And divers posts and carriers were sent out to *Carthage*, to report these exceeding  
joyfull tidings. This rumour and fame of *Mafaniffa*'s death being noised all over *Africa*,  
wrought diversly in the minds of men. But *Mafaniffa* keeping himself close in a secret cave,  
whiles he cured his hurt with certain herbes, lived for some daies by the foraging and robbery of  
the other two horsemen. So soon as the wound was once healed up and skinned over, and that he  
thought himself able to abide the sitting and shaking of his horse, with exceeding courage & bold-  
nesse he set forward again to claim and recover his kingdom. And having in the way as he passed  
gotten together unto him not above forty horse, by that time he was come among the *Maffians*,  
and gave out openly who he was, he prevailed so much with them, that as well in regard of their  
ancient favour and love toward him, as also for the unexpected joy that they saw him alive and  
found, whom they verily believed to have been dead; within few daies there were gathered and  
assembled unto him 6000 foot, and 4000 horse. So as not only he was restored again, and put in  
full possession of his fathers Kingdom, but also wasted and spoiled the confederat nations of the  
*Carthaginians*, yea, and the frontiers and confines of the *Maffians*, which belongeth to the King-  
dome and dominion of *Syphax*. Having thus provoked *Syphax* to war, he set him down and en-  
camped between the Cities of *Ciriba* and *Hippo*, upon the ridge of certain hills, places of advantage  
and commodious in all respects. Then *Syphax* supposing it a greater peece of work, and of more  
importance then to be managed by his captains, sent part of his forces under the conduct of his  
son, the young Prince named *Vermina*, and gave order unto him to wheel about with his power,  
and whiles the enemy was amused upon himself one way, to charge upon him behind another  
way. So *Vermina* set forth, and took his way by night, because he was to give the charge cloake,  
and in secret. But *Syphax*, who was to lie with himself with banner displayed, and to bid the enemy  
battel, marched openly by day lights, and advanced forward. And when the time (as he thought)  
was come, wherein they that were sent about to fetch a compass, might reach to the place ap-  
pointed, himself also trusting as well in the multitude of his men, as in the ambush laid before  
the enemies back, let his battell in array; directly upon the side of the hill, which with gentle and  
casie ascent ariseth, and leadeth towards the enemy. *Mafaniffa* likewise arranged his men, pre-  
suming most of all in the plot of ground, which served much better for his advantage to fight. The  
battel was sharp and cruell, and for a long time doubtfull. Whiles the site of the place, and  
valour of the souldiers much helped *Mafaniffa*; and the number again on the other side, which  
exceeded beyond all measure, and made too great odds, availed *Syphax*. This multitude divided  
into two battalions, whiles the one was opposed affront the enemy, and the other compassed  
about their tail and back part, gave the victory cleer unto *Syphax*: inasmuch, as the enemy thus en-  
closed both before and behind, had no way in the world to escape. Whereupon all the footmen  
and horsemen both were either killed or taken prisoners. Only two hundred horsemen or very near  
to many, which were gathered in a ring together about *Mafaniffa*, he commanded to cast them-  
selves by troops and squadrons into three several companies, and so to pierce and break throughout  
first he appointed them a certain place before, where they should rally and meet together again  
after their scattered flight. Himself in person, at one side which he had propoised to himself before,  
made means to pass through the very peaks and darts of the enemies, and escaped. Two of those  
squadrons carried still behind, the one for fear yielded to the enemy, the other sticking to it, and  
making more resistance, was overcharged with shot of arrows and darts. But *Mafaniffa* winding  
in and out, to and fro, deluded *Vermina*, who pressed hard upon him, and followed himself at  
heels: and after he had wearied him out at length in tedious travail and desperate pursuit, caused  
him perforce to gave over the chase. Whiles he himself with seventy horse got away as far as  
to the left *Syrtis*, where he set up his rest, and quieted his conscience, in that he had no often right  
valiantly fought to recover the inheritance of his fathers Kingdom: and led his life between the  
\* *Punic* *Emporia* and the nation of the *Garamantians*, until the arrivall of the Roman navy, and C.  
*Latius* into *Africa*. These presumptions induce me to think and believe, that *Mafaniffa* came  
afterwards also unto *Scipio* with a small power of horsemen, rather then with any great aid. For  
that multitude was befitting the state of a Prince, established in his Kingdom, and this small num-  
ber becomed the mean condition and fortune of a poor exile and banished man.

Now to return again unto our story. The *Carthaginians* having lost the cornet of horsemen  
foretold, together with their captain, and raised another power of horse, by taking new numbers,  
made *Hanno* the son of *Amilca* commander over them. And first by messengers and letters

\* *Golfo di Capri*.  
These *Syrtis*,  
as well the  
greater as the  
lesse, are in the  
Mediterranean  
Sea near *Afri-  
ca* full of  
shelves and  
bars; and are  
called *Secche*  
or *Bazos de*  
*Barbaria*.  
\* The sea  
coasts near  
the *Syrtis*,  
are called for  
their fertility,  
as *Ortelius* hath  
noted out of  
*Polihini*.

A message they sent for *Afrubal* and *Syphax* one after another, and at last also even by Embassadors  
and Orators. As for *Afrubal*, they required him to succour his native country, beleagured in manner  
round about: *Syphax* they besought and requested to provide for the safety and fence of *Carthage*  
and all *Africa*.

At that time *Scipio* was encamped near *Vrica*, within a mile of the City: for he was removed  
from the sea side, where some few daies, he kept a standing camp close to the fleet. *Hanno* having  
received a power of Cavalry, nothing sufficient and strong enough to charge upon the enemy, nor  
so much as to guard and defend the country from waisting and spoiling, first before all other things  
he about and devised, how he might augment his number of horsemen by a new levy and enrol-  
ment. And albeit he rejected none of other nations, yet he levied and waged the Numidians es-  
pecially, the best horsemen simply in all *Africa*. Now had he gathered together upon four thou-  
sand horse, when he surprised a City named *Salera*, almost fifteen miles from the Roman camp,  
and when word was brought to *Scipio*, that so great a Cavalry took up their summer standing bar-  
bour within a town; *Tullius* (quoth he) I passe not, if they were more then they are, so long as they  
went to work, the lesse he was to slack his business, he sent *Mafaniffa* before with the horsemen,  
and gave commandment to ride up and down before the gates, to brave the enemy, and to train  
him forth to fight: with this direction, that when their whole multitude was sifted forth, and the  
skirmish grown to hot, that he might not well endure the charge, he should give ground, and re-  
tract by little and little, for he would himself come in due time to the battell. And staying no  
longer behind, then whiles he thought *Mafaniffa* who was gone before, had time enough to train  
the enemies forth, he followed after in person with the Roman horsemen, & marched closely under  
the hills (which stood fitly for the purpose, opposit between him and the enemy) about every turn-  
ing of the way. *Mafaniffa* for the purpose according to the direction given him, one while right  
courageously galloped before the gates, as though it would brave and terrifie the enemy, another  
while as it had been afraid himself, gave back; and by this counterfeit shew of fearfulness, he made  
the enemies more bold and venturous; and drew them on to pursue him rashly. But as  
yet they were not all gone forth, and their captain was diversly troubled, and had much ado with  
them, while he was fain to force and compell some that had taken their load of wine, and were  
heavy-beaded and sleepy withall, to arm themselves and to bridle their horses, and to stay others  
from running out of the gates at once confusedly, without order or array, and without their colours.  
*Mafaniffa* caught up those, and cut them short, that a part from their company at the first setting  
out, rode venturously forward, and took no heed to themselves: but anon when more of them  
rushed forth at once out of the gates, the skirmish was maintained with equal valour on both sides  
and at last, when the horsemen were abroad and joyned in battell, *Mafaniffa* was not possibly able  
to hold out any longer. Howbeit he fled not outright, but as he gave back leisurely, he received  
them as they violently charged upon him: so long, until he had trained them to those hills, under  
which the Roman Cavalry lay hidden. Then rose the horsemen from out of their ambush, them-  
selves in heart, and their horses fresh; and environed *Hanno* and the Africans, who with fighting  
and following were tired out and overwearied: *Mafaniffa* likewise turned his horses suddenly,  
and made head again, and returned to battell afresh: so there were environed, intercepted, and kil-  
led in the place together with *Hanno* himself the General, and the Africans, who with fighting  
were in the vanguard, and could not well retire themselves backward. The rest straggled with the  
death of their leader, fled with bridle on horse neck: whom for the space of three miles the con-  
querors followed in chase upon the spur, and either slew and took prisoners two thousand horse-  
men of them besides. Amongst whom there were, as it is for certain known, no fewer than two  
hundred naturall *Carthaginians*, men of armes, and divers of them of good mark, both in regard of  
wealth and riches, as also of birth and noble parentage.

It happened that the very same day when this hapned, the ships which had transported over the  
booty in to *Sicily*, returned back charged with provision of victuals, as if they had prelagged & fore-  
tolened by their arrivall, that they were come for a new pillage and fresh prizes. But all wit-  
nesses do not accord, that two *Carthaginian* captains of one name were slain in two battels of the  
Cavalry: for fear (as verily take it) left by telling one thing twice, they might seem to deceive and  
debaile the reader. Certes *Calpurnius* and *Valerius* report that *Hanno* was taken prisoner. Then *Scipio*  
bestowed rich gifts upon the captains and horsemen according to their good service, and as they  
every one deserved: but above all the rest, he highly rewarded *Mafaniffa*. And when he had  
placed a strong garrison in *Salera*, himself with the rest of his army made roades; and not only wa-  
sted and spoiled the lands and villages all the way as he went, but also forced and won certain Ci-  
ties and borough towns: and so having filled all places far and near with the terror of war & hosti-  
lity, he returned to the camp, the seventh day after he set forth bringing with him great numbers of  
people, much store of cattell and prizes of all sorts; and so dispatched away the ships a second time  
light and laden with spoils of the enemies. After this he set aside all light expeditions, small  
raides and leakage of the country towns, and bent his whole power and all his forces against *Vri-  
ca*, intending it he had once won it, to lazie himself there, and to make it his seat from thence  
forward, and a sure place of defence in all his other exploits that he meant to perform. Thither  
at the same time were the sea-servitors brought from the armada, to that part of the City where  
the greatest breach upon the walls: likewise the hand souldiers advanced from the hill that overlooked

the town, and joyneth in manner hard to the very walls. As for artillery and engines of battery it and assault, some they had brought with them, and others were sent out of *Sicily* with the victuals and daily new were made in the common Armory and Arsenal, where there were of purpose artificers continually kept at work for the framing of such fabricks and peeces of battery. The men of *Pisa* before thus round about on every side with to great preparation and ordinance of war, reported their whole hope and confidence in the Carthaginians; and the Carthaginians relied themselves upon *Asdrubal*, in case he should sollicite *Syphax* for to set to his helping hand. But all things went but slowly forward, and they bestrifed themselves not so quickly, as they should have done, who wanted so much aid as they did. And *Asdrubal* when he had with all the means and the best shift that he could make, gathered together thirty thousand foot and three thousand horse, yet durst he not approach the enemy, before the coming of *Syphax* to joyn with him. At length came *Syphax* with fifty thousand foot, and ten thousand horse: and immediately departing from *Carthage*, encamped not far from *Pisa* and the Roman camp. Whole arrival yet was so important, and wrought in this effect, that *Scipio* after forty dayes welcomer (during which time he had invested *Pisa* and tried all malices but in vain) was compelled to remove his siege & dislodge, without doing any good at all. For now the winter approached, and he fortified his standing leaguer for winter harbour upon a promontory, which joyning to the continent by a thin and narrow ridge of a bank, lieth out a good way and beareth into the sea. And with one and the self-same trench and rampier, he empaled both his army, and also the ships that lay up in the dock. The legions were quartered and lodged in the midst of the laid cape: the ships that were drawn up to land, and likewise the sailors and mariners, kept the strand on the north side of the hill; the horsemens took up the vall towards the south, upon the hanging and side thereof, shooting to the other shore. And these were the acts achieved in *Africk* until the end of Autumn.

Besides the provision of corn gathered from all parts out of the countries pillled and walked round about, and other store of victuals brought out of *Sicily* and *Italy*. *Cn. Octavius* the Vice-pretor arrived with a mighty deal of grain out of *Sardinia*, lent from *T. Claudius* the Pretor, who had the government of that Island: so as not only the old garners already made were replenished, but also those that were newly built. Only these wanted apparel for the army. Whereupon *Octavius* had in commission to break with the Pretor about that matter, namely, what liveries might be provided out of that province, and sent for the supply of that defect. Which business was not busily followed, but with all diligence performed in such sort, as in short space there were lent over 1200 side horsemens coats, and 12000 short caftcocks and jackets.

During the time of that summer wherein those occurrences passed in *Africk*, *P. Sempronius* the Consul who governed the Province of the *Bruttii*, slain suddenly in a disordered manner with *Annibal* upon the very way, within the territory of *Croton*: where the fight was maintained rather by squadrons and companies one to one, then by any set body of a ranged battell. The Romans were discomfited; and having lost in this conflict (which might more truly be called tumultuous scuffling than a full fight) upon 1200 of the Consuls army, they retired in great hurt and fear into their camp. Yet durst not the enemies make an assault upon them within their hold. But the Consul discomfited from thence in the dead time of the next night, and having dispatched a courier before unto *P. Licinius* the Vice-consul, for to come forward with his legions, he joyned his power unto them. So they returned again unto *Annibal*, being now two Generals, and two entire armies. And without any stay, to battell they went: whilst the Consul on the one side stood upon this his power redoubled and reinforced, & *Annibal* on the other side took heart for his fresh victory aforesaid. *Sempronius* advanced with his legions into the vanguard; *P. Licinius* with his kept the rearguards. The Consul at the very first shock and beginning of the conflict, vowed a chappell to *Fortuna* under the name of *Primitiva*, in case he might have the honour of that day, and vanquish his enemies. And furly his vow was heard, and he obtained his desire: for the Carthaginians was discomfited and put to flight, and more than four thousand armed men slain, three hundred or somewhat under taken prisoners, forty horse of service got alive, and a great number won and carried away. *Annibal* dismayed and daunted at this adverse and unlucky battell, withdrew his forces to *Croton*.

At the same time *M. Cornelius* the Consul, in another side of *Italy* held in some *Hetruria* not so much by force of armes, as by rigorous proceffe of law and severe justice: for all that country in manner was turned to *Mago*, and by his means and favor hoped for a change, and were altogether set upon novelties & an alteration of the state. The examinations and judicial trials of these matters the Consul followed by virtue of commission from the Senat, and not upon his own motive and seeking: and went through therewith, letting aside all partiality, nothing respective of favour or displeasure. In such sort, that many of the nobility of *Tuscan* (such as either had repaired themselves in person, or had sent their agents unto *Mago*, for to treat with him about the revolt and rebellion of the States wherein they lived) were at first, as many as made personal appearance, condemned: but afterwards, such as had guilty consciences, went into voluntary exile: and being condemned in their absence, in stead of their bodies which were gone out of the way, they yielded and left behind them their goods only, which might be forfeit and confiscat a pawns to pay for the punishment of their perions.

Whiles the Cons. was thus employed in divers places one from the other, the Censors in the mean

A mean time at *Rome*, *M. Livius* and *C. Claudius* held a new choice and review of Senators: and *Q. Fabius* was once again chosen the principall Senator and President of the Senat. Seven in number of them were noted with ignominy and disgrace, but not one of all those had sitten in the ivory chair and born office of state. They looked narrowly and most faithfully to the Publicans, that had the charge of the City-buildings to see them kept wind-tight and water-tight, and in sufficient reparations. They publicly gave order for a paved cause to be made, from the beasts market unto the temple of *Venus*, and all about the shops and scaffolds in the shew-places. Also the church \* *Magna Mater* [the gre. t. mother of the gods] they cused to be built in the mount Palatine. They instituted also a new tax and impost out of the provision of salt. And whereas both at *Rome* and throughout all *Italy*, salt was sold at a \* Sextant by the Modius, they let and fermed this commodity, to be leaved out of the same price still in *Rome*; but in the market towns and fairs, they enhanced the price higher, and in sundry places they rated it at divers prices. This tax was devised as all men verily beleived, by the one of the Censors, for anger, and an old grudge that he bare unto the people; because he had been in times past unjustly judged and condemned by them, and therefore in the prison and price of salt they supposed that those tribes were most pinched and charged who were the means of the hard doom that passed against him. Whereupon it came that this *Livius* was turnamed *Salinator*. The censur and numbering of the Citizens was finished the latter, because the Censors had sent about into all provinces, that the full number should be taken of all Roman Citizens, who were without in the armies, and presentment made accordingly. So there were registered in all, with those abroad two hundred and seven & fifty thousand persons. And *C. Claudius Nero* was that he performed and accomplished this numbering and assestment. After this there was a Censur or taxation taken of the twelve Colonies, a thing then brought up and never before. And according to the relation of the Censors they were entered into the subsidy book at *Rome*: that it might appear upon record in the publick instruments and writings, what number of able men for war they could make, and what every man was worth in money and goods. Then they began to take a survey of the gentlemen and knights at *Rome*. And it fortuned so, that both Censors had hories of the City provision and charges. And when the crier came to cite those of the tribe *Pollia* wherein the name of *M. Livius* was enrolled, & made forme stay to call the Censor himself by name: *C. N.* hardly (quoth *Nero*) for *M. Livius*. And whether it were upon the requies of an old cankered malice, or that he took a foolish pride and vain delight to seem forth to be severe and precise, he commanded *M. Livius* to sell his horse of service, because he had been sometimes a man condemned by the doom of the people. Semblably *M. Livius* when the crier was come unto the tribe *Narnensis*, and to the name of his colleague, awarded *C. Claudius* to sell and make away his great horse likewise; and that for two causes, the one for that he had born false witness and depoled wrongfully against him: the other, because he was not foundly and in truth of heart reconciled unto him, when they were made friends. Whereupon there grew a foul jar and contention between them, whilst they passed not to impeach and stein the credit one of the other even with the touch and hazard of their own good name and reputation. At the end of the Censorship, when *C. Claudius* had sworn to keep and observe the lawes, and was ascended up into the chamber of the Cities treasure; among the other names of those that he left as disfranchised and tributaries, he declared his colleague for one, and gave up his name in the roll. Afterwards came *M. Livius* into the chamber aforesaid, and letting aside the tribe *Metia* only (which neither had condemned himself, nor elected him a condemned person for Consul or Censor) he declared the whole people of *Rome* like wife suspended, even four and thirty tribes; and left them all no better then meer strangers and aliens, in regard of taxes and tributes: and why? because they had both condemned him, an innocent and guiltless man: and being thus condemned, had created him Coss. and Censor notwithstanding: neither could they deny but that they had erred and done amiss in their judgement, and twice in their elections. And among those four and thirty tribes, he pronounced that *C. Claudius* also should be reckoned for one: protesting moreover, that if he could have found any one precedent, to have led him to the disfranchising one man twice, he would have left *C. Claudius* by name, as a noted person by himself, in the checkroll of the City chamber.

Surely that reciprocall debate between the two Censors, in depraving and defaming one another was but a lewd and naughty part by them plaid: but this chastisement of the peoples levity and inconstancy, was a worthy thing, and befitting the Censors gravity of that time. While the Censors stood thus in exceeding disgrace and hatred with the people, *Cn. Cebius* a Tribune of the Commons taking his time and occasion hereby to rise and become great, ended them both and commenced an action against them before the body of the people. But this designment of his was soon dashed and came to nothing, though the generall accord and content of the LL. of the councell, to the end that in time to come, no such example might be extant upon record, that the Censors dignity should be expoled to the variable and inconstant pleasure of the people.

The lame summer in the Brutians country, *Peitila* had been already forced and won by the Cof. when as *Consentia* and *Pandusia*, with other mean and base peeces, willingly yielded themselves to his devotion. Now when the time drew neerer of the election of new magistrats, it was thought good that *Cornelius* should be sent for to *Rome* out of *Tuscan*, where there was no war at all, rather then the other Consul out of his province: who being come, created for Consuls *Cn. Servilius Capito*, and *Cn. Servilius Geminus*. After this, the court was assembled for the choosing of Pretours, where-

\* *Cybele*, or *Isis* dea Ac this time it appeareth by *Festus* and other that these were *Statennia* and not *Liberalis*, as *Rome* to that *Statennia* which before was the fixth part of an *Asse*, a cue or half farthing. English now was raised to the worth of the whole and valued at three farthings, the price of a Modius of salt in *Rome*, set down by *Livius Salinator*.

wherin were elected P. Cornelius Lentulus, P. Quintilius Varus, P. Atilius Papius, and P. Valerius Appianus. These two last were *Ædiles* of the Commons when they were chosen Pretors. The Consul after these elections were finished and past, returned unto his army again in *Hetruria*. Certain Priests and Prelats that year died, and new were chosen in their rooms. P. Venerius Philo, *Flamin* of *Adrs* was created, installed and inaugurated, instead of M. Amylius Regillus, who deceased the year before. And in place of M. Pomponius Mabo, who was both Augur and Decemvir, there was advanced into dignity of Decemvir, M. Arelcius Cotta: and into the office of Augur, T. Sempronius Gracchus, a very young man: a rare thing to be seen in those daies, in the bestowing of sacerdotal and church-promotions. In that year was set up in the capitol a chariot drawn with 4 steeds, all of beaten gold, by C. Livius and M. Servilius Geminus, *Ædiles* of the chair for the time being. The Romā games also were exhibited & renewed again for 3 daies: likewise the plays & pastimes called *Plebeii*, for other 3 daies by the *Ædiles* of the Commons, P. Atilius & P. Valerius. And for the great honour of those games, the feast of *Jupiter* was solemnly kept and celebrated.

## The thirtieth Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the thirtieth Book,

**I**N Africk, Scipio by the help of Malanilla in sundry battell, vanquished the Carthaginians, together with the afore-said Syphax King of the Numidians, and Aldrubal. He won and sacked two campes the enemies, wherein there perished by fire and sword, to the number of 40000 men. By the means of C. Laelius he took Syphax alive. Malanilla when he had taken prisoner queen Sophonista, the wife of Syphax and daughter of Aldrubal, by and by fell in love with her, and by way of marriage took her to wife: but being chastised and rebuked therefore by Scipio, he sent her away out of his camp, which she drank & thereof died. By manifold victories of Scipio it came to pass, that the Carthaginians driven to despair, were faine to call for Annibal out of Italy, to save the main chance, and defend their whole state: Who, in the 16 year of the wars, departed out of Italy, sailed over into Africk, & assiduously means of conference, to make peace with Scipio. And when they could not agree about the conditions & capitulations thereof, he fought, & was overthrown in the plain field. The Carthaginians as their fate & Crengell had peace granted. And when Silgo divided that peace, Annibal plucked him with his hand, & so after some excuse made of his rudeness in that behalf, himself spoke for peace. Mago who had fought with the Romans in the country of the Lusitanians, was grievously wounded, & being sent for home into Africk by certain ambassadors, in the way died of his hurt. Malanilla was fully refused to his kingdom. Scipio being returned to the City of Rome, had the glory of a most honourable and noble triumph: whereon, Q. Terentius Calleo, a Senator, followed with a cap [of freedom] upon his head. Scipio was surnamed *Africenus*: but doubtful it is, whether he came by that title through the favour of his souldiers before, or the general applause and affection of the people. But this is certain that he was the first general that ever was intitled in his stile, with the surname of a nation by himself conquered.

## The thirtieth Book of T. Livius.

**W**HEN Cn. Servilius Capius, and C. Servilius Geminus (Coss. in that year, whereby computation was the 16 of the 2 Punick war) propoied unto the Senat, concerning the affairs of the State, the managing of the wars, and the government of the provinces: the L.L. ordained and gave order, that the Coss. should either agree between themselves, or else call lots whether of them should go into the Brutian land against Annibal: and whether should take upon him the charge of the province of *Hetruria* and the Ligurians: with commission for him, whose hap it was to rule the province of *Bruttii*, to receive the army from P. Sempronius the Consul; and the said P. Sempronius (for he also as Vice-consul was to continue in place of government one year longer) to succeed in the room of P. Licinius, who was to return home to Rome. This P. Sempronius among other commendable parts (wherein no Citizen in his time was counted more sufficiently furnished than himself) was taken also for a brave warrior and man at arms. For being richly endued with all those good blessings that either nature or fortune can afford unto a man, he was both noble in birth, and wealthy in substance. In beautiful personage he excelled, for strength of body he far surpassed. Of tongue and speech he was thought most eloquent, whether he were to plead a cause at the bar, or occasion offered either in Senat house or before the assembly of the people to persuade or dissuade, to give counsel one way or other. In the Pontifical canons and laws, he was singularly well learned and skillful. Besides all these praise-worthy qualities (I say) his Consulship had given him experience also in military affairs, and made him a worthy souldier. The same order that was taken for the Brutian province

A voice, was also decreed for *Hetruria* and the Ligurians. M. Cornelius was commanded to put over and deliver up his army to the new Consul: and himself to continue still in government, and to rule the province of *France* with the strength of those legions which L. Scribonius the Pretor had under his charge the year before. After this, the Consuls call lots for their provinces. Unto Capius fell the *Bruttii*, unto Servilius Geminus, *Hetruria*. Then the Pretors provinces also were put to the choice of lottery. And P. Atilius his lot was to have the jurisdiction of the City of Rome: P. Lentulus to rule *Sardinia*: P. Valerius to govern *Sicily*: and Quintilius Varus to have the charge of *Arminum* with two legions, which were commanded by Sp. Lucretius. And Lucretius had his commission revived again for a longer time, to the end, that he might rectifie the town *Genoa*, which by Mago the Carthaginian had been rased and destroyed. As for P. Scipio his commission and government was not limited by any expresse time, but only with the end of the wars, and to continue until those wars in *Africk* were fully determined. A decree also passed, that there should be a solemn procession and supplication holden to this effect, and in these terms, that whereas he had sailed over into the province of *Africk*, this voyage and expedition of his might turn to the safety and good of the people of Rome, of himself, and his army. In *Sicily* were enrolled three thousand souldiers. And for as much as the whole strength and manhood of that province had been shipped over into *Africk*: for fear lest some Armado should cut over out of *Africk*, it was thought expedient to guard all the sea coasts of *Sicily*, with a fleet of 40 sail. And Valerius had with him into *Sicily* 13 ships, newly built; the rest of the old ships in *Sicily* were repaired. For Admiral of this armado was appointed M. Pomponius the Pretor of the former year, whose government was prorogued, and he embarked the new souldiers brought out of Italy. The like number of ships the L.L. of the Senat assigned unto Cn. Octavius the Pretor of the former year, with the same commission of government, for to defend the coasts of *Sardinia*. And Lentulus was commanded to allow unto the Pretor 2000 souldiers for to man and furnish those ships. Moreover, the sea coasts of Italy, because it was uncertain to what parts the Carthaginians would make out their navy (and like it was, that where they should cipy any place weak and disurnished of sufficient strength and garrison, thither they would direct and bend their forces) were committed to M. Marcius the Pretor of the former year, that he should scour the seas, and keep that side, with as many ships as the other. And for to furnish that fleet of his, the Consuls by order from the Senat enrolled three thousand souldiers, and reserved two legions besides, against all doubtful chances of war whatsoever. As for the two provinces of Spain, together with the armies there, and the whole government, they were appointed to the old Generals, L. Lentulus, and L. Manlius Acidinus. So the Roman wars for that year were maintained with 20 legions in all: & with a hundred and sixty ships of war. Then the Pretors were commanded to take their journey into their several provinces. Which the Consuls were charged before they departed from the City, to exhibit those great Games, but T. Manlius Torquatus the Dictator had vowed against the 5 years end, if it be the Commonwealth remained in the same good and fortunat estate, during that time.

Now there entered into mens minds new doubts and strange scruples of conscience, by reason divers prodigious sights and tokens reported out of many places. For believed it was that certain ravens not only pecked and rased with their bills, but also eat and devoured the gold in the Capitol. At *Asium* the mice and rats gnawed a crown of gold. About *Capua*, a huge number of locusts (but from whence they came, no man knew for certain) overpelt all the grounds, and filled the fields. At *Rome* there was a horie-colt foled with five feet. At *Anagnia* were seen in the element, at the first divers fire-lights shooting and flashing here and there; and afterwards a mighty blazing comet burning. At *Frußus* a certain arch compassed the sun with a thin couric like a line: and afterwards a greater circle of the sun enclosed the said rundle from without-forth. In the territory of *Arpi*, the earth in a plain champain field settled and sunk down and made an exceeding great chink. As one of the Consuls killed the first beast for sacrifice, the liver thereof was found headless. These monstrous tokens were expiat and purged with sacrifices of the bigger sort: and the collegd of the Priests and bishops shewed unto what gods the sacrifice should be made. These things once done and performed, the Consuls and Pretors went forth into their provinces: yet so, as all of them had a special regard of *Africk*, as if it had been their own province fallen unto every one of them by lot; either because they law that therein rested and consisted the whole importance of all affairs, and the main state of the wars: or else because they would gratifie and currie favour with Scipio, whom now the whole City in due court to, and chiefly respected. And therefore not only out of *Sardinia* as is before said, but also out of *Sicily* and *Spain* there was transported thither raiment and corn: yea, and armour also out of *Sicily*, and all kind of victuals, for the maintenance of the army. And albeit it was winter season, yet Scipio shaked no affairs and works of war: which being many, amused his mind at once on every side, and kept him continually occupied. For *Vica* he besieged, encamped he lay opposite to C. Annibal, and even within his sight: the Carthaginians were with their ships afove, and put to sea, and a navy they had rigged, furnished and trimmed, for to intercept all victuals that came. Amid these cares he forgot not to win again the love of Syphax, it haply now he had his fill of love-delights with his fresh wife, since he had the plentiful fruition thereof, as much as heart could desire. But Syphax rather tendered conditions of peace between the Romans and the Carthaginians, to wit, that the Romans should depart out of *Africk*, and the Carthaginians out of *Italy*: then seemed to give any hope, that he would revolt from the Carthaginians, in case the war con-

continued still. And for mine own part, I would rather believe that these matters were treated upon by entereourie of messengers, as most writers do report, than that *Syphax* himself in person, as *Antius Valerius* recorder, came into the Roman camp to asple and conference thereabout. At the first the Roman General, would scarcely lend his ear to hear those overtures: but afterwards, to the end that there might be some colourable and probable cause for his people to resort unto the camp of the enemies, he seemed not to freight-leace, nor to deny the same articles so flimsily, but pretended some hope, that by often debating thereof to and fro between them, they should at length grow to some good point and final agreement. The wintering harbours of the Carthaginians were in a manner all of wood, but built of slender stuff gathered out of the fields at a ventures hand over head, where they could meet withall. The Numidians for the most part lay in cabins and sheds, watted and wound with reeds especially, and covered and charched with mats of ledge and such like, here and there scattering without all order: in such sort, as some of them taking up their lodging at their own pleasure, without direction and commandment of any officer, quartered without the trench and rampier. *Scipio* advertised hereof, conceived good hope to find some opportunity one time or other to fire the camp of the enemies. Upon a certain day therefore, he sent in train of those Commissioners whom he addrested unto *Syphax*, in fteid of pages and drudges, and disguised in slaves and bondmens weeds, the bravest loudiers of a band, (men of approved valor, wisdom and discretion) who whiles the commissioners were busie in conference, should range about the camp, some one way, some another; to espie and mark all the passages and wiles in and out; to theife and form generally of the whole leaguer, and particularly of every part; where the Carthaginians quartered; where the Numidians lodged; what distance there was between *Asdrubal* his tents, and the Kings pavilions; to observe also and learn what order & the manner of their sentinels, their ward and watches, whether by night or by day they lay at more vantage to be surprized by an ambush. And according as there were divers meetings & conferences, and so of purpose some were sent one time, some at another; to the end that more & more still should have the spiall and full knowledge of all things in the enemies camp. Now whereas often that this matter was treated of, the greater hope of peace both *Syphax* had and the Carthaginians likewise by his means; the Delegates or Commissioners aforesaid of the Romans, said that they were expressly forbidden by their General to return without a full and resolute answer. And therefore they willed him to make short work at once, and to bethink himself what to do, either to stand upon his own determinat purpose (if he were resolved) or else to confult with *Asdrubal* and the Carthaginians, and determine accordingly. For now high time it is, say they either to conclude peace, or to prosecute war freshly, and to go through with it lustily. Thus while *Syphax* confulted with *Asdrubal*, and *Asdrubal* with the Carthaginians, both the espials had sufficient time to view and see all, and *Scipio* also good leisure to provide necessaries for his purpose; Moreover, by this motive and hope of peace, as well the Carthaginians as the Numidians, began commonly in such cases it falleth out) to be negligent and slack in forecast, and to provide thin in the mean while they came by no harme and detriment from the enemy. At length an answer was returned and some clauses put in, without all reason, and founding to much inconvenience, by occasion that the Romans seemed too too tame and desirous of a peace, which fell out very fitly for *Scipio* whose only desire was to pick some just quarrell for to break the truce and abstinence of war: and lo the next day (for in the mean time he said he would confere with his Counsel) he answered the Kings messenger in this wise, that besides himself alone, who laboured all in vain and could do no good, there was none liked of the peace: and therefore he willed him to report unto the King his master, that there was no other hope for *Syphax* to have peace with the Romans, unless he renounced and cast off quite the friendship of the Carthaginians. And thus he ended the treaty, that with free conscience being discharged of his promise in that behalf, he might go forward in his disengagements, and bring his enterprise to his desired issue. So having put his ships to sea (for now the prime of spring was come) he embarked in them his artillery, his ordinance and regiments of battery, as if he meant to assault *Vtica* on the sea side. And sent out two thousand loudiers, to possesse themselves of the hill that overlooked *Vtica*, which he had held and kept before, N both to withdraw the minds of the enemies from that which he secretly designed and intended, & amule them upon the care and regard of another thing; and also to prevent a mischief, that whiles himself should go against *Syphax* and *Asdrubal*, they might not fall forth of the City, and fill his camp, left with a small guard to defend it. Having made this way, and laid this ground aforeshand, he assembled his council, where he commanded as well the foresaid spies to lay forth and utter what they had seen and found, as also *Masaniassa*, who was acquainted with all the manner and fashions of the enemies: and then at last he declared and shewed unto them, what himself intended to execute the next night. Then he gave commandment to the Tribunes or Kn. Marshals, that so soon as the council was risen, and the court dismissed in the Generals pavilion, at the first sound of trumpets immediately they should bring their legions out of the camp. Thus according to his edict, the ensignes began a little before sun-setting to set forth. About the sixth watch they put the loudiers in array ready for to march, and by midnight (for they were to journey seven miles) they going a fair and soft pace, approached the enemies camp. There *Scipio* gave unto *Lelius* part of the forces together with *Masaniassa* and his band of Numidians, with direction to invade the camp of *Syphax*, and to set fire thereupon. Then calling them by themselves both apart one from the other, *Lelius* I mean and *Masaniassa*, he earnestly besought them of all love to make up and

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A recompence by carefull industrie and devoir that providence and forecast, which the darkness of the night disappointed them of. As for himself, he meant to set upon *Asdrubal* and the Carthaginian camp: but begin he would not, before he saw the fire amongst the kings tents. And it was not long ere it began: for as soon as the fire caught hold of the next pavilions whereupon it was cast, by and by it took all that were neerest, and so forward to those that joynted unto them, it spread into all places of the camp. And verily into a great fright they were all put, as they could not chioice, but needs must in a night scarsefire, which was run all over in so short a time. Howbeit they thought it some fire by mischance only, and not the hand of the enemy, by occasion and means of war: and therefore unarmed as they were, and lightly appointed without weapons they ran forth by heaps to quench the fire, and light full upon their armed enemies, the Numidians especially, who by *Masaniassa* that was well acquainted with the manner of the Kings camp, were befelwed in convenient places, at the ends of every avenue and path go. Many in their very beds and couches, between sleeping and waking, were consumed with the flame: many running headlong in this their hasty flight, one upon another, were in the streights of the gates troden under foot, or else thrust and crushed to death. The Sentinels and watch of the Carthaginians, espied at first the fire shining and flaming out; after whom others awakened and raised out of their nests by this mighty tumult and alarm, might behold and plainly see the same: but they likewise were deceived as well as the other, and believed verily that the fire began of it self by some misfortune, no man witt how. The confused noise and cry also, which was heard while they were a killing, flying and wounding, would not suffer them to know the truth indeed, whether the same arose upon their affright and luddain fear by night, or otherwise. And therefore every man naked as he was, and suspecting no practise at all of the enemy, at all the gates as they stood next, did what he could to bring with him such instruments and means as were to put out the fire: and hapned unswares upon the army of the Romans. Now after they were all misfaced and put to the sword to the last man, not only upon an ordinary hatred between enemies, but also because they might not escape so much as one to carry newes unto the rest: *Scipio* immediately entred the gates, being not warded, but altogether neglected, as in such a fearful garboil and hurlybury it was no marvel. They fell a flinging of fire upon the lodgings and sheds that stood next, to so the flame brake out and shewed at first as if it had been dispersed in many places: but afterwards catching and spreading from one tent to another as they joynted close together, they were all at once on a D light fire, and burnt every stick down to the ground. Men and cattell both, singed and scorched at the first, as they ran in piteous and fearfull sort away: but afterwards as they tumbled one upon another by heaps, flopped and choked up all the waies and avenues of the gates. And look who escaped the fire, fel upon the edge of the sword. Thus in one day were 2 camps clean consumed. Howbeit, both the Generals, and of so many thousands of armed men, only 2000 foot and 500 horse armed by balls, and many of them either wounded or else singed and half roiled with the fire, got away and escaped. There either were slain or burnt to ashes upon 40000 men: taken prisoners there were above 6000: among whom there hapned to be many gentlemen of the Carthaginians, and 11 Senators. Of ensignes were taken 178. Of Numidian horres for service more than 1700. Six Elephants got alive, eight perished either with fire or sword: and a mighty deal of armor. E me to their hands: all which the L. General *Scipio* consecrated to *Vulcan*, and let on fire. *Asdrubal* with some few Africans that fled with him, rid away upon the spur to the next City: and thither got all rest, who remained alive, following the tracks of their captain, and there saved themselves. But afterwards left that City should be yielded to *Scipio*, he quit the place and departed. Anon the Romans were received within the same at the gates standing open for them: and became willingly of themselves they rendred the town, there was no kind of hostility or violence offered unto them. But two other Cities one after another were forced and put to the ranack. All that pillage, as also whatsoever was saved out of the fire in the two camps, was freely given to the loudiers, *Syphax* encamped and fortified himself in a strong hold, almost eight miles off. But *Asdrubal* made halt to *Carthage*, for fear left upon the suddain sight occasioned by this fresh and late overthrow, things should go backward, and the Senat resolve upon some unmanly and unworthy counsell. Thither at the first arrived such fearfull newes, that all men thought verily that *Scipio* would give over *Vtica* and forthwith lay siege unto *Carthage*: whereupon there Suffetes (who are the Consuls as it were, of the City) called the Senat: where three opinions were delivered amongst them. The first advised to dispatch Embassadors to *Scipio* to treat for peace: the second, to send for *Annibal* home to the defence of his own country, against so dangerous and deadly a war: the third gave counsell, by example of the Romans constancy and resolution in their adversity, to repair the army and gather new forces, and to request *Syphax* not to abandon and give over the quarrell. This opinion, because *Asdrubal* was in place (and all those that sided with the Barchine house and faction, evermore inclined to war) prevailed and took effect. Hereupon they began to take masters in town and country: Orators were addrested to *Syphax*, who of himself with all his might and main, was busied to levy fresh forces, and preparing for new war. For his wife now, not as aforetime, by inticing words, flattering speeches, and pleasant allurements, that might serve the turn to win and move the heart of an amorous lover, but by way of prayer and pittull compassion had prevailed so much with him already: yea, and with piteous tears besought him, not to betray her natural father and native country, nor suffer *Carthage* to be burnt with flaming fire, like as the camps were consumed already.

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"The Embassadors also brought with them new hopes besides, which were presented unto them in as happy a time as might be; who reported, that they returned to meet with 4000 Celtiberians brave and lusty young men, about the City named *Olba*, which had been leveyed and hired in Spain by their Commissioners, of purpose sent to take up new soldiers: and that *Asdrubal* himself in person would be present with a power of no small importance. *Syphax* not only entertained these Orators with gracious speeches and courteous answers, but also shewed them a great number of Numidians, gathered out of the country towns; which some few daies before he had furnished with armour and horses; promising besides, that he would assemble all the young and able men for service throughout his whole realm. For well he wist, that the late loss and defeat hapned by occasion of fire, and not by fight: and never in war is a man to be repaired inferior, before he be vanquished by more forces in ranged battell. In this wise answered he the Embassadors. And after some few daies *Asdrubal* and *Syphax* once again joyntly their forces together: so as in all, their host amounted to the number well near of 30000 armed men.

Now when *Scipio* was wholly set upon the assault of *Vtica*, and at the point to bend his ordnance and artillery against the walls, as thinking verily that the war was already done with *Syphax* and the Carthaginians; the same of the war renewed by them afresh, averted him from his purpose, and caused him to give over that enterprise for a time. So leaving behind him certain small guards, as well by water as land, only for a sign and show of siege; himself with all the strength of his army, set forwards to meet the enemy. At the first he set him down and encamped upon an hill, four miles (or very near) distant from the Kings camp. The next day after, descended with his cavalry down into the great Plains or Downes (for so they call them) lying next the same hill; and spent that whole day in braving the standing corps de guard of the enemies before their camp, and playing upon them with skirmishes. And so for two daies together ten ensuing, they passed the time in divers tumultuous excursions between the one part and the other, without doing any great exploit worth the remembrance. On the fourth day, they entered both sides into the field, and embattailed themselves. *Scipio* marshalled his men in this wise: behind the Principes in a vanguard, he placed the foremost ensigns of his Maltati, or Spears; and the Triarii he bestowed in the rearward, for to second them. The Italian horsemen he set in the right point: the Numidian horse and *Masaniassa* he ranged in the left. *Syphax* and *Asdrubal* put their Numidians horse opposite to the Italians, and the Carthaginians to affront *Masaniassa*. In their main battell were planted the Celtiberians, to make head against the ensigns of the Roman legions. Thus ordered and arrayed, they encountered one another, and joyntly battell. At the first onset, both wings at once, as well the Numidians as the Carthaginians, were put back and forced to give ground: for neither the Numidians (being for the most part country people and rustic) were able to receive the Roman horsemen; nor the Carthaginians (raw and untrained soldiers) sufficient to hold out with *Masaniassa*, who (besides all other things) for his line and fresh victory, was so terrible, as there was no dealing with him. So the battell of the Celtiberians, naked and disurnished of both her points stood still; for neither saw they any likelihood to escape and save themselves by flight, considering they knew not the coast of the country; nor hope to obtain pardon at *Scipio* his hand, against whom, (deserving so well of them and their nation) they were come into *Africa* with a power of waged mercenary soldiers. So being environed on every side with the enemies, they fell one upon another, and obdantly dyed to the last man. But whilst all the enemies were wholly employed about them, *Syphax* and *Asdrubal* gained themselves some time to get away & escape. The victors (waryed rather with continual killing than long fighting) were overtaken with the night. The morrow after, *Scipio* sent unto *Lelina* and *Masaniassa*, with all the Roman and Numidian horse, and the nimblest and appointed footmen, after *Syphax* and *Asdrubal* for to follow the chase. Himself with the strength and body of the army, subdued all the Cities thereabout that were within the feignory of the Carthaginians: whom he partly forced by assault, and partly took by surrender for fear. Great was the flight yet more because at *Carthage*: and they thought no other but that *Scipio* being now in the train of conquest, would make halt to overrun the country; and when he had once brought under his subjection (and that with speed) all the other States there bordering, then at once he would come to assault *Carthage*. Therefore they fell to repair and make up the breaches of their walls, and to fortifie them with strong bulwarks: and every man did his best to bring out of the country all kind of provision, against the time they should abide a long and tedious siege. Few words or none at all of peace, but much talk of sending Embassadors to call home *Annibal*. The greatest part were of mind & gave advice, to make out the armada which stood ready rigged, for to intercept the Romans victuals, and to surprize and assault the Romans fleet, riding before *Vtica* treacherly without fear, and distrustful nothing: for peradventure they might also force the naval camp, left with a small guard for the defence thereof. And to this counsell the most inclined: yet they thought it good to send Embassadors to *Annibal*. For suppose that their navy should speed full well, and have the happiest success that they could wish, this only good would come thereof, that *Vtica* thereby might be in some sort eased of the freight siege wherewith it was invested: as for the defence of *Carthage* it self, they neither had any other General besides *Annibal*, nor army left but only his. Whereupon the next day after, the ships were shot into the water, and set afloat: and withall the Embassadors took their way towards *Italy*. All things were huddled up and done

in half; such was their fortune that pricked them forward, and gave them no further time. And look if any; one man flaked his business never so little, he was reputed to betray the whole state, and the safety of all.

*Scipio* now marching with an army, laden with the spoil and pillage of many Cities; sent the prisoners away, and all the prizes besides, unto the old camp before *Vtica*. And wholly let upon the conquest of *Carthage*, he surprised *Tunes* (a City abandoned of her guard left for defence) situate from *Carthage* almost twelve miles. The place, both by mans hand was strongly fenced, and by nature firely leated: and as it might be easily seen from *Carthage*, so it yielded a goodly prospect at work in fortifying themselves with a trench and rampier) discovered the enemies fleet, sailing from *Carthage* towards *Vtica*. Laying therefore their work aside, they founded the remove, and presently in half advanced their ensigns, to prevent that their own ships which stood close to the shore, bent wholly to the siege, and nothing fitted and furnished for a sea-fight, might not be surprised and boarded. For how possibly could ships heavily charged, carrying artillery, ordnance and engines of battery, be ever able to withstand an Armado nimble appointed, rigged and trimmed for the purpose with all ship furniture meet for battell, and manned besides with armed soldiers? How might our ships (I say) withstand the enemy, which either are converted to the use of merchant-ships of burden; or else so near set to the walls, that they serve in stead of a platform and bank, or else of bridges to enter upon the City? *Scipio* therefore, after he was thither come, and had bestowed his wars ships with brazen beaks behinds in the rearward near to land, which (as the manner is in fight at sea) might guard and defend the rest: opposed the Halks and Caricks in a four-fold rank and courie, in stead of a wall against the enemy. And because that in the tumult of the night, those ranges might not be broken and disordered, he laid the masts and sail-yards over-croise, reaching from ship to ship; and with strong cables he linked and fastened them all in one together, and laid boards and planks over them, that men might passe every way from one ship to another. But under those very bridges, he left certain spaces between, from whence the light pinnaces and frigots might make out to charge and recharge the enemy, and renew themselves thither again in safety. Having thus in half (according as the time would give him leave) set his masters in order; there were to the number almost of a thousand elect and choice soldiers put aboard into those ships of burden, to make head in the forefront, & withstand the violence of the enemies; and furnished they were with offensive weapons, but missive especially to shoot and sling from them: and such store thereof they had together, as might serve for the assault were it never so long. Thus appointed and prepared, they waited the coming of the enemies. The Carthaginians, who if they had made good speed, might have surprised them unawares, and found all pell-mell and out of order whilst they were troubled, frightened, and to seek what to do upon the sudden occurrence) fearing still as men out of heart and dismayed with so many toils by land, and thereupon distrustful themselves even at the sea also; where (no doubt) they were the better and more pusillart: and having trifled out all the live-long day, and sailed but slowly; about the sun-set arrived in the haven, which the Africans call *Ruseion*. And the next morning by sun-rising, they put forth into the open sea, and ranged their ships in order, as against a set naval battell; supposing that the Romans would make out and receive them. When they had stood thus a long time, and perceived the enemies not to stir or once to set forward, then at last they charged upon the forsaide hulks and ships of burden. The service was nothing like a sea-fight, but resembling for all the world the ships that are to assault the walls of some Town. For the hulks were a good deal taller and stood a loft over the enemies. And the Carthaginians out of their war ships armed and breasted with brazen beaks let fire many a dart in vain, as lancing them from beneath faintly against the higher place; whereas the shot from above out of the Caricks, was levelled with more strength and by reason of their own poise light also with greater force. The light pinnaces for pial, and the other small barkes, which made sallies from under the bridges aforesaid, framed of planks upon masts and sail-yards, at the first were encountered, overcharged and hidden only with the violence and greatness of those war-ships: but afterwards they were some trouble to the defendants of their own side; for that being intermingled amongst the enemies ships, their own fellows were forced oftentimes to stay their hands, and neither shoot arrow, nor lance dart, for fear of mistaking their enemies, and lighting amongst their own part. At the last, the enemies from out of the Carthaginian ships, began to cast out certain loggets, with iron hooks at the end (which the soldiers use to call *Harpagones*) [Grapples] for to take hold upon the Roman ships. Which when the Romans were not able to cut in sunder, no more then the very chains whereto they hang, and whereby they were flung, they might have seen (as any one of their enemies war-ships and gallees rowed back, and towed after it a Roman Carick hanging by the grapple end) the boards and ropes cut asunder, by which it was tied and fastned unto others, or else another range and comle of more ships together, to follow after the tail of the other. By this device especially were all the bridges torn and rent in peeces, and scarcely had the defendants any time and space to retire and passe into the second rank of ships behind. Thus there were about six Caricks of the Romans drawn away to *Carthage*, hanging at the poops of their gallees. Their gladness and rejoicing herat was much greater than the thing it self came to, and the more





\* *Tyrus* in  
*Thénicia*.  
Where, like as  
in other coun-  
tries of *Asia*,  
the people are  
most servile  
and very Ido-  
latrious to their  
Princes.

In that summer when these decrees passed at Rome, and those affairs were achieved in Africa, *P. Quintilius Varus* Pretor, and *M. Cornelius* Vice-consul, fought a set battell with *Mauro* the Carthaginian, in the territory of the *Insubrians*, within the province of *France*. In the

**Cn. Servilius**

Cn. Servilius the Consul having performed no worthy and memorable exploit, either in his province *Hetruria*, or in *France* (for thither he went also in the end) but only that he redeemed his father Cn. Servilius and his uncle C. Lutatius, from servitude and bondage, now sixteen years after they had been taken prisoners by the Boii before the village *Tantrum*, returned to *Rome*, with his father going on the one side, and his uncle on the other: a man famous rather for his private deeds, then renowned for any publick and honourable act worthy of remembrance. And a bill was preferred unto the people, that it should not be imputed for a trespass unto Cn. Servilius, that while his own father (who had sitten upon the ivory chair of estate) was living (and that unknown to him) he had been both Tribune and *Ædile* also of the Commons against the laws in that behalf provided. This act being passed and granted, he returned again into his province, Unto Cn. Servilius the Consul who was in the Brutians country, there revolted *Confenia*, *H. I. fujum*, *Verge*, *Bepidia*, *Hetriculum*, *Syphacum*, *Antanum*, *Dampetia*, and many other peeces of small account, upon occasion that they saw the Carthaginians war to wax cold and feeble. The same Consul fought a battell with *Annibal* in the territory of *Croton*: the manner of which fight is darkly and obscurely reported. For *Valerius Antias* saith, there were slain five thousand of the enemies: a thing of such consequence, that either it was meer impudency to forge it, or great negligence to overslip it. But the truth is, from that time forward nothing was done by *Annibal* in *Italy* for him also there came from *Carthage* Embassadors to call him home into *Africa*, even about the same time that the others did unto *Mago*. And as it is reported of him, all the whiles that he gave audience to the Embassadors, he gnashed and grinded his teeth, he kept a tighing and groning, yea, and hardly could forbear to shed tears. After they had delivered their Message according to their commission, Yea, may, quod he, now they go no more about the business which by covert means and under-hand to send for me home, but openly are seen in the action: who all this while in suffering no supplies either of men or money to be transported over unto me, thought to draw and hale me from hence. Well then, it is not the people of *Rome* to often by me defeated and put to flight, that hath by arms overcome *Annibal*, but it is the Senat of *Carthage*, with their backbiting and malicious envy. Neither will P. Scipio rejoyce so much, and beare himself proud upon this disgrace of my return, as *Hanno* will: who with the ruine and subversion of *Carthage*, hath overthrown our house and family, when by no other means he could effect it. Now *Annibal*, whose mind fore-gave him that such a thing would fall out, had prepared shipping abroad. And therefore after he had sent away the multitude of souldiers that were of small or no service, into the towns of the Brutians country, under a colour and shew of garisons for defence, which towns were but few, and the same rather held in by awe and fear, then abiding in obedience for love and loyalty, he took with him the whole strength and flour of his army, and crossed over into *Africa*. But before he went to sea, many of the Italian nation, who refusing to follow him into *Africa*, had taken for sanctuary the chappell of *Iuno Lacinia*, which never to that day had been violated and broken; notwithstanding the liberty of the place, he cruelly massacred in the very temple. Seldome by report had ever any man been known to leave his native soil and country, and depart into exile with more heavy heart, then *Annibal* did when he went out of his enemies land. Oftentimes he looked back to the coasts of *Italy*, blaming both God and man, yea, cursing himself and his own life, for that he had not straightwaies upon his fresh victory at *Cannæ*, his souldiers embred as they were with blood directly even to *Rome*. Scipio (quoth he) had the heart to go to *Carthage*, who when he was Consul, had never seen in *Italy* the Carthaginian enemy: and my self, having slain at *Therapsimus* and *Cannæ* 100000 armed men, have sitten still about *Caslinum*, *Cumes*, and *Nola*, wearing and decaying in strength every day more then other. In this manner he blamed himself, and complained of his hard hap and cursed fortune: and so he was pulled out of the possession of *Italy* that he held so long.

News came to *Rome* about one and the same time, that both *Mago* and *Annibal* were departed and onward on their journey: The joy of which twofold gratulation was the lesse in two regards, both for that their own captains seemed to have either little courage or small force to stay them behind, and impeach them for going, considering they had expresse order from the Senat to do so; as also because they at *Rome* were penive and doubtful, what would be the issue and end of following the whole weight of the war to bear and rest upon the shoulders of one only Capitaine and army.

And much about this time came the Saguntine Embassadors, bringing with them certain Carthaginians prisoners, who were taken with sums of money upon them, and had sailed into *Spain* for to levy and wage men for aid. The money they laid down in the very port-hall or entrie of the Senat-house, amounting to 250 pound weight of gold, and 800 pound weight of silver. The men they received and clapt them up fast in prison, the silver and gold both, they delivered again to the Embassadors, with many thanks, over and besides they gave them rewards and ships to return again into *Spain*. Then the grave and ancient Senators began to reason and discourse in this wise: That men naturally have lesse sense of good things then of bad: and feel not so soon their own weal as their woe. We remember say they, what fear, what fright and terror we were put in, when *Annibal* passed over into *Italy*. Lord, what losses, what lamentable misdoings hapned thereupon! The enemies camp was discovered and seen from the walls of the City, what vowings, what praying was there then, both of all and some! How often in assemblies and counsels were men seen to stretch out their hands to heaven, & to utter these words & cry aloud,

When

A When will that day come? and will it never be, that we shall see *Italy* again cleere of enemies, obtain repose, and flourish once more injoying happy peace? Now at length, even at 16 years end, and not before, the gods have vouchsafed us this blessing; and no man faith a word, nor maketh a motion of thanksgiving to their divine majesty therefore. And surely, if men know not how to accept with joy and thankfulness a benefit when it fall cometh, they will be far short, and fail much more to remember the same when once it is past. Hereupon they cryed out and called aloud with one voice from all parts of the Senat-house to P. *Ælius* the Pretor, for to propole the matter to the court there assembled: and a decree was granted, that for five daies there should be solemn processions and supplications in every church and chappell before the shrines of the gods and goddesses: and greater bratts killed for sacrifice to the number of 120.

B Now when *Lutius* and the Embassadors of *Masani* had their dispatch and were dismissed, tidings were brought of the Carthaginian Embassadors coming to the Senat to sue for peace, were seen at *Patrola*, and that from thence they would travell by land unto *Rome*. Whereupon it was thought good unto the Senat, that *Lutius* should be sent for again and called back, that he might be present, and at the hearing of the treating of peace. Q. *Fulvius Gellio* a Lieutenant of *Scipio* had the conducting of the Carthaginian Embassadors to *Rome*: who being forbidden to set foot within the City, were lodged without the in great hall named *Villa Publica*, and had audience given them of the Senat, assembled in the temple of *Bellona*. Who made in manner the very same speech that they had before unto *Scipio*, clearing the whole state and their publick council, and laying all the fault and blame upon *Annibal* for making war: saying, that he had no warrant, commission, and commandment from the Senat to passe over the *Alps*, nor so much as over *Iberia*: and that of his own head he took arms; and warred not upon the Romans only, but also upon the Saguntines. In consideration whereof, he that would esteem all things aright, and weigh the truth indeed, must needs judge, that for any thing done by the Senat and people of *Carthage*, the ancient league made with the people of *Rome*, hath continued to that day found and entire. And therefore nothing else had they in commission to sue for and request, but that they might maintain and remain still in that accord & league which was last concluded and contracted with *Lutatius* the Consul. Now when the Pretor, according to an ancient custome of their forefathers, had given liberty to whomsoever that would for to put interrogatories unto the Embassadors; and the elder sort, such as had been present at the making of the capitulations and covenants concerning the said peace, and demanded of them, some one thing, and some another; and the Embassadors answered again, that by occasion of their young age (for they were all in manner but young men) they remembered no such thing: the whole court from all parts thereof cryed out and said, that this was but a fraudulent and traitorous Carthaginian trick to chuse and fend such for to sue for the old peace which they themselves could not remember. And when the Embassadors were voided out of the Senat-house, and the opinions of the LL. demanded, *M. Livius* was of this mind, that Cn. Servilius the Consul, who was the neerer of the twain, should be sent for, that the treaty of peace might in his presence be consulted upon. For since that there could not lightly a weightier matter then it was, come afore them to be determined of, he thought it stood not with the honor and reputation of the people of *Rome*, that such a matter should be debated without the personal presence of both, or at the leastwise one of the Consuls. Q. *Metellus* (who three years before had been Consul and Dictator) spake to the cause in this manner. For as much as P. Scipio by defeating and putting to the sword whole armies, by walking and spoiling the territories of the enemies, had driven them to this exigent, that in humble sort they came to crave peace: and considering that no man living was better able to judge with what mind and intent they sued for this peace, then himself, who warred ever before the gates of *Carthage*; therefore no mans advice was to be heard, but only his, either to accept of the said peace in question, or to reject it. M. *Valerius Levinus*, who had been twice Consul, argued, that they were spies and not Embassadors, who now were come; and that it were a good deed to command them to avant and be packing out of the confines of *Italy*; & to fend with them certain men of purpose to guard them to their ships; yea, & to write unto *Scipio* to go forward with his wars & not to slack one jot. *Lutius* & *Fulvius* added moreover and said, that *Scipio* laid this especially for his ground, to hope there might be peace, in case *Annibal* and *Mago* were not called out of *Italy*: As for the Carthaginians, they would make semblant of any thing whatsoever, so long as they expected those leaders and those armies: but afterwards without remembrance of covenants, were they never so fresh and new, yea, and without respect of all the gods, they would (no doubt) maintain and continue the wars. In these regards they inclined the rather to *Levinus*, and approved his opinion. So the Embassadors were sent away without any peace obtained, or certain answer returned unto them.

Much about that time, Cn. Servilius the Consul, who made full reckoning that he should have the honour of bringing *Italy* into quietness, made pursuit after *Annibal*, as if he had been courted & driven out by him: and first sailed over into *Scily*, and then into *Africa*. Which being commonly noised and bruited abroad at *Rome*, at the first the LL. of the Senat thought good, that the Pretor should write unto the Consuls to this effect, that the Senat judged it meet and reason for him to return into *Italy*. But afterwards upon the Pretor his words, saying that the Consul would be brought by his letters, P. *Scipitius* was created of purpose Dictator, who by vertue of that more sovereign rule and authority, called the Consul presumptor home into *Italy*. And the rest

rest that year, be together with *M. Servilius* the General of the horse, spent in progress and visiting all the Cities of *Italy* which in time of war had shaken off their allegiance, and in taking due knowledge of all their crimes and reasons severally.

During the time of the truce, there fell forth also out of *Sardinia* from *Leontinus* the Pretor, an hundred hulks laden with victuals, together with a convoy and guard of twenty galleys of war, and passed over into *Africk* safe, both from the danger of the enemy, and also from the perill of tempests by sea. But *Cn. Octavius* as he was in his voyage from *Sicily*, with a fleet of two hundred hulks and thirty strong galleys, had not the like good speed. For as he sailed well near within the kenning of *Africk*, first he was calmed; then the wind turning South, troubled and disordered his ships, yea, and scattered them over the sea one from another. Himself with his galleys was wrought against the wind and the current, and with exceeding toil and labour of the oar-men, I doubt led the point of the cape of *Apello*, & there in the bay rode at anchor: but the hulks for the most part fell with the lland *Egimurus* (which shutteth upon the foreland, and lieth in the very mouth of that creek from the sea wherein *Carthage* standeth) almost ten leagues from the City: and some were driven by wind to a place called the *Hotwaters*, over against the City. All this hapned within the sight of *Carthage*. And therefore out of all parts of the City, was great running to the market place. The magistrates assembled the Senat; the people at the entry and porch of the Council house, called upon the Senators and cried out, that they should not let slip so great a booty out of their eyes and hands. Some alledged against them, the fidelity of treating of peace: others also objected the faithful promise of truce (the terme whereof was not yet expired.) But at last when both Senat and people were intermingled all in manner together, agreed it was by a general consent, that *Asdrubal* with a fleet of fifty sail, should cut over to *Egimurus* and so from thence rally and gather together the Roman ships dispersed along the coasts and the havens. And the hulks (abandoned of their mariners that were fled, first from the lland *Egimurus*, and afterwards from the *Hotwaters* aforesaid) were drawn and towed as it were at the tails of their own ships to *Carthage*. As yet the Embassadors were not returned from *Rome*, neither knew they what the resolution of the Roman Senat was concerning war or peace, nor the day of the truce determined. *Scipio* taking the wrong and indignity to be more balaious, in that the hope of peace and the assurance of truce should be violat by them first, who sought both for the one and the other: presently dispatched an embassage to *Carthage* *M. Behnius*, *L. Servilius*, and *L. Fabius*: who being by the concurrence and running together of the people, neer to a shrewd turn and mischief: and foreseeing their return like to be a dangerous, craved of the magistrates (who saved them from violence) to send certain ships to wait them. So they were allowed two galleys called *Tiremes*, which having conducted them until they were arrived at the river *Bagrada*, where they were within sight of the Roman camp; returned back again to *Carthage*. Now the Carthaginian Armado lay in the rode before *Vicia*. From thence there made out three galleys of four ranks of oars; whether it were upon some secret direction from *Carthage* so to do, or that *Asdrubal* the Admirall of the fleet, upon his own head adventured to foul an action (the state having no hand therein, and therefore not to be blamed) and elpying the Roman Galley of five banks of oars past the point of the cape, suddenly assailed her from the main sea. But neither could they invell and strike her with their beak heads, making to good way, and shifting to well by reason of her swiftness; neither could the armed souldiers from out of their lower vessels boord her being so tall a ship over them. And right valiantly she defended her self as long as shot lasted: which when it once failed, and that she had no other means to help her self, but only the nearness of the land and a number of souldiers who from the camp were run to the shore, with the losse only of the ship all the passengers escaped safe to land.

Thus the truce being doubtles broken with one wickedness coming in the neck of another, *Leontinus* and *Fulvius* came in the very nick from *Rome*, together with the Carthaginian Embassadors: unto whom *Scipio*, having given his word, that though the Carthaginians had not only broken the faith and assurance given of the truce, but also the law of arms, in abusing and evilly intreating the persons of the Embassadors, yet himself would do nothing to them unworthy either the order of the people of *Rome*, or unfitness his own manner and custome, dismissed the Embassadors, and made preparation for war.

When *Annibal* now approached the land of *Africk*, one of the mariners was commended to climb up to the top of the mast to discover the coast, and to see what part they were directed to: and when he made answer and said, that the prow made head upon a place called, the *Raines* *spalebre*; he mistook the omen and preface of that place, and commanded the pilot to passe by, and leave it: and to be put his fleet within the bay of *Lepis*, and there set his army a shore. And there were the affairs of *Africk* for that year. The acts ensuing, reach to that year, wherein *M. Servilius Geminus*, who then was General of the horse, and *J. Claudius Nero* were made Consuls. But in the end of that former year, when the Embassadors of the confederat Cities of *Grece* made complaints, that their territories were wasted by the Kings garrisons: and when they sent their Embassadors into *Macedonia*, for to demand satisfaction and restitution, they could not be admitted unto the King, nor have audience: and moreover, they gave intelligence, that there were ten thousand armed souldiers transported over into *Spain*, under the conduct of *Sipax* to aide the Carthaginians: and certain summes of money likewise sent with them: the Senat gave order that Embassadors should be addressed unto the King, to give him to understand,

At that the L.L. of the Senat took all this to be done against the tenure and form of the league. So there were sent *C. Terentius Varro*, *Cn. Manlius*, and *M. Aurelius*. And three galleys of five counte of oars they were allowed.

This was a year of special note, for a great scare-fire, whereby the publick cliff was burnt to ashes down to the ground: also for much abundance of rain and many floods, and exceeding cheapness of victual. For besides that all *Italy* was open by reason of a general peace throughout, *M. Valerius Fides*, and *M. Fabius Buteo*, *Ediles* of the chair, divided the great store of corn that was sent out of *Spain*, among the people, street by street, and let the price at four Asses the Modius. The same year *Q. Fabius Maximus* departed this life, a man of great years and exceeding old, if that be true which some writers report, that he was August 42 years. But certain it is that he was a man worthy of so great and honourable a surname, yea, and if it had begun first in himself. He surpassed the dignities of his father, he was equal in honor to his grand-father: *Rullus* his grand-father, I must needs say, had more titles of victories, and of greater battails: but one enemy of his, *Annibal*, may countervail them all, as many as they were. Howbeit, this man was counted more wary and advised, than hardy and forward: and as a man may well doubt whether by natural disposition he loved to take leisure in all his actions, or that it was a policy of his agreeable to the wars properly then in hand: so verily nothing is more certain than this, that as the Poet *Ennius* saith:

This only man by my self delay,  
Resist our state fall'n to decay.

C. His son *Q. Fabius Maximus* was inveited or installed Augur in his place, and for Bishop in his room (for two sacerdotal dignities he had) *Ser. Sulpicius Galba* was chosen. The Roman plaies were exhibited one day, and the Plebeian Games thrice wholly renued by the *Ediles* *M. Sextus Sabinus* and *Cn. Tremellius Flaccus*. They both, were made Pretors: and with them *C. Livius Salinator*, and *C. Aurelius Cotta*. The solem election of the Magistrates for that year, whether *Cn. Servilius* the Consul held, or (because of important business in *Tuscany*, about the examinations of the conspiracies there of certain great men, by commission from the Senate, which might keep him there) *P. Sulpicius* the Dictator by him nominated: it is uncertain, by reason of the variety and difference of writers in that behalf.

In the beginning of the year next following, *M. Servilius* and *T. Claudius*, after they had assembled the Senat in the Capitol, moved concerning the Provinces. And forasmuch as both of them desired *Africk*, they were willing that *Africk* and *Italy*, should be put to the choice of a Lottery. But by the especial travail of *Q. Marcellus*, the Province of *Africk* was neither granted nor denied to either of them. And the Consuls were commanded to deal with the Tribunes of the Commons, that if they thought to good, they would prefer a bill unto the people, to know whom they would have to war in *Africk*. So all the tribes in general gave their voices with *P. Scipio*. Nevertheless, the Consuls (for so the Senat had decreed before) cast lots for the Province of *Africk*. Thus *Africk* befall unto *T. Claudius*, namely, that he should sail over thither with an armado of fifty ships; all galleys of five ranks of oars, and be joyed in equal commision with *Scipio*. And *M. Servilius* had *Hetruria* allotted unto him. In the same Province *Cn. Servilius* also was to continue in government, in case it pleased the Senat to stay the Consul in the City. Of Pretors, *M. Sestius* by lot had the rule of *Gallia*, with order, that *P. Quintilius Varus* should make over unto him the Province and two legions. And *C. Livius* took the charge of the Brutii with the two legions, which the year before were commanded by *P. Sempronius* the Vice-consul, *Cn. Tremellius* was appointed to govern *Sicily*, and to receive of *P. Villus Tappulus* the Pretor of the former year, that Province and two legions. And ordered it was, that *Villius* as Propretor, should keep in obedience and defend the coast of *Sicily* with twenty ships of war, and a thousand souldiers; and that from thence, *M. Pomponius* should in the twenty ships behind embark one thousand and five hundred souldiers, and transport them over to *Rome*. Unto *C. Aurelius Cotta* was the civil jurisdiction of the City assigned. All the rest continued still in their government, and had their commissions newly signed, according as they had either provinces or armies under their hand. And with sixteen legions and no more, was the State of *Rome* that year maintained. Now to the end they might begin all enterprises in the name of the Gods and proceed therein with their grace and favour, order was given, that the Consuls before they went out to war, should first offer those games and plaies, and sacrifice those greater beasts which *T. Manlius* Dictator, in the year that *M. Claudius* *Marcellus*, and *T. Quintius* were Consuls, promised by solem vow, in case the Common-weal continued for five years following, in the same good estate as then it was. So the games were exhibited in the great Cirque or shew-place four daies together, and the sacrifices slain accordingly, as they were vowed to the Gods.

"But all this while, as mens hope, so their fear also encreased daily more and more, whiles they could not certainly resolve with themselves, whether they had more cause to rejoyce, that *Annibal* after sixteen years had abandoned *Italy*, and left the possession thereof free unto the people of *Rome*; or to be afraid, for that he had passed over into *Africk* with the safety of his army. For why? the place was only changed, and the danger all one. And surely *Q. Fabius* late deceased, no vain Prophet of so great a perill and hazard, was wont to foretell, and this was ever his long. That *Annibal* would be a more dangerous enemy at home in his own country, than he had been abroad in a forraign Land. And *Scipio* should find, that he had to deal neither with

\* Three penes English.



"*Syphax* (King of a rude, untaught, and barbarous country, who was wont to lead armies of idle & grooms, and little better than water-bearers and camp-slaves to keep one place, and not remove) nor with *Afarbal* his father in law, a Captain of all others most light of foot, and rambled to run away, nor yet with tumultuary armies taken up in batt and raised suddenly, consisting of a rabble of rustic clowns and peasants armed by the halves; but with *Annibal*, born in a tent within the camp, yea, and in the royal pavilion of his father, a most valiant Captain, bred and brought up amongst armed men: who long ago was no sooner a child, but he was a soldier, and before he came to the prime and flower of youth, became a General: who growing to be old in a continual course and train of victories, hath filled *Spain* and *France* from the one side to the other and *Italy* from the *Alpes* to the narrow seas, with the marks and memorable monuments of worthy and noble exploits; and leadeth still an army of as long standing and continuing in warfare as himself, hardened and beaten to endure all those things which hardly one would believe, men could abide and suffer, embred and bathed a thousand times in the blood of Romans, and carrying with him the spoils not of common soldiers only, but also of most brave Generals themselves, *Scipio* should be sure to encounter and meet in battail those who with their own hands had slain Pretors, for their good service in scaling of walls, and mounting over rampiers those I say who at their pleasure have ranged through the won camps and forced Cities of the Romans. Neither at this day have the Magistrates of the people of *Rome* so many bundles of rods, with axes born before them, as *Annibal* hath taken from the Roman Generals whom he hath slain, & can if he list shew and carry before him, Casting and tossing these doubts and fears in their eyes, they themselves increased their own care, and doubled their dread in this point also, that whereas they were wont for certain years to make war in sight of home, in diverse and sundry places of *Italy*, with a lingering kind of hope, without regarding any issue thereof like presently to enemies; *Scipio* and *Annibal*, Captains matched together (as one would say) to make a final end & trial of all, had set all mens minds a work to expect the event now or never. And even they also who had reposed exceeding confidence, and grounded no small hope of victory in *Scipio*, the more their spirits were amused upon it, and desirous to see a speedy effect, the greater was their care and doubt of the sequel. The Carthaginians for all the world were likewise affected and disquieted in mind. One while, beholding *Annibal*, and considering his noble and worthy acts, they repented that they sued for peace. Another while again, when they looked back and remembered, how twice they had been defeated in battail, *Syphax* slain, themselves driven out of *Spain*, chased and humbled out of *Italy*, and all this by the valor and policy of one man *Scipio*; they trembled for fear of him, as if he were the fatal Captain born for their ruin and utter destruction.

Now by this time was *Annibal* come as far as *Adrumetum*: from whence, after he had bestowed some few days in refreshing his sea-fick soldiers, he was roused with fearful posts that brought news, how all about *Carthage* was full of enemies and hostility: whereupon he made long journeys till he came to *Zama*. This *Zama* is a Town distant from *Carthage* five dayes journey. From thence he sent out espials, who being taken by the Roman warders, were brought before *Scipio*, and he caused them to be delivered unto the Tribuns or Marshals, with commandment, that they should be led throughout the camp: and suffered without all fear, to see whatsoever they desired. And when he had asked of them whether they had perused and considered every thing to their content, and enough to serve their turn; he sent them back again to *Annibal*, with a safe conduct to accompany them. *Annibal* took no pleasure at all in hearing of any thing that they reported: for (among other particulars) they brought news that *Masani* had chanced that very day to come thither with six thousand foot and four thousand horse. But most of all, he was troubled and cast down with the resolute confidence and assurance of the enemy: which no doubt (he thought) arose not of nothing. And therefore albeit himself was the only cause of that war, and by his arrival had disturbed the truce concluded, and the hope of peaceable covenants: yet supposing, that a more indifferent accord might be obtained, in case he sued therefor while he was entire and unfoiled, rather than after he were vanquished and overcome; he added N yet a messenger or purveyor unto *Scipio*, requesting that he might confer and commune with him. Whether he did this of his own accord, or by direction from the publick Council of the State, I have no reason to set down or avouch for certain, either the one or the other. *Valerius* Antius writeth, That he was by *Scipio* defeated in the first battel, wherein were slain in field 12000 armed men, and 1700 taken prisoners, whereupon himself in person came as Embassador, with other ten Orators into the camp unto *Scipio*. But howsoever it was, *Scipio* refused not to empare; and so, both Generals of purpose advanced forward and approached with their camps, to the end they might be nearer one to the other when they should meet in conference. *Scipio* made choice of a plot of ground not far from the City *Nadagara*: which as it was handsome and meet in other respects, so especially in this, that it had a watering place within an arrow shot. *Annibal* took an hill four miles from thence, sure enough and commodious otherwise, but only that they were far from water. In the mid way between they chose a plain, open on every side, where they might discover and see all about them, that no ambush there were laid: and after they had caused their armed soldiers to retire a like distance from either party, then came together with one truth-man or interpreter apeece, not only the greatest and bravest Captains of their time, but also equal to the mightiest Kings or Emperors of realm or nation that ever had been aforesaid

The interview of *Scipio* and *Annibal*.

The Oration of *Annibal* to *Scipio*.

A in any age and remembrance of man. For awhile they stood one beholding the other, and said never a word, ravished and astonished with a mutual admiration: and at last *Annibal* began and spake in this wise, "If the Gods by destinies have so appointed, that I who first levied war against the Romans; and who so often have had the victory as it were in mine own hands, must needs of my self and mine own motion, come now first likewise to the more peace: glad I am and well pleased, that it is my good hap to meet with you above all other men, at whose hands I should seek the fame. And certainly, you also for your part among many your singular and excellent praises, may score up this for none of the least, namely, That *Annibal* (unto whom the Gods have vouchsafed the upper-hand over so many noble Captains of the Romans) hath yielded the bucklers, and given place unto your self; now that you have had the honor to end this war, more notable and renowned at the first for your losses and overthrow than ours: and that fortune (as it is fallen out) hath made this pretty sport with me, who at the beginning took arms when your father was Consul, gave him battail first of all other Roman Generals, and am now come unarmed unto his son to crave peace. Verily much better it had been and simply the very best, that the Gods had inspired into our fore-fathers this mind, That both you might have contented your selves with the Dominion of *Italy*, and we likewise of *Africa*. For surely, *Sicily* and *Sardinia* both, are nothing sufficient to make amends and satisfaction, and it were but only of your part, in recompense of so many brave fleets, so many puissant armies, and so many noble Captains that ye have lost. But faults done and paid may well be blamed and reproved, when they can not be corrected and reformed. So greedily were we on both sides to conquer the Lands of others, that in the mean time we have hazarded our own. Neither had ye war in *Italy* only, or we again in *Africa* alone: but both ye have seen the ensignes and armies of enemies hard at your gates, and in manner under your own walls: and we likewise from *Carthage* have heard the noise and bruit of the Roman camp. Now then, that which we have cause most to detest and abhor, and you to wish above all other things in the world; the treaty of peace is fallen out in time of your better prosperity, and more favourable aspect of fortune unto you. We again are the agents therein, whom it most standeth upon and importeth that there should be peace: and who are assured, whatsoever we conclude, that the States and cities from whence we come, will approve and ratifie the same. There needs no more but a willing mind, well affected and inclined to those countries which tend to repose and quietnes. For mine own part, one while age hath taught me, who am returned an old man into my country, from whence I came child: another while prosperity and adversity both, hath schooled me, that I would now rather be ruled by reason, than swayed by fortune. But I fear me greatly, that you as well in regard of youth, as also of your continual felicity and fortunat train of success, are over-hasty and prone, to yeeld unto any peaceable wayes. For commonly he fore-casteth no variable chances, who never tasted of adverse fortune. And the same are you at this day, that sometimes I was a *Thyrimenus* and at *Canna*. You being hardly come to that age which is meet for warfare, had the charge and command of an army; and look what enterprises you took in hand most venturously, the same you ever exploited as happily. You purified the vengeance of fathers and uncles death, and won by the calamity of your house and family a notable name and reputation of singular virtue and piety. *Spain* full and wholly you have recovered and conquered again: four armies of Carthaginians you have chased from thence: no sooner were you created Consul, but when all other mens hearts failed them to defend and keep *Italy*, you failed never: yeelds further over into *Africa*: and after you had defeated here two armies, forced and burnt in one hour two camps of your enemies, taken *Syphax* prisoner, a most mighty and puissant Prince; was so many cities both of his Kingdom and of our dominion; you pulled me maigre by my head out of *Italy*, whereof I had been now sixteen years possessed. Well may your haughty mind affect victory rather than incline to peace. Full well I know of what spirit and stomach you are; more respective to grandeur and honor, than to your good and profit. And the time hath been, when I also had the lightsome countenance of fortune lovingly smiling and shining upon me: And were we so blessed of God as to have our right wits and perfect senses in time of prosperity, we would consider and think not of things only which have hapned, but of those also that might happen. But if you should forget all other, I alone might serve as a sufficient example & mirror of accidents of fortune whatsoever. For, whom not long since you either saw or might have seen encamped between the river *Anio* and your City, and ready in manner to scale the walls of *Rome*; you see me now after the loss of my brethren, two right valiant warriors and most renowned Generals, even here before the walls of my country little better than be-fieled, making means in humble manner to avert and avoid those dangers from mine own City, with which erewhiles I terrified yours. Well, the greatest and happiest fortune is left to be trusted, and never is it worse relying on her, than when she is so free & bountiful. Now that you flourish and we fade, whiles you are afloat and we sink a peace, unto you that giveth it is a glorious and goodly matter to us that crave it, more necessary than honorable. Better it is yet and safer of the twain, to enjoy a certain peace, than hope for a doubtful victory. The one lieth in your hand to effect, the other as it pleaseth the Gods to dispose. Beware therefore, how in one hour you hazard the felicity of so many years. And as you consider your own strength & forces, so think without upon the power of fortune: set before your eyes the alternative course of *Mars* in war. You shall see armor and the edge of the sword: you shall see the bodies of men as well of

"one side as the other: and no where less than in war do events answer to our hope and expectation. And make full account of this, that you shall not gain so much overplus of honor, (if haply you should win a field) above that which by granting a peace you may presently have in hand and be possessed of as you shall forgo and lose of the principal, in case you should do amiss and take the foil. One hours misfortune is able to overturn all the honors and triumphs, and puffs as well past & gotten already, as in future hope to be obtained. In knitting and concluding a peace, O *P. Cornelius*, all lieth in your power. Requite that once and come to the trial of a battle, you must take your hap as God shall appoint. If *M. Attilius* in times past being conqueror, would have granted peace unto our fore-fathers at their suit and earnest petition, a rare and singular example had he afforded of virtue and felicity, and few comparable unto him; but not having the grace to see when he was well; not able to set a gage to his prosperity in some measure, and in due time; not willing to retrain and stop the pride and haughtiness of his good fortune, the higher he was heaved, the fouler was his fall; and the more he mounted, the greater was his overthrow. It is for him (I confess) that giveth peace, to capitulate and set down the covenants and conditions, and not for him that craveth the same, and yet peradventure we might not be thought unworthy, to set upon our own heads a fine and forfeiture. We refuse not therefore but are content, That all shall be yours, for which the quarrel and war first began: *Sicily, Sardinia, Spain*, all the Ilands whatsoever lying in the Sea between *Affrick* and *Italy*. And we Cathaginians holding our selves enclosed within the bounds and coasts of *Affrick* (since the will and pleasure of God is so) can abide to see you to rule and govern in foreign lands and strange Isles, I cannot deny, but that you have good cause to suspect the Cathaginians for their faith & truth; whose late desire of peace and attendance about the same, was not so plain and simple as it should have been: Yet *Scipio*, take this withal: That it importeth much to the assurance of keeping and observing peace once intertained, to consider who the persons be that seek and crave the same. And even your own Senators and LL. of the Council, as I hear say, were moved not a little to deny and reject the motion of peace, for this cause, that our embassy seemed unto them not to honorable as it ought to have been. But now I, even I, no worse a man than *Annibal*, *hail* do sue for peace; which as I would not seek, unless I thought it profitable so I will intertain in regard of that profit for which I sought it. And like as when I had once begun the war, so long as the Gods impeached and envied me not, I maintained it, so as no man of ours had cause to be weary thereof: so will I endeavour that none shall repent of the peace obtained by me.

The answer of  
Scipio to Annibal.

"means. When *Annibal* had thus said, the Roman General made answer again in this sort. "I knew full well, O *Annibal*, that the Cathaginians upon the hope of your coming, have both disturbed the assurance of the present truce, and also troubled the hope of the future peace. Neither do you your self dissemble so much, in defaking all out of the former conditions and capitulations of peace, save only those things which long since have been in our power and possession. On. But as you have a great care, that your fellow citizens should know & perceive, what heavy burdens they are by your means discharged and eased of; even so must I endeavour and labour, that the points which then they covenanted and agreed upon, they deduct not this day out of the articles and conditions of peace, for the hire and reward of their falsehood and treachery. For unworthy you are to have the overturn and possibility of any peace at all, ye seek also, that fraud and deceit may turn to your profit and commodity. Neither began our predictions first to make war for *Sicily*, nor we since for *Spain*. But as then the danger wherein our allies the Mamertins stood; so now the ruin and destruction of *Saguntum*, moved us to take arms, justly, even for pity and compassion. That you began the quarrel and provoked us first, your self confess, and the Gods do witness: who as in the former war, they granted and gave the issue, according to right equity and justice: so they do in this, and so they ever will. For mine own part, I remember well, and think upon the frailty of mankind, and the ticklishness of this world: I consider also the power of fortune and what she is able to do: I know likewise, that all our actions whatsoever, are subject to a thousand hazards and inconveniences. But as I would acknowledge my self to have dealt proudly and outrageously, if before I passed over into *Affrick*, when of your self well you abandoned *Italy*, when you had imbarcked your army, and came of your own accord to seek peace, I had then rejected you and cast you off: even so at this time, when I have haled and drawn you into *Affrick* by strong arm, as it were to tie an issue in law (all the hasting, all the shifting and resistance you could make to the contrary notwithstanding) I am not bound to have any respective regard at all of you. Wherefore, if besides those points and capitulations, under which the peace at that time was like to be concluded (and what those were you know as well as I can tell you) you bring with you any recompence and amends for our ships, which being charged with victual and munition, you took perforce from us in time of the celebration of arms; also for the outrage and violence committed upon the persons of our Embassadors; there is some reason that I should consider thereupon and be advised by my Council. But if you think hardly thereof also, as being thereby too sore pressed: Look for battel, you that could not like of repose: provide for war, since you would abide no peace. Thus without any condition of accord they left parling: & being returned to their own companies, they related unto them, how their conference came to nothing, and all their words were but wind, and did no good: and therefore the matter was to be determined and tried by dint of sword, and they to trust to that fortune which the Gods had appointed for them. So soon as they were come into their camps, both

"of them made proclamation, that the soldiers should buckle themselves, make ready their armour, pick up their spears, and address themselves to a final trial of the quarrel: where, if they sped well, they were to be victorious, not for one day, but for ever and aye. For before the morrow next at night, they should know, whether *Rome* or *Carthage* should give laws unto all nations of the earth. And as neither *Affrick* nor *Italy*, but the whole world shall be the prize and guardon of the conquerors; so they, whose hap were to lose the field, must make account of danger and damage, equal to the winnings and gain of the other. For as the Romans had no way to escape, nor place of safe retreat, being in a strange and unknown land; so *Carthage* (having laid all upon this one cast) if they now missed, made account that all was gone, and present destruction at hand. So the next day there advanced forward to this doubtful and dangerous trial, two most noble and renowned Captains, of two, right mighty and puissant states: two most valiant and hardy armies came forth into the field, to fight that day either to win the spurs or lose the saddle, to gain more glory to their former honour, or else to lose all that ever they had gotten. Thus therefore between hope and fear, their minds were perplexed and distracted; and beholding one while their own forces, and another while their enemies power; measuring rather by their eyes, than weighing by reason their strength they had at once presented unto them, objects of joy and content as well as of sorrow and heaviness. And look what the soldiers themselves could not think upon, the officers their leaders put them in mind of suggesting unto them by way of admonition and exhortation, whatsoever was thought expedient and good. *Annibal* rehearsed his noble achievements in *Italy* for the space of sixteen years, he reckoned up how many Roman Captains he had slain, how many armies he had defeated and put to the sword: and ever as he met with any soldiers of note and mark for some worthy and memorable battail, he put them in remembrance of their honourable service and good deserts: *Scipio* related the conquest of *Spain*, recounted the tenth fought in *Affrick*, alleged the very confession of the enemies; who neither for fear could do other but seek for peace, nor yet upon an inbred lallhood imprinted in their hearts, continue long in the same. Besides, he interred the communication and speech of *Annibal* had with him in secret and apart from others: which according as he was disposed to devise, he might turn at his pleasure to fit his purpose. And forasmuch as the Gods had shewed unto them as they went out into the field the same signs and tokens of birds, by direction whereof their fathers before them fought in times past before the Ilands *Ægæti*: he offered and pledged that the war was come to an end, all dangers and troubles overblown, that the spoil and pillage of *Carthage* was at their devotion, and they at the point to return home unto their country, their parents, wives, children, and domestic Gods. And this he spake with such a lofty gesture of his body, with so pleasant and lovely a countenance withal, that a man who had seen him, would have thought verily he had achieved the victory already. Then he embattailed first his Hastati (or spears) in the vanguard behind them the Principes; and the rearward he guarded and fortified with the Triarii. Neither marshalled he whole cohorts thrust thick and close together, in the head of the battail before their ensigns, but divided them into Squadrons, distant a pretty way asunder one from the other: to the end there might be room and space to receive the Elephants of the enemies, that they should not break the arrayes and ranks. As for *Lælius* (whom he had employed before as Lieutenant, but that year in quality of a Questor by a special order and direction from the Senat, and not by choice of (or) him with the Italian Cavalry he put in the left point, and *Masanius* with the Numidian horsemen in the right. The open waies and void spaces between the Squadrons stood, placed in the front before the ensigns, he filled with the Volites or Javelotiers, who at that time were light armed soldiers; with this commandment, that presently upon the violent charge given by the Elephants, they should either retire behind the files, or else run to a side, both on the right hand and the left, and joyn close to the foremost ranks, and make the Elephants way to run upon their shot from the one side and the other. *Annibal* to strike a terror into the enemies, first advanced the Elephants in the front, who were in number four-score, and more than ever he had before in any battail. Then he embattailed the aid-soldiers of the Ligurians and Frenchmen, with the Baleare Slingers and the Mores intermingled amongst them. In the main battail he placed the Cathaginians and Africans, with the legion of the Macedonians: behind whom (leaving a little space between) he set in array the battailon of the Italian soldiers in the rearward for succour: and those were most part of them Brutii: who followed him more perforce and by constraint, than of any good will, when he departed out of *Italy*. The Cavalry also he displayed and spread round like wings about the two points: whereof the Cathaginians kept the right, and the Numidians the left. Sundry and divers were the exhortations throughout the army, amongst so many men: whose language was different, whose complexions far unlike, whose manners and conditions were diverse, who differed in laws and customs, whose armours were not all one, whose armour and apparel not fustable, and finally, whose quarrel and cause of war was not one and the same. The auxiliaries and aid-soldiers fed themselves with the hope of ready and present payment and wages for the time past, yea and with a double and triple augmentation thereof to boot, out of the spoil and pillage. The Frenchmen upon a special hatred of their own, and the same deeply seeded, were soon kindled and enflamed against the Romans. The Ligurians, who were brought out of the rough and craggy mountains, and whose teeth were at the fruitful and plenteous fields of *Italy*, were quickly by him moved to hope after victory. The Mores and Numidians he fought with the proud and tyrannical rule of *Masanius*, under which they should ever after

live. Before the Carthaginians he presented the walls of their native City, their houses and house H Gods, the sepulchres and tombs of their ancestors, their children and parents, yea, and their timorous and fearful wives: he set before their eyes either final destruction of all those things and slavery of their persons, or else the empire and sovereign dominions of the whole world: and also mean between these extremities either of fear or hope.

When as the General was most buie thus in exhorting the Carthaginians and the Captains of the strangers, amongst the soldiers of their own Nations, and that for the most part by means of interpreters, intermingled for the same purpose with them: the Trumpets sounded, and the horns blew from the Roman host. And such a wonderful shout arose from thence, that the Elephants turned upon the Mores and Numidians of their own side, especially in the left point of the battail. Whom *M. Janiss* seeing once affrighted, he soon redoubled their fear: and riding upon them with a hot charge, laid naked the battail of footmen on that side, and clean without the aid of their Cavalry. Howbeit, some few of the Elephants driven without fear full upon the enemy, made foul work among the ranks of the light armed Velites, and overthrew a number of them, not without many a wound and much hurt done to themselves. For the Velites leaping again nimble to the Squadrons, after they had made way to the beasts, tearing they should be trodden underfoot by them, let flie their javelins at them from both sides, lying open as they did like butts to the shot on either hand. Neither lost they any time who were in the vanguard before the Ensigns, nor gave over flinging their darts at them, until they were driven by a volley of shot lighting upon them from all parts, clean out of the Roman battail: and then they turned head aloft upon the very Horsemen of the Carthaginians in their own right point: and forced them to run away. *Lulius* for his part, seeing the enemies in dismay and sore troubled, charged upon them with his Horses, and increased their fright. So as now the Carthaginian battail was diminished and stript of their Horsemen on both wings. By which time the Cavalry joyned battail, whose hope was now quailed and strength abated, and therefore notable to make their parts good. Besides another thing there was, a small matter to speak of, but yet in fighting time and in the very conflict, of great consequence and importance. The shout and cry from the Romans was ever alike and consonant in all parts, and therefore the greater and more terrible: but the enemies made difsonant noises, according as they differed in language, being as they were, of many and sundry Nations. The manner of the Romans fight was like and steadfast, by reason of the pelfe of their own bodies, and the weight of their armour, leaving still a d pressing hard upon the enemies: but they on the other side, shewed more swiftness, agility, than force and violence. And therefore at the very first shock the Romans incontinently enforced their battail to retire and lose their ground. Afterward they fell to shoudering and knocking them with the pikes and boies of their bucklers: which done, they set forward a good round pace: and gained some ground of them, marching on still, and no man moved to make head against them: whilst they that were hindmost in the files, perceiving on what battail to go on and win ground, still put forward the foremost, which was the very thing that availed much, and was of great efficacy to put the enemies to flight. But the second battail which consisted of Africans, and Carthaginians, were so far from seconding and upholding the auxiliary strangers thus dimaching: that contrary-wise, for fear lest the Roman by killing them in the forefront (who stood to it lustily and made resistance) should come as far as to them behind, they likewise retired and gave backward. Whereupon the aid-souldiers also indolently shewed their hind-parts and turning their face upon their own fellows: some of them retired for refuge into the second battail: others fell to killing of them that would not receive them within their ranks: and good reason they had, for as a while before they had no help at all of them, so then they were altogether excluded and shut out from them. So as now the Carthaginians had to deal at once in two skirmishes shuffled together, whilst they were compelled to close and come to handfight, both with their enemies, and also with their own fellows. Yet notwithstanding for all they were either so affrighted, or so angry with them receive them they would not in hand into their battail: but keeping their ranks and files close together they rushed to the wings and the void ground without the place of conflict, and all became they would not intermingle any souldiers thus scared upon running away and many wounds, with that battail which stood still sure enough, and as yet unfolded. But the place where a little before the auxiliaries were ranged, was so full of slain bodies, and weapons and armour thrummed one upon another that the Romans had need more ado to pass that way now, than they should have had through the pelfs of the enemies standing thick together. And therefore the foremost of the Haffari following after the enemies, every one as well as he could over the heaps of bodies and armour on the way, and through the slippery filth of the blood, made a pell-mell of their own ensigns, and confusion of their ranks. Whereupon the ensigns also of the Principes began to waver, when they saw the battail alone to be wandering and inconstant. Which *Scipio* when he once perceived, commanded in all haste to found the retreat unto the Haffari: and when he had withdawn as many of them as were wounded and hurt, and bestowed them in the rearward, he brought the Principes and the Triarii to the out-wings and flanks thereof: to the end, that the middle battail of the Haffari should be more sure and strong. By this means there began a new skirmish. For now were they come to their very enemies indeed: such as for armour and weapons of all sorts, for practise and experience of warfare, for fame and renown of

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A worthy exploits, and last of all for greatness either of hope or peril, were equal and comparable unto them. But both in number and also in courage, the Romans were superior: for that already they had discomfited the Cavalry, put to flight the Elephants, beaten back the vanguard, and were ready now to encounter with the main battail. Now *Lulius* and *Alfianiss* having had the honour in chase a good way, whom they had compelled to flie as is before said, returned in good time, and charged hotly upon the tail of the enemies battail. And this assault of theirs it was, that struck the stroke, this did the deed and amazed the enemies. Many of them were environed and killed in the place, many fled and were scattered over the plains and open fields, and by the horsemen who had taken up all the avenues, and ranged all about, were caught up here and there, and to slay. Of Carthaginians and their Allies, were killed that day above twenty thousand, and

*Annibal* defeated by *Scipio*.

B welner as many taken prisoners: of military engines there were gotten a hundred thirty three, and eleven Elephants besides alive. Of the conquests there died about two thousand, *Annibal* with some few horsemen made shift to escape out of the tumult and heat of the execution, and fled to

*Adrumetum*, having affaid and tried all means possible, both in the very conflict, and also before the battail, ere he departed and left the fight. And this praise and commendation he won even by the confession of *Scipio* himself, and all others that were expert warriors, that with singular skill that day he ordered the battel, and marshalled the field. For the Elephants he had placed in the forefront, whose adventurous force and intolerable violence in giving the onset, might empeak the Romans from following their colours, and keeping their armies: the only thing wherein they reposed their greatest hope and confidence. Then, before the main battail of the Carthaginians, he set the auxiliaries and aid-souldiers, of purpose, that being a confused rabble and medley of all sorts of nations, such as were not bound by allegiance, but tied only by gain and wages, should have no liberty to retire themselves, and escape by running away: who also, as the souldiers home, bearing the furious heat of the first brunt, might weary the enemies with charging upon them, and if they did no other good, yet with receiving many a wound in their bodies dull and turn the edge of the enemies sword. After this, in the battel, where all his hope was, he placed the Carthaginian and African souldiers: that being otherwise in all things else equal to the enemies, they might in this regard have the odds, in that they were to fight with them wearied and wounded, when they themselves were in heart and lusty. As for the Italians, who also were divided from the rest by a good space between, he removed far off into the rearward, as doubtful whether they were friends or enemies. *Annibal* having done this doughty deed and work, as it were for the last proof of his virtue and valour, fled to *Adrumetum*, and was from thence sent for to *Carthage*: whither he returned in the 36 year, after that he first departed thence a very child. Where in the Council house he confessed and said, "That overcome he was not only in a battel, but also in the main war for ever hereafter: protesting in plain terms, that now there was no other way but one to save themselves, and that was peace, if they could obtain it."

*Scipio* immediately after this battail, having forced by assault and risked the enemies camp, returned with a huge booty to the Sea and his ships, being advertised afore by a messenger that *P. Lentulus* was arrived at *Utica* with five ships of war, and a hundred Huls laden with provision of all kinds of victual. And supposing it good policy now that *Carthage* was troubled and thoroughly affrighted, to come upon them with all terour on every side: so soon as he had dispatched *Lulius* away to *Rome*, with tidings of this victory, he commanded *Cn. Octavius* to lead the legions by Land against *Carthage*. Himself in proper person, after he had joined this new fleet of *Lentulus*, unto the old Armado of his own, weighed anchor and departed from *Utica*, and sailed directly to the Haven of *Carthage*. He was not far from thence, when there met him a ship of the Carthaginians, garnished with insules, ribbands, and white flags of peace, and beliet with branches of Olive: wherein were ten Orators embarked, the best men of the City, sent by the advice and motion of *Annibal* to crave peace. Who as they approached the hind-deck and poop of the Admiral ship, put forth the vails and tokens of suppliants, praying and beseeching the protection and mercy of *Scipio*. Who had no other answer made them, but that they should repair to *Tunes*, whither he intended to remove. Then himself after he had well viewed the situation of *Carthage*, not so much to have the full knowledge thereof at this present, as to terrifie the enemies, returned to *Utica*, whither he had called back *Octavius* also. As he marched forward from thence toward *Tunes*, he had intelligence given him, that *Vermis* the son of *Syphax* was coming to aid the Carthaginians with a power of more Horsemen than Footmen: whereupon, part of the army together with the whole Cavalry was sent: whereof the light horse and van-carriers, changing the vanguard in their march, after a light skirmish discomfited the Numidians: and having hopped all passages every way with the Horsemen, so as they could not get out and flie, there were upon a fifteen thousand men of them slain, 1200 taken prisoners, 1500 Numidian Horses also were gotten from them alive, and 72 military ensigns. The young Prince himself in the midst of the tumult and conflict, with some few escaped. Then encamped *Scipio* near *Tunes*, in the same place, where he lay before: and thither repaired unto him thirty Embassadors from *Carthage*. And they verily, as they were in harder case and greater distress, made much more pitiful entreating than before: but in their audience found less favour and mercy by a great deal for their late treachery and falsehood so fresh in remembrance. Now albeit when they were left in counsel, all of them had just cause to be angry, and thereupon were provoked to destroy & raze *Carthage*: yet upon better advisement and consideration, how great and difficult and enterprize, and what a long

\* Or *Adrumetum*, now *Mechumetia*, according to *Mercator*.

long peace of service it was to besiege a City so strong and so well fortified: and for that *Scipio* himself was troubled in mind with the expectation of a successful, who should come to win the credit; and honor of finishing the war, which indeed was gotten by the travail and hazard of another, all their hearts were turned and inclined to peace. The morrow after the Orators were called again before them; and after they had been well checked, rebuked, and plainly told of their unreasonableness and warned withal, that after so many losses and overthrows, which they had received, they should now learn to be wise, and at length believe that there were Gods in Heaven, and that an oath was to be regarded, these conditions of peace were tendered and offered unto them, *Imprimis*, it was capitulated, That they might live free, according to the form of their own Laws: *Item*, What Cities, what territories (and within what bounds and limits) they held and were possessed of before the war began, the same they might keep still. *Item*, That *Scipio* and the Romans from that day forward should not wait and spoil the country. *Item*, That the Carthaginians should deliver all renegade traitors, all fugitive persons, all captives and prisoners, yea, and yield unto them all ships of war with brazen heads, above ten triremes or galleys of three ranks of oars. *Item*, That they should put into their hands all those Elephants which they had already tamed and manned, and should break and tame no more of them. *Item*, They should make war neither in *Affrick*, nor without *Affrick*, but by order and warrant from the people of *Rome*, that they should make restitution and amends to *Masaniassa* for all harms, and enter into league with him. *Item*, That they should find corn and money for the maintenance of the aid-soldiers, until their Embassadors were returned from *Rome*: yea, and tender payment of ten thousand talents of silver by even portions in fifty years. *Item*, That they should put in a hundred hostages at the pleasure of *Scipio*, and none of them to be either under fourteen years of age, or above thirty. Last of all, they would grant a truce upon this condition, That the ships which were taken during the time of the former cessation of arms, should be restored back again, with all things else that were therein: otherwise no truce for the present, nor hope of peace hereafter. These articles and conditions the Embassadors were willed to return home withal. Which after they had related in the general assembly of the people, *Gisco* mounted up the pulpit to disavow peace, and had audience given him with great applause of the multitude; who as they were heartless and unmeet for war, so they were as peevish and unready and could not long continue in repose. Hereafter, *Annibal* took great indignation, and was highly displeased, that in such a time, those things should either be delivered or heard: and he made no more ado, but stepped to *Gisco*, laid hand upon him and pulled him down from the pulpit out of which he spake: whereat the people were moved and grumbled in great discontent, to see so strange a sight and unusual, in a free City. Then *Annibal*, as he was a meet martial man and could not skill of civil affairs, nor well away with these citizens' liberty. 'I went, quoth he, from you when I was but nine years old, and now after 30 years I am come again. All military skill and knowledge, which fortune sometime in my private matters, and otherwhiles in public affairs, hath taught me from my childhood, me thinks I have learned sufficiently: many, for the rights and privileges for the laws, customs and fashions of the City and the common Hall I must be informed and instructed by you. Thus having pleaded ignorance for his exile, he did curried at large of peace, arguing how reasonable and equal, yea, and how necessary it was. The greatest point of difficulty in all the capitulations ministered unto them was this, That nothing the things above said which were taken during the absence of arms, there was nothing now forth-coming and to be seen but the bare vessels; and no easy matter was it to seek up the rest. Now when as they there again said the peace were convinced and put down by reason, agreed it was, that the ships should be redelivered, and the men likewise be sought out and found: as for all the rest that was wanting, there should an estimate be made according to the value, at the discretion of *Scipio*, and so the Carthaginians to make all good in money. Writers there be that have delivered, how *Annibal* presently from the field sped him to Sea, and there finding a ship ready prepared for him, freight-wages embarked and went directly to King *Antiochus*: Alas, when *Scipio* demanded above all other things that *Annibal* should be yielded into his hands, answer was made, that *Annibal* was not in *Affrick*. After that the Embassadors were returned to *Scipio* the Questors or Treasurers were commanded to draw an exact account of their books upon record, of all such things as were in the ships, and appertained to the City: and look what belonged to private persons, the owners thereof were willed to declare and testify. In consideration and recompense whereof, there was a sum of money set down, amounting to 25000 pound weight of silver, and the same to be paid presently out of hand by the Carthaginians. Thus a truce was granted to them for three months: with this clause annexed over and besides, That during the said term they should send their Embassadors to no other place but only to *Rome*: and what Embassadors soever came to *Carthage*, they should not let them depart before they had certified the Roman General, both who they were, and what their message and errand was. Then with the Carthaginian Embassadors were sent to *Rome*, *L. Veturius Philo*, *M. Marcius Rallus*, and *L. Scipio*, brother to the General. At that time there came such store of grain and victuals out of *Sicily* and *Sardinia*, and thereby corn was so cheap, that the Merchant was fain to leave corn behind him to satisfy the shipmen and mariners for the postage and carriage thereof.

Now there had been much trouble and fear at *Rome* upon the first news and report, that the Carthaginians had taken arms again: and *T. Claudius* had commission to conduct a fleet with all speed

A speed into *Sicily*, and from thence to pass over into *Affrick*: likewise the other Consul was commanded to stay still at *Rome*, until it were certainly known in what terms all matters stood in *Affrick*. But *T. Claudius* went but slowly to work either in preparing and rigging an armada, or in putting it to sea: because the LL. of the Senat were of opinion, that as touching the peace and the conditions thereof, it was rather at the disposition of *Scipio* than of the Consul. Moreover, there were certain prodigious signs reported even presently before the very rumour of the fore-said rising and insurrection, which caused men to fear greatly. At *Cumes*, the circle and compass of the sun appeared less: and it rained a good shower of stones. Also in the territory of *Vesuvius*, the earth fetled and sunk, and made huge hollow chinks, in so much as trees were quite swallowed up under the ground. At *Aricia* the market-place and the shops all about, likewise at *Frinus* the wall of the City in divers places, yea, and the gate, were smitten with lightning from heaven: and in mount *Palatine* it rained stones. This wondrous sight last rehearsed, was expiate after the ancient custom, by keeping a Novendial sacrifice and feast for nine dayes; the rest by killing of greater sacrifices. Among all, there were unusual deluges and inundations of waters, which troubled the minds and consciences of men: for the *Tyber* so swelled and rose so high, that by reason that the shew-place of the *Circus* was overflowed, preparation was made for the letting forth of the games *Apollinaries*, without the gate *Collina*, near the chapel of *Fennus Erycina*. But upon the very day when the plaies should be exhibited, it grew to be so fair weather of a suddain, that the pageant and pompous train of the shew, which was going to the gate *Collina*, was called back and conveyed into the *Circus*: and word brought, that the water was fallen and gone clean out from *Cumes*: so the people were more joyous, and the pastimes celebrated with greater relish, for that the usual and ordinary place served again for the solemnity to be performed.

*Claudius* the Consul at last departed from the City of *Rome*, and went to sea: where between the havens of *Cos* and *Lauretum*, he was overtaken with a terrible and fearful tempest that arose and put him in exceeding fear. From thence he came to the *Populonium*, and there staid until the tempest was overblown and gone. Then he fell with the Ile \* *Ithaca*, and from *Ithaca* he sailed to *Corfica*, and from *Corfica* he passed over to *Sardinia*: where, as he doubled the point and was passing the race of the mountains called \* *Insani*, there arose a far more cruel gust, and in places of more peril and hazard, which scattered the fleet. Many of the ships were weather beaten and fore-shaken, many lost their tackling quite, yea, and some were cracked and split. Thus the Armado being much tossed and torn, arrived at length at *Carades*: where, whilst the ships were drawn up into the dock to dry Land, and there a repairing, the winter came upon them, and the year turned about. And so *T. Claudius* (as a private person, by reason that no man renewed his commission for a further time,) brought the Armado back to *Rome*. But *M. Servilius*, because he should not be called home to the City for the solemn election of Magistrates, after he had declared Dictator, *Cn. Servilius Geminus*, departed into his Province. And the Dictator chose *P. Aelius P. Paus* General of the Horsemen. Oftentimes went the writing out for publishing of the election, but by reason of tempests it held not, nor was performed. And therefore when the old Magistrates left their office after the Ides of *March*, and no new substituted in their room, the City was clean without any Magistrates of state to sit in the ivory chair. *L. Manlius Torquatus* a Bishop, that year died. In his place was invested *C. Sulpicius Galba*. The Roman games were thrice exhibited anew by *L. Licinius Lucullus* and *Q. Fulvius*, Ediles of the chair. The Clerks and Scribes belonging to the Ediles, together with their beadles and summoners, were detected for carrying forth certain money out of the treasure and chamber of the City: and being thereof convicted, were therefore condemned, not without some touch and discredit of *Lucullus* himself the Edile. *P. Aelius Tiberius* and *L. Lætorius* Ediles of the commons, for that there was some error and default in their election, resigned up their places, after they had represented the playes, and in regard thereof solemnized the feast of *Jupiter*, and set up besides in the Capitol three images made of the silver that was forfeited and raised upon the fines of the persons condemned aforesaid. The Dictator and General over the Horsemen, by order from the Senat exhibited the games called *Cereales*, to the honour of *Ceres*.

When the Roman Embassadors and Carthaginians together, were come out of *Affrick* to *Rome*, the Senat assembled to give them audience in the Temple of *Bellona*: where *L. Veturius Philo*, after he had declared (to the exceeding joy of the LL. of the Senat) that they had fought a battle with *Annibal*, (the last that ever the Carthaginians were like to fight) and that this grievous and lamentable war was now come to an end, he went on still and related, that *Perminia* the son of *Siphax* was vanquished and subdued; which was no small increase of the other exploits so happily achieved. Then he was commanded to go forth from thence directly to the assembly of the people, there to impart these glad news unto the multitude. Whereupon (for exceeding joy and in token of thanksgiving) all the Temples in the City were let open, and solemn processions decreed for three dayes. Now when as the Embassadors of the Carthaginians and King *Philip* (for they also were arrived) required to have a day of audience in the Senat: the Dictator by direction from the Senat, returned them this answer, That the new Consuls should satisfy their request. After this, was the solemn assembly holden for the election of Magistrates: and Consuls were created *Cn. Cornelius Lentulus* and *P. Aelius Paus*: for Pretors, first *M. Junius Pennus*, who was allotted to have the civil jurisdiction in the City: then *M. Valerius Falto*, unto whom the Britains country fell by lot to govern: next, *M. Fabius Buteo*, whose hap was to rule *Sardinia*, and

\* *Elba*.\* *Mainomena*, *Proton*, *Canel*, *Modernus*.





the Carthaginians rendered thanks to the LL. of the Senate, and requested that they might enter into the City, and talk with their fellow citizens and country-men, who had been taken captives aforetime, and lay in the common gaol and prison. For there were amongst them some of their kinsfolk and friends, noblemen of birth and of good quality; others also, unto whom they were to deliver some message and credence from their kinsmen. When they had spoken and consumed with them, they came with a new petition and made earnest suit, to give them leave to ransom and redeem as many of them as they would: whereupon they were willing to give them their names; and when they had named fast upon two hundred, an order was granted out of the Senat, that the Roman Commissioners should take over with them into Affrick unto Scipio two hundred of those captives whom the Carthaginians would make choice of; and declare unto him from the Senate, that in case the peace were fully agreed upon and finished, he should deliver those two hundred to the Carthaginians, freely without paying any ransom. Now when the heralds of arms were appointed to go into Affrick, for to confirm and establish the peace according to the solemn order, at their own request there passed an act of the Senat framed in this form and tenor. *Imprimis*, That they should carry with them every one by himself, certain flint stones of their own, and likewise Vervens, *Item*, That the Roman Pretors should command them solemnly to pronounce the league, and then they to ask of the Pretor sacred herbs or Vervens. A kind of grass or herb this is, which was wont to be gathered from off the Capitol hill, and given to the Heralds.

Thus were the Carthaginians dismissed and sent from Rome: who being come into Affrick to Scipio, concluded peace with the same capitulations as is above said. And so they delivered up their galleies and ships of war, their Elephants, the renegade traitors, the vagrant fugitives, and four thousand prisoners. Among whom was *Q. Terentius Caelio*, a Senator by his calling. As for the ships, so soon as they were launched forth into the deep, Scipio caused them to be set on fire and burnt. Some report that they were five hundred in number, one with another, of every sort, and all directed and guided by oars. Presently were they set a burning: a dolorous sight and heavy spectacle (no doubt) to the Carthaginians for to behold, as if Carthage it self had been on a light fire. The renegade traitors and rebels were punished more grievously than the fugitives. As many of them as were of the Latin Nation lost their heads: all that were natural Romans, were crucified and roundly trussed up on the gallows. Forty years before was the peace last made with the Carthaginians, when *Q. Lutatius* and *A. Manlius* were Consuls. The war began three and twenty years after, whilst *P. Cornelius* and *T. Sempronius* were Consuls. And the same ended in the eighteenth year after, *P. Cornelius*, and *P. Aelius Paetus* being Consuls. Many a time after, Scipio by report, would say, that the willful and covetous desire of *T. Claudius* first, and afterwards of *Cn. Cornelius*, was the only stay and let, that this war ended not with the final ruin and utter destruction of Carthage.

When as the Carthaginians, who by long and continual wars were grown bare & poor, thought the levy and contribution of money for to furnish out the first payment, lay heavy and sore upon them, inasmuch as in their Senat-house, there was great sorrow and heaviness, yea, and piteous weeping: it is said, that *Annibal* was fain to laugh a good while. And when *A. Helius* rebuked him for laughing in that public lamentation of the City, considering that himself was the cause of those tears. *“If I did, Annibal, as we see by our eye the outward disposition of the face and countenance, so we could look within & behold the affection of the mind, ye might soon perceive, that this laughter of mine, which ye so much blame, proceedeth not from an heart that is glad and joyfull, but rather senseless, stupefied, and astonished with the exceeding griefs and calamities that have hapned. Yet is not it so unreasonable and impertinent to our present condition, as these tears of yours, and weeping that you make, is absurd and nothing to the purpose. Then should ye have wept and shed tears, when our armor and weapons were taken from us, when our ships were set on fire, when we were interdicted and forbidden to make war with forrainer nations: for then had we our deadly blow, then our backs and hearts were broken. And never think that the Romans have proceeded hardly against you, in comparison of the hatred that ye have one to another. No great City and mighty State can long continue and rest in quiet. If it have no enemies abroad, it findeth some at home: much like unto strong and lusty bodies, which seeme fure enough against all outward accidents and causes of sickness, are overcharged with their own strength and fullness of humours, and thereby subject to most deadly maladies. So much, forsooth, and no more we feel of the publick miseries & common calamities, as toucheth and concerneth our selves in particular: wherein nothing pincheth us more, nor goeth neerer to the quick, than to forgo our money, and part with our pence. And therefore when Carthage was conquered and deploied of all her ancient honors, when ye saw her disarmed and stripped naked, when ye saw her forlorn of all the armed nations of Affrick; no man then sighed, no man groined thereat: but now when the tribute imposed, is to be paid out of your private purses, ye keep a weeping and wailing, as in some publick funeral and mortuary carried forth. But alas! fear me greatly that ere it be long, ye shall find and feel, That your weeping this day hath been for the least loss of all the rest. Thus spake *Annibal* to the Carthaginians.*

Scipio having assembled his whole army together, before them all, restored *Masaniassa* to his fathers Kingdom: and over and besides, ended him with the possession of the City *Ciriba*, and other Towns and territories which belonged to the realm of *Syrax*, and were now in subjection

A to the people of Rome. Unto *Cn. Octavius* he gave order to conduct the fleet into Sicily, and there to make it over to *Cn. Cornelius* the Consul. The Carthaginian Embassadors he willed to go to Rome, that those acts and capitulations which were concluded by him with the advice of the Roman Commissioners, might likewise pass under the approbation of the Senat, and the consent of the people, and to be ratified and confirmed for ever.

Thus Scipio having obtained peace both by sea and land, and embarked his army, sailed toward Sicily, & arrived at *Lilybeum*. From whence he sent away a great part of his army by sea, and himself passed by land through Italy, which now was joyfull as well for the peace concluded, as the victory achieved. Where all the way as he went, not only the people came forth in multitudes out of the Cities to do him honour, but numbers also of the country peasants out of the Villages, filled all the high-ways along until he came to Rome: where he entered the City, riding in the most stately and magnificent triumph that ever had been. He brought into the City Chamber 100033 pound weight of silver. He divided among his souldiers out of the spoil \* four hundred Atties a peece, *Syrax* by his death rather disappointed the people of a goodly shew and pageant in the triumph, than diminished any whit the glory of the triumph: he died at *Tybur* not long afore, to which place he had been removed from *Alba*: howbeit his death was not obscure, by reason that he was solemnly carried to his buriall, with the pomp of a publick funeral at the charges of the City. But *Polypo* a writer of good account, reporteth, That this King was led in the very triumph, As Scipio rode triumphant *Q. Terentius Caelio* followed after with a cap of liberty set upon his head, and ever after so long as he lived, he honoured him (as becoming it was) and acknowledged him the author of his freedom. But as concerning his surname *Africanus*, I cannot for certain learn, whether it were the favour of his souldiers first, or the affectionate love of the people afterwards that brought it up, or rather began upon some of his own house and lineage that courted and flattered him therewith: like as in our fathers daies *Sulla* was surnamed \* *Felix*, and *Pompeius*, \* *Magnus*. This is certain that he was the first General that ever took his name of the country and nation by himself subdued, and thereby was renowned, but by his example afterwards, others nothing comparable to him in victory and conquest won goodly titles and glorious incriptions to their Images, and honoured their houses with noble titles and additions.

\* Or, as some think 40, which cometh to 2 th 6 d, English.

\* Happy, \* Great.

## The one and thirtieth Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the one and thirtieth Book.

E The causes of the war begun again with Philip King of Macedony, which had discontinued, are set down to be these: In the time of the holy feast of Ceres, two young men of Acarnania, who had been professed in those sacred mysteries, came to Athens, & chanced among other of their countrymen to go into the Chappel of Ceres. For which, as if they had committed some heinous fault in the highest degree they were by the Athenians executed. The Acarnanians moved with indignation for the death of their neighbours required aid of Philip to be revenged for them: Some few months after peace granted to the Carthaginians, in the five hundred and fifty year from the foundation of the City of Rome, when the Embassadors of the Athenians, who now were besieged by Philip, craved aid of the Senat, and they were of advice and resolved to help them, notwithstanding the Commons gain said it (by reason that they thought the continual troubles of so many wars were grievous and heavy unto them) yet so far prevailed the authority of the Nobles, that the people also gave their consent to succour their confederate City. This war was committed to the managing of *P. Sulpicius* the Consul: who led an army into Macedony, and fought certain battels fortunately against Philip, which were performed by horse-service. The *Alydians* being invested and beleaguered round about by Philip, following the example of the *Saguntines*, slew their wives and children, and their own selves after them. *L. Furius* the Prator overthrew in a pitched field the Gauls, called *Insubres*, that rebelled, and likewise *Amilcar* the Carthaginian, who began to make war in those parts, where *Amilcar* was slain, & with him five and thirty thousand men. Moreover, this book containeth the expeditions and voyages of King Philip and *Sulpicius* the Consul. And the winning of certain Cities by them both, *Sulpicius* the Consul warred with the help of King *Attalus* and the *Rhodiens*, *L. Furius* the Prator triumphed over the Gauls.

## The one and thirtieth Book of T. Livius.

F ull well apaid am I likewise, that I am now come to an end once of the Punick war, as if myself had been in person there, and born my part in the toil and danger thereof. For albeit unsuited it is forme (who have undertaken and professed so boldly to write a compleat and full story of the Romans) to be wearied in the severall parts of so great a work: yet when I

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think and consider, how threecore years and three (for so many are reckoned from the first Punic war, to the end of the second) have taken up no fewer books of mine than four hundred eighty eight years before, even from the foundation of Rome unto the Consulship of that *Appius Claudius*, who was the first that warred upon the Carthaginians; methinks I foresee already, that like as they who being once entered into the shallows near the shore, are trained on still, and venture to wade into the sea, even so I, the farther I go forward, the deeper I slip, and am carried away in a vast Ocean, and bottomless gulph (as it were) which cannot be founded; and that my work groweth still upon me in my hands, which as I went away apace, and rid matters at the first, I would have thought by this time should have decayed.

The Carthaginian peace was no sooner concluded, but the Macedonian war straightwaies ensued: nothing comparable to the Punic, if ye regard the hazard and danger, the virtue of the Captains for direction, or prowess of the souldiers; but if a man consider the Nobility and reputation of the ancient Kings, the fame and antiquity of the nation, the greatness of their feignory and dominion, who in times past had conquered and held by the sword much in *Europe*, and the better part of *Asia*, I dare well say, as noble and renowned, if not more. But the war commenced against *Philip* ten years almost before, had ere three years end been laid down and discontinued by means of the *Ætolians*: who as they gave occasion to enter into arms, so they wrought a composition of peace. But afterwards in process of time, when the Romans by reason of peace with the Carthaginians, had nothing to do, and were at leisure; and yet bearing an inward grudge, and owing a displeasure to *Philip*, as well for his faithless peace with the *Ætolians* and other allies and confederates of that country, as also for aid both of men and money lately sent into *Affrick* to *Annibal* and the Carthaginians: behold, the Athenians, whose territories he had clean wasted and spoiled, and whom he had driven within their City walls, importuned them with their prayers, and perswaded them to take arms and renew the war aforesaid. And much about the same time there arrived Embassadors from King *Attalus* as also from the Rhodians, giving notice that divers Cities and States of *Asia* were solicited likewise by *Philip* to band against the Romans. These Embassadors had their dispatch, and received this answer, That the Senat would have a carefull eye to the affairs of *Asia*. But the entire treaty and consultation concerning the Macedonian war was wholly referred and referred unto the Consuls, who then were employed in the war with the *Boii*. In the mean season three Embassadors were addrest unto *Ptolemæus* the King of *Egypt*, to wit, *C. Claudius Nero*, *M. Æmilius Lepidus*, and *P. Sempronius Tuditanus*, with this commission: Firstly to signify and let him understand, that *Annibal* & the Carthaginians were subdued: secondly, to give thanks unto the King for continuing so fast and faithful unto the Romans in their distress and adversity, when other of their allies, and even their next neighbours forsook and abandoned them: last of all, to request him, that in case they should be forced by wrongs and injuries offered, to wage war against *Philip*, he would vouchsafe the same mind still and his wonted affectionate favour toward the people of *Rome*.

Near about this time, *P. Ælius* the Consul being in *France*, advertised that the Boians before his coming had made rodes into the lands of the friends and allies of the Romans, presently in all haste levied and enrolled two legions upon the rumour of this tumult and trouble; and joining M thereunto four cohorts of footmen out of his own army, sent *C. Appius* a Colonel or Captain of the Confederates, with this power to suddenly raised, and with commandment to march through that part of *Umbria*, which is called, the Tribe *Sappinia*, and to invade the territories of the *Boii*, whiles himself in person led his forces the open way traveling through the mountains, and came thither. *Appius* being entered into the confines of the enemies, at the first had a good hand, and sped well in foraging the country with safety of himself. But afterwards, having made choice of a meet place near unto a Castle called \* *Mutilum*, for to cut down and reap the corn, (for now the fields were ready for harvest) but yet, without espials sent out to discover the coasts about, without setting strong and sufficient guards, which being well appointed and armed, might defend the unarmed that were busie in their harvest work; he chanced himself and all his foragers and N reapers to be surpris'd at unawares by the Frenchmen, and assailed on every side. Whereupon they also that were armed fled in great fright; and 7000 men stragling here and there over the corn fields were slain; and among them *C. Appius* himself their leader. The rest for fear were driven to put themselves within their Camp: from whence without direction and guidance of any certain Captain and only upon a general consent of the souldiers, the night next following they abandoned their hold, left much of their baggage behind them, and through blind forests, chales, and wild mountains (in manner unpassable) they came in the end to the Consul: who, after he had performed in his Province no memorable act, save only that he wasted the borders and frontiers of the *Boii*, and in league with the *Ingauni* (a nation of the *Ligurians*) returned to *Rome*. So soon as he had assembled the Senat, all the whole house with one voice called upon him to treat and consult upon no other matter before they had determined of King *Philip*, and the complaints made by their allies: so he propoed that out of hand to be debated in Councill, And the Senat in a frequent number there met, passed a decree, that *P. Ælius* the Consul should send whom he thought good with commission and authority for to receive the Armado which *Cn. Octavius* was to bring out of *Sicily*, and therewith to cross over into *Macedonia*. So *M. Valerius* *Lavinus* the Vice-Prætor was sent; and when he had taken the charge of the fleet, consi-

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*Leandro*.

A King of eight and thirty sail, at the hands of *Cn. Octavius* about *Nisus*, he passed the sea to *Macedonia*. Now when *M. Aurelius* the Lieutenant was come, and had informed and advertised him, what puissant armies, what numbers of ships the King had prepared and got together; how partly himself in person by going about not only to all the Cities of the Continent, but also the Islands in the sea; and partly by sending his Embassadors every way, had solicited unto war, and raised much people to take arms: shewing moreover, that the Romans were not to enterprise that war without preparation of greater forces; and that more speedily, for fear lest if they made slow haste and lingered, *Philip* might enterprise this adventure, which *Pyrrhus* (a Potentate and Prince of a far life: *Domimon*) had done before: it was thought meet that *Aurelius* should dispatch his letters to the same effect unto the Consuls and the Senat.

In the end of this year, when a motion was propounded in the Senat, house, as concerning the setting out of lands unto the old souldiers for recompence of their good service, who, under conduct and fortunate government of *Scipio* the Pro-Consul, had brought the war in *Affrick* to an end: the LL. enacted a decree, that *M. Junius* the Prætor of the City, if he thought to good, should create ten Decemvirs as surveyors, for to measure out and divide among them the lands in *Sannio* and *Apulia*, so much as had been forfeit and confiscate to the people of *Rome*. And these were they: namely, *P. Servilius*, *Q. Cæcilius Metellus*, *Cneius* and *Marcus*, named *Servili*, and both surnamed *Lucius*, *Luchius* and *Aulus* both *Boillii*, and surnamed *Catoes* likewise, *P. Villius Tappulus*, *M. Fabius Flaccus*, *P. Ælius* *Pæus*, and *Q. Flaminius*.

C At the same time *P. Ælius* the Cof, called the assembly and high Court of Parliament for election of Magistrates: and for Cof, were created *P. Sulpicius Galba*, and *C. Aurelius Cotta*. After them were the Prætors chosen, to wit, *Q. Minutius Rufus*, *L. Furius Purpurio*, *Q. Fulvius Gellio*, and *C. Sergius Plancus*. The Roman stage-plays were that year exhibited with great state and magnificence most sumptuously, by *L. Valerius Flaccus*, and *T. Quintus Flaminius*, Ediles of the Chair, and for two daies together were represented anew. These Ediles distributed and divided most faithfully among the people a mighty deal of corn, which *Scipio* the Pro-Consul had sent out of *Affrick*, at four Allies the Modius: whereby they won great love and favour of all men. Also the Plebeian plays were thrice set forth all whole again by the Ediles of the Commons, *L. Apustius Enlio*, and *Q. Minutius Rufus*. This man from his Edileship stepped to the Prætors place. And by occasion D of those plays there was a solemn feast celebrated in the honour of *Jupiter*.

In the 544 year from the foundation of the City, when *P. Sulpicius Galba*, and *C. Aurelius* were Cof, the war with King *Philip* began, within four months after peace granted to the Carthaginians. And before all other matters this affair was propounded in the Senate by *P. Sulpicius* the Cof, upon the Ides of *March*, the very day on which at that time they used to enter upon the Consulship. Where by the Senate it was decreed, *Impunito*, That the Consuls should sacrifice with greater beasts to what gods themselves thought good, with a solemn prayer in this form: That whatsoever the Senate and people of *Rome* minded and intended to do, either concerning the affairs of the Common-wealth, or the undertaking and enterprise of this new war, the same might speed well and happily in the end, to the behoof of the people of *Rome*, their allies, and E namely, the nation of the Latines. Item, That after sacrifice and divine prayer they should consult with the Senat about the state of the City, and the government of the Provinces. At the same time it fell out very fitly to provoke and stir up their minds unto war, that not only letters were brought from *M. Aurelius* the Lieutenant, and from *M. Valerius Lævinus* the Vice-Prætor: but also an Embassie of the Athenians arrived: the one importing, and the other reporting, that the King drew near and approached their confines, and within a while would be not only Lord of their lands and territories, but also Master of their City, unless the Romans set too their helping hand. After that the Consuls had openly pronounced and declared, that the sacrifices were performed rightly and according to order, and that the Gods gave ear unto their prayer, and accepted thereof: and the souldiers and bowell-priests likewise out of their learning made answer and shewed, that the inwards of the beasts were as they should be, and signified F happiness, namely, the enlarging of their confines and frontiers, with the achieving of victory and triumph. Then were the letters aforesaid of *Valerius* and *Aurelius* read, and the Athenian Ambassadors had a day of audience. After this, there passed an Act of the Senat, That thanks should be rendered unto their allies, for that they being long tempted and solicited for to revolt, yet notwithstanding had not failed in their allegiance, nor forsaken their fealty, no, not for fear of a present siege. As touching sending aid unto them, it was thought good to give answer, when the Consuls had their Provinces allotted unto them; and when that Consul whose hap it should be for to go into *Macedony*, had propoed unto the people, That defiance should be given to *Philip* King of *Macedony*, and open war proclaimed against him. Now it fell by lot unto *P. Sulpicius* to take that charge in *Macedony*, who preferred and presented a bill unto the people in this manner: Pleaseth it you, and is it your will, that war be proclaimed and denounced against King *Philip* and the Macedonians within his Realm and Dominion for the wrongs offered and the war levied by them upon the friends and allies of the people of *Rome*? Unto the other Consul *Aurelius* befall the Province of *Italy*. Then upon that the Prætors cast lots for their Provinces, *Cn. Sergius Plancus* had the jurisdiction of the City; *Q. Fulvius Gellio* was to govern the Province of *Sicily*, *Q. Minutius Rufus* of the *Bruttii*, and *L. Furius Purpurio* of *France*. The

The Oration  
of P. Sulpicius  
to the people  
of Rome.

The foresaid bill as concerning the Macedonian war, in the first Parliament assembled about it was in manner by all the centuries in the formost scrutinies nipped & staled denied. Which things partly men of themselves were forward enough to do, as being over-wearyed with long and fore wars, and worn out for very irksomness of tedious travel, and painfull perils: and partly *Q. Fabius* a Tribune of the Commons, failed not to fet them on: who taking the old course and way of blaming and accusing the nobles, had laid to their charge, that they fowed the seeds of war still, and ceased not to raise war upon war, to the end, that the commons might never be at rest, and enjoy the repose of peace. The LL. of the Senat took this to the heart, in such sort, that the Tribune was shaken up and much reviled in the Senat-house with most opprobrious and reproachfull terms: and every man did his part to encourage the Consul to publish a new assembly and scrutiny, for the proposing of the same bill: to chastise and rebuke the sloath and idleness of the people; yea, I and to open and shew unto them what great damage and loss, how much shame and dishonour they should incur by these delays before the war began. Then the Consul having assembled the people for this purpose in *Mars* field, before that he cited the Centuries to give their voices, called them all together and made a speech unto them in this wise: "It seemeth (quoth he) that you are ignorant, my Masters and Citizens of *Rome*, that the matter put to question is not, whether ye would have war or peace, (for *Philip* will not permit that to be at your disposition and pleasure, who already prepareth mortal war both by sea and land) but whether ye would rather chiose to transport the legions into *Macedony*, or receive your enemy here within *Italy*. And what difference there is between the one and the other, you have had sufficient proof and experience (if ever at any time before even in this last war, especially with the *Carthaginians*. For who is he that maketh doubt, but if we had with speed relieved the *Saguntins* besieged, who fled unto us for help, and earnestly craved for our protection, like as our ancestors and progenitors in due time assisted the *Mamertins*; we should have turned the whole violence and force of the war into *Spain*, which by our long driving off & lingering delays we entertained in *Italy* to our great loss and grievous calamity. Neither need we to doubt of this, but that we have hitherto said *Philip* in *Macedony*, (who without question had combined with *Annibal* by means of letters and entercourse of Embassadors, to have passed over into *Italy* before this time) only by sending of *Lavinus* with a fleet, to begin with him at home, and to make war in his own kingdom. Defer we then to do that now, when *Annibal* is chased out of *Italy* and the *Carthaginians* are defeated: which then we did, when we had the same *Annibal* our enemy within *Italy*? Go! we on still and suffer the King by winning the City of *Athens* (like as we permitted *Annibal* to forcing of *Saguntum*) to try and see our slackness and cowardise: we shall have him I warrant as you arrived in *Italy*, not at five months end, as *Annibal* was after his departure from *Saguntum*; but within five daies, after he is dislodged once & under sail from *Corinth*. See, can ye will not compare *Philip* with *Annibal*, no, nor the *Macedonians* with the *Carthaginians*: yet I assure ye will make them matches, and equal with King *Pyrrius* so far forth I say, as one man excelleth another in valour, and one nation surpasseth another in power. *Epirus* hath never been accounted, nor is at this day, but the smallest appendant to the kingdom of *Macedony*, and of least importance. But as for *Philip*, the whole and entire feignory of *Peloponnesus* is under him, and Lord he is of *Argos* it self, a City nobled as well by the death of *Pyrrius*, as the ancient name and renown that goeth of it. Compare now again the times of our state. How much flourished *Italy* in those daies more than now? Our affairs were then much more found and unfoiled: our Captains safe, our armies all, so many as they were, untainted; whom the *Carthaginian* wars afterward consumed: yet as puissant and great as we were, *Pyrrius* assailed us, he put us to trouble and sorrow enough, yea, and came in train of victory to shake our free hold, even well-near to the City of *Rome*. So as not only the *Tarentins*, and all that tract of *Italy*, which they call the greater *Greece*, banded with him in such sort, as a man would have thought they had followed the very language and those of their name: but the *Lucans* also and the *Brutians*, yea, and the *Samnis* revolted from us, and rebelled. And are ye of belife that these will be quiet and remain in loyalty and obedience, if *Philip* once were passed over into *Italy*? yes many will they there, is no question: for they stood fast afterwards, and continued true in the *Punic* war. Nay, nay, never make reckoning that these States will not revolt from us so long as they know any one unto whom they may turn and range themselves. If ye had thought much of it, and been loath to pass over into *Affrick*: in truth at this day ye should have had *Annibal* and the *Carthaginians* your enemies (till in *Italy*. Let *Macedony* therefore be the seat of war rather than *Italy*: let our enemies Cities and lands be destroyed with fire and sword. We have found well by good experience, that our fortune is better, and our forces more puissant abroad in forraign parts, than at home in our own Country. Go to therefore in the name of God to the Scrutiny and give your voices: and those things that the LL. of the Senat have devised to do, grant ye the same, and yield your assent. Ye have not only the Consul author of this advice and counsel, but also the immortal gods (who as I offered sacrifice and prayed devoutly unto them, that this war might redound to the good and benefit of my self, of the Senat, of you, of our allies, of the Latine nation, and finally of our armies and armados) have vouchsafed me all the signs and tokens of comfort and joy, and assured me that all shall be well, and according to our hearts desire. This Oration of his once ended, they went presently to deliver up their voices, and gave affirmatively for the war, & suffered it to pass according as he had propounded. Then by an order from the Senat there was a solemn supplication

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A for three daies proclaimed: and in all Churches and Chappels, and before every shrine & altar the gods were praised unto, that the war (which the people had allowed of) against *K. Philip* might be well achieved, and have an happy end. Moreover, the Consul *Sulpicius* conferred with the heralds, and asked their advice. Whether they would ordain, that the war to be denounced against King *Philip* should be intimated to himself in person: or thought it sufficient to be proclaimed within the confines of his dominion, at the next frontier town of all, where he kept a garrison and guard: they pronounced again, That it mattered not, but the Consul should please himself, and do full well in the one and the other. Then the Consul was permitted by the LL. of the Senat to chiose whom he would, so he were not a Senator, for to send as a messenger or purveyor of arms, to give the King defiance, and to publish war. After this it was debated in Council how the armies should be disposed as well of Consuls as Prators. The Consuls were commanded to enroll two legions, and to discharge and cast the old armies. *Sulpicius*, who by a decree was to manage this new war of so great name and consequence, was allowed to take with him out of that army which *Scipio* the Vice-Consul had brought out of *Affrick*, as many volunteers as he could procure: but in no case to urge any old soldier against his will. Also it was decreed, that the Consul should allow unto the Prators *L. Furius Purpureo*, and *Quintus Minutius Rufus* 5000 men apiece of the associates of the Latine nation: whom they should employ, the one in the Province of *Gallia*, and the other in the *Brutians* country to defend those parts and keep them in obedience. *Q. Fulvius Gellus* was himself likewise commanded to chiose out of that army which *P. Aelius* the Consul commanded, as many as had served fewest years, until he made up the number of 5000 also of the allies & *Latines*: which should be a garrison to keep in order and safety the Province of *Sicily*. *M. Valerius Falto*, Prator the year before, and *L. deputy* of the Province of *Campan*, had his Commission signed anew, to continue for the term of one year longer, and as Vice-Prator to pass over into *Sardinia*, with direction to chiose out of the army there 5000 of the allies and *Latines*, such as had served least time. And the Consuls were commanded to take up two legions of Citizens, which might be sent to any place, as need should require, considering that many nations in *Italy* tainted and infected with the fellowship and company of the *Carthaginians* during the wars and ever since, were felled with anger and despite against the Romans. Thus the Common-weal for that year was to use the employment of six Roman Legions.

Amidst these preparations for war, there arrived Embassadors from *K. Ptolemus*, giving intelligence, that the *Athenians* had craved aid of their King and Master against *Philip*. And although they were confederate as well with him as the Romans, yet the King would fend into *Greece* neither a fleet of ships, nor an army of men, defensive, or offensive to any, but by authority and consent of the people of *Rome*. In case therefore the Romans were resolved, and sufficient withal of themselves to defend their allies, he would be willing to sit still and take his repose at home. Otherwise, if the Romans were rather disposed to rest and take their ease, he would himself be well content to fend such forces to the aid of the *Athenians*, as should defend them easily against all the power of *Philip*. The Senat returned great thanks unto the King, with this answer, That the people of *Rome* were purposed to protect their own allies: but if during this war they stood in need, upon any occurrence that might happen, they would give knowledge thereof to the King: as he being assured and making full account, that all the puissance and wealth of his kingdom was a sure prop and trusty pillar of their State and Common-wealth. This done, by order from the Senat the Embassadors had given them for a reward five thousand *Asies* apiece. Now whiles the Consuls were busie in taking musters, and providing all things meet for the war; the City very devout and given much to religion, in the beginnings especially of all new wars, after they had performed their supplications aforesaid, and done their devotions at every altar and shrine, because nothing might be for-let and left out, that at any time heretofore had been done; ordained that the Consul, unto whom the Province of *Macedony* fell, should vow solemnly to exhibit to the honour of *Jupiter*, the great games and plaies, and a rich present beside. But *Licinius* the High Priest (aid this publique vow for the time that it went not forward, alledging that it was not lawful to make a vow of an uncertain sum of money not determined: & if such money might not serve for the use of war, it might presently be set by and laid up safe, and not be mingled and shuffled with other monies: and unless that were duly done, the vow could not be paid and performed according to the order of holy rites, albeit the thing it self and the person of the man that moved this scruple, touched and troubled them much, yet they would needs that the Consul should propound the matter to the college of the Priests and Bishops, to know their resolution, whether a vow might not directly be made of an uncertain peece of money. The Bishops set down their opinion and judgment, that it might be well enough, yea, and better than otherwise. Whereupon the Consul pronounced the vow, according to the very same form of words (as the High Priest ended and spake before him) which aforesome they were wont to use, in making the quinquennial vows from five G years to five: save only thus much, that he vowed and promised to represent the plaies, and to present oblations unto *Jupiter*, amounting to such a sum of money, as the Senat should set down when the vow was to be performed. So many times before had the great games been vowed, and a determinate sum of money ever assigned: but these were the first that were not limited within any certain hint and compass.

Now when all mens minds were wholly bent upon the Macedonian war, behold on a sudden when they feared nothing less than such a thing, there arose a rumour of French troubles and tumults:

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tumults for the Insubrians, the Cenomans and Boii, having solicited and raised up by way of instigation the *Salus*, the Ilvations, and other states of *Liguria*, under the conduct of *Annibal* the Carthaginian, who in those parts staid behind with the remnant of *Asdrubal* his army, were seized of *Placentia*: and after they had sacked the City, and for very dispiteous anger burnt a great part off, leaving hardly two thousand persons of all sorts, which amidst the fire and ruins thereof, of chance to save themselves, crossed the river *Po*, and advanced forward to the spoil and pillage of *Cremona*. But the inhabitants of that Colony, having heard of the misery and calamity befalling upon their neighbour-City, had some respite and time to shut their gates, and to bestow their guards upon the walls: so as, they should at least wife be first besieged or ever they were forced, and might be able to dispatch messengers unto the people of *Rome*. *L. Furius Purpureus* was governor of that Province for the time; who having by order from the Senat discharged all the rest of the army but only five thousand of allies and those *Larines*, abode with that power in the next country to that Province, about *Ariminum*. He then addressed his letters unto the Senat, signifying in how bad terms the province stood, namely, that of those two Colonies, which all the time of the Punick war had escaped those great storms and tempests of troubles, the one was won by the enemies and put to the laccage, the other now besieged, and at hand to be lost: neither would his forces be sufficient and able to help the distressed *Cremonians*, unless he should willingly cast away five thousand allies, and expose them as a prey unto forty thousand of the enemies (so for many they were strong) to have their throats cut, and to be hewn in pieces: and by so great a loss and overthrow of his, to give more heart and courage to the enemies, who are now in their rout, and puffed up with pride for the ruin of one Roman Colony already. Upon the reading of these letters, there went forth a decree from the LL. of the Senat, that *C. Aurelius* the Consul should send out precepts for the army to be ready at *Ariminum* that very day, on which he appointed them to the *Rendezvous*: in *Hetruria*: and that either himself in his own person, if it might stand with the good of the State, would go with a power to suppress their French commotions, or else write to *L. Furius* the Prator, that when the Roman Legions presented themselves unto him out of *Hetruria*, he should send in their stead his own five thousand allies for the guard of *Hetruria* in the mean time, and make a journey himself in person to raise the siege before *Cremona*, and to set the Colony free that now was beleaguered. They thought good besides to dispatch Embassadors into *Affrick*, who should go to *Carthage* and afterwards to *Masaniissa* in *Namidia*, To *Carthage*, for to intimate unto them, That *Amilcar*, a Citizen of theirs, left behind in France, (and whether he were of the army of *Asdrubal* before or afterwards of *Mago*, they knew not for certain) was dead there against the covenants in the League contained: that he had assembled certain forces of French and *Ligurians*, to enter into arms against the people of *Rome*: and therefore, if they had any love to entertain peace, they should call him home, and deliver him to the people of *Rome*. Over and besides they had in commission to give them to understand, that delivery was not yet made of all the runagate rebels, but many of them, by report, were retired to *Carthage*, and there went up and down, and converted openly; which persons were, after diligent search made, to be attached and apprehended, that they might, according to the tenor of the accord, be sent home again, and delivered into the hands of the Romans. And thus much concerning their message to the Carthaginians. Now they had in charge besides to congratulate with *Masaniissa*, and to declare what joy they took in his behalf, namely for that he had not only recovered the inheritance of his fathers kingdom, but also enlarged his dominion, by conquest of the most flourishing part of the Realm of *Syphax*. Moreover, commanded they were to signify unto him, that they had undertaken to war upon King *Philip* because he had befriended and aided the Carthaginians; and by offering and doing wrong to the friends of the people of *Rome*, even at what time as all *Italy* was full of troubles and wars, enforced and put them to it, for to send their armies and their armados into *Greece*, and so by dissembling and dividing their forces into sundry places, was the principal cause that they were so late ere they passed over into *Affrick*: requesting him for the maintenance of this war, to send over certain aids of Numidian horsemen. These Orators had great gifts and honourable presents given them for to carry unto the King, to wit, divers pieces of plate both of gold and silver, a purple robe of State, with a rich caslock or coat wrought in palm-tree work, with a royal Scepter of Ivory, also a robe embroydered before with purple, with an Ivory chair of state. Last of all, they are willed to make promise unto the King, that if he could think upon any thing needfull and expedient either to establish his kingdom, or to advance his royall estate, the people of *Rome* would endeavour respectively for his good demerits to compass the same to the uttermost of their power.

There arrived also about that time Embassadors from *Vermina* the son of *Syphax*, and presented themselves unto the Senat, excusing the error, and pretending the youth of the Prince, clearing him of all fault, and laying the whole blame upon their auld and treachery of the Carthaginians, promising for their King and Master in this wise, That like as *Masaniissa* of a professed enemy was become a sworn friend to the Romans, even so would *Vermina* do his best, and retain himself, that in all offices of friendship toward the people of *Rome*, neither *Masaniissa*, nor any other should surpass and go beyond him; and making petition in his name, that the Senat would vouchsafe to give him the titles of King, of Ally, and Friend unto the Romans. These Orators had this for their answer, That not only *Syphax*, his father before him, of a confederate friend suddenly without any cause at all proved an enemy to the people of *Rome*; but also himself had practised already in his

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A young years, and laid the first ground of his warfare in annoying and troubling the Romans by war; and therefore he was to seek pardon and crave peace at their hands, before he might be interceded by them with the terms of King, of Ally, and Friend: for the honour of that title the people of *Rome* were wont to vouchsafe to none, but those Kings only who had deserved singularly well of them. Many there should be certain Roman Legats in *Affrick*, unto whom the Senat would give order to minister and tender unto *Vermina* certain conditions of peace, according to a large and absolute commission that they had from the people of *Rome*. To do what they thought good. And in case the King misliked ought in those capitulations, and were desirous to have any article added, put out, or altered, he must recourse again to the Senat, and demand the same. So there were Legats or Commissioners sent into *Affrick* with such a Commission above said, namely, *C. Terentius Varro*, *Sp. Lucretius*, and *Cn. Octavius*, and each of them had a galley directed with five rows of oars.

After this were the letters read of *Q. Minutius* Prator in the Province of the *Bruttii*, importing thus much, That the consecrated money of *Proserpina* at *Locri* was by night stoln out of her treasury; but to say who should do the deed, they had no presumptions to give light and lead them directly. The Senat took the matter in very ill part, and grieved exceedingly, That sacrilegious men still to Church-robbing, and would not give over: and that the late and fresh example of *Plennius* (so notorious as well for the heinous fact as the fearful punishment) was not able to terrify them and give them warning. So *C. Aurelius* the Col, was enjoined to write unto the Prator into the *Bruttians* country to this effect: That it was the Senats pleasure, that due enquiry and Examination should be had of the Treasury thus robbed, after the lame precedent and course that *M. Porcius* the Prator took three years before. And look what money could be found, it should be laid up duly in the place; and what was not forth-coming, it should be supplied and made good again. Also (if he thought meet) that there should be certain purgatory sacrifices, according as the Bishops before ordained in the like case, for the expiation and satisfaction of the violating and defiling of the Temple. Moreover, there chanced about the same time divers prodigious tokens from many places to be reported. In the *Lucans* country the rumor and voice went, that the welkin was on fire; and at *Provernium*, while the sky was bright and fair, the sun appeared red all day long. At *Lanuvium*, in the Temple of *Juno Sospita*, there was heard in the night-season a mighty great noise, Nay, and more than this, in sundry places (as men say) were many monstrous and strange births seen. In the *Sabins* country one child was born, and no man knew what to make of it, male or female: and another likewise was found of sixteen years of age, a very *Hemaphrodite* of doubtfull sex between both. At *Fusina* there was a lamb yeened with a swines head: and at *Sinussa* a sow farrowed a pig with the head of a man. In the *Lucans* country there was stole upon the common ground a colt with five feet. All these monities were ugly to see and abominable, and holden for great defects and errors of nature working strangely out of kind. But above all others, those births both male and female, (or rather neuter) were most abhorred and detested, and order was given presently, that they should be cast into the sea; even as of late daies when *C. Clandius* and *M. Livius* were Consuls the like deformed monster was thither had away and drowned. Nevertheless the Decemvirs were commanded to turn over and peruse the books of *Sibylla*, to know what such prodigious monities might portend: who by their learning and out of those books, gave direction to make the same sacrifices which last of all for the like uncouth fights were made. Moreover, they gave commandment, that certain hymns and songs should be chanted throughout the City by three severall quires, of nine virgins in every one; and an oblation to be offered by them with all devotion to queen *Juno*. *C. Aurelius* the Consul caused all this to be performed according to the order and direction of the Decemvirs. And as in our fathers daies *Livius* composed the ditty of the hymn, so at that time *P. Licinius Tergulatus* framed and set down a form of song which they could sing. Thus when all things were expiated, and satisfaction made accordingly for the appeasing of the wrath of the gods, (for even at *Locri* also the sacrilege was found out by *Q. Minutius*, and the money missing was raised out of the goods of the offenders and guilty persons, and bestowed there again in the treasury) as the Consuls were minded to take their journey into their Provinces, there repaired many private Citizens unto the Senat, unto whom the third payment was due that year for the loan of money, which in the time of *M. Valerius* and *M. Clandius* Consuls they had lent out and disbursed, because that the Consuls had made them answer, That the stock of the City Chamber was hardly able to defray the charges of a new war, which required maintenance of a mighty Navy and of puissant armies, and therefore flatly denied them, and said, That they had not wherewith to satisfy and make present payment. The Senat could not endure that they should have this occasion to make complaint; considering, that if the Common-wealth would still employ the money upon the Macedonian war also, which was granted in loan for the Punick war, G this would be the end of it, that (one war following thus in the neck of another) their own money which was lent upon a curtesie and benevolence out of their private purses, should be little better than confiscated for some forfeiture, and fall to the Exchequer and common Chest of the City. These private persons demanding nothing but reason and right, and the City withall not able to discharge her debt, the Lords set down a middle and indifferent course between honesty and profit; and that was this: That forasmuch as many of these men said, that the City had much land upon sale, and they were to buy and make purchase, therefore the common grounds

grounds lying and being within fifty miles of Rome every way, should be granted unto them in fee farm, and the Consuls to set down an estimate of their value and worth, and charge them with a chief rent or tribute of three farthings an acre by the year, to reftitute only that they were the Cities lands: so the end that if any man hereafter (when the City should be aforehand and in case to repay the former debt) were desirous to have money rather than land, he should restore the lands and possessions again into the Cities hands and receive his money. These private Citizens (who were the foreland creditors) accepted gladly of this offer and condition. And hereupon this land was called by the name of *Trientius* and *Tributus*, because it was let out and granted in lieu of a third part of the lone money. Then *P. Scipio* after he had pronounced his vows above said in the Capitoll, and departed out of the City in his coat of arms, with the Lictors and Officers afore him, arrived at *Brundisium*; and so with the old voluntary souldiers drawn out of the army that was returned from *Africa*, (whom he had enrolled into legions) and ships chosen out of the fleet of *Cornelius* the Consul; he loosed from *Brundisium*, and the next day after landed in *Macedonia*: where attended him the Embassadors of the Athenians; who humbly besought him to deliver them from the siege that invested their City. So *C. Cato*, who was incontinently sent to *Athens*, furnished with twenty long ships of war, and a strength of men for the King himself in person beseged not *Athens*, but even then made hot assault upon the town *Abydos*, as having already given proof of his forces in sea-fight, both with the Rhodians and King *Attalus*, and in neither battell had good success. But besides the ordinary stoutness and pride engrained in him by nature, he was aloft now and looked high, by reason of the alliance made between him and *Antiochus* King of *Syria*, with whom he had parted the riches and Realm of *Aegypt*, unto which they both aspired, upon the news they heard of the death of *Ptolemy*. Now the Athenians had drawn upon themselves the war against King *Philip*, upon a small occasion and of no importance; who of all their ancient estate and glory, retain nothing else but great heat and haughty spirit. It befell that two young men of *Acarnania*, who had taken no orders and were not consecrate, entered among the other multitude into the Temple of *Ceres*, in the time of the feastival daies, and celebration of sacrifices to that goddess belonging: and being altogether ignorant in the custome of that solemnity and religion, and asking some foolish absurd questions, nothing fit for that time or place, were soon bewrayed by their speech and language: who being convened before the Prelates of the said Temple, notwithstanding it was evidently proved and known, that upon an error only & oversight, and not for any ill intent they were come into the Church, yet were they put to death as fellows, and guilty of some heinous fact in the highest degree. The people of *Acarnania* complained unto King *Philip*, and informed him of this villanous part and hostile act by them committed; and obtained a grant from him, that they might be permitted with the aid of the Macedonians, to make war upon the Athenians. This army first invaded the territories of *Athens*, and with fire and sword made waste & havock of all, and so with a rich booty of all sorts returned into *Acarnania*. These were the first quarrels on both sides that stirred coals and kindled fire between them. Afterwards was defiance given, and open war proclaimed, by the general decrees of both States. For when King *Attalus* and the Rhodians pursued after *Philip*, as he retired into *Macedony*, and were come as far as *Egina*, then the said King passed over to *Pyraeum*, for to renew and confirm the league with the Athenians. Against his coming the whole City went forth with their wives and children to meet him on the way: the Clergy with their rich vestments and goodly ornaments were ready to receive him as he entered the City: the very gods themselves in a manner abandoned their shrines to give him entertainment. Immediately was the people summoned to a generall assembly, that the King might deliver his mind before them all: but afterwards, upon more sage advice, it was thought to stand better with the honour and Majesty of a Prince, that he should set down in writing what he thought good, rather than in open place either to blush himself in recounting his favors and good turns done unto the City, or in hearing the acclamations of the multitude in token of joy, to be abashed and ashamed of their grois and unmeasurable flattery. But in his letters which he sent unto the assembly, and were there openly read and published, first he made a rehearsal of the benefits that this confederate City had received at his hands. Secondly, he discoursed of the worthy exploits which he had performed against *Philip*. And finally he knit up all with an exhortation, that whiles they had himself, the Rhodians, and especially the Romans to friend them, they should put themselves in arms and begin war: as who if they now followed the enterprise, and let slip the present opportunity, should hereafter seek in vain to find it, which once they had so carelessly lost. Then had the Rhodian Embassadors audience given them, who lately had done the Athenians a great pleasure, in recovering and sending home unto *Athens* four long soiles, which newly had been bootied and taken by the Macedonians. Hereupon with generall accord they decreed to denounce and wage war against King *Philip*. But first they did King *Attalus* incredible honour beyond all measure and then likewise to the Rhodians. Then and never before there was some speech moved of adjoyning unto the ten ancient tribes, one other tribe, which of the Kings name should be called *Atralis*. Unto the City of the Rhodians they gave in token of vertue, a Crown of beaten gold. And like as beforetime the men of *Rhodes* had granted free Burgeoisie of their City to the Athenians, so they of *Athens* now ended the Rhodians with their liberties and franchises. This done, King *Attalus* returned to his fleet in the rode of *Egina*. The Rhodians then weighed anchor, and from *Egina* sailed to *Cea*. From whence along the Islands, they passed to the *Rhodes*: and

\* *Zia*  
\* Called *Cy*  
\* *clots* in the  
\* *Aegean* lea  
\* *Archipelago*.

And in their voyage considered themselves with them all, excepting *Andros*, *Paros*, and *Cytha*, which were guarded by garrisons of the Macedonians. In *Egina* King *Attalus* made his abode a certain time, and entered into no action, by occasion of messengers whom he had sent into *Attalia*, and Embassadors that were expected from thence. But as he could not prevail with the *Attolians*, & persuade them to take arms, contenting themselves with the peace that in some sort they had concluded with *Philip*: so himself, and the Rhodians (who no doubt, if they had pressed and followed hard upon *Philip* might have gained and enjoyed this glorious title, that they alone of themselves had delivered Greece from servitude) by suffering him once again to cross the seas as far as *Helleponus*, and to possess himself of the commodious and important towns of Greece, thereby to re-enforce his power and gather more strength, gave food and nourishment to the war, the time. *Philip* carried with him yet a more princely mind and Kingly courage: who, although he was not able to match and make his part good so much as with *Attalus* and the Rhodians his enemies, yet was he nothing at all danted with the thundering threats of the Roman war; but sent *Philoctetes*, a Captain of his, with a power of two thousand foot and two hundred horse, to invade and spoil the territory of the Athenians, committed his Armado to the charge of *Heraclides*, to set sail for *Maronea*, and himself in person marched by land thither with another regiment of two thousand footmen lightly appointed, and two hundred men of arms. *Maronea* he forced at the first assault. But as for *Enus*, after he had with much labour and travel laid siege thereto a long time, in the end he was Master thereof, through the treason of *Ganymedes*, deputed Governor there for King *Ptolemaeus*. After this he surprised and won other Castles, as *Cyphela*, *Duriscion*, and *Serrheum*. From thence he advanced forward to *Chersonesus*, where he gained *Elenus* and *Alopecomessus*, which willingly surrendered: *Callipolia* also and *Maduros*, with some other peeces of bafe account and reckoning. But the Abydens shut their gates against the King, and would not suffer so much as his Embassadors to set foot within their Cities. There lay *Philip* a long time before the town and beleaguered it: and luredly had not *Attalus* and the Rhodians forelooked the time, it might have been saved and the siege failed. *Attalus* sent thither three hundred souldiers and no more to lie in garrison, and the Rhodians one galley only with four banks of oars out of the navy when it rode at *Tendos*. And afterwards when as *Attalus* himself was thither come, at what time as the townsmen could hardly hold out any longer against the siege, he made them a shew only near at hand of some help: other relief would he afford none to his allies either by land or sea. The Abydens at first planted their engines and artillery along the walls, and with shot from thence not only distressed their enemies, and kept them from approach and entrance, but also annoyed them as they lay in harbour with their ships: but afterwards, seeing part of their walls ruinate and laid open; and perceiving besides that the enemies had undermined and were come under the ground as far as the inner countermure, which the inhabitants in great haste had raised within, forthwith they sent Embassadors to the King to treat and article about some conditions for delivering up the City. The townsmen capitulated and demanded, that the Rhodian Galley afore said, with all her mariners, and the garrison also of King *Attalus*, might be sent away in safety, and themselves permitted to depart the town every one with a single suit only of apparel. But *Philip* made answer again, that they had no peace for them at all, unless they would quit the place, and simply commit themselves unto his mercy. This Embassage related unto them, set them in such an heat and choler, that partly for spite and indignation, and partly upon despair, they fell into the like rage that the Sagarins did in times past. All the dames and wives of the City they commanded to be shut up within the Temple of *Diana*: their young boies and maidens that were free-born, the sucking babes, together with their nurses, they caused to be bestowed within the common place of public exercise: their gold and silver they took order to be brought into the market place: their rich attire, their costly apparel and furniture, to be cast into the two Gallies, the one of *Rhodes*, and the other of *Cyzicum*, which rid in the haven: and last of all, that their Priests should be brought forth with their beasts for sacrifice and altars erected in the midst of the place. There first were certain men chosen of purpose: who so soon as they perceived the battailion of their countermen decated and slain, fighting before the breaches of the wall, immediately should run upon their wives and children, and kill them without mercy, cast away into the sea their gold and silver, and all the furniture above said that was in the Gallies, and set the edifices and houses afire, as well public as private, in as many places as possibly they could. For the performing and execution of these premises, they were bound by an oath minitred unto them; the form whereof, with a cursed malediction thereto annexed, they pronounced word for word from the Priests mouth. Then, as many as were of lawful age to bear arms, swore likewise, That not one of them would depart out of the battell alive, but with victory. Thus remembering the oath they had taken, and how they called the gods to witness, they fought so resolutely, that whereas the night would have parted the combat, the King retired with their furious rage, first gave over the conflict. The chief and principall men of the City, whose charge was to play the more cruell and horrible part in this tragical act, seeing there remained but few alive after this skirmish, and those grievously wounded and tired out of heart for weariness: the next morning early by day-break sent their Priests with their infules and veiles of peace, to render the City unto *Philip*. Before the town was fully yielded, *M. Emilius* the youngest of those three Roman Embassadors which were sent to *Alexandria*, hearing of the

\* *Andros*.  
\* *Paros*.  
\* *Cytha*, or  
\* *Caus*.

\* *Siretto* of *Callipolia*, *Brachinus*, *S. Georgii*, *S. Georges* arm.

\* *Maronea*, yet *Mardolia*.



the straight siege of the Abydens came by the consent of the other two unto *Philip*. Where he laid open their grievances, and made complaint, That he had warred upon *Attalus* and the Rhodians, and namely even then besieged and assailed *Abydus* most forcibly. And when the King answered that *Attalus* and the Rhodians without just cause on his part offered, began first to molest and trouble him, What? (quoth *Emilius* again) were you molested and troubled first by the Abydens too? *Philip* who was not wont to be told the truth so plainly, thinking this rejoinder of his more bold and malapert than to be offered to a King, "Your youthfull age, quoth he, & fair face, and above all the Roman name maketh you hardy and audacious. But I would advise you all, first to remember your covenants, and to entertain peace with me. For in case ye once begin with me, and put me to it: I do you understand, that I also am fully resolved to make you feel the smart, and know, that the realm and nation of the Macedonians is no less renowned for feats of arms than the Romans. *Philip* having dismissed the ambassador, and seized upon all the gold and silver that lay on a heap together, lost all the booty of men of quality that might have yielded him a round ransom. For the multitude of common people fell into such a fit of rage and madness, that all of a sudden they imagined those who let their lives in the conflict were betrayed: and so casting one in another's teeth their perjury, and charging the Priests especially that they were forsworn in delivering them alive unto the enemy whom they had devoted and appointed to death: they ran at once from all parts to the pitifull massacre of their own wives and children: and when they had so done, they made no more ado, but by fire, by sword, by drowning, hanging, and one way or other, they wrought a quick dispatch and clean riddance of themselves also. The King stood to see them thus horn-mad, flaid the bloody his own soldiers, saying, that he would allow the Abydens three daies to dye in. During which term of time, the conquered Abydens exercised more fearful cruelty upon their own persons than ever the conquerors would have put in practice in the height of their heat and choleric fury. Inasmuch as there was not one of them came alive into the enemies hands; but such as either fast tied with bonds, or otherwise by some forcible means were flaid from being their own hangmen, and the butchers of their proper bodies, *Philip* after he had placed a garrison at *Abydus* returned into his own Realm. Now when this miserable calamity of the Abydens had fleshed *Philip* to enterprize war against the Romans, like as *Annibal* before him took heart by the wofull destruction of *Saguntum* to do the semblable: behold, he was encountered with posts that brought news, how the Consul was in *Epirus* already, and had withdrawn his land-forces to *Apollonia*, and bestowed his servitors at sea in *Corinth*, there to winter.

In this while the Embassadors who were sent into *Africa* had their dispatch and this answer from the Carthaginian, First, as touching *Amilcar* the Generall of the army and forces in *France*, they could do no more but banish his person, and confiscate his goods. Then concerning the fugitive traitors and rebels who were run from the Romans, they had sent home again unto him as many as they could search out and come by: and to that purpose they would address Embassadors themselves unto the Romans, to satisfy the Senat in that behalf. And presently they sent to *Rome* two hundred thousand Modii of wheat, and other two hundred thousand into *Macedony* to the army there. From thence the Roman Embassadors went forward to the King in *Numidia*. To King *Masaniassa* they delivered the presents which the Romans sent, and declared unto him their commission: at whose hands they received a thousand Numidian horse, whereas he offered them two thousand: himself took order for their embarking, and so dispatched them into *Macedony*, with provision of two hundred thousand measures of wheat, and as many of barley. A third Embassage they had to *Vermis*, who met the Embassadors as far as the utmost marches of his Realm, and to their disposition and discretion referred the drawing and penning of all conditions of peace as they would themselves: saying withall, that he held any peace whatsoever, that he should have with the people of *Rome* for good and just. So there were presented unto him certain articles and conditions of peace, and for the ratifying thereof he was enjoined to send his Embassadors to *Rome*.

Much about the very same time *L. Cornelius Lentulus* the Vice-Prator returned out of *Spain*: who having declared in the Senat his valiant and fortunate exploits, that for many years together he had achieved in *Spain*; and in consideration thereof, demanded that it might be lawfull for him to enter the City in triumph: the Senat judged that his noble acts deserved no less than he sued for: but they had no such precedent from their ancestors, that he should be allowed to triumph, who had warred, neither as Dictator, nor Consul, nor Prator: and as for *Lentulus*, in quality of Vice-Prator only, and not of Consul or Prator he took upon him the charge of the Province of *Spain*. Howbeit, in the end they came down to this point, that he should ride into the City on horseback as *Orant*. But *Sempronius Longus* a Tribune of the Com, interposed his negative, alleging that they had as little example to shew for that; and no practise or custome at all of their ancient predecessors. But in fine the Tribune gave place to the general accord of the Com, and was content to be over-ruled. So after the order set down by the Senat, *L. Lentulus* entered *Rome* in that solemnity and pomp before-named. He presented in shew of the pillage that he had got, 44000 pound weight of silver, 2450 pound weight of gold. To his soldiers he distributed out of the spoil 120 Asces apiece.

Now was the army of the Consul translated already from *Arretium* to *Ariminum*, and five thousand Latine allies were passed out of *France* into *Etruria*. Therefore *L. Furius* departed from

*Ariminum*

*Ariminum*, made haste by taking great journeyes to come against the Gauls, who then laid siege to *Cremona*, and encamped within a mile and an half from the enemy. Means and opportunity he had to do a notable exploit, and win a good hand of the enemies, if immediately upon his first coming he might have assailed their Camp: for they wandered to and fro in scattering wile up and down the country a foraging, and had left no sufficient guard for the defence of their Camp. But he feared greatly that his soldiers were weary and tired: became the companies marched apace either in exceeding great haste. Howbeit the Gauls being called back by the hooping and hollowing of their fellows, let go their booty which they had in manner as good as in their hands, and returned to the Camp, and the morrow after ranged themselves in battell array. The Romans were not behind for their parts, albeit they had hardly time enough to let themselves in order, the enemies ran so suddenly, and made such haste to fight. The right wing (for the army of the allies was divided into wings) was placed in the vanguard: the two Roman legions in the rearward: *M. Furius* led the right wing, *M. Caelius* had the conduct of the legions; and *L. V. Clodius* (all three Lieutenants) commanded the Cavalry. The Prator kept with him two Lieutenants, *Cn. Leliorius*, and *P. Titinius*, by whose means he might look about from every part, and be ready to oppose himself against all sudden attempts whatsoever of the enemies. At the first, the Gauls hoped that with their numbers they should be able to tread down and trample under their feet that right wing of allies which was in the forefront: and to that effect they reduced their multitudes into one place, and charged upon it with all their might and main together. But seeing that enterprize sped not well, they endeavoured to environ the corners and sides, and to compass the enemies round about: which they thought they might soon do, being so many as they were in comparison of so few: which when the Prator perceived, to the end that he also might spread out his battallions at large, he displayed the two legions in the rearward, so as he compassed on both hands that wing which fought in the vanguard: and therewith vowed two Chappels to *Jupiter*, that day he might be so fortunate as to vanquish his enemies. To *L. Valerius* he gave direction, that of one side he should with the Cavalry of the two legions, and on the other side with the horse belonging to the allies charge upon the wings of the enemies, and not suffer them in any case to enclose the battell about. Herewithall himself also, eipping the middle battallion of the Gauls to be but thin, by reason they were stretched out from thence to the corners and points of each hand, commanded his soldiers to keep close together, to advance forward and break through their ranks. So were the wings of the Gauls by the horsemen discomfited, and they in the midst repulsed back & chased by the footmen: and when the enemies thus at once on every hand were beaten down and killed, they shewed their backs, and fled as fast as they could to the camp. The horse pursued them in the rout and chase; and anon the legionary footmen made after also, and gave an assault upon their Camp. There escaped from thence not all out six thousand: slain there were and taken prisoners above 35000, with seventy banners and ensigns, and more than two hundred French wagons, charged and laden with much pillage. In this conflict, *Amilcar* the Generall of the Carthaginians lost his life, and three Noblemen of the French, Leaders of mark and name. The Placentine captives, to the number of two thousand men of free condition, were delivered again to them of their own Colony. This was a goodly victory; and upon the letters which came with tidings thereof to *Rome*, received there with great joy; and ordained it was, that a solemn procession should be held for the space of three daies, Of Romans and allies one with another, there died in this battell two thousand: most of them were of that right wing, upon which the enemies in the beginning of the conflict most of all discharged their fury.

Albeit the Prator had brought the war to a good pass, and in manner finished it, yet the Consul also *C. Aurelius*, having accomplished his necessary affairs at *Rome*, made no stay but took his journey into *France*, and received the victorious army of the Prator. The other Consul who came into his Province but a little before the end of Autumn, wintered about *Apollonia*. The Roman galleys which from the Armado that lay in dock at *Coreyra*, were sent as is aforesaid to *Athens* with *C. Claudius*, were no sooner arrived at *Pyreum*, but they mightily comforted the allies, whose hearts were well-nigh done: for neither were there any more inroads now by land as there were wont to be from *Corinth* side by the way of *Megara* along into their territories: and the men of war and Pyrats ships which from *Chalcis* had made not only the seas dangerous to the Athenians, but also the maritime & sea coasts, durst not now approach nearer than the Cape of *Sunium*, nor venture into the open main sea from the Straights of *Emipirus*. Over and besides, there came in to them three Rhodian galleys with four banks of oars: there were also three open ships of *Athens* well rigged and appointed, for to keep the quarters that lay along the river. *Claudius* was well appeased, and thought he had got enough for the present, in case the City and Territory of *Athens* might be sufficiently guarded by this fleet. But fees, there presented unto him an occurrent besides of far greater importance and consequence. Certain banished persons of *Chalcis*, expelled from thence by the wrongs and violence of those that sided with King *Philip*, advertised him, that the City of *Chalcis* might be easily surprised without any conflict or resistance at all: for, not only the Macedonians ranged abroad every where up and down, because there were no enemies near at hand to fear: but also the townsmen presuming upon the garrison of the Macedonians, neglected the guard of the City. Upon the assurance of their words, he set forward: and although he was arrived at *Sunium* with so good speed, that he might with ease have sailed to the entrance of the Straights of *Enbaa*, yet for fear of being

\* 137500 lib.  
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\* 1800 lib.  
ster. at 3 li.  
an ounce.  
\* 7 li. 6 d.  
English.

\* Corin.

being discovered (when he was once got past the cape) he kept his fleet within the bay till until night: and at the shutting in of the evening he weighed anchor and lanchd forth, and having a calm sea, he arrived before *Chalcis* a little before the break of day, and presented his forces against those parts of the City that were least peopled: and with the help of some few soldiers he scaled and got the Tower that stood next, with the wall about it, whiles in some places the warders were found asleep; and in others not at all to be found. Then they advanced forward unto those parts that were more inhabited, and stood thicker with houses; where, after they had killed the guard and broke open a gate, they received into the town all the rest of their soldiers. Whereupon, there was running now on every hand into all parts of the City, and much hurry and confusion: which was the greater, because the enemies had set fire on the houses about the market place. The Kings garrisons also were of a light fire, together with the arsenal and armory, wherethere it was exceeding store of provision, of engines, of artillery and other ordnance and instruments for war. After this they fell to execution and to massacre in every place, as well those that fled as those that made head: so as they missed not one that was of age meet to bear arms; but either he was killed or put to flight. *Sopater* likewise the Acarnanian Captain of the garrison was there slain. All the pillage was first brought and piled up together in the common place of the City, and afterwards embarked. The common Goal besides was broke open by the Rhodians, and the prisoners and captives let out, whom *Philip* had there lodged as in a place of surest guard and custody. Then they overthrow the Images and statues of the King, and brake their necks: which done, they founded the retreat, went a shipboard, and returned to *Pyreum*, from whence they came. But if the number of Roman soldiers had been such, that they might have kept *Chalcis* still with a garrison, without quitting and abandoning the defence of *Athens*, a great matter had been got into the very beginning of the war: to wit, the City of *Chalcis* and the passage of *Eurippus*, had been taken from the King. For as the narrow pass of *Thermopylae* stoppeth the waies into *Greece* by land, so the straits of *Eurippus* maketh all sure by sea. *Philip* at that time lay in the City *Demetrias*; where, after he heard the news of the calamity befall upon a confederate City, albeit now it was too late to help when all was lost: yet because he would be revenged (which is a thing that cometh near to the nature of aid and succour) he went forth immediately with five thousand footmen lightly appointed and nimble, and three thousand horsemen, with all the speed and haste he could to reach near unto *Chalcis*; making full reckoning that the Romans might be surprisid on a sudden: but being disappointed of this hope, and thither come where he could see nothing else but a piteous spectacle of a friend-City half ruinate and still smoaking and so few people left alive, that they hardly were able to bury their dead, he returned as hastily as he came; and having passed over *Eurippus* at a bridge, he led straight to *Athens* by the way of *Boetia*, with a deep perisuation and hope, that a like enterprise unto the Romans should have the like issue. And verily he had not misfid of the fensible effect, correspondent to his designs; but that a certain watchman (one of those whom the Greeks call *Hemerodromos*, that is, potts and carriers that in one daies pace will run and rid a mighty deal of ground) descried from a watch-tower the Kings troops marching: whereupon he ran out afore, and came to *Athens* ere midnight. There were they all asleep, and as retchless as they of *Chalcis* were a few daies past, which was the loss of their town. The Prator of the Athenians, and *Dioxippus* the Captain of a regiment of hired strangers and aid-soldiers, awoke at this so fearful and sudden tidings and got up, assembled the soldiers into the market-stead, and commanded to sound alarm from the highest place of the City, that all men might take knowledge that the enemies were near at hand. By which means they ran every man from all parts to the gates and up the walls. Within few hours after, and somewhat before day-light, he approached the City: and seeing many lights every where, hearing also a noise of people running to and fro (as in time of such a tumult) he staid his march, and commanded his soldiers to sit them down and rest themselves, intending to proceed by overt and open forces, since covert and crafty courses sped no better: and so at length he came before *Dipylon*. This *Dipylon* is a gate, standing in the very front of the City, greater and wider a great deal than the rest. Both within and without that gate are large and broad streets, so that both the inhabitants within may marshall an army, and lead in battell array from the common place directly to the gate, and also the enemies without have room at will to conduct a power as well of horse as foot, by means of a spacious cauley or high-way, which reacheth out almost a mile in length from the forehead gate, and leadeth to the place of exercise or school called *Academia*. At this quarter of the City the Athenians, together with the garrison of *Attalus*, and the regiment of *Dioxippus*, issued forth, and entred the cauley abovenamed, having first within the gate set their men in order of battell. Which when *Philip* saw, he made full account, that he had his enemies as he would himself to do his pleasure with them, and that now he should have his fill of a massacre and slaughter that he had wished for so long (for there was not a State or City in all *Greece* that he maliced more than this of *Athens*.) And therefore he exhorted and encouraged his soldiers, that they should have their eye upon him ever as they fought, and know well this, that where the King was, there should the banners and cornets be displayed, there should the strength and force of the battell be: and so he set spurs to his horse, and ran with full career to charge the enemies. Thus was he not only carried away with heat of choler, but ravished also with a desire of glory, esteeming it a goodly thing, and a matter tending to his great honour, for to be seen fighting in the view of a great multitude of people that had taken up and filled the battlements of the walls

(as it were) to behold a solemn spectacle. Thus being advanced a good way before the main battall, accompanied with some few men of arms, he rode among the mids of the enemies, where he bare himself so valiantly, that as he mightily heartned his own men, so he affrighted so lels his enemies. Many a one he wounded with his own hand, reaching at them: that were near, levelling at those that were farther off, and drave them afore him like sheep and followed hard upon them in perfon to the very gate; where he made foul work among them, thronged and crouded as they were together in the freight of the passage, for half they made to escape, and committed a grievous slaughter. And albeit this was but an unwise and rash adventure of his, yet he retired himself in safety, without farther danger of his person by reason that they who were placed in the towers of the gate, forbore to shoot and lance their darts, because they would not hurt their own side, inmenning among the enemies. But after this, when the Athenians kept their soldiers within the walls, *Philip* founded the retreat, and pitched his tents at *Cynosgetes*, where there was a Temple of *Hercules*, and a school of learning and a grove standing about it. As for *Cynosgetes*, and the school *Lyceum*, and whatsoever was either religious, or pleasant and delectable about the City, was burned. And not only the edifices, but the sepulchres also and monuments of the dead were defaced and cast down: in which furious heat of anger, nothing was spared, were it sacred or prophane, without regard of God and man. The next morning, when the gates were still kept shut, and afterwards set open again upon a suddain, because the garrison of *Attalus* entred into the City from *Aegina* and the Roman from *Pyreum* side: *Philip* dislodged and removed back from the City almost three miles. From whence he went to *Eleusine*, hoping to surprisid the Temple at *Cunawares*, together with the Town and Cattle, which both environeth the Temple, and also commandeth the same. But when he perceived that the corps de guard was not neglected, and that a fleet besides was coming from *Pyreum* to succour them, he gave over this design, and led his army to *Megara*, and so straight forward immediately to *Cornith*: and having intelligence, that the Achians held a general Diet, and counsel at *Argos*, thither he came unlooked for of the Achians, and put himself amongst them at the very session and assembly. Consultation there was, about waging war with *Nabis*, the tyrant of the Lacedemonians: Whoseeing, that the Signory of *Achaia* was taken from *Philoponemus*, and conferred upon *Cyrtarion*, a Captain not to be named and compared with him, and perceiving also that the aids which the Achians had, were fallen from them and gone, took their vantage, renewed the old quarrel, and made fresh war upon them, waiting the villages and territories of the borders, sea, and threatening the good Towns and Cities also. Now whiles they sat devising and conspiring together what number of soldiers should be levied and enrolled out of every severall State and City, for to withstand this common enemy, *Philip* frankly promised to ease them all of that care as touching *Nabis* and the Lacedemonians, nor only to impeach them for spoiling the lands of their Allies, but also to lead his army out of hand into the very territory of *Laconia* and *Sparta*, and thither to turn the whole terror of this war. This kind speech and friendly offer of his, being with a general applause of them all accepted. "Mary, this you must (quoth he) take withal, that good reason it is, whiles "I myself am content to defend and maintain your country by my forces, mine own territories "in the mean time be not disurnished of their garrisons and left naked: and therefore, if they think "it good, provide me as many soldiers as may suffice for the guard of *Dreum*, *Chalcis*, and *Cornith*, "that thus making all sure behind me, I may be secured from danger that way and with more resolution prosecute the war against *Nabis* and the Lacedemonians. The Achians smiled him "quickly & knew full well, to what end this gracious promise of his and frank offer of aid against the Lacedemonians tended. His only drift was to draw forth of *Peloponnesus* the youth and flour of the Achians as a pledge and sure hostage for to engage the whole nation so far as they should be intereffed in the war that he had with the Romans. *Cyrtarion* the Prator of the Achians thinking it bootless, and no good policy, to discover so much, and to enforce that point against him, interred only this speech and said, That it was not lawfully by the customes and ordinances of the Achians, to propose other matters to parle of, than those for which they were assembled together: and so after the order enacted for levying and waging an army against *Nabis*, he dissolved and brake up the assembly, which he now had held right stoutly and with the liberty of the place, who otherwise before that time was taken ever for no better than one of the Kings flatterers and favorites. Thus *Philip* put besides the great hopes that he had conceived, levied some small number of voluntary soldiers, and returned to *Cornith* and the land of *Attica*.

During the time that *Philip* was in *Achaia*, *Philochus* a Captain under the King, departed out of *Euboea* with two thousand Thracians and Macedonians, for to wait and spoil the confines of the Athenians; and over against *Eleusine* passed over the forest and hill *Cyrtarion*, from whence having sent out the one half of his forces every way to prey upon the plain country, he hid himself down close with the other half in a convenient place for an ambush, to the end, that if peradventure they should make out from the Fort at *Eleusine*, and let upon his soldiers as they drave booties, he might suddainly arise and charge upon the enemies at unawares, spread and scattered all abroad. But this ambushment was discovered. And therefore after he had called the soldiers back who were run all abroad a foraging, he put them in order well armed & appointed to besiege and assault the Fort of *Eleusine*, against which he led all his forces: but after much hurt and many a wound received from them, he retired, and joyined with *Philip* as he returned out of *Achaia*. The King also himself in person, assailed to force and batter the said hold: but the Roman ships

ships coming from *Pyraeum*, and a fresh garrison received into the place, caused him perforce to give over the enterprise. After this the King divided his power, and sent one part thereof against *Athens*, under the conduct of *Philocles*, and himself with the other marched to *Pyraeum*: that whiles *Philocles* kept the Athenians within the City, by approaching their walls, and threatening to besiege and assault it, he might himself with facility win and gain *Pyraeum*, wherein there was left but a small and slight guard. But he found as hot a peevishness about the assailing of *Pyraeum*, as before at *Eleusis*, by reason of the same soldiers in manner that defended as well the one as the other. So on a sudden he departed from *Pyraeum*: & marched directly toward *Athens*. From whence he was repulsed and chased by a sudden fall both of horse and foot, toward the freights of the wall half ruin'd; which wall stretching out, as it were, two arms, joyned from the *Pyraeum* to *Athens*. So he left battering and assailing the City, and parting again his army with *Philocles*, he went out to forrage and spoil the country: and as in his former sackage he exercised himself in demolishing the tombs all about the City, so because he would leave nothing entire and safe, he commanded the chappels of the Gods, which were consecrate in every village and hamlet, to be pulled down, rased, and burnt.

The country of *Attica* was marvellously beautified and embellished (as it were) with goodly peeces of work in that kind, (by reason as well of the store they had of native marble, as also of their industrious and excellent workmen) which mingled matter and occasion unto him of this outrage and madness. For not contented and satisfied with the ruin of the Temples, and casting down of images, he commanded that the very stones should be broken and battered in peeces, that left being whole and found they might serve to make up and stop the breaches of the ruins. And after that his fell mood and anger was not so much satisfied and lashed, as it wanted matter to work upon in that place, he departed out of his enemies country into *Boeotia*, and performed no other deed in *Greece* worthy of remembrance.

\* *Sisipoli*, *Piræa*,  
\* *Pyraeum*,  
\* *Nigra*,  
\* *Diagea*,  
\* *Pyraeum*,  
\* *Nigra*.

*Sulpicius* the Consul at that time lay in camp between \* *Apollonia* and \* *Dyrrachium*, near the river *Apus*: and having called *T. Apustius* the Lieutenant to come thither, he sent him with part of his forces to wait the borders of his enemies. *Apustius* after he had foraged the frontiers of *Macedony*, and forced at the first assault certain holds, as *Corrhagum*, *Gerrhenium*, and *Orgesum*, came with his army before *Amipatrias*, a City seated in the narrow freights of a certain passage. And first he called forth the principal and chief citizens to a party, and assailed to persuade and induce them for to submit themselves under the protection and safeguard of the Romans: but afterwards, seeing he was refused upon their greatness, the strong walls and situation of the Town, and therefore made no reckoning of his motives, but rejected them, he assailed it by force of arms, and won it in the end. All that were above fourteen years of age he put to the sword: the whole pillage he dealt amongst the soldiers: the walls he rased, and set fire on the Town. The fear of his misery was the cause that *Cadonia*, a Town of good strength and well fortified, was yielded to the Romans without assault, or any sword drawn. There he left a garrison: and after that, he forced *Ilum*, a Town better known for the name that it carrieth of the other famous *Ilum* in *Asia*, than for any thing else. As the Lieutenant returned with a great booty to the Consul, one *Athenagoras* a Captain under the King, charged upon the tail of the arreargard, disordered the hindmost, and impeached their passage over the river: but the Lieutenant, at their cry and sudden affright rode in all haste back, caused them to turn again and make head, set them in battail ray, and bestowed all their bag and baggage in the mids upon a heap. The Kings soldiers not able to abide the violence of the Romans, were many of them slain, and more taken prisoners. So the Lieutenant having retired his army in safety, was immediately sent back unto the Consul to the Armado.

The war being thus begun, and the exploit of this first expedition happily performed, the Princes, Potentates, and LL, that bordered upon the Macedonians, repaired into the Roman camp to wit, *Pleuraus* the son of *Scerdilius*, *Aminander* King of the *Athamans*: and from *Dardania*, *Bato* the son of *Longarus*. This *Longarus* had waged war aforetime in his own name and quarrel, with *Demeetrius* the father of this *Philip*. These States offering and promising their aids unto the Consul, had this answer from him, that for the *Dardanians* and *Pleuraus*, he would use them, when he entered with an host into *Macedony*. As for *Aminander*, he gave him in charge the while to solicit the *Ætolians* to war. The Embassadors of *Atralus* (for they also were come at the same time) he dispatched with this order. That their King should attend the coming of the Roman fleet at *Ægina*, where he wintered: with which and his own jointly together, he should assail *Philip* at sea like as he had done beforetime. Embassadors also were addrested to the *Rhodians*, that they likewise should have their hand and be seen in this war. *Philip* for his part forewore not to make preparation (for now by this time was he come into *Macedony*) and sent with part of his forces for to keep the freights of the passage of *Pelagonia*, his son *Perseus*, a very child of young years, having chosen certain of his trusty friends, to direct and govern his tender age. As for \* *Scintunus* and \* *Peperatus*, two Towns of no small importance he destroyed, for fear the enemies fleet should seize upon them, and with their pillage content and pay themselves. He sent likewise Embassadors to the *Ætolians* (a nation inconstant and unquiet by nature) that they should not upon the arrival of the Romans, change their allegiance. Now the Diet or general council of all the states of *Ætolia*, which they call *Panætolium*, was to be held at a certain day appointed. And therefore to prevent and meet with all dangers, both the Kings Embassadors made halt to be present thereto: and also *L. Furius Purpurio* presented himself there, as sent Embassador from the Consul.

\* *Scintunus*,  
\* *Peperatus*.

A Consul. Athenian Embassadors likewise were at this assembly. And first the Macedonians (with whom a league was but lately concluded, and therefore fresh in remembrance) had audience, who said, "They had no new matter to speak of, seeing there was no new occurrent and business fallen out: only this, that upon what motives and considerations they were entered into an accord and peace with King *Philip*, (as having experience that the alliance with the Romans never did them good) for the very same they should maintain it still, being once concluded & confirmed. Or, love ye rather (quoth one above the rest of the Embassadors) to imitate the Romans licentiousness or their levity, I know not whether? Why, as they gave order and commandment, that your Embassadors being at *Rome*, should receive their dispatch and answer in these terms: Come ye now to us indeed my masters of *Ætolia*, when without our consent and warrant ye have made peace with *Philip*: so likewise at this present are ready to require that ye should band with them, and war upon *Philip*. They pretended aforetime that they took arms against him, by occasion of you, in your quarrel and defence: & now they forbid you to be in peace with *Philip*. At first they entered into *Sicily* for to aid and succour *Messana*, a second time they went thither to set free and deliver *Syracusa* out of the oppression of the Carthaginians. And now at this time they hold in possession both *Messana* and *Syracusa*: and all *Sicily* entire they have made it tributary, yea, and reduced it into the form of a Province, to be ruled under their sword, and the jurisdiction of their Deputies and Magistrates. In good faith, assure you, that as ye according to your laws & customs hold your Diets & Councils at *Naupactum*, by your own Magistrates elected and created among your selves, wherein ye have liberty to make choice both of friends and enemies whom ye will, and to entertain either peace or war at your pleasure: so, wits are sent out to the States of *Sicily* for their knights and burgeses, to assemble in Parliament at *Syracusa*, at *Messana*, or *Lilybæum*. And the Roman Pretor it is and no other that summoneth them thither, as also to their Assises and Sessions: at his commandment & not otherwise they are cited to general Councils. Him they see sitting on high in his tribunal seat, guarded with Licitors, attended upon with Ulfers, there to hear and determine causes, and from aloft to pronounce hard sentences and proud awards. His rods threaten their backs and sides, his axes are ready to chop their heads from their shoulders: & from year to year new Lords still they choose, and send among them. And this dealing, none of them either can or ought to marvel at: for why they see Cities of *Italy*, by name *Rhegium*, *Tarentum*, and *Capua*, (to speak nothing of their neighbour Towns, by whole fall they arose, by whose ruins *Rome* grew mighty) subject likewise to the same rule and government. As for *Capua*, the very sepulchre and tomb of the Coman nation (now that the natural people thereof are either dead and buried, or driven out as exiled persons) remaineth at this day as a monster and wonder in nature, resembling a headless and limble dimembred trunk of a body: a Town (I say) without Senat, without Commonalty, without Magistrates: where more cruelty was shewed, in leaving it to itself thus abandoned, and in this manner to be inhabited, than if it had been clean rased and laid even with the ground. Meer folly it is and without all sense and reason, to believe or hope, that if these strangers and aliens born (who differ more from us in language, in customs and laws, than they are distant and disjoyned by space between of land and sea) be once seized and possessed of these places, that any thing will continue long entire in the present state. The Kingdom of *Philip* (ye will say) is a block in your way, and seemeth to prejudice your freedom & liberties: yet he being made your heavy freed, and that through your own fault and desert, required no other thing at your hands for a mends, but peace: and even now desireth nought else but your allegiance, and the faithful observance of the same. Acquaint foreign legions once with this your country: you take the yoke of servitude upon your necks for ever. Accept the Romans once for your Lords: too late it will be then and in vain for you to seek *Philip* again, and with him your ally. Small matters and momentary occasions may well cause the *Ætolians*, *Acarnanians* and *Macedonians*, (men of one language) to fall out, and as slender motives, will soon make them friends again: a little thing setteth them to a jar, and as little bringeth them in tune. But all *Grecians* both are and ever will be at war with Barbarians: enemies they are by nature, which is perpetual and immutable; and not by occasions, which alter every day. But where I began my speech, there will I leave & make an end. In this very place you the same men agreed three years past to have peace with *Philip*: and the self-same Romans as they misliked then & disavowed that peace, so now they will needs disliket and trouble it after it is once passed and accorded. And since the case still is all one, and fortune hath made no alteration, I see no reason why ye should vary and change your minds. After the Macedonians, the Athenians entered in place, for the Romans were well contented therewith, and would needs have it so: "These Athenians having suffered many wrongs and indignities at the Kings hands, had juster cause of complaint, and more reason to inveigh and aggravate matter against his cruelty and outrageous dealings. First, they bewailed the piteous & spoil & miserable sackage of their territories: neither complained they so much, and found themselves grieved, in that they had sustained harms and suffered hostility from an enemy, (for there be certain laws and rights belonging unto war, by vertue whereof, to give and take, to suffer harm and to do harm interchangeably, is an ordinary matter and allowable: As for example, the burning of standing corn in the field, rasing and pulling down of houses, harrying and driving of booties both of men and cattail, rather piteous calamities, than shameful indignities to endure.) But this is the point say they, and hereof we complain, That he who termed the Romans, strangers

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"(strangers born, and barbarous, hath so polluted and violated at once all laws of God and man: so as his former rode and expedition he seemed to make most impious war with the infernal Gods and Spirits beneath: and in the second, with the heavenly powers and Gods above. All the monuments and tombs within their confines are defaced and destroyed. the dead in their graves are all laid bare, not so much as the bones of any one lye covered with mould. Temples we had and Chappels, which, as in times past when our ancestors inhabited those small holds, hamlets and villages they consecrated and hallowed: so when they were reduced into one City, and enrolled into wards and parishes, they forsook not nor abandoned altogether. Round about these sacred Churches hath Philip plerite, and consumed all: the holy images of the Gods, lie some scorched and half burnt: others headless and dimembred, among the pillars and posts of the Temples thrown along on the ground. And look what our work he hath made in the country of *Africa*, so rich and so beautifully adorned in times past, the like havock if he might be let alone, would he make in *Aetolia* and in all *Greece* throughout. For had not the Romans come in time to succour, our very City also had been so served and piteously disfigured. For with like mischievous intent came he to the City which worshipped those Gods, not sparing the goddess *Minerva*, the patroness and protectress of our Town and Cattle: the same wicked mind he carried against the Temple of *Ceres Eleuthina*: and no better affected was he to *Jupiter*, and *Minerva Pyreum*. But being repulsed by force and arms not only from our Temples, but also from the walls of our City he wreaked his anger and raged against those Chappels and religious houses, which had nothing for their defence but only the reverent regard of the Gods, whereof he had none. Hereupon, they prayed and humbly besought the *Aetolians*, to have compassion of the Athenians, and to enterprize the war, under the conduct first of the immortal Gods, and then of the Romans, who next to the Gods are most powerful and mighty. Then the Roman Embassador spake in this wise. "The Macedonians first, and after them the Athenians, have altered the whole course and form of my speech. For, whereas my coming hither was to complain of the injuries done by Philip to so many Cities of our allies and associates: the Macedonians by accusing the Romans first, have put me so hardly to my shits, that I need have therto employ my wits in making a defence of our selves: than in framing an accusation against others. The Athenians again in reckoning up and recounting the impious, abominable, and inhuman parts of King Philip committed against the Gods, both above and beneath, what have they left behind for me or any man else to object against him besides? What they have said, you may well think, and truly suppose, that the men of *Chios*, *Abydos*, *Ennus*, *Maryone*, *Iphigeneia*, *Paros*, *Samos*, *Lesbos* and *Melissae*: whose all here of *Achaia*, complain of the same, yea, and of more grievous and cruel enormities: as whom he had greater means to annoy and hurt, as for such things as he hath laid to our charge, if they deserve not honor and glory, I conceive they cannot be answered and defended. Reproached us he hath with *Rhegium*, with *Capua*, and *Syracuse*. I cannot deny, but during the war of *Pyrrhus* we sent a legion to *Rhegium*, therto lie in garrison at the instant prayer of the *Rhegians* themselves, who requested us to send them. This legion I confess, most wickedly and treacherously seized upon the City, and possessed it to their own use, for the guard and defence whereof they were first sent. A vowed we (I pray you) that act of theirs? Nay, pursued we not by arms that lewd legion and ungratefuls, and when we had them in our power and at our devotion forced not we them to make amends and satisfaction to our allies, with the smart of their back and sides, and with the loss of their heads in the end? And when we had so done, restored we not unto the *Rhegians* their City, their Lands, all their goods whatsoever together with their liberties, franchises, and laws? As for the *Syracufians*, when they were oppressed by strange and forrain tyrants, we judging it to be a great indignity, relieved and succoured them: and after we had been (for three years) incessantly wearied and toiled out with continual siege and incessant assault both by land and sea of their City, so exceeding strong and so well fortified: we seeing that the *Syracufians* themselves made choice rather to be in servitude under those tyrants, than to be taken by us, gave them their City again both forced and freed by the same armies. Neither deny we that *Sicily* is our Province: and that the Cities which took part and sided with the *Carthaginians*, & jointly with them accorded to wage war against us, are tributaries unto us, and pay us yearly rents and pensions. Nay, we are so far from not taking this upon us that contrary-wise we would, that both you and all nations besides well knew, that every one received at our hands that measure of fortune that he duly deserved. And now as touching the *Capuans*, should we repent that we have chastised them in such sort, whereof they themselves verily can not complain? These men, after we had maintained war against the *Samnites* in their quarrel and defence, for the space well nigh of seventy years to no small dispende of ours, and with many a loss and overthrow, after we had linked them unto us first by league and alliance, then by marriage and affinity, and last of all, by freedom and bourgeoisie of our City: these men I say, in our adversity, were the first of all other nations of *Italy*, that villainously massacred our garrison there, and revolted unto *Annibal*: and then for very tight and indignation that they whereby us besieged, sent *Annibal* to assault the City of *Rome*. And if we had proceeded in that rigour against them, that we had left neither City standing nor any one person of them living, who could take offence thereat, and justly say, That they had been more hardly entreated and dealt withal than they deserved? There were more of them, that upon touch and prick of guilty conscience for their lewd and wicked deeds, made

"themselves away and so perished, than were by us executed and put to death. As for the rest, we took from them indeed their Town, we deprived them of their possessions and livings, yet so, as we left them both lands to occupy, and place to dwell in: the guiltless Town it self we suffered to stand still safe and found, that whatsoever at this day seeth it, can not find the least token or shew of a City either forced or won. But what speak I of *Capua*? seeing we have afforded unto *Carthage* (a City conquered and subdued) both peace and all liberty? Inasmuch as we have cause rather to be afraid, left by remissness and over-willingness to pardon those whom we have vanquished, we give occasion to many more to be so bold as to trie the hazard and fortune of war against us. And thus I had to say in defence of our selves. Now somewhat I have to speak against King Philip whose horrible murders committed upon those of his own house, even his nearest kindred and friends: whose loose life and unbridled lust (more unkind and inhumane in manner than his cruelty) ye know better that are neerer unto *Macedony*. As for you, my masters of *Aetolia*, we have for your sakes begun war with Philip, and you again without us have concluded peace with him. It may be you will alledge, that whiles we were occupied in the Punick war, we were forced and compelled for fear to take such conditions of peace at his hands, who was the stronger: we likewise pressed with greater affairs and troubles) forbore to prosecute and follow that war, which by you first was laid down & given over. At this present, seeing by the grace and goodness of the Gods the Punick war is come to an end, both we have employed and bent all our forces against *Macedony*, and ye also have good occasion and opportunity offered to reenter into amity and alliance with us, unless ye had rather perish with Philip, than vanquish with the Romans.

When the Roman Embassador had ended this Oration, the *Aetolians* generally were inclined and affected to the Romans: but *Damocritus* their Pretor (corrupted as the speech went with a sum of money received from King Philip, and made for him) gave assent neither to the one party nor the other, but said, "That in counsels of great weight and importance, there was nothing more hurtful and prejudicial, than haste for repentance (qd. he) follow it never so soon, when a thing is once done, yet it cometh too late and booteth not: considering, that rash counsels can not be revoked, hasty and headlong courses cannot possibly be recalled, nor matters once past be redressed again to their former state. As for the proper time of that resolution now in hand, whereof my self am of advice, that due maturity & full ripeness should be expected: it might now at this present be set down and concluded upon. For seeing that by our laws & ordinances provided it is that we may not treat of any affairs concerning peace or war, but in the general counsels called *Panetolick* or *Pylaiick*: therefore for the present I would have you to ordain and decree, that your Pretor without fraud or covin might call and hold a Diet or court of Parliament, whensoever he is minded to treat of war or peace: and whatsoever then and there shall be propounded and determined, it may stand in as good force, strength, & vertue, as if it had passed in a full *Panetolick* or *Pylaiick* council. Thus the Embassadors being dismissed and sent away in silence, and nothing decided and concluded, he said, That he had performed a singular peece of service to his nation and country. For now they would side and take part with those, whose fortune it were to speed better in the field. Thus went matters in the assembly of the *Aetolians*.

Now Philip with all diligence prepared for war both by sea and land. His sea forces he assembled together unto *Demetrias* a port in *Thessaly*, making account, that *Attalus* and the Roman fleet would in the beginning of the next spring depart from *Adria*. Over his navy and all the sea coasts he appointed *Heracles* Admiral, like as he had done aforetime. Himself levied and gathered his land-forces, supposing verily that he had debared and bereft the Romans of two great means of aid, to wit, the *Aetolians* of the one side, and the *Dardanians* of the other: in that the narrow straits and passage of *Palagonia*, was stopped and made fire against them by his son *Perseus*. The Consul on the other side made no preparations for war, but was on foot and in action already, conducting his army through the confines of the *Dassaretians*, and transporting with him out of his wintering harbor all the provision of grain, whereof the country yielded him sufficient to the maintenance of his souldiers. The great Towns and Villages were surrendered unto him, partly for love and partly for fear: some were forced by assault, others abandoned by the inhabitants, and were found desolate, by reason that the barbarous people were retired into the mountains near by, to save themselves: and at *Lingum* near the river *Bevus* he encamped: from whence he sent to purvey for corn out of the garners and barns of the *Dassaretians*. Philip saw well enough that the country all about was in an hurry, and the people in great fear and fright: but being uncertain to what place the Consul intended to march, he sent out a cornet of light horsemen as espials to discover what way the enemies took and whither they pretended to go. The Consul likewise for his part was as doubtful: well he wist that Philip was dislodged from the places where he had wintered, but in what quarter he journeyed, he knew not: and therefore he also had set forth certain horse in espial to scout the coasts. These two bands or troops from divers and contrary parts, encountered in the end in one way, after they had a long time wandered at adventure through the country of the *Dassaretians*. Both parts knew well by the noise they heard a far off, as well of men as horse, that enemies approached: and therefore they had both horse & armour in readines, before they were in sight one of another: for so soon as ever they were within their interview, they made no stay, but charged immediately and joyned issue. It fortuned, that for number and valour both, they were equally matched, as being choice and elect men of either side: whereupon they fought

\* *Panetolium*, A general council, where the States of *Aetolia* were assembled.  
\* *Pylatium*, *concilium*: Another Diet holden at *Thermopylae*, where the States of *Greece* or *Amblygones* met, and sent each one their deputy or agent, called *Lygagoras*.

for certain hours alike, until such time as their own weariness and the faintness of their horses retarded the battle in doubtful victory. Of the Macedonians there died 40 horsemen: and of the Romans, five and thirty. And for all this, neither brought the Macedonians any better intelligence to their King, nor the Romans to their Consul, of the place where the enemies were incamped. But certain fugitive traitors gave advertisement thereof: who commonly in all wars, upon a turning head and light humour that naturally they have, are given to hearken after news, and to enquire in what terms enemies stand. *Philip* imagining that it would avail somewhat both to purchase the affectionate love of his soldiers, and also to induce them more cheerfully and readily to undertake all hazards for his sake in case he seemed to have a careful regard to bury those horsemen which were slain in the journey and expedition aforesaid; commanded their bodies to be brought into the camp, to the end that all men might see what honour he did them in their funerals. But I see how nothing is more uncertain, nor whereof a man may make less reckoning than the minds and affections of the multitude. That which was thought would have made them more willing and forward to enter into any danger and jeopardy whatsoever, even that, wrought a contrary effect and caused them to be most fearful and backward. For they who were used to fight with Greeks and Illyrians, and to see mens bodies wounded with push of pike, galled with arrows, and pierced with lance here and there in this or that part; after they beheld once their fellows butcherly mangled with the Spanish cutlasses and arming swords, the arms cut away from the body, the heads either smitten clean off by the neck, or cloven down right, and lying on the shoulders; their panes ripe with the bowels open, and guts drawing after; with other deep wounds and broad lacerations, most hideous and fearful to behold; then they saw all full well (fearful creatures as they were) what manner of weapons, and what kind of men they were to deal against. Nay, the King himself was terribly afraid, who had not as yet encountered with the Romans in any pitched battle. Whereupon he sent for his son to come back with the garrison that he had in the streights of *Pelagonia*, thereby to increase and strengthen his own forces; and so laid open the way into Macedonia for *Plautus* and the Dardaniens. Himself in person with a power of 20000 foot, and 4000 horse, guided by the fugitives aforesaid, marched toward the enemy, and about a quarter of a mile or somewhat less from the Roman camp, possessed himself of a little hill neerer to *Athena*, which he fortified with trench and rampier. From whence, when he beheld the Romans encamped hard under him he wondered (by report) to see not only the whole body of the camp, with the form and order thereof in general, but also how every part was ranged and set out in general, both in the manner of quartering and pitching their pavilions, and also in the proportion of the ways for breadth and length between. And having viewed and considered every thing accordingly. Believe me (quod he) there is no man who seeth this, that can either think or say it is the camp of a barbarous nation. For two daies space the Consul and the King (expecting one another's attempts and enterprises) kept their soldiers close within their folds. When the third day came, the Roman General brought forth his whole power into the field. But the King (seeing to hazard all) so soon upon a call, drew forth 400 Triballians (which were, as we have laid elsewhere, of the Illyrian nation) and 200 Cretians, all footmen, accompanied with the like number of horsemen: and sent them under the conduct of *Athenagoras*, one of his courtiers and gallants, for to brave the Cavalry of the enemies, and to challenge them to fight. The Romans, whose main battail was little above half a mile off, put out against them their light armed *curruets*, and as it were, two companies or cornets of horsemen: to the end, that they might be equal with the enemy in number both of foot and horse. They of the Kings part supposed verily, that they should fight after their old and accustomed manner: namely, that the horsemen should by turns, one while ride forward in the face of the enemy, other while retire again; sometime follow in chase and have use of their darts and weapons; and sometimes turn and shew their back parts: that the nimbleness and activity of the Illyrians would stand in good stead to make excursions and inordinant skirmishes; also that the Cretian archers should be employed in shooting arrows aloof at the enemies, as they advanced and came forward, or flung out all abroad on every side: but the violent charge of the Romans, no less continual and obstinate, than fierce and eager, put them quite out of this manner of service, and disordered all. For no otherwise than if it had been a set battle, between two entire armies, their footmen lightly armed, so soon as they had lanced and let go their javelins from them, took them to their swords, and came to hand fight: the horsemen likewise, no sooner affronted the enemies, but either slaying their horses they fought on horseback, or else alighted on foot, and among the footmen maintained the skirmish. By this means, neither the Kings Cavalry could match the Romans, because they had not been used to a steady battle; nor his footmen who were wont to traverse their ground, and skirmish, never standing still, and withal in manner half naked for any harness they had, was able to make their parts good with the Roman light appointed footmen, who had their swords and bucklers, and were furnished with armour, as well defensive as offensive. So they could not endure long to maintain fight, but were forced to retire into their camp, and by nothing else saved themselves but by good footmanship and riding apace. These passed one day between, when the King minding to try a conflict with all his forces of Cavalry, and footmen lightly appointed, had laid in wait by night certain targatars, whom they call *Peltastæ*, in a convenient place between both camps, and given direction and charge unto *Pelagoras* and his men of arms. That if they sped well in open battle, and plain fight, they should on still and follow their good fortune: but if they went by the worse,

A worse, and were too weak, they should give ground by little and little, and train the enemy to the place of ambush. Well, it fell out so, that the horsemen indeed retired accordingly, but the leaders of that cohort afraid of targatars, not attending the signal long enough, but raising their men out of ambush before time, lost the opportunity of playing their part; and performing a good service.

The Roman Consul having both obtained victory in open battle, and escaped the danger of a covert train, retired himself into his camp. The morrow after, he came down into the plain field with all his forces, and put them in battle array, having arranged his Elephants in the forefront of the vanguard. And this was the first time that ever the Romans had use in their wars, of this beast; by occasion, that in the late Punic war they had taken some of them alive from their enemies. But perceiving that *Philip* kept himself close within his camp, he approached under the very rampier, yea, and reproached him for his cowardice. And seeing for all that, he could not even then be drawn to a battle: considering also, that if he kept there a standing camp long, he near unto the enemy, his provision of corn should be exposed to dangers; for no sooner should the purveyors and forragers be gone abroad into the country, and spread over the fields, but the enemies light horsemen would be ready at their heels to fetch them in, and cause them to come short home: therefore he removed his camp to a place almost eight miles off, called *Oelotophum*, where he might make his provision with less danger. Now when the Romans purveyed for corn and victuals in the territory thereabout, and were come upon a time somewhat neerer and within danger of *Philip* at first the King let them alone, and kept his men within their camp, to the end, that they might be more bold and venturesome, and withal, less wary and circumspect: but spying them once stragling asunder here and there out of order, he let forward with all his Cavalry, and the auxiliaries of the Candioti, and marched so fast, as the swiftest of his footmen by running might keep pace with the horsemen: thus having gotten between them and home, he pitched down his ensigns betwixt the Roman camp, and the forragers. Then divided he his forces in two companies, the one he sent forth to courie and chase them, so dispersed as they were; giving special charge and direction, not to leave any of them alive that they could reach: with the other he stayed himself behind, and beset all the waies, and stopped the passages by which the enemies were like to retire and have recourse unto their camp. Soon were they killed or put to flight in every place, and as yet not one escaped to the Roman camp, for to bring news of this discomfiture: for, as many as fled back chanced upon the guard that the King had set: and more were slain by them than beset the waies, than those that were sent out to the pursuit and execution. At length some happened to escape through the midst of the Kings *corps de guard*, and in great heat and fearful manner came into the camp with a troublesome noise and tumult, rather than any certain tidings. The Consul, after order given to the horsemen, that every man should succour and relieve what way soever he could, their distressed fellows in this extremity, himself led forth the legions out of the camp, and marching in a foursquare battailon advanced toward the enemies. The Horsemen being spread over the fields in divers places, some lost their right way, being deceived by other outcries heard from a contrary part: other none met with their enemies, and at one instant, the skirmish began in many and sundry places. The band that guarded the Kings, fought most fiercely and cruelly: for both they were for their own number as well of horse as foot a full army welner; and also most of the Romans light upon them, because they kept the very port and roadway in the midst. In this regard also were the Macedonians the better and had the vantage, because the King himself was present in person to encourage and exhort them: and withal the auxiliary Candioti wounded many of the Romans ere they were aware of them: for why, they were well prepared aforehand, ranged thick and close together, and so fought against them that rode scattering abroad one from another, and without array. And verily, if they could have kept any mean and measure in their chase, they had mightily advanced themselves, not only in winning the honor of that day, but also, in the main point of the whole war. But pursuing them beyond all reason, and without discretion, upon a bloud-thirsty desire that they had of massacre, they chanced, upon the Roman Squadrons which were gone before with the Tribuns and Colonels: in so much as the Horsemen aforesaid, who before fled, when they once saw the ensigns of their own infantry, reined their horse heads, and turned again upon the enemy that ran with bridle in horse neck: and so in the turning of an hand, the fortune of the battle changed and came about, and that they erewhile made pursue, now shewed their backs and fled again. Many of them were slain that came to close handfight, many likewise of those that ran away. Neither tell they all upon the edge of the sword, for some there were who plunged into bogs and marshes, where both horse and man sunk in the deep mud and mire, and so were swallowed up and perished. The King himself also was in great danger: for his horse being wounded under him and fallen, he also came headlong down to the ground, and hardly escaped but he had been trodden under foot, and murthered as he lay along. One horseman above the rest, saved his life, who hastily leapt himself from horseback, and withal mounted the King (so feared as he was) upon his own horse: who being now on foot, and not able to run as fast as the horsemen that fled away, was with many a stab and thrust soon dispatched by the enemies that came running together to the King when he was seen to fall, and the King after he had ridden in fearful flight about the fenay meers, one while where there was some way, and otherwhiles where there was none at all to be seen, chanced at length to come to his camp, when most men were in despair that he could possibly escape in safety. In this skirmish there were 200



Macedonians slain, a hundred almost taken prisoners: fourscore brave and goodly couriers, with their rich caparions and other furniture, together with the spoil of fair armours carried away.

There were that blamed the King for being too rash that day, and the Consul for his slackness. For Philip, say they, should have kept him quiet in rest and repose, knowing, as he did, that the enemies within few days would have been brought to extrem want and penury; now that the territory all about was clean spoiled and wasted. And the Consul for his part, when he had foiled the Cavalry and light armed souldiers of the enemies, and as good as taken the King prisoner, ought presently to have advanced against the Kings camp: for never would the enemies be discomfited have stood to it: and so in the minute of an hour, they had been vanquished for ever. This is soon said, but (as most things else) not so soon done. For in case that the King had likewise brought forth into the field all his Infantry, peradventure in that tumult, when all his men were discomfited and driven to flee out of the field to their camp, yea, and to keep within the rampier, for fear of the enemy, ready upon his victory to get over the counterescarp and other fortifications, the King might have been disfeized of his hold, and lost all. Again considering, that the whole power of Philip his footmen remained still intire within the camp, the corps de guard before the gates warding; the sentinels and watch for in convenient places of the rampier attending: what other good should the Consul have done in advancing thither, but imitated the rash fool-hardiness of the King, who a little before so hotly followed the chase of the horsemen discomfited? Neither was the Kings first disengagement to be reproved and found fault with, when he charged upon the foragers, scattered as they were over all the fields: if he could have seen when he was well, and have used his good hand in measure and moderation. Let's marvel it is besides, that he was willing to trye the fortune of a battail; because there ran a rumor, that *Pleuratus* and the Dardaniens were departed from home, and with a puissant power entred already into *Macedony*. And if he thus were befet round about with these armies, there was no doubt, but the Romans might have vanquished and subdued him, and never stirred foot for the matter. Philip therefore supposing that upon these two late received spoils of the horsemen, he should have but quiet and dangerous sitting in the same standing camp still: and minding to dislodge from thence, and in his remove to beguile the enemy and not be seen, dispatched a Pursivant at arms or herald unto the Consul a little before sun setting, to crave surcease of arms, until he had buried his horsemen that were slain: and at the relief of the second watch he deceived the enemy; for leaving many fires through all his camp, he marched without any noise and departed. The Consul had newly supped, and was going to rest, when he was advertised that a Pursivant was come, and what his errand was. And for the present, he made the messenger no other answer but this, that the next morning he would talk with him, and give him audience. But Philip by this means got the advantage of that whole night, and part of the next day, to gain riddance of way in his journey, which was the only thing he fought for. And toward the mountains he took his flight, for that way he wist well the Romans would not follow after, with an army so heavy and charged as it was. The Consul by day break, granted the Pursivant a cessation of arms, and gave him his dispatch: but was not long after that he was advertised how the enemy was gone: and not knowing which way to follow after, he passed some few dayes in foraging and purveying provision all about the place where he lay encamped.

After this he marched to *Stuberia*, and gathered together all the grain that was to be had about *Pellagonia*. From thence he went forward as far as to *Pluvina*, and all this while knew not for certain into what quarter of the countrey the enemies were retired. Philip having first let him down and encamped before *Bryana*, and departed from thence by crofs and crooked wayes, struck a suddain fear into the enemy, whereupon the Romans dislodged from *Pluvina*, and neer unto the River *Ofphagus* pitched their pavilions. The King likewise rested himself not far from thence, and had cast a trench and raised a rampier along the banks of the River, which the inhabitants call *Erigonus*. And after he was for certain advertised, that the Romans intended to go to *Erduea*, he marched alone to seize upon the streights, and to empeach the enemies, that they should not gain the passage that lyeth as it were in a narrow gullet, barred and enclosed on each side. There he raised in one place a rampier, and cast a trench in another; made barricades here and there, partly by piling stones up on heaps in stead of a wall, partly by felling of trees acrofs, according as either the ground would give leave, or the place afford matter: And thus stopping up all the wayes by sundry devices and means, he made the place (to his thinking) both unpassable and impregnable, which of itself by nature was hard enough and troublesome. The countrey all about was for the most part forrests, and full of wood, very inconvenient, especially for that manner of battalions and ordinance of array, which the Macedonians call *Phalanx*: which serveth them in small or no stead at all, unless with their long pikes they may make a palliade, or stay (as it were) and oppose them before their shields: which they cannot well do, unless they have free scope and liberty of plain and open ground. The Thracians also were sorely troubled and cumbered with their spears named *Rhomphaea*, which were likewise of a mighty length, and by reason thereof (catching as they did, and snarling within the boughs and branches of Trees that grew in their way every where about) hindered them very much. There remained the Cohort or band of the Candioti, that seemed of some use for to be employed. And yet the same also as it was able to discharge arrows against both Horse and man, and to annoy them so long as they lay open and exposed to shot, if haply they offered

offered to charge: so they were not of strength sufficient to drive their shafts level, and to pierce thorough the Roman targets: for otherwise there was no part of the body offered it self unarmed and naked for to aim at. And therefore so soon as they perceived that kind of shot to serve them to little or no purpose, they caught up stones which lay all over the valley, and let them flie at the enemy. Which stones, as they light and beat upon their bucklers, kept a great clattering, and with the sound they made (rather than with any hurt besides) kept the Romans for a time from mounting up the bank. But the Romans making no reckoning of these stones neither, partly by pavoises and target-shields over their heads, made way directly through the thickest of their enemies; and partly by wheeling a little and fetching some compass about, gained the pitch of the hill, and were got up to the very top: from whence they drove the Macedonians (all affrighted as they were) down the hill, and chased them from their holds and guards: and by reason they had much ado to tie (the ground was so rough and uneven) most of them were killed and cut in pieces. Thus the difficulty of the streights was overcome, and they were possessed thereof, with far less trouble and conflict than they looked for and made account of. Then they marched on forward as far as to *Erduea*, where the Consul after he had put the fields all over to the wait, retired himself to *Elimea*. From thence he forced *Orestides*, and assailed the Town *Celaurum*, situate as it were, in a demy island: there is a lake that environeth the walls, and but one way by land that leadeth to the Town from the main, and the same very streight and narrow, in form of a gullet. At the first when the Town was summoned the inhabitants, trusting to the natural strength of the place, kept their gates shut against the Consul, and refused his summons. But after they saw once the ensignes displayed and marching against them, when they perceived the enemies defended under a pavoise to approach close to the gate, and the narrow streight and avenue aforesaid, beset with a band of them: before they would encounter and fight, they yielded themselves for very fear. From *Celaurum* he marched on towards the Dardaniens, and by assault the City *Pelium*. From thence he carried away the bondslaves, with the rest of the pillage; but all persons whatsoever free born, he let go at liberty without paying ransom. The Town he gave them again after he had planted in it a strong garrison: for it stood well, and in a very good place, for to make roads and incursions into *Macedony*. Thus the Consul having ranged over the countrey of the enemies, brought his army back through the peaceable parts into *Artonia*, where he began first to make war.

Now the *Ætolians*, the *Athamians*, and *Dardaniens*, and many other wars rising suddenly at once, some from one place and some from another, had diverted and turned Philip a contrary way. Against the Dardaniens (as they returned out of *Macedony*) he sent *Athamagoras* with the footmen lightly armed and appointed, and the greater part also of the horse giving him in charge and direction to follow them hard at their heels as they departed, and to play upon their backs, and cut off the tail of their reaward: to teach them against another time, not to be so hasty to come abroad with an army again. *Democritus* the Pretor of the *Ætolians* (who in the Diet aforesaid held at *Nauspetum* perfwaded to take a longer time for to consult about this war) had in the next Council or Parliament following, moved the *Ætolians* to enter into arms; namely, upon the fame that was spread abroad of the horsemen fight before *Oëolophus*; and also upon the coming of the Dardaniens, and *Pleuratus* with the Illyrians into *Macedony*: besides the arrival of the Roman fleet at *Oreum*, and the general voice and bruit that went, how *Macedony* should shortly be assailed also by sea, over & above so many nations that from all parts about were come already by land. These motives regained *Democritus* and the *Ætolians* to friend the Romans again. Who joyning unto them *Aminander* the King of the *Athamians*, went forth together for to besiege *Pericinium*. They within the Town had shut their gates, whether by constraint or willingly of themselves, it was not known for they had the Kings garrison within among them. How ever it was, within few dayes *Cercinium* was taken and burnt. As many as remained alive after that great defeat, as well bond as free one with another, were with the rest of the pillage carried away. This fearful example caused all the people inhabiting about the marsh of *Babe*, to abandon their cities, and to retire themselves for security into the mountains. The *Ætolians* for want of rich prey and booty (which they could not find there) turned from them and marched toward *Perrebia*. In that quarter they won by force the City *Cyretia*, and cruelly put it to the ransack. The inhabitants of *Mallia* surrendered of themselves without compulsion, and were received into protection as allies. Out of *Perrebia* *Aminander* was of advice and desirous to march against *Gomphos*, by reason that the countrey of *Athamania* bordered so neer upon that City, and it seemed easy to be forced without much trouble. But the *Ætolians* fingers tickled and itched again to be doing with the rich and fertile fields of *Theffalia*, and thither went they to raise booties and seek pillage. *Athamander* followed still for company, albeit he liked well neither of these fashions of the *Ætolians* thus outrageously to make roads and to spoil every where; nor of their manner of encamping at adventure, in what places soever they chanced to come, without all discretion, regard, and care of fortifying and guarding the army. Fearing therefore lest their inconsiderate rashness and supine negligence, might be an occasion that he or his should come to a shrewd turn, and incur some damage, sped his time: and seeing them to incamp in a plain neer to the City *Phacadam*, he took a little Hill little above half a mile off, where both he and his, might with the help of any small guard, lie in security. Now when as the *Ætolians* seemed in manner to have forgotten that they were in the enemies countrey, but that they drove some booties: whilst they were some of them wandring and stragling, disbanded and half armed,

others within their camp without any *corps du guard*, (swilling and sleeping all night and day long) and made no difference of the times, *Philip* came upon them before they looked for him, And it being once known by the report of some that fled out of the fields in great affright, that he approached; then *Damocritus* and the rest of the Captains began to quake for fear, Now was it about noonside of the day, at what time as most of them having taken their full lode of wine and viands, lay along fast asleep. When they fell to awake and raise one another, and to give the alarm: anon they sent out every way to call in those that were spreading abroad in the fields. So much they were astonished, that for half many of the horsemen went forth without their swords, and most of them forgot to put on their cuirasses. Thus being led out in post haste, and hardly in all (for and horse together) able to make up the number of six hundred, they light upon the Kings Cavalry, for number, armour, and courage much better than themselves: And therefore at the first push were discomfited: for before they were well entered into skirmish, they fled shamefully away toward their camp. Some of them came short thither, and were either slain or taken prisoners, even as many as the Kings horsemen overtook, and gat between them and their other companies. *Philip*, when he saw his men approach near unto their camp, commanded to sound the retreat: for both horse and man was weary, not so much with fight as with their long journey and the exceeding speed that they made. Whereupon he gave commandment, that the Horsemen by troops, and the light armed Footmen by their companies and Squadrons should water their horses one after another, and go to their dinner and repast. Others he kept still in armour for a guard attending the Regiment of the footmen, that came but slowly forward, by reason they were heavily armed at all pieces: who being come, they also were enjoined to pitch down their ensignes, and lay their weapons before them, and to take a short bait and hasty pittance, leaving two or three at the most out of every band for to water the horses. All this while the horsemen, together with the light armed souldiers, stood well appointed and in readines, if haply the enemy would have given any attempt. The *Ætolians* bestowed armed men all about the gates and the rampier, intending to guard and defend their strength and fortifications, for now by this time they also that were scattered over the fields, had retired themselves into the camp. And so long as they beheld the enemies to keep quiet, and not stir, and were themselves in a sure hold, they made their bravadoes, and were very lusty: but after that the ensignes of the Macedonians began to advance forward, and march in order of battel well appointed, close unto their trenches: all at once they abandoned their guards and quarters, and ran out at the back part of their camp, and fled to the foresaid hill, where the *Athamanians* were encamped. Many of the *Ætolians* were likewise in this hasty flight killed or taken prisoners. *Philip* made no doubt, but that the *Athamanians* also might have been driven from their hold, if there had been day enough behind: but the day being spent already first in the skirmish, and afterward in the ransacking of their camp, he let him down upon the next plain, hard at the foot of the hill aforesaid, intending very early the next morning to assail the enemy. The *Ætolians* feared as much now, as they were before when they quit their own camp, fled scattering away the night following. Here *Antander* stood them in very good stead, by whose good guidance and direction, the *Athamanians* being skilful in the coasts of the country, conducted them into *Ætolia*, over the high mountains, whereas the enemies followed after them in blind and unknown by-ways. Some few of them hapned in this confused and scattered flight to lose their way, and stumble upon the Macedonian horsemen, whom *Philip* by day light, had sent to cut off the tail of the enemies, so soon as he perceived the hill abandoned. About the very same time, *Athenagoras* a Captain under the King, overtook the *Dardanians* as they returned into their country, and at the first put their rearward in disarray. But afterward the *Dardanians* turned head again, and embattelled themselves: so they fought on even hand, and nothing was won nor lost on any side. The *Dardanians* began not so soon to advance forward and march on again, but the Kings power, with their horsemen and light armed souldiers came upon them aforesh, and put them to great trouble. For they had no such means of help, and were besides surcharged with heavy armour, and withal, the place gave great advantage to those of the Kings part. Very few were slain, more wounded, none at all taken prisoners: for the manner of the *Dardanians* is not to break out of their ranks and arrayes for a lide, and upon small occasions; but as they fight close, so they retire together, and part not. Thus *Philip* having restrained these two nations, by two brave exploits, which whereas happily performed as bravely enterprised, recovered the losses again, by him received in the Roman war. There hapned besides, another occurrent, which diminished the number of his enemies the *Ætolians*. For *Scopas*, one of the chief noblemen of that nation, being sent from *Alexandria* by King *Ptolemæus*, with a mighty mass of gold, caried away with him into *Egypt* six thousand footmen, and certain horsemen, waged for money to serve. Neither had he left behind him any of the flour and youth of *Ætolia*, if *Damocritus* had not chastised and rebuked them, and so by that means kept some of them at home making remonstrances unto them, one while of the war that was toward, and another while of the delatation which was like to ensue thereupon. But whether he did this upon a good zeal and care that he had of his country, or only to cross *Scopas* because he had not fed him well with rich rewards and fat presents, it is not known. And thus much concerning the affairs passed between *Philip* and the Romans for that summer.

The Roman fleet having in the beginning of the same summer committed to Sea from *Corynæ*, together with the Lieutenant *An. Apufinus* passed beyond the point of the cape *Maleas* and joyned

A joined with King *Attalus*, near *Scyllæum* in the territory of *Hermione*. Then the whole City and State of *Athens*, upon hope of present aid and succour, brake out and poured forth at once all the hatred and malice which they had conceived against *Philip*, and which a long time for very fear they had held in, and therefore kept themselves in good and reasonable terms with him. Now in this City there never want prompt and ready tongues to stir up and provoke the common people to a commotion. And as in all free States generally such kind of men are entertained and born out by the favour of the multitude, so in *Athens* especially, where eloquence is in most request, and beareth greatest sway. Presently therefore an Aſs was put up and propoled unto the common people, and by them granted and confirmed, That all the Statues and Images of King *Philip*, together with their titles and stiles, likewise of all his progenitors and predecessors, as well men as women, should be defaced, pulled down, and destroyed. *Item*, That all the kettival dials, the sacrifices and sacrificers, which had been instituted and ordained for the honor of him, should be profaned and unfollowed again. *Item*, That the very places, wherein ought had been erected, or inscriptions graven to his honour, should be held as detestable and accursed: and that from thence forward, it might not be lawfull to set up there any of those things that ought to all their prayers, and so often as they prayed for the good estate of the people of *Athens* and their allies, for the preservation of their armies and armadoes; should detest and curse by name King *Philip*, his children and realm, his forces both by land and sea, with all the race and name of the Macedonian nation. Moreover, it ran on in the decree, That if any man from that time forward, should prefer and propound any thing that might tend to the disgrace and infamie of *Philip*, the whole people of *Athens* should approve and allow the same whatsoever, and make an act thereof. Contrary-wise, if any person say or do any thing for honour, or to impeach and check his dishonour, whosoever should happen to kill the said party, he should be deemed and reputed, that he had killed him justly and lawfully. Finally, this branch was comprised within the decree, That all things ordained in times past against *Pyrrhus* his line and progeny, should be observed and words: wherein they are right valiant, and to say truth, good at nothing else. But *Attalus* and the Romans, having from *Hermione* shaped their course for *Pyræum*, arrived there. And after they had sojourned some few daies in *Athens*, and were laden with a number of decrees, whereas the *Athensians* recounted the praises and commendations of their allies beyond all measure, like as they had before exceeded in shewing their malice against their enemies: they set sail from *Pyrræum* to *Andros*. Where, riding at anchor in the bay called *Gargæum*, they sent certain men to sound the minds of the inhabitants, Whether they would chuse to yield the Town willingly, or rather abide the hazard of a forcible assault. Who answered again, that the Kings garrison being possessed of the Caffe, and keeping it for *Philip*, they were not their own masters. Whereupon the King and the Roman Lieutenant let their forces on land, and with all preparation of engines and artillery fit for an assault, approached the City divers waies. The Roman standards and their arms, not seen before in those parts, the resolute courage also of the souldiers, who so lustily and nimble came near to scale the walls, terrified and amazed the Greeks, much more than any thing else. Therefore immediately they fled into the Caffe, and the enemies were LL. of the City. Now, after they had for two daies space held out in the fortrels, presuming more upon the strength of the place than the force of their armour and weapons: they and the garrison together, compounded upon the third day to quit the place, so they might be brought with a convoy to *Delium*, a Town in *Bœotia*, and every man to have one single suit of apparel. Then the Romans leaving the bare City unto King *Antiochus*, ransacked it themselves, and took away with them all the pillage and ornaments that beautified the same. And to the end, that the life should not lie wall and desert, *Antiochus* persuaded the Macedonians in manner all, and certain also of the *Andrians*, there to remain. Afterwards, they also who by composition were transported to *Delium*, unto the sooner, for the love of their native country the mis whereof they might hardly brook. From *Andros* they crossed to *Cyrbus*. There they spent certain daies in assaulting the City, to no purpose: and seeing the gains would hardly quit their pains, they departed from thence. Near unto *Præse* (which is a place of *Attica* within the main) they joined unto the Roman fleet twenty pinnaces of the *Libians*, who were sent to rob and spoil the territory of the *Carytians*: the rest of the fleet remained at *Gereſum*, a noble rode and port of *Eubœa*, until such time as the *Libians* were returned from *Carybœum*. Then all together they made sail, and passing the mids of the main sea, they fell with the Ile of *Ieus*, near unto *Seyrus*. There they were staid for certain daies, by reason of the raging Northwind: which being once laid and the sea calm again, they passed to *Syracusa*, a City lately pillaged and ransacked by K. *Philip*. The souldiers ranged over the country, and brought with them to their ships, whatsoever else was fit for mans food. Other booty neither was there any, nor deserved had the Greeks to be spoiled at their hands. Thence they bent their course for *Cyandrea*: and first they rode at anchor near unto *Mendia*, a village situate by the sea side, and belonging to that State. From whence having failed beyond the cape, & desirous to come about with their vessels for to approach the very walls of the City, there arose a tempest & sudden gust: wherein they had like to have been cast away: but scattered they were asunder: & having for the most part lost the tackling of their ships, they escaped with much ado to land. This tempest at sea, was also



out of his Province to Rome against the solemn election of Magistrates, complained, not as men made reckoning he would have done, (That the Senat expected not for his coming, nor that the Consul was not permitted to debate the matter with the Prætor) but found himself grieved, "That the Senat had decreed a triumph so, as the party only was suffered to speak who was to triumph, and none of them might be heard who were present at the battell, And whereas our forefathers ordained, that Lieutenants, Colonels, Marshals, and Centurions, yea, and in one word, the souldiers should beat a triumph: for this end and purpose, that the truth might appear to the world, of all things achieved by him unto whom so great honour was to be done: Was there any one (quoth he) of all that army which fought with the Gauls, I say not a souldier, but so much as a lackey or horle-boy following the Camp, of whom the Senat might enquire, whether the Prætor spake true or false? This done and said, he published the day of assembly for the election above said: wherein were created Consuls *L. Cornelius Lentulus*, and *P. Villius Tappulus*. After them were Prætors chosen *L. Quintus Flaminius*, *L. Valerius Flaccus*, *L. Villius Tappulus*, and *C. Cebius Pamphilus*. Grain and other victuals that year were cheap. Great store of corn was brought out of Affricke, which the Ediles of the chair distributed to the people, at two As a Modius. They also set forth the Roman games and pastimes right sumptuously; yea, and represented them one day more than ordinary. Moreover of the silver raised by fines and forfeitures, they made seven brazen statues, which they set up in the treasure-house of the City. The Plebeian plaies likewise were thrice renewed all over by the Ediles of the Commons *L. Terentius Maffilius*, and *C. Cebius Pamphilus* Prætor elect. Finally, the funeral games that year were four daies together exhibited in the common place of the City, occasioned by the death of *M. Valerius Levis*. And celebrated they were by his two sons *P.* and *M.* who also shewed unto the people a brave spectacle offenders at the sharp: wherein there were five and twenty couples that ended the lifts and performed combat. *M. Aulius Costa*, one of the Decemvirs, that year departed this life; and in his place *M. Aclius Glabrio* was subordinated. In the solemn assembly for electing Ediles of the chair, it chanced that those two which were chosen might not immediately enter into office: for *C. Cornelius Cethegus* was created in his absence, while he governed the Province of Spain. And *C. Valerius Flaccus* who was present at his own election, might not be sworn to maintain the laws, because he was the Platin or Priest of *Jupiter*. For lawfull it was not for any Magistrate to exercise his place above five daies, unless he were sworn to the laws. Then *Flaccus* presented a petition that he might be dispensed with: whereupon the Senat ordained, That if the Edile would find one to swear in his name at the good pleasure and discretion of the Consuls, then the Consuls (if they thought it meet) should deal with the Tribunes of the Commons, to propound it unto the people that it might pass under their grant. So *L. Valerius Flaccus* (the Prætor elect for the year following) was presented to take the oath for his brother. Then the Tribunes put it to a canvase before the people, and they enacted, That the oath of his brother should be of the same validity as if the Edile himself had taken it in his own person. Concerning the other Ediles also there passed an act of the Commons. For when the Tribunes propoed unto the people, Which two they would have to go into Spain as *L.* deputies with command over the armies: the people ordained, that *C. Cornelius* the Edile of the chair might come home to bear his office, and *L. Mammius* also after many years, depart out of his Province: the people ordained, that *Cn. Cornelius Lentulus* and *L. Stertinius* should have the conduct and government in Spain in quality and title of Pro-Consuls.

## The two and thirtieth Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of *L. Florus* upon the two and thirtieth Book.

Many strange and prodigious sights (as they were reported from divers countries) are here related and set down: among which, this is one, that in Macedony there was a bay strewn up of it self in the poop of a galley. *T. Quintus Flaminius* the Consul fought fortunately against Philip in the straits of Epirus: and having put him to flight, he compelled him to return into his own kingdom. Himself, with the assistance of the Aetians and Athamans, infested fore and plagued Thebally, which bordereth upon Macedony. *L. Quintus Flaminius* the Consul his brother by the aide of King Attalus and the Rhodians, made conquest by war at sea, of Euboea and all the sea-coast. The Achæans received into amity. The conspiracy of slaves, that conspired to deliver and set at large the hostages of the Carthaginians, was detected and took no effect. The number of Prætors was increased to six. The Consul *Cornelius Cethegus* defeated the French Insubrians in battell. League and amity was concluded between the Romans and the Lacedæmonians, with their tyrant Nabis. Over and besides, there is contained in this book the winning of many Cities in Macedony.

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## The two and thirtieth Book of T. Livius.

When the Consul and Prætors were entered into office upon the \* Ides of March, they \* 15 of March. cast lots for the government of the Provinces. To *L. Lentulus*, fell Italy; and to *P. Villius*, Macedony. As for the Prætors, *L. Quintus* had the jurisdiction of the City of Rome, and *C. Cebius* the government of *Ariminum*; *L. Valerius* ruled Sicily, and *L. Villius* his lot was to command *Sardinia*. *Lentulus* the Consul had given him to levy new legions and *Villius* to receive the army of *P. Sulpitius*, with commission and licence to take up as many souldiers as he thought good himself to furnish the same with a fresh supply. Those legions which *C. Aurelius* Consul had in charge, were assigned over to *Babius* the Prætor, with condition to keep them with him, until the Consul were arrived in France with a new army; and so soon as he came, to discharge and dismisse all the souldiers home to their houses except 5000 allies: forasmuch as this number was thought sufficient to govern the Province about *Ariminum*.

The Prætors of the former year continued still Commanders of their armies. *Cn. Sergius* was enjoined to see and take order, that certain lands should be set out for those souldiers who had served many years together in Spain, Italy, and *Sardinia*. And *Q. Minucius* had in charge to go through with that inquisition of certain conspirators and traitors in the Brutians country, upon which he had siren already as Prætor with great fidelity and diligence: and also to send unto *Locris* to receive due punishment of those prisoners, whom being attained and convicted of sacrilege, he had sent bound to Rome. And finally, to cause all the treasure taken out of the Temple of *Proserpina*, to be restored thither again, with an over-entcare, to make satisfaction and to raise out the wicked part committed. The Latine feasts and holy-daies were solemnized again by virtue of an ordinance of the Bishops, upon this occasion, That certain Embassadors from *Ardea* complained in the Senat, how they had not their ordinary allowance of flesh at the Latine feasts altered in the mount *Alba*, according to the old custome. News came from *Suessa*, that two of their City gates, and all the wall between, was smitten with lightning. Messengers also from *Forme* reported that their Temple of *Jupiter* was likewise blasted. Moreover, they of *Offida* brought word of the like mischance with them in the Church of *Jupiter*. And from *Vulturna* tidings came of the like mishap, fallen upon the Temples of *Apollo* and *Sangus*. And that in the Temple of *Hercules* there sprung up a bush of hair. Letters came also from *Q. Minucius* the Pro-Prætor out of the Brutians country, that there was a colt foaled with five feet, and three chickens hatched with three feet apiece. After all this, *P. Sulpitius* the Pro-Prætor sent letters from out of *Macedony*, containing among other matters this news, that there was a Laurell tree grew of it self in the poop of a galley.

The Senat in regard of all the former prodigious fights, ordained, that the Consul should sacrifice greater beasts unto what gods he thought good: but about this last rehearsed, the Soothsayers that pry into beafts inward, were sent into the Senat-house: and by direction of their answer, an Edict went forth, That the people should go in procession, and make supplications one day, and in all Temples and Altars of the gods there were sacrifices celebrated with great devotion.

The Carthaginians this year came to Rome with the first payment of the tribute imposed upon them: and forasmuch as the treasurers and receivers of the City made report, that the silver was not good and lawfull, and being brought to thierial, was found too light by one fourth part washed away those Carthaginians were constrained to take up money of the bankers of Rome, and to make good the defect and loss of the silver above said. They put up a petition besides unto the Senat that it might stand with their good pleasure to re-deliver now their hostages. Whereupon an hundred of them were rendred back, and good hope there was of the rest, if to be they continued loyal and fast in their allegiance. And when they made a farther request in behalf of those hostages which were not delivered that they might be transported from *Norba* (where they were not to their good liking and ease) to some other place, granted it was, that they might remove to *Siguis* and *Ferentinum*. In like sort, the Gaditans made humble suit, and obtained this liberty, that there should not be sent from the Romans a captain to govern *Gades*, any thing to the contrary in their covenant (concluded with *L. Marius Septimius*, when they yielded themselves under the subjection of the Romans) notwithstanding. Moreover, forasmuch as the Embassadors of *Narnia* made complaint, that they had not their full number of inhabitants, and that there were certain strangers entermingled among them, not of their own nation, who bare themselves as Citizens: therefore *L. Cornelius* the Consul was commanded to create three Deputies or Commissioners, called *Trimvirs* for to reform this disorder. And chosen there were for this purpose, *Publius* and *Sestius* *Elitius*, who had both of them the surname of *Petrus*, and *C. Cornelius Lentulus*. This that was granted to them of *Narnia*, was denied to the Embassadors of *Cossa*, who likewise requested that the number of their inhabitants might be encreased.

The affairs thus finished at Rome that there were to be done, the Consuls went into their several Provinces. *P. Villius* soon as he was arrived in *Macedony* was welcomed at his first coming with a dangerous multitude of the souldiers, which long afore being kindled, was not well quenched

at the first beginning. These were those two thousand, which after the defeat of *Annibal*, were sent out of *Africa* into *Sicily*; and from thence, a year after almost, transported into *Macedony* for voluntary souldiers: but they themselves stood stoutly to it, that it was no voluntary act of theirs, but that they were shipped by their Colonels and Tribunes full against their wills. And howsoever it was, whether they served willingly or unwillingly, it was but meet and good reason, that the time of their souldiery should run out, and their service have an end at length. Alledging, that for these many years they had not seen *Italy*; that they waxed old men under their harness, having born arms in *Sicily*, in *Africa*, and in *Macedony*; that with toil and travel so tedious, they were weak and feeble; and after so many wounds and hurts received, they had no more blood to lose. The Consul made him answer, that their cause was good and reasonable, but marred in the handling; and meet he thought it, that they should be dismissed, if they could have requested it in modest terms: but neither it, nor any cause else whatsoever was warrantable to make a mutiny and sedition. Therefore, if they could be content to keep to their colours, and be at command as loyal souldiers, he would in their behalf write his letters unto the Senat, as touching their courage and dismissal: for be they well assured, that they shall get more by sober and gentle behaviours, than by any such stubborn, forward, and willful demeanor.

At the same time *Philip* sailed the City of *Thaumaci* with terraces & mantelets in all forcible manner, so that he was now at the point to batter & shake the wall with the ram. But the sudden arrival of the *Ætolians* enfor ed him to forsake his enterprise; who by the conduct of *Archimedes* having passed through the midst of the Macedonian guards, & entered the town, never ceased day nor night to make sallies forth, one while upon their flanking watch, otherwhises upon their fabricks & engines. The natural situation of the place yielded them good help and vantage: for the town of *Thaumaci* is seated on high to amass thinking as he goeth from *Pyle* & the gulph of *Mæla* by the way of *Lamis*; & sheweth it self aloft, seeming to overlook & command the straight passage of the torrents called *Cal*. Again, when one travelleth over the craggy places, and the crooked waies entangled with so many windings in the vallies of *Thessaly*, and is approached on e near to the City, all on a sudden he may discover before him a mighty large and open plain, as it were a wide and vast sea, so as a man shall have much ado to reach with his eye to far as these downs lie over every way under him, and see all over them. And hereupon by reason of this strange and marvellous prospect, the City is called *Thaumaci*. Over and besides that the high grounds affordeth it security, it standeth also upon a huge rock, divided into divers crags and broken cliffs. These difficulties forced *Philip* to give over his attempt, and namely, when he considered and weighed withall, that the town it self when it was won, would not quit the painful labour, and pay for the danger about it. Besides, the winter was now at hand, when he departed from thence, and retired his forces into *Macedony*, there to harbor. Where, when all others, during the time that they could catch any repose and rest, refreshed their spirits and bodies with some recreations and disports; *Philip* only how much respite soever he had, either of intermission or remission from continual labour of marching in journey, and fighting in battell; so much more trouble he had in his mind, while he coursed and discoursed with himself, what the total and finall issue might be of this war; while he stood not only in fear of the enemies, which persecuted him by sea and land, but also in doubt, as well of the hearts of his allies, as of the affections of his own subjects: lest the one in hope of the Romans friendship should revolt, and the other (even the Macedonians themselves) desire novelties, and long for a change. Therefore he addressed his Embassadors into *Achaia*, both to exact an oath of the *Achaians* for their allegiance: (for they had aspirated in the accord and agreement made yearly to swear fealty unto *Philip*) and also to deliver into their hands, *Orchomenus*, *Herica*, and *Triphylia*. And when they demanded also *Aliphera*, the Embassadors answered, that the City never pertained to *Triphylia*, but that of right it ought to be restored unto *Philip*: as being one of them, which in the general council and assembly of the *Arcadians*, were assigned and set out for the building of *Megalopolis*. And thus verily he entertained firm alliance with the *Achaians*. As for the Macedonians he begat their hearts unto him, by occasion of *Heracleides*: not seeing that by means of him he incurred their exceeding ill will and hard conceit, and that he was charged with many grievous crimes, he cast him in prison to gratifie his own subjects: whereas the people took great joy, and hearts content. Then made he preparation for war, with an earnest endeavor, as at any time before: he exercised as well the Macedonians as mercenary souldiers in pay, namely, to wear their armor, and handle their weapons; & in the very prime of spring, he sent all his forrain aids and light armed souldiers, under the leading of *Athenagoras* into *Chaonia* by the way of *Epirus*, to seize upon the straight passage near to *Antigonis*, which the Greeks call *Stra*. Himself a few daies after followed with his main army more heavily appointed. And when he had well viewed & considered the situation of the country, and how it lay, he judged that the quarter coasting upon the river *Aous* was the meetest place to fortifie and encamp in. This river between two hills, the one by the peasants of the country called *Æropus*, the other *Asinus*, runneth within a narrow vale, and yieldeth but a small passage upon the bank side. He commanded *Athenagoras* to gain and fortifie *Asinus* with his light armed souldiers: himself encamped upon *Æropus*. And look what way as the hill was fenced with broken and cragged rocks, there he kept a small guard of some few souldiers: but whereas there was more danger, and easier access for the enemy he fortified with trenches, rampiers, and bulwarks. He planted also and disposed in convenient places a great number of engines to send out quarrels and other shot, for to keep the enemies aloof,

The fight of the City Thaumaci.  
\* Admirable, or wonderful.

About the royal pavilion of the King himself was pitched before the rampier upon a bank, in a most conspicuous place of open sight, for to terrifie the enemy, and also to encourage and hearken his own men, when they should see him so confident and resolute. The Consul advertized by *Charops* the *Epirus*, who had passages the King with his army was possessed of; after he had passed the winter in *Corcyra*, himself likewise in the beginning of Spring, went up into the main land, and held on his march toward the enemy. And being advanced almost within five miles of the Kings camp, he left his legions in a strong fenced place, and went himself in person forward with certain lightly appointed men, to discover the quarters, and the morrow after held a consultation. Whether he might do better to assay to pass through the place which the enemy kept (notwithstanding he saw evidently before his eyes great trouble and hazard in that adventure,) or to bring his army about and fetch a compass the same way, whereas the year before *Sulpicius* entered into *Macedony*. This deliberation held him for certain daies in even balance and suspense, until news came unto him that *T. Quintius* was created Consul; and having the Province of *Macedony* allotted unto him made haste thither, and was already passed to *Corcyra*.

*Valerius Antias* writeth how *Vilius* was entered the pass aforesaid & because he could not take the straight and direct way (by reason that the King and his forces had better all places followed the valley along, through the middle whereof the river *Aous* runneth: and having made a bridge over it, in great haste passed over to the bank, whereas the King was encamped, and there fought a battell: wherein the King was discomfited and put to flight, and driven out of his camp; that 12000 enemies were slain in that conflict, 2200 taken prisoners, 132 engines won and carried away besides 36 horse. Also that during the combat there was a Temple vowed unto *Jupiter*, in case the Consul should well in the battell. But all other writers both Greek and Latine, at least while whole *Andas* I have read, report that *Vilius* performed no memorable act, and that the Consul *T. Quintius* who next succeeded, took in hand the whole and entire war himself.

While things thus passed in *Macedony*, the other Consul *L. Lentulus* who staid behind at *Rome*, held a general assembly for the election of Censors: And among many famous and noble persons who fued for that dignity, *P. Cornelius Scipio Africanus*, and *P. Ælius Paullus* were created Censors. These two agreeing together in great concord, both elected a Senat without defaming any person: and also furnished out the toll for portage of all things that were sold at *Capua*: Item, they let & to let the custom for passage that way whereas the camp stood, and where now there is a town built, and enroled three hundred Colonies (for that number was limited by the Senat) there to inhabit. They sold also the lands of *Capua* lying under the hill *Tifera*.

About the same time *L. Manlius Acidinus* departed out of *Spain*, and was prohibited by *M. Porcius Cato* a Tribune of the Commons, to enter at his return into the City with the solemn pomp of an Ovation, notwithstanding he had that honour granted by the Senat. So he came into *Rome* as a private person and brought into the Chamber of the City 1200 pound weight of silver, and thirty pound weight well-near of gold. The same year *Cn. Rabius Tamphilus*, who had received the Province of *France* from *C. Aurelius* the Consul of the former year, engaged himself rashly within the marches of the French *Indubians*, and was environed and enclosed round about, both he and in manner his whole army. He lost above 6000 men. See what an overthrow was received in a war, whereof there was no reckoning made, and from whence no danger was feared any more. This caused *L. Lentulus* the Consul to come out of the City of *Rome*, who being arrived into a Province full of trouble and tumult after he had received the charge of a frightened and diminished army, gave the *Prætor* a great check and rebuke, & took him up roundly with reproachfull terms, yea, and commanded him to get him gone out of the Province, and to repair to *Rome*. Neither performed the Consul himself any exploit worthy of remembrance: by reason that he was called home to *Rome* for to hold the solemn election of Magistrates: which also was laid by *M. Fulvius* and *M. Curius* Tribunes of the Commons: who likewise would not suffer *T. Quinctius Flaminius*, having been but *Quæstor* for to stand for a Consulship. "Now adwaies say they, the dignities of *Ædiles* and *Prætors* are nought for by, and not worth the seeking for: and therefore nobility will needs mount into the Consuls place, not by steps and degrees of other offices, wherein they should make proof and give good testimony what their carriage is, but leaping over those in the midst, joyined the lowest and highest together. This debate which began in *Mari* field in the assembly of the people, came at length to be decided before the Senat. And the *Æd* ordained, that forasmuch as he which fued for that dignity was by law capable thereof it was reason, that the people should have plenary and absolute power to create him, or whomsoever else they pleased, so the Tribunes submitted themselves under the authority of the Senator. And for *Consul*, were elected *Sex. Ælius Paullus*, and *T. Quinctius Flaminius*. Then ensued the election of the *Prætors*. In which were created *L. Cornelius Merula*, *M. Claudius Marcellus*, *M. Porcius Cato*, and *C. Helvius*: who had been *Ædiles* of the Commons. By whom the Plebeian plaies were renewed; and a solemn feast made in the honour of *Jupiter* in regard of those plaies. The *Curule* *Ædiles* likewise *C. Paterius Flaccus*, who also was the *Flamine* *Dialis* or Priest of *Jupiter*, and *C. Cornelius Servilius Sulpicius*, and *L. Galba* died that year: In whose places were entailed *M. Emilius Lepidus* and *Cn. Cornelius Scipio*. Now when *Sex. Ælius Paullus* and *Titus Quinctius Flaminius* the *Consul*, were entered into their Magistracy, they assembled the Senat in the Capitoll: where the *Prætor* gave order, that concerning the two Provinces of *Macedony* and *Italy*, the Consuls should either

\* See *Plin.*  
*Quid & Miles.*  
*Purpo Nigro.*  
*navis alio.*



either agree between themselves, or else cast lots whether of them should govern the one or the other: And that he, whose hap was to have the charge of Macedonia, should enroll of Romans three thousand footmen, and three hundred horsemen: Also of Latine allies five thousand foot, and five hundred horse, for to supply and furnish out the legions. And for the other Consul it was decreed, that he should have an army all entire and new. *L. Lentulus* the Consul of the former year, continued still Governour in the Province, with exprels commandments, that neither himself should leave the government, nor withdraw his forces from thence, before the Consul were come with the new legions. So the Consuls referred themselves to the direction of the lots. To come with the new legions. As for the Prætors, who all were guided by lots, *L. Albius* fell Italy: and Macedonia to *Quintius*. As for the Prætors, who all were guided by lots, *L. Cornelius Merula* had the jurisdiction of the City of Rome, *M. Claudius* governed Sicily, To *M. Porcius* was allotted Sardinia, and *C. Helvius* his lot was to be *L. Deputy in Gaul*. After this they began to take musters. For over and besides the Consular armies, the Prætors also were charged to levy souldiers. To *Marcellus* were assigned four thousand footmen of Latine allies, and three hundred horsemen to go into Sicily. And for *Cato* three thousand foot of the same kind of souldiers with two hundred horse to serve in Sardinia: upon condition, that when both these Prætors were come into their Provinces, they should discharge all the old souldiers there, as well footmen as horsemen.

Then the Consuls granted the Embassadors of King *Attalus* leave to come into the Senate-house: where having audience given them, "after they had declared how their King and Master had assisted the State of Rome with his forces as well by sea as land, and shewed himself cheerful, ready, and obedient to this present day for to execute and perform whatsoever the Roman Consuls had enjoyned him to do: they said now, that they much feared lest from henceforward Consuls had enjoyned him to do: they said now, that they much feared lest from henceforward he would not be able to do the same, by reason he was impeached by *Antiochus*. For *Antiochus* taking his vantage, and finding the realm of *Attalus* disurnished of garriisons, and unprovided of forces both by sea and land had invaded the same. For which occasion *Attalus* besought the LL. of the Senat to assemble, that if they minded to use his navy, and employ the means that he could make, in the service of the Macedonian war, they would then send him a sufficient garriison to defend his kingdom: but if they thought not well thereof, his request was to permit himself to return with his fleet and other forces to the defence of his own. The Senat gave order to return this answer unto the Embassadors: "Whereas King *Attalus* had succoured the Roman Captains with his Armado and other means of war, the Senat accepted thereof in the best part. But as touching *Antiochus* the King, an ally and friend of the people of Rome, they neither would send any aid against him: nor yet detain the aids of King *Attalus* in any service of theirs, longer than the King himself should think it good with his own commodity. For the manner of the people of Rome hath alwayes been to serve their own turn with the help and assistance of others, but yet at the good pleasure & discretion of others. And whosoever were willing to relieve the Romans, they were at their own liberty to begin and end when they would themselves. Howbeit they purposed to address their Embassadors unto *Antiochus* to advertise him and let him understand that the people of Rome employed the help of *Attalus* his ships and souldiers against *Philip*, a common enemy: and the Senat would take it kindly at his hands, if for their sakes he forbore the Realm of *Attalus*, and abstained from war. For meet and reasonable it was, that the Kings who were friends and allies to the people of Rome, should likewise entertain peace and amity among themselves.

*T. Quintius* the Consul made haste to be gone into his Province: and when he had levied and mustered his souldiers, so, as that he had enrolled those old experienced levitours for the most part, who had given good proof of their valour in the service of Spain and Affrick, he was detained so long at Rome by occasion of certain prodigious signs reported, until he had taken order for the appealing of the gods, and expiation of them. The lightning forked and blasted the great port way from *Vestis* the Common Hall likewise of publicke assemblies, and the Temple of *Jupiter* in *Luvium*: also the Temple of *Hercules* in *Ardea*: the walls besides and turrets of *Capua*, and the Temple there which is called *Alla*. At *Arretium* the sky appeared to be on a light fire, and the earth settled and sink down, leaving a great gaping chink for the compass of three acres of ground. Word moreover was brought, that in *Suessa Aurunca* a lamb was yeaned with two heads: and in *Suessa* a porker with a mans head. In regard of these prodigies, there was a procession and supplication one whole day, and the Consuls intended devoutly to their sacrifices: and after they had pacified the gods, they took their journey into their Provinces. *Albius* together with *C. Helvius* the Prætor went into France and gave unto the said Prætor the army which he received of *L. Lentulus*, and should have dismissed and discharged of their service: because he purposed himself to employ in his own wars the fresh and new legions which he brought with him: but he performed no action worth the report. The other Consul *T. Quintius* having taken the sea and departed from *Brundisium* sooner than other Consuls were wont, arrived at *Cerrea* with eight thousand foot, and eight hundred horse. From thence he crossed the seas with a galleace of five ranks of oars, directing his course for the nearest coasts of *Epirus*, and by great journeys made haste until he was come to the Roman camp: from whence after he had licensed *Vilius* to depart, and said there some few daies, until his forces which were at *Cerrea* could overtake him, he called his Council together to resolve, Whether he should keep on his journey directly, and make way through the midst of his enemies where they lay encamped, or rather without any such

a such attempt (which could not but carry with it great pain and perill) fetch a compass about with safety, and to enter into Macedonia by the way of the Thracians country and *Leugu*. And verily this latter course of the twain had taken place, but that he feared, when he were retired once far from the sea, and had let the enemy slip out of his hands, if the King haply were minded (as he had done before) to defend himself within the deserts and forests, that he should spend all the long summer and do no good. Therefore come what would of it, he resolved to assault the enemy in that very place as difficult as it was, with all the disadvantage whatsoever. But as they determined their intention thus to do, so they were not so ready in the means to execute and effect the same. Thus they fate still and spent forty daies within the eye of the enemy, and made no attempt. Then *Philip* conceived some hope to assuage a peace, by the means and intercession of the *Epirot* Nation. And after consultation had there were certain agents chosen for that purpose to wit, *Pausanias* the Prætor, and *Alexander* Generall of the horse: who brought the Consul and the King together for to parly unto a place whereas the river *Aous* is narrowest, and the banks nearest together. The demands of the Consul in sum were these: That *Philip* should remove his garriisons out of the Cities *Itram*, that whole territories or towns he had pillied and spoiled, he should make restitution again unto them all those things that were extant and to be found: as for the rest, they should be prized and valued indifferently to their worth. *Philip* made answer again, "That all those peeces were not of like quality and condition. As for such as he had taken himself, he would be content to let them at liberty: but for those that were left unto him by his progenitors and predecessors, he would not forgo the possession thereof, since he held them lawfully in right of inheritance. Finally, if those Cities wherewith he had warranted made complaint, that they were ever damaged by him, he would report himself to what Cities and States they would themselves, and stand to their award, so they were neutrals, or in peace as well with the one side as the other. The Consul hereunto replied and said, That for this matter it was needless to refer themselves to the arbitrement or doom of any. For who seeth not evidently (quoth he) that he hath done the wrong who first took arms? And that *Philip* before ever that he was molested and troubled by any war from others, offered violence first unto all? After, when it was debated what Cities should be free, the Consul named first of all *Theffaliam* (which word the King was in such a heat of choler that he cried out aloud "What harder condition O *Quintius* would you impose upon him that you had vanquished? and withall, he flung away in a chafe from off the place of meeting and interview, and would no longer parly. And much ado they had on both sides to hold their hands from shooting one at another, for the river ran in the midst between them that they could not try it out by the ears. The morrow after there passed many light skirmishes between the corps de guard on both parts by way of excursions, first in a plain that lay out broad enough for that purpose: but afterwards as the Kings men retired themselves into the narrow straight and rough rugged places, the Romans of an ardent desire to be fighting, entered thither foot after. The Romans had on their side the benefit of good order and military discipline and were furnished with such kind of weapons as were fit for to maintain a skirmish in a set battell. The enemies again for their parts had the vantage of the ground, and the help of sundry engines to cast forth shot afar off (as ballists and catapults) planted and ranged almost upon every cliff and rock as it had been upon the walls of a City. After they had on both sides given and taken many a wound, so as divers of them were left slain on the earth, as if they had fought in a full battell the night at length parted them asunder.

Things thus standing in these terms, there happed a certain herdsman sent from *Charopus* a Prince of the *Epirots* to be brought before the Consul: who gave him to understand that he kept cattell grazing in that forest (which then was overspread with the Kings pavillion) and knew all the cranks, all the windings, turnings, and blind waies of those mountains promising, that if he would lend out a band of souldiers with him, he would conduct them thorow a place that was neither dangerous, nor yet difficult and hard of ascent: which if they had on gained, they should be over their enemies heads and able to command them. And these things (quoth he) you may surely trust upon: for *Charopus* will me to make declaration, that he could with you the Consul were Master of all rather than any other. The Consul was desirous to believe all, but durst not credit him. And thus being troubled in spirit, whilst he entertained in his heart both joy and fear together, at length the authority of *Charopus* induced him to resolve and give the adventure of this hope thus offered and presented unto him. And to the end that the enemy might distrust and suspect nothing, for two daies following he never ceased to assault and provoke him, sending companies of armed souldiers in every place, to charge upon him, and ever seconded with fresh men to succeed in the place of the wearied. After this, he delivered to a Tribune or Colonel four thousand chosen footmen, and three hundred horsemen: with this direction, to lead forward the Cavalry, as far as the ground would give leave: and when they were come once to a place where the horsemen could not pass nor march farther, then to plant them in some plain and even ground: willing the footmen to march on as the guide should lead them and point out their way: but after they were mounted above the enemies heads, according as he undertook and made promise, then to give a sign by smok, and not to shout and to set up a cry until one might guess that upon signal of battell by him given, the battell was begun. And the Consul gave commandment to march by night (for as good hap was, the Moon was at full, and shone all night long) and take their refreshment and sleep in the day time. As for the guide aforesaid, he

he made unto him many fair and large promises, if it might appear, that he meant truth, and dealt faithfully: howbeit in the mean time he delivered him bound to the custody of the said Colonel. When these companies were thus sent away, the Roman General travelled and endeavoured so much the more to gain vantage of the enemies guards. All this while, the Romans that were out with the Colonel, marched forward: and upon the third day, when they had given token by smoke, that they had won the pitch of the hills as they intended, and held it still: then the Consul divided his forces into three squadrons, and entered the midst of the valley with the main strength of his army; but he led forth the wings of his battell, both the right and the left, against the very camp of the enemies. Who also for their parts were not behind to re-encounter and receive him. And all the whiles that they advanced without their fortifications of defence upon a hot desire of conflict, it fell out, that the Roman souldier had the better a good deal, as being more valourous, more skilful, and better appointed with weapons for that kind of service. But after that the Kings souldiers, who many were wounded or killed outright, retired themselves to places of safety, either by natural situation or by art of man the danger returned upon the Romans heads, who inconsiderately were engaged into places of disadvantage, and into narrow streights, from whence they could not retire with ease. And surely they had not returned back again unpunished for their rashness; but that the Kings men hearing first an outcry behind their backs, and seeing also a skirmish begun, were astonished at the sudden terror, and put besides themselves. Some fled here and there away, others that made a stand and tarried still, for that they rather wanted ground to stand than had heart enough to fight it out. Were environed by their enemies both before and behind. The whole army might have been utterly defeated, if the winners had lustily followed the chase. But the straights and the roughness of the waies hindered the horses, and the weight of armor cumbered the footmen. At first the King rode again with bridle in horse neck, without regard of any thing, or looking behind him: but after he was got five miles before & guessing (as it was indeed) that by reason of the disadvantage of the place the enemy could not possibly make way after: he rested upon a certain mount and sent his people all abroad over his dales, to rally his souldiers together that were dispersed. Thus with the loss not all out of two thousand men, the rest of the multitude met together, as if they had repaired to a *Rendezvous* upon some signal given, & so marched with a great train into *Theffaly*. The Romans pursued them as far as they might with safety, killing them, and rifling the dead, and ranfacked the Kings camp, which though it were naked without defendants, yet for the difficult access unto it, they had much trouble to win; & that night they lodged in their own camp. The next day the Consul made pursuit after the enemy along the straight, whereas the river runneth among the valleys. The King came the first day unto the hold or camp of *Pirrhia* (a place so called in *Trocholia*, belonging to the territory of *Melytus*). From whence the morrow after he marched a mighty journey with his whole army (for needs he must go that fear dreads) & approached the mountain *Linget*. These mountains are in *Epirus*, situate between *Macedony* and *Theffaly*. The side that lieth to *Theffaly* regardeth the East: that which butteth upon *Macedony* hath the North directly before it. Covered they are and overpied with abundance of woods, yea so as the very tops do afford open plains and running waters. The King keeping his camp there, for certain daies, was much troubled and perplexed in his mind, casting and revolving, whether it were expedient for him to return immediately into his own kingdom, or possible to retire himself into *Theffaly*. In sum, his resolution was to bring down his army into *Theffaly*. And so to *Tricca* he marched the next way he possibly could. From thence he passed in great haste through all the Cities that were in his way. As many men as were able to follow, he forced to quit their habitations and dwelling houses. The towns he set on fire: yet he permitted every one to carry away with him as much as he could of his own goods: all the rest fell to the souldiers share. No manner of cruelty there was, that the very enemy could exercise, but he practised among his own allies. And Philip himself in the execution thereof, grieved not a little, and was vexed at the heart: but alas he could do no other: yet his desire was, in that country which within a while should be possessed by the enemy to set the bodies at leastwise of his associates. In this manner were ranfacked & spoiled these towns following, *Phoeniceum*, *Irepsa*, *Eukydrium*, *Eretria*, & *Palaphatus*. Against his coming to *Phera* the gates were shut upon him. And because it would ask some time to win that town by assault, and so to assure he had thereto, he gave over that enterprise, & passed into *Macedony*: for the bruit went that the *Ætolians* also approached. Who having heard of the issue of the battell fought by the river *Aous*, first waited and ranfacked all the country near unto *Sperchia* and *Mareia Coma* (as they call it) and having from thence passed over into *Theffaly*, won *Cyninies* and *Angas* with the first assault. Howbeit, a repulse they took at *Metropolis*, whiles they harried the fields about it by reason that the townsmen ran together to the defence of their walls. After this they gave the attempt upon *Callithera*, where they found the like resistance and violence of the enemies: but there they persisted longer, and gave not over, nay, they drove the enemies that issued forth within their walls and contenting themselves with that victory, they departed thence seeing no great hope to force the town. Then they won and pilld two villages, *Thermia* and *Calabamus*. As for *Achæa*, it was surrendered by composition. And upon the like fear *Xynia* also was abandoned of her own inhabitants. These Citizens thus driven out of their own houses, stumbled at a venture upon a garrison which was a leading into *Athamania*, for the better guard of the forraiges that were to purvey corn. This multitude, I say, marching disorderly without armour, pell mell together, with a sort that were unmeet for war, was hewn in pieces by

by the armed souldiers, and *Xynia* was sacked, thus left and forsaken as it was. After this the *Ætolians* won *Cyphara*, a fort and town of strength, well seated for to empeach and command *Dolopia*. These exploits performed the *Ætolians* hastily, all in few daies.

Neither rested *Aminander* nor the *Athamans* quiet and still, after they heard the news of the prosperous battell which the Romans had fought. But *Aminander* reposing small trust in his own souldiers, craved of the Consul a small supply of other forces: and as he marched toward *Gomphi*, he surprised forthwith and forced a town named *Phæcia*, situate between *Gomphi* and the straights that divide *Theffaly* from *Athamania*. From thence he advanced before *Gomphi*, and assailed the town, which was defended right valiantly for certain daies: but after that he had erected scaling ladders against it, he forced the townsmen within, for very fear to yield and render all into his hands. The surrender of this City terrified the *Theffalians* exceedingly: in such sort, that the Citizens of *Argentea*, *Pherinum*, *Thimaum*, *Lisinas*, *Simon*, and *Lampium*, one after another submitted themselves, with other pieces thereby of small importance.

Whiles the *Athamans* and *Ætolians* (secured from all danger of the *Macedonians*) made spoil and raised again to themselves by the victory of others: whiles *Theffaly* was pilld and sacked by three armies at once, and knew not their friends from their foes, nor whom to trust: the Consul passed over into the country of *Epirus*, by the way of the straights which he had opened and made clear by reason that the enemies were fled. And albeit he knew full well which way all the *Epirots* in general went, and with whom they had sided, excepting only Prince *Charopus*, yet because he law them not only careful to make amends and satisfaction, but also willing and forward to do whatsoever he commanded, he esteemed and regarded them by their present state, more than by their demeanor past, and so by shewing himself inclined to mercy and ease to pardon a fault, he won their hearts, and gained them unto him for the time to come.

After this he dispatched messengers to *Coreyra*, to wile that the kulls and ships of burden should put into the gulph of *Ambracia*, whiles himself travelled by ease journeys: and the fourth day after pitched his tents upon the hill *Cercetus*: and thither he sent for *Aminander* to repair with his aids, not for any need he had of his forces, so much as of his guidance to direct him in his journeys for *Theffaly*. Most of the *Epirots* also, for the same intent were received, who voluntarily offered their help and assistance. The first City that he assaulted in *Theffaly*, was *Phaleria*, wherein there lay a garrison of two thousand *Macedonians*. Who at first held out and resisted most manfully, and as much as either armor or the walls were able to do, defended themselves. But the assault & battery continuing uncessantly both night and day, overcame at length the cohitant and resolute valour of the *Macedonians*. For the Consul made this reckoning, That upon this point depended the heats and dispositions of all the other *Theffalians*. If the first should not be able to abide the violence and force of the Romans, *Phaleria* was no longer won: but there came Embassadors from *Metropolis* and *Piera* to render up their Cities into his hands, who craved pardon, and obtained it. *Phaleria* was burnt and sacked. From thence he let forward to *Ætinnus*, but seeing the place defensible with any small garrison and in manner impregnable, he bestowed some multitude of darts upon the next corps de guard, and turned his army toward the country again. *Gomphi*, and from thence he marched down into the Plains of *Theffaly*. And because his army was disturbed with all necessities (for that he had forborn to make spoil in the territories of the *Epirots*) he E

after he had sent out espies afore, to discover whether the banks above said were a ride at *Leucor* or *Ambracia*, he sent out his companies one after another to *Ambracia*, for to purvey corn and victuals. The way between *Gomphi* and *Ambracia*, as it is cumbersome and hard for passage, so again, it is but short and very compendious. So that within few daies he had transported certain convoies of victuals from the port of *Ambracia*, whereby the camp was stored with plenty of all provision. From thence he passed to *Rhogas*, a town almost ten miles distant from *Larissa*. The Citizens thereof are descended from *Perrhebia*, and the City is self seated upon the river *Peneus*. The *Theffalians* were nothing afraid at the first coming of the Romans. As for *Philip*, like as he durst not himself in person march forward into *Theffaly*, so having taken a place within *Tempe*, which he held with a standing camp, he espied into what quarters the enemies intended to go, and ever as he could find opportunity and advantage, sent underhand succour and relief thither accordingly.

Much about the same time that the Consul first encamped against *Philip* in the straights of *Epirus*, *L. Quintus* also, the Consul his brother, who by commission from the Senat had the charge of the fleet and the government of all sea-coasts, sailed beyond *Coreyra* with two Gallies, of five banks of oars: and hearing that the navy was departed from thence seeing also there was no staying there; he made sail after apace; and having overtaken them at the Isle *Zamma* he dismissed *Apollonius* in whole place he succeeded: from thence he went fair & softly, halting after him the most part of the ships which followed with the provision of victuals, until he came to *Milea*. From whence, when he had given order, that the rest should make as good speed as possibly they could after him, he went with three Quinquemes lightly appointed, and arrived before at *Pyrracum*, where he received the other ships that *L. Apollonius* the Lieutenant had left there for the guard and defence of *Aithens*.

At the same time there were two Armadoes set out of *Aisa*, the one conducted by King *Antalus*, consisting of four and twenty sail of Quinquemes: the other were of Rhodians, and stood of twenty covert ships with decks and hatches, commanded by *Agemobrotus* the Admirall. These

\* Onastabes

\* Albanis

\* Golfo del  
\* Ariz  
\* Strabo thinks  
it is a part of  
the mountain  
Amplex\* A City in  
Theffaly  
\* A City in  
the Macedonia  
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the Macedonia  
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the Macedonia

\* Salampium

\* The pleasant  
meadows and  
fields along  
the river Pe-

These fleets joyning together, about the Island *Andros*, crossed the narrow seas from thence to *Eubœa*. And first they foraged the territory of the Carystians: afterwards seeing *Caristius* strong enough against them by reason of a garrison sent to them in all haste from *Chalcis*, they approached to *Eratria*. *L. Quintius* having intelligence that King *Attalus* was come, repaired thither also with those vessels which had been at *Pyraeus*, & gave commandment, that as many ships as arrived thither belonging to his fleet, should bend their course for *Eubœa*. Now was *Eratria* by all forcible means assaulted, for not only the vessels of three joyned navies had brought thither all sorts of engines and artillery devised for to shake and batter the walls of Cities, but also the fields and country hard by, yielded them plenty of timber, and other matter to make new. The townsmen from the very first day shewed no valour and courage in defending their walls: and afterwards when they were wearied, and some of them hurt, and saw withall a part of their wall overthrown by the ordnance and engines of the enemy, inclined to yield: but they had amongst them a garrison of Macedonians, whom they feared no less than the Romans. Moreover, *Philotes* a Captain under the King sent messengers unto them from *Chalcis*, assuring them, that if they could hold out still and endure the siege, he would in good time be with them, and bring relief. Thus hope and fear together constrained them to drive off longer time either they were willing or well able to do. But when they heard once that *Philetes* had a repulse by the way, and in great haste and fear was retired and fled to *Chalcis* again, then immediately they sent their Embassadors unto *Attalus*, to crave pardon and protection. Whiles they were wholly bent to seek peace, whereof they had some hope, and forelacked the affairs of war-service, opposing their *corpe de garnison* on that side only of the wall where the breaches were, and neglecting all besides, behold, *Quintius* in the night (as long as a candle in that quarter which was least suspected, and with scaling ladders won the town. The whole multitude of the inhabitants fled with their wives and children into the Cattle, which also afterwards was rendred up. As for money, gold, and silver, there was no great store to speak of: but Images, and painted tables of antique work, artificially wrought, and such like ornaments, there were more found, than for the proportion of the bigness, or other wealth besides, of such a City as that was. From thence they set sail once again for *Carystus*, where the whole multitude, before the enemies were put on land, having abandoned the City, were fled into their fortresses: from whence they sent their Orators unto the Roman Generally, humbly craving their mercifull protection. The townsmen presently had their lives and liberties granted them. But the Macedonians were put to their ransom and they compounded to pay three hundred silver sesterces apiece, and to give up their armour and weapons, and so to depart: With this sum of money having redeemed themselves they were set out disarmed into *Bœotia*. These forces at ita having in few daies gained two noble and renowned Cities in *Eubœa*, coasted about *Spina*, a headland of cape within the territory of *Attica*, and arrived before *Cenebreæ*, a town of Macedonia and traffic belonging to the Corinthians.

The Consul all this while had a longer and more dangerous piece of service in the siege of *Chalcis*, than all men looked for. And the enemies within made resistance, where he would have least expected. For he supposed verily that all the trouble and difficulty would be in battering down the wall, & making some breach. For thus he thought, that if he had once opened way for his armed souldiers to enter into the town, the enemies afterwards would either flee or be slain, as it falleth out commonly in Cities when they are forced. Howbeit, when part of the wall by the battery of the Ram lay flat along, and the enemies were got over at the breaches & ruins thereof: then began their labour and pains anew, as if they had had no trouble nor toil afore. For the Macedonians in garrison, who were many in number, and those approved and select souldiers, thinking how honorable a service it would be to defend the City by valour and dint of sword, rather than by the strength of walls, had ranged themselves in a battell within, strongly marshalled into many ranks and files close together, and when they perceived the Romans were mounting over the breaches to enter the City, they repelled and beat them back in that place of great disadvantage, where they had much ado to recover and retire themselves. The Consul hereat was much displeased, and vexed in himself: and making this account, that such a foul foil and disgrace was not only an occasion of a longer tract of time, before he could force that one City; but also material and important for the main progress and proceeding of the whole war, which commonly dependeth upon the occurrences of slight matters and of small moment in the beginning: after he had rid and cleansed the place which was choaked up with the ruins of the half-broken wall, lying there upon heaps he reared a tower or frame of timber of a huge height to overtop the walls, consisting of many stories and floors one over another, which contained and carried a mighty number of armed men, and drave the same upon wheels and rollers close to the wall. Moreover he sent out certain ensignes one after another by turns, to break through by force (if it were possible) that strong and close battailon of the Macedonians (which they themselves all *Phalanx*). But the place being so freight (for that the breach of the wall was nothing broad) the enemies had the vantage both in regard of the weapons which they used, and of the form of battell wherein they were ranged. For when the Macedonians standing close one to another with a continued roof or fence of targets over their heads, opposed their pikes before them which were of an exceeding length: the Romans neither with their darts could hurt them afar off, nor with their swords drawn come near them to fight close at hand, or cut their pikes in two: and if it chanced that they whipt off or smapt any asunder, yet the steel and truncheon thereof

A thereof being sharp still at the point (headless though it were) among the other pikes that were headed, served to make a fence as it were an hay or palliade. Over and besides that part of the wall that stood whole and found still, was a sure defence unto both flanks of the enemies: neither had the Romans any room at length to return, and from thence to fetch their beir, and so give a violent charge, which is the thing that usually breaketh and disordereth ranks. Moreover, there chanced one thing by meer fortune that encouraged them within: for as the tower aforesaid was in driving over a terrass or bank whereof the floor was not fast and soundly hardened with the rammer, one of the wheels hapned to sink in and make a deep rent in the ground, whereby the whole frame nodded to forward, that the enemies without thought verily it was ready to fall, and the armed souldiers standing upon it within, quaked for fear, and were put well-near besides their wits. B Thus when nothing that was provided might avail and come to any great effect, the Consul was vexed at the heart, to see himself so over-matched in souldiers, in armour, and in manner of service: and withall he considered, that he had no help to force the City and to win it in any short time, nor could make means to pass the winter in those parts so far from sea, and left naked already and waste by those calamities that follow wars. Whereupon he raised the siege: and because there was no haven in all the tract and coast of *Acarnania* and *Ætolia*, which was able both to receive and harbour all his hulks that brought victuals for his army, and also to yield winter lodging for his legions; he thought upon the Isle *Anticyra* within the country of *Phœcis*, which lying toward the gulph of *Corinth*, seemed to him most fit and commodious for his purpose: because they should not remove far from *Thessaly*, and the territories belonging to the enemies had C besides *Peloponnesus* affront even over against them, divided but by a small arm of the sea: at their back *Ætolia* and *Acarnania*: and of each side *Lucris* and *Bœotia*. At the first assault, the Consul without any resistance won *Panopea* in *Phœcis*. *Anticyra* likewise long endured not the siege. Then *Ambrysius* and *Hyampolis* were received by composition. *Daulis* by reason that it was situate upon an high hill could neither be scaled nor forced by instruments and engines of battery. But the Romans by lancing their darts and shooting arrows against them that were in guard, trained them forth to skirmish: and after some little cuffings to no effect, whiles one while they seemed to flee, and other whiles to pursue, they brought them to be so careless, so negligent and so little respective, that when the enemies fled back within the gate, they entered pell-mell with them, and so were Masters of the town. Other small forts likewise of *Phœcis* yielded rather D for fear than by any force offered unto them. *Elatis* kept their gates shut, and made a countenance, that unless they were driven thereunto, they would receive within their walls neither Roman captain nor army.

Whiles the Consul lay at the siege before *Elatis*, there was presented unto him the hope of a greater matter, namely, of withdrawing the nation of the *Ache* from the Kings alliance to the amity of the Romans. For they had expelled and banished *Cycladus* the chief of that faction that sided with *Philip*: and *Arifthenus* who intended the Romans and sought to be considered with them, was Prætor for the time.

Now the Roman Armado, together with *Attalus* and the Rhodians, rode at anchor in the haven of *Cenebreæ*, and they all were agreed in common to assail *Corinth*. But the Consul thought E good, before that they should put that designment in action, to send Embassadors to the State of *Achaia*, promising, if they would revolt from the King and turn to them, to deliver *Corinth* into their hands, for to be incorporate into the ancient league and council of their nation. And so by the advice of the Consul, there were Embassadors addressed to the Achæans from his brother *L. Quintius*, from *Attalus*, the Rhodians and the Athenians. And at *Sicyone* was there a Council and Diet held, for to give them audience. Now the Achæans were not all of one mind and alike affected. The Athenians (a dangerous, an ordinary, and continual enemy of theirs) put them in fear of one side: the Romans they had in dread and horrour of another. To the Macedonians they were obliged and bound by many good turns and favours, as well old as new. The King himself they held in jealousy for his cruelty and treachery: and calling a proof and conjecture by those F counsels which he then took, and by his practices for the time, they foresaw well, that after the war ended he would be intolerable and a very tyrant over them. They were besides not only ignorant, what every man had said in the severall councils of every particular State, and in the general Diets of the whole nation, when they were required to deliver their opinions: but also uncertain and unresolute among themselves in their own minds what to will or wish. Unto men thus doubtfully disposed and unsettled, the Embassadors above said were admitted, and license was given them to deliver their message. First, the Roman Embassador *L. Calpurnius*: after him, those that were for King *Attalus*: and in the third place, the Rhodians spake and made discourse: and consequently, the Embassadors of *Philip* were permitted to parl. The Athenians had audience given them last of all, and were reserved of purpose to confute whatsoever should be spoken G and alleged by the Macedonians. And these Athenians inveighed most sharply and bitterly against the King, for none had received either more wrongs, or suffered the like indignities at his hands as they had. So this assembly verily for that time (by reason that the day was spent in hearing the continued orations of so many Embassadors) brake up about sun setting. The morrow after they assembled again: where the Magistrates by the voice of the Beadle or publick crier (after the custome of the Greeks) gave liberty to every person to deliver his mind, and no man stepped forth. Great silence there was, and not a word among them for a long time, looking withly

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wilt: yone upon another who should begin first. And no marvell if they whose spirits were  
nied in some sort within them, when they of their own accord cast and tossed in their minds  
things so different and contrary, were now more troubled and perplexed by those orations, than  
that had lasted all the long day, broaching, uttering, & advising many matters so hard, so difficult,  
and unpleasant unto them. At length, because the Council should not be dissolved without some  
speech and parol, *Aristodemus* the Prætor of the Achæans began to speak, and said: "What is be-  
come (my Masters of *Achaia*) of those hearts of yours and courageous Romacks, whereby at all  
your feasts and in your private meetings (when talk is mingled of *Philip* and the Romans) you  
can hardly hold your hands, but are ready to fly one in anothers face? And now, when as this  
honourable Court of Parliament is published & holden for the same purpose only: whither have  
you heard the reasons & allegations of the Embassadors of all parts: when the Magistrates propound  
the matter to be debated in council; when the publicke crier calleth you to give your opinions, ye  
are mum and more? If the regard of the common good and welfare of us all, will not cause you  
to open your lips: cannot the private respects and affections neither (which have inclined and  
carried your minds to the one side or the other) fetch out a word from any of your mouths?  
Considering especially, that no man is so gross and blockish, who can be ignorant that now is  
the very time or never for each one to say and deliver his mind as he will himself, and as he thin-  
keth best, before we resolve and determine of any course: and when a decree or act is once pas-  
sed, that all men are bound (even they themselves that before misliked it) to defend and main-  
tain the same, as a good and profitable accord. This admonition of the Prætor was so far forth  
of drawing any one of them to utter his opinion, that it caused not so much as the least noise, or  
humming in so frequent an auditory and congregation of so many States together. Then *Aristodemus*  
the Prætor began again and followed his speech in this manner. "It seemeth (my Masters  
and friends of *Achaia* here assembled) that ye are not so much to seek for counsell and advice,  
but ye are as short of your tongues and loath to speak. And every one here is un willing to pro-  
vide for their generall good for fear least he should in our some particular perill. My self likewise  
peradventure would be silent and hold my peace if I were a private person: But now being Præ-  
tor, I see thus much, That either there should have no audience at all been given unto the Em-  
bassadors, or else, that they ought not to be sent away from hence without an answer: and an-  
swer them how can I without your ordinance? now seeing that there is none of you all, who  
have been summoned hither to this Council, that either will or dare say a word to the same: I  
let us examine thoroughly and consider well in lien of your opinions, those speeches which ye  
herday were pronounced by the Embassadors: let us (I say) revise them, so as if they had not de-  
manded those things which concerned their own good and commodity, but as though they pro-  
posed such points, which seemed profitable and expedient for us all. The Romans, the Rhodi-  
ans, and King *Antiochus* require our alliance and amity: and in that war which they wage against  
*Philip* they think it reason to be aided from us. *Philip* again putteth us in mind of our society  
with him and of our oath. One while he requireth us to stand and band with him: otherwise,  
he saith he will be content that we should sit still, and meddle neither one way nor other. Is  
there no man here knoweth the reason, why they that are not yet our allies demand and crave  
more than he that is our ally already? It is neither the modesty of *Philip*, nor the impudency of  
the Romans that is the cause hereof. The ports and haven-towns they be of *Achaia*, which mi-  
nister confidence and assurance to those demanders, and take away the same from them again.  
From *Philip* we see nothing but only an Embassador. The sea-forces of the Romans and their  
fleet, ride in the harbor of *Cenchreae*: they carry ashore them in shew the spoiles of the Cities in  
" *Eubœa*. The Consul himself with his land-army of the legions we see disjoyned from us by a  
small arm only of the sea, ranging at their pleasure all over *Phœcia* and *Locris*. Marvell now how  
gerif you can, why *Cleomedon* the Embassador of *Philip* demanded crewlike so coldly and diffi-  
dently, that we should take arms for the King against the Romans: who, if we by vertue of the  
same league and oath, whereby he seemed to charge us in conscience, required of him again,  
that *Philip* should defend us both from *Nabis* and the Lacedæmonians, and also from the Ro-  
mans; would be to seek not only of a garrison and power of armed men to shield us, but like-  
wise of a very answer to shapen us. And verily he would be no more ready to satisfie us, than  
*Philip* was himself the last year: who notwithstanding he frankly promised to levy war against  
*Nabis* & thereby assid to train and draw the flower of our youth from hence into *Eubœa*: af-  
ter that he saw once that we neither agreed to send him that power, nor yet were willing to en-  
tangle our selves & be interested in the Roman war, forgot soon that society that now he stan-  
deth and vantage to much of, and left us to the mercy and devotion of *Nabis* and the Lacedæ-  
monians: to be spoiled, pillaged, & wasted at their pleasures. And surely so much as I can conceive  
of *Cleomedon* his Oration me thinks it hangeth not well together, and one peece thereof I  
not well with another. He seemeth to speak of the Roman war contemptuously, as if were  
matter of nothing: saying the event & issue thereof would be like the former, which they main-  
tained with *Philip*. How is it then, that he keepeth himself away, and in his absence demandeth  
our help rather than with his personall presence protecteth us both from *Nabis* & the Romans?  
Us, I say, his ancient allies? But what speak I of us? Why hath he offered them so to force and  
win *Erætria* and *Carysum*? Why endured he, that so many Cities of *Thessaly* should be lost?  
How could he abide *Locris* and *Phœcia* to be over-run so as they are? And *Elæia* now at this  
day

\* Megopolis.

" day to streightly besieged, and hotly assaulted? Why quit he the streights of *Epirus*, and aban-  
doned those impregnable holds upon the River *Aous*, by force, for fear, of his own accord, or  
howsoever? And when he had forgone and diffided himself at that pals which he held, why re-  
quired he into the inland parts of his realm for his safety? If willingly and of his own accord he  
abandoned to many of his allies, and left them to be spoiled and ranacked by the enemy, what  
can he alledge or say for himself, why those allies abroad may not provide for themselves, the  
best they can? If for fear, let him pardon us likewise if we be afraid. But if he were vanquished  
by force of arms, and therefore retired back, shall we, good *Cleomedon*, sustain and endure the  
Roman puiſſance and their mighty armies, against which ye Macedonians were not able to  
stand? Or, would you have us to believe you, that bear us in hand, how the Roman war is at  
this present, either with greater numbers or stronger forces than they have done heretofore,  
rather than trust our own eyes, and that which daily we see before our faces? In those daies  
they accused the *Ætolians* with their navy, and warred neither under the conduct nor with  
the army of a Consul. The maritime Cities of the confederates of *Philip*, were then by trouble  
and tumult: but all the mediterranean parts within the continent, were so secure and fortified  
from the Roman forces, that *Philip* spoiled and foraged the *Ætolians*, importing and seeking  
for help of the Romans, but all in vain. But now at this day the Romans having finished the  
Carthaginian war, which for sixteen years space they supported in the very heart and bowels of  
*Italy*, have not sent a garrison to succour and maintain the *Ætolians* in their wars, but are con-  
cerned themselves, as leaders and commanders General, and by Land and Sea at once have warred up-  
on *Macedony*. And this is the third Consul of theirs, who at this present maintaineth mortal  
war upon it, to the uttermost of his power. *Sulpicius* hath encountered the King in the midst  
of *Macedony*, bidden him battel, discomfited and put him to flight, after he had laid waste and de-  
solat the wealthiest quarter of all his Kingdom. *Quintus* lately hath driven him out of camp  
and field, notwithstanding he were possessed of the straight avenues of *Epirus*, and bare himself  
boldly and confidently upon the natural situation of the ground, of his strong defences, and force  
of complete army: and having pursued him as he fled into *Thessaly*, hath taken the garrison  
of Towns of the King, and in manner within his own sight, won by mere force his confederate Ci-  
ties. Suppose I say, that all those things which the Athenians crewlike have alledged con-  
cerning the cruelty, the avarice, and unbridled lust of the King, be not true, but supposed stan-  
ders: admit that those enormities and wicked parts committed within the Attick land, against  
the Gods of Heaven above, of the infernal spirits beneath, touch not us at all, and are much less  
pertinent than those outrages which the *Eleazuntii* and the *Abdens*, so far remote from us, have  
endured. Forget we our selves, if ye will, the hurts, the wounds, and losses that we have recei-  
ved, the murders, the pilling and rifling of the goods of *Alessina* in the midst of *Peloponnesus*. \* *Marta*,  
Likewise, how his friend and host *Gargæus* at *Cyparissia*, was killed against all Law of God and  
man, even in a manner sitting at the board with meat in his mouth. Say we nothing also of  
*Antiochus* the father and son both Sicyonians, who were cruelly massacred and yet he was wont to  
call the silly and wretched old man, Father. Also forbear we to speak of the sons wife, who was  
carried away into *Macedony*, to make her his harlot and concubine, and to abuse her at his plea-  
sure. Let other rapes of virgins, forcings of honorable dames be forgotten: let us imagine that  
we have nothing to do, nor to meddle with *Philip* for fear of whole cruelty ye were all so mute,  
and could not open your mouth. For what other cause of silence had ye, being called hither to  
this council? Let us put the case, that we were to debate the matter with *Antiochus*, that most  
mid and just Prince, at whose gracious hands we have received so many favours and pleasures  
above all other Kings: would he demand, think ye, that we should do that which possibly then  
could not be done? *Peloponnesus* is a demy Island, joyned to the firm continent and main land by  
the narrow streight or bank of *Isthmus*, lying open and exposed to nothing more than to Sea-  
forces. If one hundred covert and decked ships with hatches, and fifty lighter vessels which are  
open together, with thirty Brigantins or foits of *Issa*, should come to pill and spoil our sea coasts,  
and begin to assail our Towns and Cities that lie open upon the River, even on the very strand  
and Sea banks: should we retire our selves, think ye, into our Cities within the Land? Why?  
what else? As though we were not already afflicted and plagued with intestine war, which stic-  
keth even within our ribs and bowels? When *Nabis* and the Lacedæmonians by land, the Ro-  
man navy by Sea shall lie upon us, to do us all annoy, how should I call upon the Kings society,  
or for the help of the Macedonians? Or shall we of our selves, by our own strength and means  
save our Cities which shall be assaulted against the puiſſance and power of the Romans? For in  
the former war we bravely defended (did we not?) the City of *Dyme*. We have examples e-  
nough of the fearful calamities and losses of others, that we need not to make our selves examples  
unto others. Take heed (I beseech you) how you set light and disdain, that the Romans have  
of their own motive offered their friendship and alliance, which indeed ye were to wish for,  
and seek all that ever ye could. It is for very fear (no doubt) that they are driven, being in a  
strange land to flee unto you for your alliance, because they would gladly shroud themselves un-  
der the shadow of your wings, be harboured within your havens, and sustained by your victual  
and provision. No, no, Lords they are first of the seas who can deny it? there is not a land they  
set foot into, but immediately it is their own and in subjection unto them: whatsoever they seem  
to request, they can command if they list. And because they are willing to spare and forbear you,  
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wilt y<sup>e</sup> one upon another who should begin first. And no marvell if they whose spirits were agitated in some sort within them, when they of their own accord cast and tossed in their minds things so different and contrary, were now more troubled and perplexed by those orations besides that had lasted all the long day, broaching, uttering, & advising many matters so hard, so difficult, and unpleasant unto them. At length, because the Council should not be dissolved without some speech and parley, *Aristodemus* the Prator of the Achæans began to speak, and said, "What is become (my Masters of *Achaia*) of those hearts of yours and courageous Romacks, whereby at all your seats and in your private meetings (when talk is ministered of *Philip* and the Romans) you can hardly hold your hands, but are ready to fly one in anothers face? And now, when as this honourable Cour of Parliament is published & holden for the same purpose only: wherby we have heard the reasons & allegations of the Embassadors of all parts: when the Magistrates propound the matter to be debated in council: when the publike crier calleth you to give your opinions, ye are mum and more? If the regard of the common good and welfare of us all, will not cause you to open your lips: cannot the private respects and affections neither (which have inclined and carried your minds to the one side or the other) fetch out a word from any of your mouths? Considering especially, that no man is so grose and blockish, who can be ignorant that now is the very time or never for each one to say and deliver his mind as he will himself, and as he thinketh best, before we resolve and determine of any course: and when a decree or act is once passed, that all men are bound (even they themselves that before misliked it) to defend and maintain the same, as a good and profitable accord. This admonition of the Prator was so far forth of drawing any one of them to utter his opinion, that it caused not so much as the least noise or humming in so frequent an auditory and congregation of so many States together. Then *Aristodemus* the Prator began again and followed his speech in this manner, "It seemeth (my Masters and friends of *Achaia* here assembled) that ye are not so much to seek for counsell and advice, but ye are as short of your tongues and loath to speak. And every one here is unwilling to provide for their generall good for fear least he should incur some particular perill. My self likewise peradventure would be silent and hold my peace if I were a private person: But now being Prator, I see thus much, That either there should have no audience at all been given unto the Embassadors, or else, that they ought not to be sent away from hence without an answer: and answer them how can I without your ordinance? now seeing that there is none of you all, who have been summoned hither to this Council, that either will or dare say a word to the same. Let us examine thoroughly and consider well in lieu of your opinions, those speeches which yesterday were pronounced by the Embassadors: let us (I say) revise them so, as if they had not demanded those things which concerned their own good and commodity, but as though they proposed such points they esteemed profitable and expedient for us all. The Romans, the Rhodians, and King *Antiochus* require our alliance and amity: and in that war which they wage against *Philip* they think it reason to be aided from us. *Philip* again putteth us in mind of our society with him and of our oath. One while he requirerh us to stand and band with him: otherwhiles, he faith he will be content that we should sit still, and meddle neither one way nor other. Is there no man here knoweth the reason, why they that are not yet our allies demand and crave more than he that is our ally already? It is neither the modesty of *Philip*, nor the impudency of the Romans that is the cause hereof. The ports and haven-towns they be of *Achaia*, which minister confidence and assurance to those demanders, and take away the fame from them again. From *Philip* we see nothing but only an Embassador. The sea-forces of the Romans and their fleet, ride in the harbor of *Cenchreae*: they carry afore them in shew the spoiles of the Cities in *Euboea*. The Consul himself with his land-army of the legions we see disjoyined from us by a small arm only of the sea, ranging at their pleasure all over *Phocia* and *Loeris*. Marvell now how gerrif you can, why *Cleomedon* the Embassador of *Philip* demanded crewlike so coldly and diffidently, that we should take arms for the King against the Romans: who, if we by vertue of the same league and oath, wherewith he seemed to charge us in conscience, required of him again, that *Philip* should defend us both from *Nabis* and the Lacedæmonians, and also from the Romans; would be to seek not only of a garrison and power of armed men to shield us, but likewise of a very answer to shapen us. And verily he would be no more ready to satisfie us, than *Philip* was himself the last year: who notwithstanding he frankly promised to levy war against *Nabis* & thereby assisted to train and draw the flower of our youth from hence into *Euboea*: after that he saw once that we neither agreed to send him that power, nor yet were willing to entangle our selves & be interested in the Roman war, forgot soon that society that now he standeth and vanceth so much of, and left us to the mercy and devotion of *Nabis* and the Lacedæmonians, to be spoiled pillaged, & wasted at their pleasures. And surely so much as I can conceive of *Cleomedon* his Oration he thinks it hangeth not well together, and one peece thereof foresheweth not well with another. He seemeth to speak of the Roman war contemptuously, as if it were a matter of nothing: laying the event & issue thereof would belike the former, which they maintained with *Philip*. How is it then that he keepeth himself away, and in his absence demandeth our help rather than with his personall presence protecteth us both from *Nabis* & the Romans? Yes, I say, his ancient allies? But what speak I of us? Why hath he suffered them so to force and win *Eratria* and *Carrhum*? Why endured he, that so many Cities of *Thessaly* should be lost? How could he abide *Loeris* and *Phocis* to be over-run so as they are? And *Elmis* now at this day

day so freightly besieged, and hotly assaulted? Why quit he the streights of *Epirus*, and abandoned those impregnable holds upon the River *Aous*, by force, for fear, of his own accord, or bowfeyer? and when he had forgone and dedicated himself of that pass which he held, why requirerh he into the inland parts of his realm for his safety? If willingly and of his own accord he abandoned so many of his allies, and left them to be spoiled and ransacked by the enemy, what can he allege or say for himself, why those allies abroad may not provide for themselves the best they can? If for fear, let him pardon us likewise if we be afraid. But if he were vanquished by force of arms, and therefore retired back, shall we, good *Cleomedon*, sustain and endure the Roman puissance and their mighty armies, against which ye Macedonians were not able to stand? Or, would you have us to believe you, that bear us in hand, how the Romans warred at this present, either with greater numbers or stronger forces than they have done heretofore, rather than trust our own eyes, and that which daily we see before our faces? In those daies they luccored the *Ætolians* with their navy, and warred neither under the conduct nor with the army of a Consul. The maritime Cities of the confederates of *Philip*, were then in trouble and tumult: but all the mediterranean parts within the continent, were so secure and fortified from the Roman forces, that *Philip* spoiled and foraged the *Ætolians*, importing and seeking for help of the Romans, but all in vain. But now at this day the Romans having finished the Carthaginian war, which for sixteen years space they supported in the very heart and bowels of Italy, have not sent a garrison to luccore and maintain the *Ætolians* in their wars, but are come themselves, as leaders and commanders General, and by Land and Sea at once have warred upon *Macedony*. And this is the third Consul of theirs, who at this present maintaineth mortal war upon it, to the uttermost of his power. *Sulpicius* hath encountered the King in the midst of *Macedony*, bidden him battel, discomfited and put him to flight, after he had laid waste and desolat the wealthiest quarter of all his Kingdom. *Quintus* lately hath driven him out of camp and field, notwithstanding he were possessed of the straight avenues of *Epirus*, and bare himself boldly and confidently upon the natural situation of the ground, of his strong defences, and force of a complete army: and having pursued him as he fled into *Thessaly*, hath taken the garrison of Towns of the King, and in manner within his own sight, won by mere force his confederate Cities. Suppose and say, that all those things which the Athenians erewhile have alleged concerning the cruelty, the avarice, and unbridled lust of the King, be not true, but supposed flanders: admit that those enormities and wicked parts committed within the Attick land, against the Gods of Heaven above, of the infernal spirits beneath, touch not us at all, and are much less pertinent than those outrages which the *Elæumii* and the *Abdens*, so far remote from us, have endured. Forget we our selves, if ye will, the hurts, the wounds, and losses that we have received the murders, the pilling and rifling of the goods of *Messena* in the midst of *Poloponnesus*. Likewise, how his friend and host *Garricus* at *Cyparissus* was killed against all Law of God and man, even in a manner sitting at the board with meat in his mouth. Say we nothing also of *Attalus* the father and son, both Sicyonians, who were cruelly maffaced and yet he was wont to call the silly and wretched old man, Father. Also forbear we to speak of the sons wife, who was carried away into *Macedony*, to make her his harlot and concubine, and to abuse her at his pleasure. Let other rapes of virgins, forcings of honorable dames be forgotten: let us imagine that we have nothing to do, nor to meddle with *Philip* for fear of whose cruelty ye were all so mute, and could not open your mouth, For what other cause of silence had ye, being called hither to this council? Let us put the case, that we were to debate the matter with *Antigonus*, that most Amid and just Prince, at whose gracious hands we have received so many favours and pleasures above all other Kings: would he demand, think ye, that we should do that which he possibly then could not be done? *Poloponnesus* is a demy Island, joined to the firm continent and main land, by the narrow streight or bank of *Isthmus*, lying open and exposed to nothing more than to Sea-forces. If one hundred covert and decked ships with hatches, and fifty lighter vessels which are open together, with thirty Brigantins or foists of *Issa*, should come to pill and spoil our sea coasts, and begin to assail our Towns and Cities that lie open upon the River, even on the very strand and Sea banks; should we retire our selves, think ye, into our Cities within the Land? Why? what else? As though we were not already afflicted and plagued with intestine war, which sticheth even within our ribs and bowels? When *Nabis* and the Lacedæmonians by land, the Roman navy by Sea shall lie upon us, to do us all annoy, how should I call upon the Kings society, or for the help of the Macedonians? Or shall we of our selves, by our own strength and means, forsake our Cities which shall be assaulted against the puissance and power of the Romans? For in the former war we bravely defended (did we not?) the City of *Dyme*. We have examples enough of the fearful calamities and losses of others, that we need not to make our selves examples unto others. Take heed (I beseech you) how you feight and disdain, that the Romans have of their own motive offered their friendship and alliance, which indeed ye were to wish for, and seek all that ever ye could. It is for very fear (no doubt) that they are driven, being in a strange land to flie unto you for your alliance, because they would gladly thrond themselves under the shadow of your wings, be harboured within your havens, and sustained by your victual and provision. No, no, Lords they are first of the seas who can deny it: there is not a land they set foot into, but immediately it is their own, and in subjection unto them: whatsoever they seem to request, they can command if they list. And because they are willing to spare and forbear you,



"therefore it is that they suffer you not to enter into any action that might be cause of your ruin  
 "and overthrow. For whereas *Cleomedes* erewhile seemed to shew and lay before you a mean and  
 "indifferent course, and that forsooth, which should be the safest way that you could take, name-  
 "ly to enter into no arms at all, to sit still and sleep in a whole skin; that, I say, is no middle way, no,  
 "nor (to speak truth) any way at all. For besides this, that ye must either accept or refuse the alli-  
 "ance with the Romans, what else will become of us, but to be a prey unto the conqueror, having  
 "lost the grace and favour both of the one and the other? As men that like neutrals, expediting the  
 "issue of the war, frame our designs and compels to the blind direction of fortune. Well, once  
 "again I say, take heed you think not from that which with all your heart you should wish &  
 "pray for, only for that it is tendered and presented unto you. And never think, that because to-  
 "day you have the choice of both in your own hands, therefore ye shall ever have the same liber-  
 "ty hereafter. Occasions & opportunities are not always the same, neither do they continue long.  
 "All this whiles have ye had a desire to save and free your selves from *Philip*, but evermore by  
 "wishes & prayers in secret heart, rather than by taking arms in open hand. Now there are those  
 "which with great armies & armadoes have passed the seas, who without your pain and peril are  
 "ready to deliver you from his hands. These men, if ye reject and refuse for your allies, ye are not  
 "well in your wits, & have them you must either your allies or your enemies, there is no remedy.

After this Oration of the Pretor, there arose a muttering and noise in the assembly, whiles some  
 approved and gave assent unto that which he said, others rebuked in churlish wise those that ac-  
 corded. Inomuch, as they jangled not one with another in particular, but the very States there  
 assembled were at variance, yea, and this debate between the Magistrates of the whole nation  
 (whom they call *Demiurgi*, and ten they are in number) was as hotly maintained, as among the  
 multitude. Five of them said, they would propound unto the people, and debate with them in  
 council about accepting the alliance of the people of *Rome*, and put it to voices. The other five  
 protested, that this was directly against a law, in that case provided, forbidding expressly that no  
 Magistrate should either propound or determine ought in any Diet, prejudicial to the society and  
 league with *Philip*. Thus was this day also spent in debating and wrangling, and nothing done.  
 There remained one day yet of a full Diet and Council, for by law they were to conclude and de-  
 cree somewhat within three dayes at the farthest. Against that time, the parties were so hotly  
 bent one against the other, that the fathers could hardly forbear to offer violence to their very  
 children. There was one *Rhissajus* of *Pellea*, who had a son named *Memnon*, and he was a *Demi-  
 urgi*, who took part and sided with them that would not permit the matter to be put to ques-  
 tion, and determined by a tiny of voices. This *Rhissajus* having instantly a long time importuned  
 his son, and besought him to suffer the Achæans to provide for their weal publick, and not by his  
 perversity strowardly undo the state of the whole nation: when he saw once that all his prayers  
 prevailed nothing, he swore a great oath that he would kill him with his own hands, and not take  
 him for his son, but for an errant enemy. By which his menaces, he gained thus much in the end,  
 that content he was the next day to joyn with them that put the matter to question: who now  
 being more in number than the other, made a report and proposed the cause to the assembly: and  
 when all the States in manner there met, enclined thereto, and approved thereof, so as they avowed  
 openly what they would ordain: the Dymeans, Megapolitans, and certain Argives, before  
 the decree was enacted, rose up all at once, and departed out of the assembly, and no man either  
 wondered at it, or blamed them for it. As for the Megapolitans, no longer ago than in their grand-  
 fires dayes, at what time as they were expelled out of their country by the Lacedæmonians, *K. Ar-  
 tigonus* had restored them again. The Dymeans being but lately taken prisoners, and ransacked by  
 the Roman army, *Philip* having given order that they should be redeemed wheresoever they were  
 in slavery and bondage, he not only let free, but also replanted in their own country. The Argives  
 last of all, besides that they are of a fectious opinion and belief that the Macedonian Kings are de-  
 cided from them, were for the most part linked unto *Philip* in the right and regard of privat  
 hospitality, and familiar friendship. In these respects, they went out of that assembly which inclined  
 to the contract of alliance with the Romans, and were held excused for this departure: being thus  
 obliged unto *Philip* the adverse part, by great favours and benefits, yea, and those newly received  
 at his hands. All the other States of the Achæans, when they were demanded their opinions, with-  
 out delay confirmed by their immediate decree, the society with *Attalus* and the Rhodians: but  
 the league with the people of *Rome*, because it could not be ratified and established without the  
 Assent of the people, was referred and put off until the time that Embassadors might be sent unto  
*Rome*. But for the present it was thought good that three Embassadors should be addressed unto  
*L. Quintus*, and that all the forces of the Achæans should march toward *Corinth* for that *Quintus*  
 having won the port of *Cenchreae*, was already at the siege and assault of that City.

These Achæans encamped themselves over against that gate that openeth toward *Sicyone*: the  
 Romans lay against that part of the City which looketh toward *Cenchreae* and *Attalus* having led  
 his army through the narrow freight of *Isthmus*, assailed them of *Lechaean* side, which is an haven  
 of the other Sea. At the first they made no hot assault, hoping that there would be some unity  
 between the Towns-men and the Kings garrison. But perceiving they were all of one mind and  
 resolution, and that both the Macedonians defended the City, as their own native country:  
 and also the Corinthians were content to bear the full command and direction of *Androphemus* the  
 Captain of the garrison, as well as if he had been their fellow-citizen, and lawfully chosen by their

A their own election and suffrages: then the assailants had no other hope but in the violent force  
 of arms and engines. And of all sides they had raised banks and mures, and were come close to the  
 walls, although with hard access thereto. Now had the Ram, from that quarter where the Ro-  
 mans lay, beaten down a good part of the wall. To which breach, because it lay naked without  
 defence, all the Macedonians ran to guard and deterred it by strength of arms: where there was a  
 cruel fight between them and the Romans. At the first the Romans were soon repelled by means  
 of the great numbers of defendants: but after the succours of the Achæi and *Attalus* came unto  
 them, they received them with equal valour: neither doubted they but to be able with ease to  
 drive the Macedonians and the Greeks from their standings, and force them to retreat. But there  
 were within the Town a multitude of Italian fugitives revolted and fled from the Romans: part  
 of them, a residue left of *Annibal* his army; who having transgressed the laws, for fear of punish-  
 ment were fled from the Romans, and took part with *Philip*: part also were mariners and sea-  
 faring men, who for hope of more honorable intertainment and service, had abandoned their ships,  
 and were gotten into the City of *Corinth*. These fellows past all hope of life, if the Romans haply  
 should have the better hand, feared more like mad men, than hardy and audacious soldiers. Now  
 there is over-against *Sicyone* a promontory of *Ione*, which they call the Cape of *Acroa*, and it run-  
 neth into the Sea: from whence the passage over to *Corinth* is a cut almost of seven miles. Thir-  
 tier *Philætes*, a Captain also under King *Philip*, had conducted through *Laonia* 500 soldiers:  
 and certain Brigantins of *Corinth* were there ready to embark that supply of aid, and to transport  
 to *Lechaean*. By this time *Attalus* advised to let on fire the engines and fabricks that they had  
 made, and presently to give over the siege. *Quintus* perswaded yet more obstinately in his enterprise  
 begun. But he also seeing the Kings guards ranged and quartered at every gate, and that if they  
 should hap to fall out, their violence would hardly be sustained, was of the same mind with *Ar-  
 tidus*. So without effecting any thing, the Achæans were dismissed, and the rest returned to their  
 ships, *Attalus* to *Piræum*, the Romans to *Coryra*.

During this service by Sea forces, the (other) Consul who lay in camp before *Elatia* in *Phocæ*,  
 first aimed to gain the City by conference and parly with the principal citizens thereof: but after  
 answer made, that it lay not in their hands, and that they who were for the King, outwent the  
 Towns-men both in number and strength: then at once from all parts he gave an assault unto the  
 City both by force of arms, and also by engines of artillery. The Ram was bent against the walls,  
 and as much thereof beaten down with a mighty crash and fearful noise, as stood between the  
 Towers: whereupon the Town was dismantled and laid naked, and withal a cohort of Roman  
 soldiers entered at the open breach: so as from all parts the defendants abandoned their guards,  
 and ran to that place that thus was distressed by the enemies. And at once instant the Romans ad-  
 vanced themselves over the breach, and set up scaling ladders against the wall which was standing,  
 and whiles the enemies were amazed wholly, and had their eye only upon that one place where  
 the conflict was, the wall in many parts was scaled, and armed soldiers mounted into the City.  
 At which sudden tumult and alarm, the armed men having quit the place which they guarded  
 with a thick troop fled all into the cattle for fear: and the unarmed and naked multitude fled  
 after. Thus the Consul was matter of the City: which being ransacked, he sent unto the Cattle  
 certain messengers, promising life to as many of the Kings garrison as would depart away without  
 arms, and offering liberty to the *Elatians*: and after security given hereof, within few dayes the  
 Cattle also was rendred into his hands. Moreover, by the arrival of *Philætes* (a commander for  
 the King) in *Acroa*, not *Corinth* only was delivered from siege, but the City also of the Argives,  
 was by certain of the principal rulers betrayed unto *Philætes*, who before had sounded and solli-  
 cited the minds and affections of the common people. There was a custom in this City that upon  
 the first day of their general assemblies, the Pretor should in token of good luck pronounce the  
 names of *Jupiter*, *Apollon*, and *Heracles*: and afterwards ordained it was besides by a law, that the  
 name of *Philip* should make up the fourth. Now after the alliance accorded between them and the  
 Romans it hapned that the beadle or publick cryer left out the name of *Philip*: whereat the mul-  
 titude first began to mutter and grumble: then arose a loud cry of those that put him in mind to  
 name the King, willing him to give him his honor due by law: until at last his name was also pro-  
 nounced with great applause and consent. Upon the confidence and assurance of this favour *Phi-  
 lætes* was sent for, who by night seized upon an hill that commandeth the City which commonly  
 is called the fort of *Leaer*: and having put a garrison there, the next morning betimes he advan-  
 ced forward with banner displayed, and came down toward the common place lying under the  
 fortresse aforesaid: where there encountered him a band of armed men well appointed in order of  
 battail. These were the garrison of the Achæi lately there placed, to the number of 500 elect men  
 chosen forth of all the States of *Achaia*: and one *Æneidesmus* a Dymeian was their commander.  
 Unto him *Philætes* (one of the Kings Captains aforesaid) addressed a special messenger to per-  
 suade and exhort him to quit the City: giving him time to understand, that he and his Company  
 were not able to match the Town-men alone, who carried the same mind that the Macedonians  
 had done: much less then should they stand out when the Macedonians were joined unto them:  
 the Macedonians (I say) whom the very Romans themselves could not sustain at *Corinth*. At  
 first he did no good effect with leader or souldier: yea, and when within a while they beheld  
 the Argives also marching armed against them with a great troop from another part, and saw  
 present death before their eyes, yet it seemed they would have put it to the hazard of a conflict,  
 and

and fought to the last man, in case their Captain would have stuck to it, and not relented. But *Æneas* fearing to fight together with the City, the flour of all the youth of *Achaia* should perish, capitulated with *Philoetes*, that they might be permitted to depart and go their way: but himself kept his ground still in his armour, with some few of his followers and vassals, and removed not a foot. Then *Philoetes* sent out unto him, to demand, What he meant thereby? Unto whom he gave no other words, but holding forth his shield before him made answer, That armed as he was he would live and die in the guard and defence of that City which was committed to his charge. Then by the commandment of the Captains, the Thracians lanced their darts and flung at him, and to both he and the company about him were slain every one. Thus after the accord of alliance between the Achaeans and Romans, two most noble and famous Cities (*Argi* and *Corinth*) came under the subjection of the King. These were the acts achieved by the Romans as well by Land as Sea this summer.

In *France* there was no exploit performed worth remembrance by *Sext. Ælius* the Consul, notwithstanding he had under his government two entire armies: the one that he retained still with him, which by order he should have discharged, and was the same that had before been commanded by *L. Cornelius* the Pro-consul, and now by him was committed to the charge of *C. Ælius*: the other, that he brought himself with him into the Province. So that he employed the whole year almost in compelling the men of *Cremona* and *Placentia* to return into their Colonies, from whence by sundry casualties of war they were chased and dispersed. As *France* that year was in quiet beyond all hope and expectation, so about the City of *Rome* there had like to have been a commotion and tumult of bondslaves. The Carthaginian hostages were in guard and kept at *Setia*, where they had attending about them (as meet was for the children of the chief Nobles and Princes of *Carthage*) a mighty train and retinue of servants. The number of them was the greater by occasion of the late African war: during which time and presently after, the *Setians* themselves had bought up many of that nation which were taken captives, and came in part with the rest of the prizes. These having conspired together, sent out certain of their own company to solicit all the other slaves that were in the territory of *Setia*, and so forth, as many as they could find about *Norba* and *Circeti*. Their plot was, that when all things were provided beforehand, they should upon the very day of the solemn games and plaies (which shortly were to be exhibited and set forth in *Setia*) take the opportunity of the time, when as the people were busy in beholding the spectacle and shew repainted unto their eye, and to run upon them: and when they had by massacre in this sudden hurlyburly possessed themselves of *Setia*, then to go forward and surprise *Norba* and *Circeti*. This horrible complot and conspiracy was detected, and information given at *Rome* to *L. Cornelius Merula* Pretor at that time of the City. For two bondslaves early in a morning before day, presented themselves unto him, and opened from point to point in order, namely, what had been contrived and done, and what remained yet to do. The Pretor having taken order for their safe custody at home within his own house, called the Senate together: where, after he had recounted and declared unto them what these informers had revealed, he was commanded to go abroad to search out and repress this conspiracy. Forth he marched with five Lieutenants of the camp, and look how many he could meet with in his way all over the fields, villages, and hamlets, he tendered unto them a military oath, and constrained them to arm and follow him. Thus in this hasty manner of levy, he armed well near 2000, and with them all together (who knew not whither he meant to go, nor to what piece of service he led them) to *Setia* he came. At his first entrance, he suddenly in great haste apprehended the principal heads of the conspiracy: whereupon the slaves fled out of the Town. Then were sent out certain into the fields, to trace and to find them out by their tracks. In this business there were two bondslaves and one free man that performed singular good service. Unto him the LL. of the Senat gave order, that there should be paid 100000 *Aesses* in brass coin: but unto the slaves 3000 and their freedom. For the redemption of whom, their masters were contented their full price out of the Chamber of the City. Not long after, it was reported that the remnant of this conspiracy purposed to surprise *Prenefte*. Thither marched *L. Cornelius* the Pretor of the City, where he executed about 500 persons who were found guilty. The City was in great fear to see how the hostages and captives of the Carthaginians practised such troubles. Therefore in *Rome* a standing watch was kept in every street: and the inferior Magistrats were charged to see to it and to walk the round, and the *Triumvirs* likewise (or three Sheriffs) to have a better eye and look to the Quarry-prison. The Pretor also directed his letters into all quarters of the Latin nation to this effect, That all the hostages should be kept within doores, and not suffered to go abroad into the streets: that all captives and prisoners should have gyves about their heels often pound weight at least, and be kept in no other ward but in the common goal.

The same year came Embassadors from King *Attalus*, who presented in the Capitol a golden Crown of 246 pound weight, with great thanksgiving unto the Senate, that King *Antiochus* in regard of the authority and countenance of the Roman Embassadors, had withdrawn his forces out of the confines of *Attalus*. The same summer two hundred men of arms, ten Elephants, and 200000 Modii of wheat sent from King *Masaniassa*, arrived at the camp in *Greece*. Likewise out of *Sicily* and *Sardinia* there was sent great store of victual and liveries for the army. In *Sicily* *M. Marcellus* was L. Governour, and in *Sardinia* *M. Porcius Cato*, an upright man and living without touch and reproach, save only he was thought somewhat too severe in restraining of

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ultery. He banished out of that land all usurers: he abridged also and cut off clean, the charges which the allies were wont to defray for the entertainment of the Pretor.

*Sext. Ælius* the Consul being returned to *Rome* out of *France* in regard of the general assembly for election of Magistrats, created *Consuls* *Cn. Cornelius Cethegus* and *Q. Minutius Rufus*, and two days after, the election was held for Pretors. This year first were chosen six Pretors, by reason that the number of Provinces encroached, and the Roman Empire and Signory extended farther. And there were they, to wit, *L. Manlius Volsus*, *Cn. Sempronius Tuditanus*, *M. Sergius Silus*, *M. Helvius*, *M. Minutius Rufus*, and *L. Acilius*. Of these, *Sempronius* and *Helvius* were *Ædiles* of the Commons: *Q. Minutius Thermus* and *T. Sempronius Longus* *Ædiles* of the chair. The Roman games this year were four times renewed. *Cn. Cornelius* and *Q. Minutius* being Consuls, above all things went in hand with the Provinces of Consuls and Pretors: and first they dispatched those that concerned the Pretors (a matter that might be decided by casting lots.) To *Sergius* fell the jurisdiction of the City, and to *Minutius* the foreign, over strangers. *Acilius* was appointed to *Sardinia*, *Manlius* to *Sicily*, *Sempronius* to that part of *Spain* between *Italy* and *Iberia*, and *Helvius* unto the other beyond the River.

When the Consuls were upon the point to call lots likewise for their provinces; namely, *Italy* and *Macedony*, *L. Oppius*, and *Q. Fulvius* Tribuns of the Commons, interposed themselves and stated them alleging, "That *Macedony* was a province lying far off, and there was no one thing that had more impeached and hindered the proceeding of wars to that day than this, That in its remote parts, the Consul ever of the former year was called home before he were seated in his affairs, and when he should be employed most in wars. Now have there four years already gone over our heads, since we decreed and concluded to follow the Macedonian war; during which time, *Sulpicius* spent the greater part of his year in seeking after the King and his army; *Filius*, when he should encounter the enemy, was called away before he had effected any exploit; as for *Quintius*, he was kept at *Rome* till for the most part of the year, in attendance about *Chnri* matters and sacrifices: howbeit the affairs of wars under his conduct were managed so well, that it either he had gone sooner into his province, or the winter had been later, he might have dispatched the wars there: and now, that he is ready to retire into his standing camp and winning harbors, the report is, that he hath brought the war to that good pass and forwardness, that unless he be not hindered by a new successor, in all likely-hood and appearance, he will make a final end thereof the next summer.

With these speeches they prevailed so much, that the Consuls for their part promised to be ordered and let down by the Senate in this behalf upon condition, that the Tribuns would be content to do the like. Now when of both sides they had referred themselves to a free and absolute consultation the LL. of the Senat assigned to both the Consuls the government of *Italy*, and continued the command of the army still with *T. Quintius*, until there came another to succeed him. Two legions were appointed for the Consul, with commission to war upon the Gauls between *Rona* and the *Alps* who had revolted from the people of *Rome*. And for *Quintius* ordained it was, that there should be sent into *Macedony* unto him, a new supply of 5000 foot, 300 horse, and 3000 sea-servitors and mariners. And likewise, that the same *T. Quintius* *Flamininus* should be Admiral of the navy, as before. For the Pretors who were to go into *Spain*, there was an allowance of 8000 footmen out of the allies of the Latin nation, and 400 horsemen, so that they dismissed the old soldiers out of *Spain*: and I enjoined them to limit and set out the bounds of their several provinces, whereas the higher *Spain* and the lower should part. And for *Macedony* there were two Lieutenants more for the army appointed, to wit, *P. Sulpicius* and *P. Villius*, who had been Consuls both, and in that province.

Before that either Consuls or Pretors went out into their provinces, it was thought good to take order for the prodigious tokens which hapned. For at *Rome* the Temple of *Vulcan* and *Summanus* at *Fregelle* the wall and a gate of the City, were stricken with lightning. At *Arifium* it appeared light (as it had been clear day) in the night season. At *Asculum* a Lamb was yeaied having two heads and five feet. Also at *Fornia* two wolves entered into the Town, and worried somewhat there in their way. Last of all, at *Rome* there was a wolf, that not only came into the City, but went forward as far as to the Capitol.

*C. Acilius* a Tribun of the Commons proposed a law, that there should be five Colonies created to the Sea side and there planted: two at the mouth of the River *Vulturnus* and *Livernus*, one at *Puteoli*, another in the Burrough Town of *Salernum*, and to make the fifth *Buxentum*, was added to the rest. Into every Colony order was taken, that there should be thirty households sent. The three Commissioners, called *Triumvirs*, for the conducting of these Colonies were created; namely, *M. Scaevola*, *Geminus*, *Q. Minutius Thermus*, and *T. Sempronius Longus*. These three had commission to continue in the charge of this office three years. After the matter, and all other matters accomplished, pertaining to God and man, that were by the Consuls to be performed, then they set forward both, into their provinces. *Cornelius* took his way directly against the Insubrians, who accompanied with the Cenomans, were entered at that time into arms: *Q. Minutius* in his journey bare on the left hand of *Italy* toward the nether sea: and conducting his army to *Genoa*, began with the Ligurians to make war. *Clisidum* and *Lutibium*, Towns both of the Ligurians, likewise two States of the same nation, the *Celaels* and the *Cerdiciats* surrendered unto him; inasmuch as all the country on this side the *Po*, were in subjection to the Romans,

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Romans, except the Boians among the Gauls, and the Illusts among the Ligurians. By report there were fifteen Towns containing twenty thousand men, which yielded unto them. From thence he led the legions into the territory of the Boians. The army of the Boians had passed over the Po a little before, and joined with the Insubrians and Cænomans: for hearing that the Consul would war jointly with both their forces, they intended likewise to make themselves more strong, by uniting and bringing their power together. But the bruit being blown abroad, that once of the Consuls invaded and fired the country of the Boians, presently there arose a tumult. For the Boians demanded, that they all in general would help them in their distress. The Insubrians refused and said, That they would not abandon their own confines: by which occasion they distanced the Boians. The Boians went to the defence of their own country, and the Insubrians with the Cænomans, sat them down upon the banks of the River *Mincius*. Five miles beneath that place, the Consul *Cornelius* also encamped himself near the said River: from whence he sent certain messengers all about the villages, and to *Brixia*, the head City of that nation: and being advertised sufficiently that the youth was up in arms, without the warrant and content of their ancients; and that the Cænomans joined not with the Insubrians in their rebellion by virtue of public counsel and authority; he sent for the principal persons among them, and began to labour and deal with them, that the Cænomans would forsake the Insubrians, and openly with their ensigns advanced, either to return into their own country, or turn to the Romans. This they could not bring them to: howbeit they assured the Consul, that in the field they would either sit still and do nothing, or else, if any good opportunity was presented unto them, they would aid the Romans. The Insubrians knew nothing of this complot: and yet, some doubt and suspicion they had, that their allies haled, and were not so sound of all sorts; and therefore when there was occasion to lead forth to fight a field, they durst not trust them with either of the two wings and points of the battel, for fear if they recreated like false brethren, they should hazard the main chance: but placed them behind the ensigns in the rearward. The Consul in the beginning of the battel vowed a Temple to *Juno Sospita*, in case he discomfited the enemies that day, and put them to the rout. The soldiers set up a shout, and cried aloud that they would bring it to pass that the Consul should have his desire, and therewith charged the enemy right fiercely. The Insubrians could not abide the first shock. Some write, that in the very conflict the Cænomans also suddenly let upon their back, whereby they were distressed and in danger both before and behind; and that there were slain enclosed in the midst five and thirty thousand of the enemies, and seven hundred taken prisoners, and among them *Amilcar* the General of the Carthaginians, who was the cause of this war: also that there were a hundred and thirty ensigns carried away, and of chariots above two hundred. All the Towns that followed this revolt, yielded to the Romans.

*Mincius* the Consul, at the beginning made excursions into the country of the Boians, wailing and spoiling it all over: but afterwards when they had forsaken the Insubrians, and were retired home to defend and save their own, he kept himself within camp, making full account to take let battel with the enemy. Neither would the Boians for their part have been behind, but ready to have answered them, had not the rumor of the Insubrians overthrow, daunted and broken their hearts. Whereupon they forsook their leader, quit the camp, and bestowed themselves in the Towns and Villages to guard every man his own, and quite altered the course of their enemy's war, and put him besides his account. For the Consul past all hope now to determine the quarrel in one ranged battel, began again to forrage the fields, burn all buildings, and force Towns by assault. Much about the same time *Clasidium* was set on fire. And from thence the legions were conducted against the Illusts among the Ligurians, who only stood out and would not come in, and yielded obed. When nation like wise hearing that the Insubrians were defeated in a battel, and that the Boians were so scared, that they durst not venture the fortune of a field, submitted themselves. At the same time the letters of the Consuls, containing their happy affairs in France, were brought to Rome. *M. Sergius* the Pretor of the City first read them in the Senat, and afterwards by the advice of the Senat, rehearsed them in a full audience and assembly of the people. And a procession was decreed for the space of four days.

Now was winter come, and whiles *T. Quintus* after the winning of *Elatis*, wintered his armies in divers harbors within *Phœcia* and *Loeris*, there arose a mutiny in *Opus*. The one faction sent for the Ætolians their near neighbours to side with them: and the other for the Romans. The Ætolians came first, but the mightier faction would not suffer them to enter in: for having dispatched a messenger to the Roman General, they held the Town until his coming. The Kings garrison kept the fortresse, neither could they be brought to abandon it either with the menaces of the Opuntians, or the authority and countenance of the Roman commander. The only let and stay why it was not immediately assaulted was this; Because there was come an herald from the King, requesting time and place of a parley, which with much ado was granted to the King: not because *Quintus* of himself was not desirous and wished that he might be thought to have ended this war, either by force of arms or conditions of peace; for as yet he knew not whether one of the new Consuls should be sent to succeed him, or his government continued still unto him (according as he had given his friends and kinsfolks in charge to bring that about by all the endeavour and means that he could make: ) but he supposed verily, that this parley would be to good purpose for him, if it might be in his liberty to drive matters unto war if he stayed still, or draw to a peace if he departed home. So upon the strand and shore of the gulf *Malea*, they chose a place near unto *Nissa*, Thither

Thither came the King by water from *Demetria* with five brigantins or pinnaces, and one ship of war with a brais beak-head. There accompanied him the chief *L.L. of Macedonia*, and *Cycladus* a noble personage of great mark among the Achæans, and one that was from thence banished, with the Roman General were King *Aminander*, *Dionysidorus* an Ambassador of King *Attalus*, and *Agelæus* Admiral of the Rhodian fleet. *Phœneas* the chief and principal Magistrat of the Ætolians, and two Achæans *Arifthenus* and *Xenophon*. The Roman General in the midst of the, advanced himself forward to the edge of the very shore, even to the bank side, whiles the King came forward to the foredeck of his ship standing at anchor: and thus he began and said unto the King: "Sir, you may do better to come ashore that we may commune and confer together close, and both speak and hear one another more easily. The King refused to do so: and why? quoth he: "Quintus, who is it that you fear if a man may know? Then with a haughty spirit and kinglike: I fear none (quoth he) but the immortal Gods: but I trust not the fidelity of all that I see here:—" "but you, and namely, the Ætolians lest of all other. Why (saith *Quintus* again) this is the common case of all them that come to parly with enemies; namely, to be in danger one of another. Ye many, queth the King, but by your leave *Quintus*, the price and recompence of treachery and falsehood (if it should come to that) is not all one for killing *Philip* and *Phœneas*: for the Ætolians should not find it so hard a matter to substitute another Pretor, as the Macedonians to create another King in my room. This said, there was not a word more to the point: while the Roman General thought it reason that he should begin who fought for a parley: and the King supposed it meet that it was his part to speak first who should give conditions, and not for him that stood at receipt, and was to accept thereof. Then *Quintus* began and said, that his speech should be plain and simple: for he would say no more, but propose only those points, which if they might not be performed, there would be no peace upon any condition at all. First, that the King might withdraw his garrisons out of all the Cities of Greece. Item, That he is to deliver up all the prisoners and ingitive revolts that he hath, unto the allies of the people of Rome. Item, That he restore again to the Romans all those pieces in *Thyracum*, which after the peace concluded in *Epirus*, he had seized upon. Last of all, that he surrender unto *Ptolemæus* King of Egypt, all those Cities which he possessed himself of after the death of *Ptolemæus Philopator*. These (saith he) are the conditions, that I and the people of Rome do demand: but meet it besides, that you hear the demands also of the allies. Then the Ambassador or agent for King *Attalus* required, that the ships and captives which had been taken in the Sea-fight before *Chios*, should be rendered, and that *Nicæphorus* and the Temple of *Venus*, which he had pillaged and spoiled, should be restored as good and entire, as they were before. After him, the Rhodians made claim to *Perea* (a country in the continent right over against their Isle, and an ancient appurtenance of their Seignory) and demanded withal, that the garrisons should quit *Iussus*, *Bargilla*, and the City of the Eueromeans, and about *Hellasponus*, likewise the Cities of *Systus* and *Abdorus*. Item, that *Panopolis* should be restored unto the Bizantines, with the ancient charter of their franchises and liberties. Finally, that all the Merchant Towns and Ports in *Asia* might be freed from paying customs. Then came upon him the Achæi, and challenged *Corimb* and *Argi* as their own. After them, when as *Phœneas* (the Pretor of the Ætolians) had demanded in a manner the same that the Romans had before; namely, that the Kings forces should depart out of Greece, adding moreover, that those Cities should be rendered unto the Ætolians which in times past belonged to their dominion and jurisdiction: then one of the heads of the Ætolians named *Alexander* an eloquent man among them, as any other, presently inferred and said; "That he had a longtime sitten still, and opened not his mouth, not because he thought that in all this conference they would grow to any point or conclusion, but for that he would not interrupt any of his allies in their speech. And as for *Philip*, quoth he, he dealt not foundly and boldly in treaties of peace, no more than ever before: for he hath managed his wars with virtue and true valour. For in all these parleys and conferences he lieth trains, and lieth to catch advantages: in war he never striketh a battail in plain field, nor cometh to close fight hand to hand; but in his retreats and flights, burneth and sacketh Cities: and thus bring himself vanquished, spoileth and maketh havoc of that which by right is the due reward and recompence of conquerors. But the noble Macedonian Kings in old-time, took no such courses. Their manner was to fight it out in open field, and to spare Cities and Towns, all that ever possibly they could: to the end that their dominion might be more wealthy and puissant. For what kind of policy is it, for him to ruin and destroy utterly that, about the possession whereof he is in question, and retrieve nothing for himself but only war? This *Philip* the year past hath laid desolate in *Thessalie* more Cities of his allies there, than all the enemies have done that ever *Thessalie* had: and hath taken more from the Ætolians themselves, while he was a confederate friend with them, than all the time that he was their professed enemy. He hath seized upon *Lysimachia*, expelled their Pretor, and chased out the garrison of the Ætolians. *Chios* also, a City under his own subjection he hath rased, inverted and quite destroyed. By semblable falsehood and deceit he is possessed of *Thesby* in *Phœcia*, *Echinæ*, *Larissa*, and *Pharbalus*. *Philip* netted and galled at these words of *Alexander*, commanded that his ship should approach nearer to the bank, to the end that himself might be better heard. And as he began to frame bitter invectives against the Ætolians principally, *Phœneas* cut him off, saying, That the quarrel was not to be decided by word, but with the sword: and either he must win it by mere force, or yield obedience to the mightier. That is true, quoth *Philip*, and so evident, that a blind man may see it; jesting

\*For distinction of *Thesby* in Egypt and other places.

jettling merily at *Phœneas*, who was troubled with a pair of bad eies. And given he was by nature fit to be pleasantly conceited, yea, and fuller of his frumps, I wot than beflemed the Majesty of a King: so as many times even in treaty of serious matters and of great consequence, he could not forbear but make himself merry and laugh a good while. Afterwards he fell to a fit of choler and indignation, that the *Ætolians* should take upon them like Romans to command him out of *Greece*, who if they were put to it, were not able upon their knowledge to set down the bounds of *Greece* & limit how far it reached. For almost as the *Agrei*, the *Apodeotes* and *Amphiohi*, which take up a great part of *Ætolia*, are not within *Greece*. And what just cause (quoth he) of complaint have they, in that I have not spared some of their allies? Why? even they themselves hold this old custome for a law, namely, to permit their youth to take arms and serve against their own allies. So they do it without the publick order and warrant from the State: and very often a man may see *Ætolians* in contrary armies, & come to aid as well the one side as the other. As for *Chine*, it was not I that forced it: I did no more but aid *Prusias* my friend and ally, in the siege and assault thereof. And as touching *Lyfismachia*, I defended it against the *Thracians*: but for almost as of necessity I was called away from the guard thereof unto this war, the *Thracians* now hold it, I thus much by way of answer to the *Ætolians*. Now concerning *Attalus* and the *Rhodiens*, by right I owe them nothing: for it was not I but they, that began the war. Howbeit, for the honor that I bear to the Romans, I will make restitution to the *Rhodiens* of *Perat*, and restore I will to *Attalus* the ships and the captives as many as are forth coming and may be found. As for the restitution and making good again of *Niccephorium* and the Temple of *Venus*, what answer should I return to them that demand it, but this, that I will endeavour and be at charge of planting new trees (which is the only way and means whereby groves and woods that are cut down and fallen, may be recovered again) seeing that ye will needs have, that Kings (forsooth) must commine and reason to and fro about such matters as these. In the last place, he framed his speech to answer the *Achæans*: wherein, first he began with the benefits and pleasures that *Antigonus* had done unto that nation; then, of the favours and good turns they had received from his own self; and with all he commanded their decrees and edicts to be read, containing all kind of honors as well divine as human: adding moreover the late and fresh revolt of their army from him: and albeit he inveighed sharply against their disloyalty and treachery, yet he promised to render *Argos* unto them. As for *Corinth*, he would confer and consult with the Roman General, and demand of him, whether he thought it reason, that he should depart from those cities which he won by arms, and held by right of conquest, or dispose himself of those also, which he received from his progenitors as his lawfull inheritance? The *Achæans* and *Ætolians* addressed themselves to answer those points: but the sun was well near down: whereupon the conference was adjourned unto the morrow. *Philip* retired to the harbor from whence he came, and the Romans with their allies to their camp. The day following *Quintus* at the time appointed was ready before the City of *Nicea* (for that was thought a convenient place.) But *Philip* appeared not, nor for the space of certain hours came there any at all from him, not to much as a messenger. Now when they were out of all hope of his repair thither, behold of a sudden his ships were descried. For himself he said by way of excuse, that considering how hard, how grievous and intolerable indignities were imposed upon him, he had employed all that day time until then in consultation, and could not resolve. But it was generally thought among them all that he had of purpose prolonged the time, and made it so late even toward evening, because the *Achæans* and *Ætolians* should have no leisure to answer unto him. And this opinion of theirs himself confirmed: in that he requested that he alone might parley with the Roman General himself, and that all others should go aside and absent themselves: to the end they two might spend and lose no more time in debate and wrangling, but go briefly to the point, and make an end one way or other. This petition of his would not at first be accepted by *Quintus*, pretending that he would not have it seen that the allies were excluded out of the conference. But afterwards upon his importunate suit, by the advice of them all the Roman General together with *Ap. Claudius* a Colonel, when the rest were voided away, advanced forward to the bank side the King with the other two whom he had with him the day before came along. There after they had parled intertreat together a certain time, they parted. What *Philip* proposed unto his company is not certainly known: but *Quintus* made report unto his allies of their conference in this wise: namely, that *Philip* was content to quit the whole coast and tract of *Lyfismachia* for the Romans to enter upon. Item, to send back all the *Thracians* and renegats, and as many captives as were to be found. Item, to redeliver unto *Attalus* the ships and the mariners taken prisoners therein. Item, to render unto the *Rhodiens* the country of *Perat*: but in no wise to be diffused of *Lissus* and *Bargylla*. Item, to deliver unto the *Ætolians* *Nicæa* and *L. Gabæ* not *Tiber* in any case. Last of all, to part not only with *Argos*, but with *Corinth* also for the behoof of the *Achæans*. There was not one of them all well pleased a this limitation and setting out of particular parts, which he would deliver, and which he would not. For in this respecting account they should be more losers than winners. For unless (say they) he remove his forces and garrisons out of all *Greece* throughout, he will never cease to give or take occasions of quarrel. As they all cried out from the whole assembly to this effect, their high voice was heard of *Philip*, albeit he stood aloof. Whereupon he requested *Quintus* to refer the whole matter once more unto the next day: and then certainly without fail, he would either perswade him and his allies and bring them

to his mind, or else would come off and suffer himself to be perfwaded and over-ruled by them. The place of meeting was appointed upon the strand near *Throasium*: and thither they repaired on both parts betimes. There *Philip* first and foremost, belongeth both *Quintus* and all those that were present, not to disturb the hope of peace; but that it might come to some effect: and in conclusion, craved time wherein he might send his Embassadors unto the Senat of *Rome*: assuring them, that if he could not obtain peace under those articles above said, he would accept of any other conditions, which it should please the Senat to put upon him. All the rest misliked hereof, supposing that he sought for nothing else but delays and tract of time, whiles he might gather his forces together. But *Quintus* inferred again, That well it might so be and a truth indeed that they alleged, it it were summer time and a season fit for war and martial exploits: but now, considering winter was at hand, they could lose nothing by granting him respite to address an embassy. For neither (quod he) will any capitulation and composition which we should make with *Philip* stand good and firm without the approbation of the Senat: and in this our winter (when of necessity we must inure to war) it may be known what the Senat by their authority will approve. To this advice the chief of the confederates accorded, and therein rested. So there was a cessation of arms for two months granted: in which mean time it was thought good, that each of them likewise should dispatch one Embassador to advertise the Senat, to take heed they were not over-raught by the subtilty and fraud of the King. But provided it was in the covenant of the trustees aforesaid, That incontinently the Kings garrisons should void the territories of *Phœas* and *Læris*. *Quintus* also himself sent (together with the Embassadors of the allies) *Antinander* King of the *Atthamians*: and to make the embassy more honourable, *Q. Fabius* (his own wives sisters son) *Q. Fulvius* and *P. Claudius* accompanied the Kings.

When they were arrived at *Rome*, the Embassadors of the allies had audience given them before those that were sent from King *Philip*. Most of their speeches were spent in railing against the King: but in this one point they most of all moved the Senat to give ear unto them, namely, when they described by demonstration (as in a map) the situation of those countries as well by Land as Sea, that all men might plainly see, that if the King might hold in his hands the City *Demetrias* in *Thessalie*, *Chalcis* in *Eubœa*, and *Corinth* in *Achæia*, *Greece* could not possibly be at liberty, considering that *Philip* himself was wont to term them (no less truly than tauntingly) The shackles and fetters of *Greece*. After them were the Kings Embassadors permitted to enter into the Senat-house: and having begun to make a long Oration, their speech was cut off with this one brief and short interrogatory, Whether *Philip* would quit those three Cities aforesaid, or no? Whereunto they made this answer, That they had no express warrant in their commission touching that matter by name. So the Kings Embassadors were sent away without conclusion of any peace: and *Quintus* had full authority to determine of war or peace at his pleasure. Who seeing plainly by this, that the Senat was not weary of war, and being himself more desirous of victory than peace, he would never after grant *Philip* any more parlies, but gave him to understand, that he would admit no other embassy from him, but that which should bring him news of his departure quite out of *Greece*.

*Philip* seeing no other way now but that he must needs fight and trie the issue by a main battle, and that he was to gather his forces together from all parts: being perplexed most of all for the Cities of *Achæia* (a country far remote from him) and yet more careful in regard of *Argi* than *Corinth*: he thought it best policy to make it over (as it were upon trust) into the hands of *Nabis* the tyrant of the *Lacedæmonians*, upon condition, That if he obtained the victory, *Nabis* should deliver it up unto him again: but if ought should come to him but well, then *Nabis* himself to have and hold it as his own. Unto *Philoctetes*, Governor of *Corinth* and *Argi*, he dispatcheth his letters, That he should himself in person commune with the tyrant above named about it. *Philoctetes*, besides that he came now with a present, added moreover of his own head (for the better assurance and pawn of amity between the tyrant and the King) That *Philip* would give his daughters in marriage to *Nabis* his sons. The tyrant refused at the first to accept of that City, unless he were sent for, by a decree of the *Argives* themselves to come for to aid the City. But afterwards when he heard say, That in a frequent assembly there, they not only rejected him, but also detested and abhorred the very name of a tyrant, as an execrable abomination: supposing now that he had a good occasion and quarrel offered to make a spoil of them, he willed *Philoctetes* to deliver the City unto him when he would. So the tyrant was received into the Town in the night season, without the privacy and knowledge of any person: and by break of day he seized upon all the higher places. The gates were shut, and few of the principal heads in the beginning of the tumult made shift to escape. Those that were absent had their houses ransacked and their goods pilled: as many as were present, had all their gold and silver taken from them: besides, great sums of money were imposed upon them to be paid. They that made speed and were not long about it, but tendered ready coin, were let go without any outrage or hurt done unto their bodies: but such as were suspected either to hide or keep ought back, were mangled and tortured like bondslaves. After this, he assembled the people together and published two Laws: the one, for crossing all debt-books and cancelling obligations: the other, for division of Lands among the people by the poll: two fire-brands to serve their turn that seek for change and alteration in a State: enough to set on fire the Commons against the Nobles and chief of a City.

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When the City of Argos was thus brought in subjection under Nabis, the tyrant never remembering at whose hands, nor upon what condition he had received it, sent Embassadors to Elidius unto Quintius, likewise to Attalus wintering then in Aegina, certifying them, That Argos was in his hands and at his devotions; and if Quintius would repair thither to parle with him, he doubted not but they two should agree well enough in every point. Quintius granted to come thither to the end, that by this means he might disfigure Philip of that garrison: and he sent likewise to Attalus, willing him, that he would depart from Aegina and meet him at Sicyone: himself looked from Anticyra, and with ten Galeaces called Quinquereemes which (as hap was) L. Quintius his brother some dayes before had put to sea out of the winning harbor of Corcyra, crossed over to Sicyone. Now was Attalus there already, who making remonitance unto Quintius, That it became a tyrant to come unto a Roman General, and not a Roman General to go unto a tyrant, induced Quintius to condescend unto his opinion, and not to enter the City of Argos. Not far from the City is a place called Mycenica, where they agreed to meet and commune together. Quintius came to the place, accompanied with his brother and certain Colonels. Attalus was guarded with his Princely and Royal train, Nicofrans the Pretor of the Achaeans repaired thither, attended with some few auxiliary souldiers: and there they found the tyrant expecting their coming with all his forces. And armed as he was, with his guard likewise armed he advanced himself into the midst (well reer) of the plain that lay between. Quintius unarmed came forward with his brother and two Colonels. King Attalus likewise between the Pretor of the Achaeans of the one hand and a courour of his on the other, both unarmed. The tyrant began the speech with an exultation, That being in arms and attended with a guard of armed men, he presented himself to a parle seeing the General of the Romans and King Attalus unarmed: and said that he stood not in fear of them but of certain exiled persons of the Argives. After this, when they came to treat touching the conditions and covenants for the contract of an amity, Quintius the General demanded two things: the one, That Nabis would make an end of warring with the Achaeans: the other, That he would lend him certain aids against Philip. And verily to send succour he began: and in lieu of peace he was content there should be a truce, until the war with Philip was dispatched. Also about Argos King Attalus began to enter into some question saying, That having the City treacherously betrayed unto him by Philoctes, he now held it by force of arms: but he answered again, That he was sent for by the Argives themselves, for to protect them. Then the King required that the Argives might be assembled together, that he might know the truth. The tyrant made no denial thereof. The King replied again, that the assembly should be free, and at their liberty to speak, and to that effect the garrisons were to be removed out of the City, and no Lacedaemonians intermingled among them: to the end that the Argives might frankly speak their mind. But the tyrant flatly denied to withdraw from thence the guards. So this arguing came to no conclusion, and the conference brake up. After that the tyrant had given the Roman General 600 Conditors, and a truce made for the term of four moneths, between Nicofrans Pretor of the Achaeans, and Nabis the tyrant of the Lacedaemonians. From thence Quintius departed to Corinth, and approached the gate with a Regiment of Cretensians, that it might appear to Philoctes the Kings Captain there that the tyrant was revolted from Philip. Philoctes also entered into a parle with the Roman General and when he was exhorted by him to depart out of hand and yield the City, he returned such an answer unto him, that he seemed rather to defer, than to deny the thing. From Corinth Quintius crossed the Sea to Anticyra, from whence he sent his brother to found the nation of the Acanthians. And Attalus departed directly from Argos to Sicyone. Where the City not only enjoyed the ancient honours of the King, with the addition of new: but also the King ordered and beides that he had purchased for them in time past, the sacred land of Apollo, with a great sum of money: because he would not seem now also to pass by this friend City allied unto him, without some royal bounty and munificence, he gave freely unto them six talents of silver, and 10000 Medimns of corn: and so returned to his ships at Cenchreae. Nabis also having strengthened the garrison in Argos returned to Lacedaemon: and after himself had robbed the men of their money and goods, he sent his wife thither to do the like by the women. Who sending for the honourable and worshipful dames of the City inviting them one by one to her house, and otherwhiles many together at once such as were of kin one to another, by flattering and by threatening gat from them not only all the gold that they had, but in the end stript off their apparel also, and all the jewels and ornaments that they wore.

## The three and thirtieth Book Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the three and thirtieth Book.

Then Quintius Flamininus the Pro-consul ended the war with Philip, after he had vanquished him in a night field near Cynoecephala in Thessalie. L. Quintius Flamininus, brother to the said Pro-consul,

A consul, having forced Leucas the head City of Acanthia, received the Acanthians upon their submission and surrender. C. Sempronius Tuditanus the Pretor was slain, and his army defeated by the Celibionians. Attalus being suddenly sick, was removed from Thebes to Pergamus, and there departed this life. Peace was granted to Philip upon his suit, and liberty restored to Greece. L. Furius and C. Claudius Marcellus, the two Consuls, subdued the Boians and Insubrians in Gaul, Marcellus triumphed. Annibal having practised in Affrick to raise war, but to no effect, was thereupon accursed unto the Romans, by letters sent from the principal of the adverse faction: but for fear of the Romans, who had dispatched their Embassadors to the Carthaginian Senat about him, he fled unto Antiochus King of Syria, who also prepared then to make war upon the Romans.

The beginning is not extant in the Latine.

adjoining in those quarters to Acanthia. There was a straight pass or gullet there, half a mile almost in length, but not half a mile in breadth: at the end of this straight standeth the City Leucas built against an hill that turneth to the East, and looketh toward Acanthia. The bafe Town is built upon a plain, reaching along the sea that divideth Leucas from Acanthia. Whereupon the City as well on the land side, as by sea, is easie to be forced. For the floods of the water resemble a standing lake rather than a Sea, and the whole soil is a light earth, minable and easie to be wrought into, so that in many places at once the walls either undermined or shaken with the ram, came tumbling down. But as the Town it self was assailable, so the hearts of the Townsmen were invincible. For night and day they gave not over, to repair the cracks of the shaken wall, to fill up the open breaches and ruins, to make head lustily, and skirmish with the enemy, and rather to defend the walls by force of arms, than to save themselves by strength of their walls. And surely a longer siege they would have made of it than the Romans hoped, but that certain banished persons, Italians born, dwelling in Leucas let in and received armed souldiers on the Cattle side. Howbeit, the Leucasians embattelling themselves in their market place, encountered them as they ran down from the higher ground with a great cry and noise, and maintained battel with them for a long time. In this mean while, the walls in diverse places were scaled with ladders, and the enemies mounting over the heaps of stones that lay at the breaches, entered the Town. And now by this time the Lieutenant in person, with many companies environed them as they fought: some slain in the midst, others flung away their weapons, and yielded to the conquerour. After few dayes, upon the news of the field fought at Cynoecephala, all the States of Acanthia came in, and submitted themselves to the Lieutenant.

At the same time, whilst fortune turned thus about, and bare down a side all at once; the Rhodians also sent out Panisfratru their Pretor, with 800 footmen of Achaes, and about 1900 souldiers well armed, gathered out of all sorts of auxiliaries, to regain and reconquer from Philip the country of Peraea, lying in the main and firm land, which had been held sometime, and possessed by their ancestors. And these aids were compounded and mixed of French, Nisets, Pilucets, Tanians, and Arcans of Affrick, and Laodiceans of Asia. With these forces Panisfratru encamped in the territory of Stratonicea, and there he seized of a commodious place, and very good for his purpose, unwares to the Kings company that had holden the same. Thither came also to aid them in very good time, a Regiment of 1000 foot and a 100 horie of Achaeans, levied for that purpose, and were commanded by Theoxenus. Dinocrates a Captain under the King, willing to recover the laid hold again, first pitched his tents, hard against the enemies camp. But afterwards he removed to another fort in the territory likewise of Stratonicea, which they call Affregon: and having rallied together all the garrisons dispersed alunder in divers places, and sent for the auxiliary bands also of Thessalians, even from Stratonicea, he took his way and marched toward Alabanda, where the enemies were. The Rhodians likewise for their part were ready for battel, and after they were encamped of both sides neer together, immediately they entered into the field to fight it out. Dinocrates placed in the right point 500 Macedonians, and the Agrians he put in the left, in the main battel he bestowed all those that he had gathered together out of the garrisons belonging to the forts above said, who for the most part were Carians, the points he flanked round about with his cornets of Horie. The Rhodian cohort was marshalled in this manner: The auxiliaries of the Candians and Thracians kept the right point, the hired souldiers (and they were a power of elect footmen) stood in the left, in the midst were the aids (a mixture of many nations): the Cavalry and all the light armed souldiers that were, compassed the corners like wings. All that day the two armies stood only upon the bank of a brook which ran between them with a small and shallow water: and after some loose shot discharged, they retired into their tents. The next day they were ranged in like order, and struck a battail exceeding the proportion of their number: for on each side there were not above three thousand foot: and upon a hundred horie: but they were even G marched not in number only and armour, but also in equal courage and hope alike. The Achaei first passed over the said brook, and charged upon the Agrians: afterwards the whole army ran as one would say, over the River. The fight continued long doubtful. The Achaei being of themselves in number a thousand, disordered some four hundred of the other, and forced them to retreat: and afterwards the entire right point of the battail began to shrink and give ground. As for the Macedonians, so long as their battailon called Phalans, kept their array and stood close together, could not possibly be stirred or removed: but after their left side was laid naked, and they began







This he argued and discoursed by many likelihoods and probabilities to the same effect: by which means some were verily persuaded, that if himself had been guilty of the fact, he would never have offered and presented himself in the face of the assembly, or broached any words at all of the murder, especially when no man urged him thereto. Others there were again, who made no doubt but by this impudent face, his drift was to prevent an accusation, and to turn away all suspicion from himself. The innocent and guiltless creatures within a while after being examined upon the rack and tortured, knowing what was the general opinion and conceit of men, made their tale of the same for to bolt out and reveal the fact: and so they named *Zeusippus* and *Pisistratus* for the principals; without any presumption or right given how they should seem to come to the knowledge of any thing. Howbeit *Zeusippus* accompanied with one *Straconides* fled by night to *Tanagra*, fearing the remorse and prick of his own conscience more than the appeaching and information of those persons who neither were party nor privy to any thing. But *Pisistratus* making no regard of these accusers, remained still at *Thebes*. Now had *Zeusippus* one bondslave, (whose hand was in all this action, and had been a courier between) whom *Pisistratus* feared that he would betray him, and by that yearfare caused him to open and declare the whole matter. He dispatched therefore his letters unto *Zeusippus*, advising him to rid that slave out of the way, who was privy to their dealing; advertising him, that in his conceit he was not to meet to conceal the thing now done, as he was a fit instrument at the time to execute the same. The bearer of these letters he straightly charged to deliver them unto *Zeusippus* immediately with all speed. But he, because he could not spy a convenient time to meet with him himself, gave the letters to the very same slave, whom he supposed to be most fast and truly to his Master: adding moreover, and saying, That they came from *Pisistratus* unto *Zeusippus*, and imported matter of great consequence. The bond slave promised to deliver them incontinently. But being touched in conscience, he was so bold as to break them open; and when he had read them through, he fled back in great fear to *Thebes* (where he bewrayed *Pisistratus*). *Zeusippus* troubled in spirit for the flight of his bondman, retired himself to *Athens*, supposing it a place of more security to live in, as a banished man. As for *Pisistratus*, after he had been divers times examined upon the rack, was put to death in the end. This murder wondrously estranged the Thebans and Boeotians and let their hearts against the Romans: inasmuch as they hated and detested them to death, taking great indignation that *Zeusippus* (a principal and chief personage of their nation) had committed so foul and heinous a fact. To rebel in open terms, they had neither force sufficient to maintain them, nor a principal head to direct and lead them. Whereupon they fell to that which is next cousin to plain war, even to thieving and robbing by the high waies side, in such sort, as they surprized as well some soldiers who lodged near unto them, and were their guests, as others that wandred and ranged abroad from the garrisons in winter time, and travelled about their affairs, who otherwhiles were caught up by the way, and came short home. Some passengers were killed in the port-rode-waies, by those that lay in wait for them in notorious thieves corners: others were trained and led deceitfully through by-lanes into desert places, there to take up their innes and lodgings, and then were murdered. At length they plaid these pranks, not only of malice unto them, but also for greedy desire of booty and spoil, by reason that commonly these waiting men went about their trade and merchandise, and therefore had some charge about them, and carried silver in their belts. Now when as at first there were some out of the way, and every day more than other many men missing, and no man knew what was become of them, all *Boeotia* began to have an ill name, and the soldiers were more afraid to travel there, than in the enemies country. Then *Quintus* sent certain Embassadors to all the Cities for to make complaint of these robberies and enormities. Many footmen there were found dead about the mear or lake *Copais*, where their carriages were raked forth of the mud and mire, and drawn out of the standing water, tied and fastened as they were to heavy stones or some great vessels, that by their poise they might be plunged, and sink to the bottom. Many such like outrages were found to have been committed at *Acraphea* and *Coronea*, *Quintus* at the first demanded to have the offenders delivered unto him, and forsooke hundred soldiers (for so many were caught up by the way and murdered) he enjoyed the Boeotians to make payment of five hundred talents of silver. But the Cities would do neither the one nor the other: only they paid with bare words, and excused themselves in that nothing had been done by publick warrant or counsell from the State. Whereupon the Embassadors were sent to *Athens* and into *Achaia*, to make protestation unto their allies, that they would pursue the Boeotians with open war upon good ground and just cause offered. And so after he had given commandment unto *P. Claudius* to go unto *Acraphea* with one part of his forces, himself with the other let him down about *Coronea*, and planted siege unto it. But first the territory was laid waste, all the way as the two armies marched from *Elatia* in divers quarters. The Boeotians plagued with these losses and calamities, seeing nothing but fear and flight in every place, sent their Embassadors unto him: but when they could not be admitted into the camp, the Achaeans and the Athenians were fain to come with them. The Achaeans were of greater credit, to entreat in their behalf: for unless they might obtain pardon and peace for the Boeotians, they determined also to enter into the quarrel, and to make war themselves. By whose mediation the Boeotians had access unto the Roman General, and audience granted. Who after they were enjoined to deliver up the offenders and malefactors to Justice, and to pay thirty talents for amends and satisfaction, obtained peace: and so the siege was raised.

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A After some few daies, the ten Delegates or Committees from *Rome* were arrived, by whose advice and counsell peace was articulated and capitulated with King *Philip*, upon these conditions: *Imprimis*, That all the Greek Cities, as well in *Europe* as in *Asia*, should enjoy their liberty, and live under their own laws. *Item*, That *Philip* should withdraw his garrisons out of as many of them as had been in subjection under him. *Item*, That he do the like by those which were in *Asia*, to wit, *Esmosus*, *Pedajus*, *Bargyllus*, *Lajus*, *Myrimus*, *Abdus*, *Thajus*, and *Perinthus*: all which, the Romans required to be free. As concerning the liberty and freedom of the *Cyane*, it was covenanted, That *Quintus* should write his letters to *Prusias* the King of *Bythynians*, giving him to understand the advice and pleasure of the Senat, and the ten Delegates aforesaid. *Item*, That *Philip* render all the prisoners and fugitive traitors to the Romans, and yield up all the covered ships with hatches: and over and besides, one huge royall Gallie or Argosiey, which by reason of the exceeding bigneis was unweildy and ofstickle use, and was directed with sixteen banks of oars on a side. *Item*, That he should not have above five hundred men in arms, nor one Elephant at all. *Item*, That he should not war (but by leave and permission of the Senat) without the marches of *Macedony*. *Item*, That he pay unto the people of *Rome* a thousand talents, the one half in hand, and the other at ten payments, within the term of ten years. *Valerius Antius* writeth moreover, that there was imposed upon him a tribute of four thousand pound weight of silver yearly, for ten years: and besides, twenty thousand pound weight presently. The same author saith, that expressly it was capitulated, that *Philip* should not war at all with *Eumenes* the son of *Attalus*, who was newly come to the crown. For the assurance of these covenants, there were received hostages, and amongst them *Demetrius* King *Philip* his son, *Valerius Antius* hath written moreover, that the Island *Ægina*, and certain Elephants were given in pure gift to *Attalus* in his absence: and that upon the Rhodians was bestowed *Straconicea*, a City in *Caria*, with other Cities also which *Philip* had possessed. To conclude, that the Athenians received of free gift thier Isles following to wit, *Paros*, *Imbros*, *Delos*, and *Scyros*.

When all the States of *Greece* approved and thought well of this peace, only the Ætolians secretly muttered & found fault with this order set down by ten Delegates aboveaid: giving out, that they were but bare letters and vain words, shadowed with a counterfeit appearance of liberty. For to what end, say they, should some Cities be delivered to the Romans, and those not named? others again be named, and yet order taken, that they without delivery should be free? but only for this purpose, that those Cities which are in *Asia* should be set free, because they be far off and therefore in more safety; but those that are in *Greece*, being not precisely named, should be seized upon by them to wit, *Corinth*, *Chalcis*, and *Oreum*, with *Eretrias*, and *Demetrius*. And to say a truth, this finding fault of theirs was not altogether frivolous, and without occasion given: for some doubt there was of *Corinth*, *Chalcis*, and *Demetrius*: because in the order and act of the Senat, by vertue whereof those ten Delegates aforesaid were sent from the City, all other Cities of *Asia* and of *Greece* were doubtless in plain terms freed: but as touching these three before named, the Delegates had in commissiō to take order, as they should see it stand with the good of the Common-wealth, according to their own judgment and discretion, and the trust that was committed unto them. For well they witt that King *Antiochus* would pass over into *Europe*, so soon as ever he could bring his affairs about to his mind, and unwilling they were on any hand, that these Cities so commodious for his designs, should lie open and ready to his hand for to seize upon at his pleasure. So *Quintus* together with the ten Delegates sailed from *Elatia* into *Antiochia*, and from thence to *Corinth*, where they held their Council and consulted of their affairs. *Quintus* would very often say unto them, That all *Greece* might be delivered and set at liberty, if they could refrain the tongues of the Ætolians: if they were willing that their good affection should be deemed sincere, and the majesty of the Roman name maintained among all: finally, if they would pretend and make it known abroad, that they were passed the seas to set *Greece* free, and not after they had shaken off the feignory of *Philip*, to translate it unto themselves. The other again contradicted nothing as touching the liberty of those Cities: howbeit, they made remembrance, that it was the safer course for them, to remain awhile under the protection and safeguard of the Romans, than that instead of *Philip* they should receive *Antiochus* for their Lord. In conclusion decreed it was, That *Corinth* should be rendered to the Achaeans, but yet so, that there should be a Roman garillon in the highest quarter of the City called *Acrocorinthus*. *Item*, That *Chalcis* and *Demetrius* should be retained still, untill such time as they were no more in fear and doubt of *Antiochus*.

Now approached the ordinary solemnity of the Isthmitan games, unto which at all times usually there was great recourse of people, as well in regard of the natural disposition of that nation (desirous to see such sports and pastimes, wherein was represented the trial of matters in all kind of arts, in all feats either of mere strength, or of agility and nimbleness of the body) as also in respect of the commodious seat of the place: whereunto from all parts of *Greece* they repaired thither by two divers and sundry seas. But being amused in expectation to know what the state of *Greece*, and what their own particular condition would be hereafter, divers men not only devised secretly with themselves, but also gave out and whispered in their speech and talk. Well, the Romans were set to behold this solemnity: and the publick Crier with a trumpet went forth into the midst of the Cirque or show-place, from whence the manner was to proclaim the sports and games aforesaid in a solemn set form of words: and after he had by sound of trumpet

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made silence, he pronounced with a loud voice in this manner, "Be it known unto all men, that the H  
 "Senat of Rome, and T. Quintus the General of their army, having vanquished King Philip and  
 "the Macedonians, do ordain, that the Corinthians, the Phocians, and the Locrians, be all  
 "free, and delivered from all taxes whatsoever, and to live according to their own laws. Item, That  
 "the Isle Eubœa, the Magnesians, Theſſians, Perrhæbians, Acheans, and Phthiotis do enjoy the  
 "like freedom and immunity. And consequently he rehearsed all the nations which had been in  
 "subjection to Philip. Upon this proclamation of the beadle there was loud joy, that men were  
 "not able to conceive and comprehend it. Every man could hardly believe that he had heard the  
 "thing which he so wished and desired afore to hear: one looked upon another wondering at  
 "matter, as if it had been a vain vision or illusion of some dream: and well they trusted not their own  
 "ears in hearing that which particularly concerned every one, but enquired of them that stood next  
 "unto them. The Crier was called back again: such a desire had each one not only to hear the glad  
 "tidings, but also to behold the happy messenger of this their liberty: and no remedy there was, but  
 "once again he must publish and pronounce the same. Now when their joy was once confirmed,  
 "they set up such a shout, and followed it so with clapping of hands, redoubling the same so often,  
 "as evidently it appeared, how there is no earthly good in the world more pleasing and welcome  
 "unto a multitude than is liberty. After this, the games were performed in such haste, that neither  
 "the mind of any man was bent to intend, nor the eye busied to behold the sight thereof, so wholly  
 "but had that one joy possessed them and forfeited the sense of all other pleasures and delights. But  
 "when the pastimes were once ended, they all in manner ran apace to the Roman General, in such  
 "sort, that his person was in some danger of the multitude, crowding so hard upon him alone, for  
 "desire they had to come unto him, to touch his right hand, and to cast garlands of flowers and la-  
 "bels of sundry colours upon him: but being a man fast upon three and thirty years of age, both  
 "the vigour of youth, and also the joy that he took for the accomplishment of so glorious an act,  
 "afforded him strength enough to abide the press of the people. This gladness of all men shewed it  
 "self not only for the present, but continued also for many daies space, entertained not only in  
 "thankful minds, but expressed also in joyful discourses: namely, "That there was one nation yet in  
 "the world, which at their proper cost and charges, with their own pain and peril made war for  
 "the freedom of others: who afforded this favour and pleasure not to the neighbours and bor-  
 "erers only, or to those that were joyed near to them in the continent and firm land, but pas-  
 "sed over the seas: to the end, that throughout the whole world there should be no unjust and  
 "tyrannical government, but in all places, right, reason, and law might prevail most and carry  
 "greatest sway. Lo, how by the only voice of one Beadle all the Cities of Greece and Asia are set  
 "free. To conceive and enterprise so great a thing proceedeth from a brave mind and noble heart:  
 "but to do effect the same is a singular virtue and rare felicity.

This done, Quintus and the ten Delegates gave audience to the embassages of divers Kings and  
 Princes, Nations and States. And first of all others were the Embassadors of King Antiochus cal-  
 led in: who used the same speech in manner that they had at Rome, vinting great words without  
 any ground and substance of credit. But answer was returned unto them, not covertly by way of  
 circumstance as aforetime (when Philip was on foot and things stood doubtful) but openly in  
 plain terms. Imprimis, That Antiochus must quit and abandon all the Cities of Asia, which belong-  
 ed at any time either to King Philip or King Ptolemæus. Item, That he meddle not with any free  
 City or State, and especially with those of Greece: but above all, warned he was and forbidden,  
 either to pass over himself, or to send any forces into Europe. After the Kings Embassadors were  
 licensed to depart, all the nations and States had a general session and meeting together, which  
 was the sooner dispatched, for that in the decrees of the ten Delegates all the Cities and States  
 were pronounced by name. Unto the Orestians (a people in Macedonia) for that they revolted  
 first from the King, their own lands and privileges were restored. The Magnesians, the Perrhæ-  
 bians and Dolopians were likewise declared free. Unto the people of Theſſaly over and above the  
 grant of their liberty, the Phthiotian Acheans were annexed, excepting the City of Thebes in  
 Phthia and Pharsalus. As for the Ætolians who required, that according to covenant Pharsalus  
 and Luncas should be rendered unto them, they were put over unto the Senat. But they awarded  
 them the Phociens and Locriens, with other appurtenances adjoynd before by virtue of the  
 decree. Corinth, Triphylia, and Heræa (which also is a City of Peloponnesus) were rendered unto the  
 Acheans. Moreover, these ten Delegates gave Orontes and Eræria unto Eumenes the son of An-  
 taly, but by reason that Quintus would not agree thereto, the matter was referred over to the Se-  
 nat for to be decided: and the Senat granted freedom unto these Cities, together with Carthæ-  
 unto Pleuratus were freely given Lingus and Parthenus, which were two nations in Illyria, and  
 had been both subject to Philip. It was ordained also, that Aminander should hold those  
 Castles still, which during the wars he had won from Philip. When the assembly was dissolved,  
 the ten Delegates having divided between themselves their several charges, departed every man to  
 set free the Cities of their particular regions and quarters, P. Lentulus to Beryllæ, L. Sertorius to  
 Hephæstra, Thassus, and other Cities of Thracia; P. Villius and L. Terentius toward King Antio-  
 chus; and Cn. Cornelius toward Philip. Unto whom after Cornelius had declared his Commission  
 concerning some smaller matters, and withal demanded of him, Whether he could with patience  
 abide to hear counsell not only profitable unto himself, but also necessary? The King made answer  
 again and said, That he would not only give him the hearing, but also yield him thanks besides, in

A in case he would deliver ought unto him for his good. Whereupon he perswaded him earnestly,  
 that forasmuch as he had obtained peace already, he should send his Embassadors to Rome, to crave  
 league also and amity: to the end, that if Antiochus began to stir, he might not be thought to have  
 attended and waited for some occasions and opportunities to make war. [This conference and  
 communication with Philip was at Temp in Thessaly.] And when he answered, That he would  
 immediately dispatch his Embassadors: Cornelius came to Thermopylae, where a solemn Diet and as-  
 sembly of all Greece is wont to be held upon certain set daies, and thither resort great numbers of  
 people. Which meeting is called Pylæicum: where he advised the Ætolians especially to persevere  
 constant and faithfull in the amity of the people of Rome. Some of the principall Ætolians seemed  
 to complain between whiles, that the Romans were not so well affected to their nation after vi-  
 B glory, as they were in time of the war: but others, more sharply blamed and reproached them,  
 yea, and upbraided them with this, That Philip could not have been vanquished, nor the Ro-  
 mans ever able so much as to pass over into Greece, without the help of the Ætolians. Cornelius  
 forbore to make answer again to those points, for fear of farther wrangling and altercation; and  
 promised, that if they sent to Rome they should obtain any thing that was reason. Whereupon by  
 his advice and approbation there were deputed Embassadors. This was the issue and end of the  
 war with Philip.

While these affairs thus passed in Greece, Macedonia, and Asia, all Thessaly in manner was gone  
 out and risen up in arms by occasion of a conspiracy of bondslaves. For to enquire into these troubles  
 and to repress the same, there was sent M. Acilius a Prætor (who had the civil jurisdiction  
 between Citizens and aliens) with one of the two legions of Roman Citizens. Some of them, who  
 were already assembled together and grown to an head, he overcame in fight: of whom many were  
 slain, and many taken prisoners. Others he scourged and round trussed up, hanging them on  
 gibbets, even as many as were the principall and chief of the conspiracy: and others there were  
 whom he sent home again to their Masters.

Now the Consuls were gone into their Provinces. Marcellus so soon as he was entered into  
 the marches of the Boii, and had over-wearied his souldiers with marching all day long, fare him  
 down upon a certain rising of a hill, and there as he was encamping himself and his men, Corola-  
 mus Prince or great Lord of the Boii, with a mighty power assailed and charged him, and slew  
 upon three thousand of his men. In which sudden and tumultuary skirmish, certain brave men  
 D of mark were slain; among whom were T. Sennoprius Græchus, and M. Junius Syllanus two Co-  
 lonels of the allies: also A. Oquinius and P. Claudius two Knight Marshals or Tribunes of the se-  
 cond legion. Howbeit the Romans strongly fortified their tents and defended them valiantly,  
 which the enemies upon their fortunar victory had long assailed to no effect. And in the same  
 standing camp he continued certain daies, whiles he cured his souldiers of their wounds, and re-  
 covered their hearts after so great a fright. The Boii (as they are a nation that of all things cannot  
 endure any tedious delay of time) dispersed themselves into their towns and forts. Then Ma-  
 cellus presently crossed the Po, and led his army into the territory of Comum, where the Insubri-  
 ans lay encamped after they had solicited and caused those of Comum to take arms. The legions  
 made no more ado, but gave them battell in the very way: and at the first encounter the enemies  
 E charged them so hotly that they forced the forefront of the battell to give ground. Which when  
 Marcellus perceived, fearing lest being once discovered they should be repelled and discomfited,  
 he made a cohort of Marshals to make head; and at once set forth all the troops of the Latine  
 Cavalry against them. Their first and second charge both, mightily impeached and quailed the  
 enemy, advancing forward lustily and pressing upon them in great fury: whereby the rest of the  
 Roman army taking heart again and being encouraged, at the first received them manfully and  
 made resistance only, but afterwards followed fiercely upon them: inasmuch as the Gauls were  
 able no longer to abide their violence; but turned their backs, took them to their heels, and ran  
 away by heaps. Valerius Amicus writeth, that in this battell there were forty thousand men slain  
 and above five hundred and seven military ensignes taken, with 432 chariots: besides many chains  
 F of gold, whereof Claudius presented one (very massive above the rest and of great weight) unto  
 Jupiter, which was hung up within the Temple in the Capitoll, as he writeth. The same day was  
 the Camp of the Gauls forced and ransacked, and the town of Comum also within few daies taken  
 by assault. Upon this there were eight and twenty boroughs or forts that fell away and revolted  
 to the Consul. But the Historiographers agree not upon this, Whether the Consul led his forces  
 against the Insubrians first, or the Boians: and whether he raised out the dishonour of a former  
 foil and defeat by a fortunate victory in this battell: or contrariwise, after a prosperous fight at-  
 tained before Comum, he blotted and defaced the same with a shameful overthrow received at  
 the Boians hand.

During this variable and alternative fortune, L. Purpurio the other Consul, marched into  
 G the Boians Country through the tribe Sappinia. And when he was approached near to a Castle  
 called Mutina, he feared lest he should be enclosed and intercepted by the Boians and Ligu-  
 rians: whereupon he retired with his forces the same way that he came, and fetching a great com-  
 pass about through the open country in safety and security, he came at length to his Colleague.  
 Who having joynd both their powers together, first ranged over the Boians territories, wa-  
 sting and spoiling untill they came as far as Felina. This Town with other strong burroughs  
 and forts, and in a manner all the Boians yielded themselves, save only their youth, who were  
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 "of others known, but lieth hidden under this pretext & cloak of a law: so as they may be thought  
 "yet (were it not for the law) that such and such things they would have; where as indeed they  
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 "beast let loose after it hath been tamed up a time, and so made more fell and angry. To conclude  
 "therefore, of this opinion am I, that of no hand the law *Oppia* be repealed: and so I pray all the  
 "Gods to vouchsafe for to bleis and turn to good, whatsoever you do or go about. When he had  
 "thus said, those Tribunes also of the Commons, who openly promised and protested to oppose  
 "themselves, and to crois the repealing of the law, made some brief speeches to the same effect.  
 "Then *Lucretius* rose up to maintain the bill by him propoed for the revoking of that law, and  
 "spoke as followeth. If private men had stepped forth and advanced forward either to approve  
 "and periwade, or to reject & diswade that which by us is propoed, I my self also without open-  
 "ing my mouth would have attended your will & expected the delivery of your suffrages, as think-  
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 "parties. But now sith that the Consul *M. Porcius Cato* a man of great reputation & gravity, not  
 "only by his countenance and authority (which alone without any word at all spoken had been M  
 "important enough & effectual) but also in a long premeditated Oration framed with much study  
 "and (re)thinking, hath impugned and inveighed against our propoed ordinance, I must of ne-  
 "cessity answer him again as briefly as I can. Who nevertheless hath spent more words in repro-  
 "ving and chastising the matrons & dames of the City, than he hath bestowed reason to the pur-  
 "pose in dissuading our new law: & all verily for this intent, that he might leave it doubtful, whe-  
 "ther the women had done that which he blamed them for, as induced by their own motives, or  
 "induced by us and our suggestions. As for me the protection directly of the cause I will take in  
 "hand, and not busy and trouble my head in defence of our persons, against whom the Consul  
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 "purpose, to enforce and aggravate the matter. And we all know, that *M. Cato* is an Oration not  
 "only grave and earnest, but otherwhiles also fell, sharp and bitter, how ever otherwise by natural  
 "disposition he be of a mild spirit and courteous enough. But to the point. What new & strange  
 "thing is this that our wives have done in coming abroad and assembling themselves in compa-  
 "nies, about a matter that so much concerneth and importeth themselves? What were they ne-  
 "ver seen before now, abroad in open street? I will take the pains. *O Cato* to turn over your own O  
 "book of Originals against your self. Listen and mark how often they have done the semblable,  
 "and alwaies truly for the common good and benefit of the State. And first and foremost, in the  
 "very beginning and infancy of this City, even in the reign of *K. Romulus*, when the Capitol was  
 "taken and held by the Sabines, when in the midst of the Common place, they were ranged in bat-  
 "tel array and ready to fight a bloody field, was not the quarrel ended and the conflict stayed by  
 "the dames and wives that ran in & put themselves between the two armies? After the KK, were  
 "driven

The Oration  
 of L. *Valerius*  
 against the  
 law *Oppia*.

A "driven out and expelled, What hapned tho? When as the legions of the Volscians under the con-  
 "duct of *C. Marius* camped within 5 miles of Rome, were they not the matrons of the City that  
 "turned back this army, which doubtles would have forced our City & put it to ranke & And  
 "is not this likewise as true, that when the Gauls were possessed of Rome & masters thereof, the  
 "dames of the City and none but they, even by the consent of all men, came forth into the open  
 "streets, made a contribution, and laid down that gold which paid for the ransom and redempti-  
 "on of the City? No longer since than in the last Punick war (because I will not stand to much  
 "upon antiquities) was it not thus, that not only when the City was at a fault for money, the  
 "widows stocks supplied the want of the common treasure? but also at what time as we were  
 "driven to seek for new Gods, and to send for them afar off to succour us in our extremities; all  
 "B "the wives & matrons of the City went to the Sea side forth to receive the goddess Mother *Idea*?  
 "The occasions (qd, he) are different, and the case is not alike. Neither is it my purpose or any  
 "part of my meaning to compare causes, and to prove they are all one. This only I stand upon, and  
 "take it sufficient to excite and cleer the women, for bringing up no strange novelty, in that they  
 "shewed themselves in open place. To proceed therefore: seeing that no man made any wonder  
 "then, of that which women did in undertaking the affairs that concerned all alike as well men  
 "as women: marvel we now that they do the semblable, in a cause that properly and peculiarly  
 "pertaineth to themselves? And what great thing was it they did? Now in good faith we are too  
 "coy and squeamish of our hearing, and our ears over nice and delicate, if when matters didd in  
 "not to hear the praises of their servants and slaves, we learn to give ear to the requests of ladies  
 "C "and dames of honor. But now I come to the matter in question, in regard whereof the Consul  
 "his Oration consisted in two points. For first, he took it very ill, that any law at all once enacted  
 "should be revoked: and secondly he stood upon this that above all others the law devised and  
 "made for repressing the superfluous ornaments and attire of women should remain in force for-  
 "ever. So it should seem, that the first part (a common defence as it were, of all the laws) was a  
 "speech besetting the place and person of a Consul: but the other against the exceeding pomp of  
 "women, more properly became a man (as himself) of most severe life and precise carriage. And  
 "therefore it is great doubt and to be feared, lest we should seduce you into some error, if we  
 "lay law down and shew plainly the vanity and defect both in the one and in the other. For as I  
 "confess, that of those laws which are devised and established not for a time and by occasion of  
 "D "some particular occurrence, but for ever and to the perpetual good of a City, none ought to be  
 "abolished; unless it be so that by use and experience the same be checked and found hurtful, or  
 "by some change of the State become needless and superfluous: so I see evidently, that those sta-  
 "tutes and ordinances which are brought in to fit and serve some seasons, are mortal (if I may so  
 "say) and mutable with the times. And oftentimes we see, that war disclaimeth those laws which  
 "peace proclaimeth; and peace pulleth down that which war set up: like as in the government  
 "and rule of a ship, one thing is requisite in fair weather and calm Sea, another in foul and trouble-  
 "some tempests. These things thus being in nature divers and distinct, let us consider I pray you,  
 "of whether sort is this law that now we are in hand to revoke. What? is it one of the ancient  
 "and royal laws made by the Kings, and equal in time with the foundation of our City? or (that  
 "E "which is the next in time and authority) was it set down and written in the twelve Tables by  
 "the Decemvirs, created for purpose to devise and make laws? Is it of that nature without the  
 "which as our ancestors were of opinion, that the honesty and honour of matrons could not  
 "be preserved: so we are to fear likewise, lest by the repealing thereof, we overthrow the mode-  
 "sty, chastity, and integrity of married women? Why? who knoweth not that this is a new law  
 "of 20 years standing and continuance and no more, made whiles *Q. Fabius* and *T. Sempronius*  
 "were Consuls? And seeing that without it, wives lived so many years before in good name and  
 "fame, and in passing good order: tell me what danger can ensue, and why we need to fear lest if  
 "it be annulled, they should break out to all looseness and disorder. Mary, if this law had been made  
 "at first, to gage the wantonness of women, believe me then it were greatly to be doubted, that  
 "F "the putting down thereof would stir them up again to their former outrage. But to what end  
 "it was devised, the time it self is able to shew and testifie. *Antibal* being in Italy, had won a vi-  
 "tory at *Canna*: he was now master of *Tarentum*, Lord of *Arpi*, and possessed of *Capua*: every  
 "hour men looked when he would march forward and advance his enligens against Rome: our al-  
 "lies were revolted and gone: soldiers we had no more of our own to supply and make up the  
 "decayed bands: no mariners and Sea servitors could we find for the maintenance of our Arma-  
 "do: all our treasure in the City Chamber was spent and consumed. Driven we were to this  
 "extremity, as to take up bondslaves for to serve in wars, and to buy them of their masters for day,  
 "yea, and to make payment of their price after the war was ended. For want of money also the  
 "Publicans and Farmers of our domain and publick profits, undertook to serve the army with  
 "G "corn, and to furnish us with all things needful for war at a certain price, and gave us the like day  
 "and time of payment. The Gally slaves that served at the oar we found and maintained with  
 "our own proper and private charges; and a rate and proportion was set down according to  
 "our revenues and worth in the subsidy book, what number every one should be charged with.  
 "All the gold and silver that we had in private we brought forth in common, and the Senators  
 "themselves led the way first, and gave good example. The widows and orphan Children  
 "brought in their stocks of money to the City Chamber. Streight order was given, that we  
 "we



"we should not have in our houses either of gold or silver, wrought in plate or otherwise above  
 "so much, nor of silver and brais in coin and current money beyond a certain proportion limit-  
 "ed. At such a time, our dames (belike) were set all upon their braveries, pruning, trimming, and  
 "tricking themselves, in such sort, as the law *Oppia* must needs be devised, that there was no other  
 "remedy to keep down their excessive pride and superfluous expence in their attire and orna-  
 "ments: even then, I say, when by occasion that the solemn feast and sacrifice of *Ceres* was dis-  
 "continued, by reason of the general mourning and heavy cheer of all the wives of the City, the  
 "Senat was fain to take order, that they should finish and end their sorrowful mourning within  
 "thirty dayes. Who is so blind that seeth not, how in regard only of the poverty and extrem  
 "calamity of the City, and because all the monies of private persons should be converted into a  
 "common stock, and for a publick use, this law was first framed, drawn, and set down, so long  
 "only to stand in strength and vertue, as the cause of penning and writing it should endure and  
 "continue? For otherwise, if those acts and decrees of the Senat, if those orders and ordinances  
 "of the Commons, respective unto that present time, should be in force, and observed for ever:  
 "Why make we payment of the loan money unto private men? Why do we let and to farm let  
 "our commodities, our cutumes and revenues of the City, unto farmers for ready rent? Why put  
 "we forth our publick works for present money paid down upon the nail? Wherefore buy we  
 "not slaves to serve in our wars? Lastly, why are we not put to find mariners and oarmen, at our  
 "own proper charges, as then we did? All other estates and degrees, all men else, of what calling  
 "soever, feel a great change in the state of the City, from wo to weal, from adversity to prosperi-  
 "ty; and shall our wives only mis the good thereof, and not once tast nor enjoy the fruits of  
 "peace, and publick repose and tranquillity? Shall we that are men, be in purple and scarlet? Shall  
 "we wear our embroidered gowns and robes when we are Magistrates? Shall we put on our rich  
 "amyes and copes, when we exercise the function and ministry of the high Priests? Shall our  
 "children go in their side garments, purpled afore with purple? Shall we permit and privilege the  
 "head Officers and Magistrates in our Colonies and Burrough Towns? nay, shall we suffer here at  
 "Rome the Masters and Countables of every parish, the meanest and basest officers of all other to  
 "wear embroidered gowns, & ludded with purple? and not only so, for to grace and credit them-  
 "selves, with these goodly ornaments and badges of worship and honour during their life, but al-  
 "so after their death, the same to be burned and buried with them? And shall we debar and for-  
 "bid our women only to use purple and scarlet in their apparel? And when you the husband may  
 "have purple and scarlet, carpets, counter-points, and foot-cloths, what reason is there to deny  
 "your wife, the mistress of the house, a gown or mantle of the same? And shall your horse be trap-  
 "ped and barbed more richly, and better let out with his caparison, than your wife arrayed in her  
 "apparel? But in truth, for purple and scarlet, which are the worle for the wearing, and wasteth  
 "bare, me thinks I see some reason, such as this (although it be very hard) of sparing and restraint:  
 "may it to gold wherein little or nothing is lost but the fashion and workmanship, what misgar-  
 "dise, what misery is this to make spare of it, and to deny it them? Nay, I dare avow and abide by  
 "it there is great benefit and use thereof in time of extremity; and it may help at a pinch both in  
 "publick affairs, and in private occasions, as ye have found by good experience. But *Cato* said  
 "moreover, There would be no emulation and envy between this good wife and that, if neither  
 "one nor other were allowed that liberty of apparel and ornaments. True it is, but instead there-  
 "of they all are mightily discontented and grieved at the heart in the mean while, disdaineth to  
 "see the wives of our allies of the Latine name and Nation, permitted to wear those ornaments  
 "which they are forbidden to have, to see them, I say, all gorgeously set out with spangles and  
 "jewels of gold, clad in their purple and scarlet cloths, riding in their coaches all over their cities,  
 "as whilst they at *Rome* take pains to go afoot on their ten toes, as if the State of the Empire were  
 "seated in their Towns, and not in their own City of *Rome*. This indignity were enough to  
 "wound the hearts of men, and make them bleed: what hurt doth it then, think you, to silly wo-  
 "men, whom small matters. God wot, are wont to trouble? Alas poor souls: no magistracy and  
 "place of government in State, no sacerdotal dignities in the Church, no triumphs no ornaments  
 "and titles of honour, are they capable of, no gifts, no spoils and prizes gotten in wars, can fall to  
 "their shares. Neatness and fineness, gay garments, trim attire, and gorgeous habiliments are the  
 "honour and ornaments of women: in it they take delight, on it they set their hearts, on it they  
 "make their joy. And therefore well have our ancestors called all furniture for the decking of  
 "a women *Mundus Muliebris*. What lay they off in time of sorrow and mourning, but their gold  
 "and purple? what put they on and resume again, when their mourning is past, but their gold and  
 "purple? what hang they on them besides in time of publick joy and solemn processions but their  
 "better apparel, their richest attire & most costly ornaments? But peradventure, after ye have once  
 "repealed the law *Oppia*, it will not be in your power to over-rule them, if haply you should for-  
 "bid them to wear any thing that now the law restraineth them of. And perhaps some shall have  
 "more ado with their daughters, their wives, and sisters, and find them less tractable and pliable  
 "unto their minds than now they are. Never fear that: women cannot shake off their obedience,  
 "so long as their Governors (be they fathers, husbands, or brethren) are alive: I say, of all other  
 "things they abhor and cannot brook to be at their own liberty, when it cometh by the death ei-  
 "ther of husbands or parents: Widows stare and Orphans live, they may not abide. Be sure there-  
 "fore, they had rather have their ornaments and attire to be at the disposition of your selves than

"of the law. And therefore, to speak a truth, you must in equity and reason protect and defend  
 "them in kindness, and not oppress them with hardness and bondage: delight ye must to be called  
 "their fathers and husbands, rather than their Lords and Masters. It pleased the Consul ere while  
 "to give them hard words and odious terms, calling this their meeting, A mutiny of women; and  
 "a very insurrection and departure of theirs: and danger there is no doubt, lest being up on ce, they  
 "will seize upon the mount *Sacer*, as sometimes the Commons did in their furious anger, or else  
 "possess themselves of the Aventine, and there encamp and keep an hold. Well, this weak and  
 "feeble sex, born to bear, must suffer and endure whatsoever ye shall ordain and let down against  
 "them. But take this withal at the loose for a final conclusion, that the greater power and autho-  
 "rity ye have over them, the more discretion and moderation ye ought to use in that sovereignty  
 "of yours. After debate of words passed in this wise, in favor and disfavor of the law, the day fol-  
 "lowing the women flocked in greater multitudes into the open streets, and banding themselves  
 "together, as it were, in one troop, they belet the dores and houses of the *Bruti*, who by interposing  
 "themselves, had hindered and crossed the bill preferred by their fellow Tribunes: and never gave they  
 "over to keep this stir, until those Tribunes flaked in their opposition, for to inhibit the same. Which  
 "done, there was no doubt then, but all the tribes with one voice would abrogate and abolish  
 "that law. Thus twenty year after the enacting thereof, it was repealed and annulled.

The law *Oppia*  
repealed.

*M. Porcius Cato* after the abrogation of the law *Oppia*, presently departed with a fleet of five  
 "and twenty Gallies, whereof five were let out by *Allies*, and arrived in the Port of \* *Luna*, to  
 "which place he commanded his forces to assemble: and after by vertue of an edict sent out along  
 "the Sea coast, he had gathered together vessels of all sorts as he loosed from *Luna*: and proclaimed  
 "that they should all follow after him to the Port of *Pyreneus*, from whence he purposed to let  
 "forth against the enemy, with an Armado of many sail, and well appointed. Who having passed  
 "before the mountains of *Liguria* and the gulf of *Gaul*, arrived and met all together, at the day  
 "and place appointed. From thence they came against \* *Rhodus*, where they expelled the Spanish  
 "garrison that held the fortrets. From *Rhodus* with a good gale of wind, they sailed to *Emporia*.  
 "Where, all the whole army, excepting the mariners, were let a land. At the same time *Emporia*

\* *Porto Venere*.

\* *Rosca*.

were two Towns, separate one from the other by a wall. The one of them was inhabited by  
 "Greeks, who came from *Phocaea*, from whence the *Masilians* also are descended: the other was  
 "possessed by Spaniards. But the Greeks Town lieth out into the Sea, so as the whole compas  
 "of the wall is not half a mile about: but the Spanish Town seated farther into the Land, and divided  
 "from the Sea, is defended with a wall three miles in circuit. A third sort of Roman inhabitants  
 "were joynt unto them by \* *Cesar* the Emperor of famous memory, after he had vanquished

\* *Julius*.

*Pompey* children. And at this day, they are confused and mingled one with another, and become  
 "one entire body, by reason that first the Spaniards, and afterward the Greeks, were made free  
 "citizens of the City of *Rome*. A man might well marvel, seeing how open they lie of the one side to  
 "the main Sea, how exposed they are on the other side to the danger of the Spaniards, a Nation so  
 "fierce and warlike, what thing it was that guarded and protected them? Discipline it was and good  
 "government, and nothing else, which maintained and preserved them in that weakness of theirs:  
 "discipline I say, which is ever best intertained of them, who live in fear of the mightier that are  
 "round about them. One quarter of the wall looking to the fields, is passing strong and exceeding  
 "well fortified, having but one gate in all that side; which ordinarily is always warded by one of  
 "the Magistrates. In the night, one third part usually of the citizens kept watch upon the walls. And  
 "this watch they maintained not for cutume and fashion, nor by vertue of any law: but they per-  
 "formed it with as great care, yea, and went the round and saw to the sentinels with as much di-  
 "ligence, as if the enemies were hard at gates. A Spaniard came not within the City: neither went  
 "they forth themselves, unless it were upon just occasion. But on the Sea side the issue was open for  
 "any man at his pleasure. By that gate which turneth toward the Spanish Town, they never used to  
 "go forth but in great number, even a third part weneer of the Townsmen, and those who the night  
 "before had watched upon the walls. And this cause induced them to go abroad, for that the Spa-  
 "niards being no men at Sea, gladly would traffick and trade with them: willingly buying of them  
 "their strange merchandise from foreign parts brought in by ships: and venting unto them again  
 "their Land commodities and fruits arising of the main. The desire of this mutual commerce and  
 "necessary intercourse was the cause, that the Spanish Town was open to the Greeks. And in greater  
 "safety and security they were also, by reason that they were shadowed under the wing of the  
 "Roman army, which they intertained with as great loyalty as the *Masilians*, although they were  
 "nothing so mighty and puissant. And even at this time they received the Consul and his army  
 "with great courtesie and liberality. *Cato* sojournd there some few dayes, whilst he was advertised  
 "by his spies, what his enemies abode, and what their forces were: and because he would not be  
 "idle whilst he layed there, he bestowed all that time in training and exercising his souldiers. It  
 "shaped to be that season of the year, when the Spaniards had their corn within their granges read-  
 "y for the thrashing floor, whereupon he forbade the cornpurveors to provide grain, and sent  
 "them home to *Rome*. War, faith he, shall feed and maintain it self. Being departed from \* *Emporia*,  
 "he walked and burnt the territory of the enemies, forced them to run away in every place where he  
 "came, and put them in exceeding fright.

\* *Emporium*  
\* *Sephanos*,  
\* *Amphora*,  
\* *Clasio*.

At the same time, as *M. Helvius* departed out of the farther Province of *Spain* with 6000  
 "garrison souldiers delivered unto him by the Pretor, he was encountered by a great army of the  
 "Celti-

Celtiberians, before the Town *Illiturgum*. *Valerius* writeth, that they were 20000 strong: that 12000 of them were slain, the Town *Illiturgum* won again, and all above 14 years of age put to the sword. From thence *Helvius* marched to the camp of *Cato*: and because the country was clear from enemies, he sent back the garrison into the nether *Spain*, and took his journey to *Rome*, where he entered the City *Ovant* in petty triumph, for the happy lucels achieved in his affairs. He brought into the treasury, of silver in bullion or Ingots, 14732 pound weight: of silver coin 17023 bigate peeces: and of Ofcane silver 120338 pound weight. The cause why the Senat denied him full triumph, was this, for that he warred under the conduct and name of another, and not in his own province. But it was two years before he returned, by reason that the year between he was stayed there, lying sick of a long and grievous disease, and put over his government to *Q. Minutius* his successor. Whereupon *Helvius* likewise entered the City of *Rome* in that manner of triumph, two months only before his successor *Q. Minutius* triumphed. He likewise brought into the Chamber of the City 34800 pound weight of silver in mals: of bigats in coin 78000: of Ofcane silver 278000 pound.

All this while the Consul lay encamped in *Spain* not far from *Emporia*. Thither repaired unto him from *Bilshages* a Prince of the *Ilergets*, three Embassadors, whereof his son was one: complaining that their forts were assailed by force of arms, and they had no other hope to make resistance, unless they might have a guard of Roman souldiers to defend them; 5000 lay they will be sufficient: for never would the enemies abide by it if such a power came against them. The Consul answered them and said, that he had a feeling and compassion of the peril or fear (whether it was) wherein they stood: howbeit, he was not at that time furnished with such forces, that he might laisly spare so many out of his main army, thereby to dismember the same and to impair his strength, considering a mighty host of his enemies was not far off, with whom he looked every day, and he knew not how soon, to joyn battail in open field with banner displayed. The Embassadors hearing this, fell down prostrate at the Consuls feet, and shed tears, humbly beseeching him not to forsake them in this piteous plight. "For whither (say they) shall we go, if we be repulsed from the Romans? No allies we have besides, nor other hope in all the world. This danger we might have avoided well enough, if we would have been false and disloyal: if we would have banded and rebelled with other Spaniards: but no menaces, no terrors preiented unto us, could drive us to renounce our fealty, hoping alwayes that we should have help and succour enough from the Romans: but now if no help, if no relief come from thence; if we be denied at all." Consuls hand: heaven and earth we call to witness, that we must be forced, full against our will, and upon mere necessity, to revolt from the Romans, for fear we drink of the same cup that the *Saguntins* have done afore us: and choose we will to die with the rest of the Spaniards for company, rather than perish alone by our selves. So for that day they were dismissed without other answer. But all the night following, the Consul was much distracted in mind, and careful in both respects. Unwilling he was to cut off his allies and see them destitute; and as unwilling again to break his army considering that in so doing, he might either delay the opportunity of giving battle, or endanger himself in the very instant of conflict. But at length he resolved in no wise to diminish his own forces: doubting lest in the mean while he should receive some dishonor at the enemies hand. As for his associates, he thought it best to intertain them with good hopes, for want of better helps: considering that offenses and especially in war, outward semblances and vain shewes, are held and taken for truth and substance, and serve the turn well enough: and when a man is thoroughly perswaded that he hath aid and succour, the very trust and confidence thereof hath minished heart to give the venture of some exploit and preserved him as well as the thing itself. The next morning he delivered this answer unto the Embassadors. That albeit he feared to abate his own strength, in serving other mens turn with any part of his forces, yet he had at this present more regard of their occasions and dangerous estate than of his own. Whereupon he gave commandment, that a third part of all his bands and companies should have warning to bake and dresse viands with all speed, for to bestow and lay in the ships: and straightly he charged, that they should be rigged and ready appointed against the third day: and willed within, two of the Embassadors to report so much to *Bilshages* and the *Ilergets*. As for the young Prince his son, he detained still with him, used him graciously, and bestowed favours and rich gifts upon him bounteously. The Embassadors took not their leave nor departed, before they saw the souldiers embarked: and thus by making relation hereof, as a thing assured and past all peradventure, they filled the heads not of their own friends only, but also of the enemies, with the bruit of Roman aids coming neer at hand. The Consul now, when he had let this countenance of the matter, and made sufficient semblance to serve his purpose, gave order, that the souldiers should be disbanded again & set a land: and himself seeing now that the time of the year approached commodious for action and execution of martial affairs, dislodged and removed his standing winter camp within a mile of *Emporia*. From whence (as any occasions and opportunities were presented) he led forth his souldiers a foraging and plundering into the enemies land, sometimes one way and sometimes another, leaving alwayes a competent guard to defend the camp. Ordinarily their manner was to steal out by night, to the intent, that both they might go on still farther from their leagues, & so surprise the enemies at unawares and unprovided: by which means not only his new & raw souldiers were exercised, but also many of his enemies were caught up and came short home: whereupon they durst no more peep out of their forts & holds of defence. Now after he had made sufficient

proof

A proof of the hearts as well of his own men as of his enemies, he commanded all the Marshals, Colonels, Horle-men, and Centurions, to assemble before him: and unto them he made this speech. "The time (quoth he) is now come, that you so often have wished for: in which you may shew at full your virtue and valour. Your service hitherto hath been more like the manner of foragers than warriors: but now shall ye come to a main battail, and as enemies, fight hand to hand with professed enemies. From henceforth you may if you will, not wait their fields only and spoil their territory, but ransack the pillage of rich and wealthy cities. Our fathers before us and ancestors in times past, when as in *Spain* there were both Generals and armies of Carthaginians, having themselves no leaders and commanders, no souldiers and forces there, yet would they needs have this article among others capitulated in the accord and composition with the Spaniards, That the River of *Iberus* should limit their Seignory and dominion. Now at this day, when two Pretors and a Consul, when three entire Roman armies have the government and charge of *Spain*: now, I say, after ten years space almost, wherein no Carthaginians have set foot and been seen in all their quarters of both provinces, we have lost our seignory on this side *Iberus*. This must ye recover and win again by force of arms, by manhood and valour: ye must I say, compel this nation, more rash and inconsiderate in rebelling, than constant and resolute in maintaining war, for to receive once more the yoke of subjection, which they have shaken from off their necks. Having exhorted and encouraged them in this manner, he gave them to understand, that he would set forward in the night and lead against the enemies camp. And to let them depart to refresh their bodies. At midnight, after he had devoutly taken with him the signs and approbations of the birds for his better speed, he put himself in his journey: and because he might be seized of some place to his liking before the enemies should delay him, he let a compass in his march, and led his souldiers clean beyond their camp. And having by day light set his companies in battel array, he sent out three cohorts, even close to the rampier and trench of the enemy. The barbarous people wondering to see the Romans shew themselves behind at their back, ran to and fro to take arms. Mean while, the Consul held his men with these and such like speeches: "My souldiers (quoth he) there is no other hope now left, but in mere strength and valour, and I of very purpose have wrought it so. Between us and our camp the enemies are encamped all: behind at our back we have our enemies Land. The best of our lives are ever safest, namely, to build and ground our hope solely upon virtue. And herewithal he gave order, that the cohorts aforesaid should retire of purpose to train forth the barbarous people, by making semblance of retreat and flight. And so fell it out in very deed as he thought and supposed: for they imagining that the Romans for very fear were retired, issued forth by heaps out of the gate, and bespiced with armed men all the ground, that lay between their own camp and the enemies battel. And while they made great haste to embattel themselves, the Consul who was already arranged in battel array, and in all respects well appointed, charged upon them before they were marshalled and set in order. First he put forth the corners and wings of his men from both points and flanks of the battail: but they of the right side were straightwayes repulsed, and by their hasty and fearful retreating, caused the footmen also to be mightily afraid. Which the Consul perceiving, he commanded two elect cohorts of footmen to wheel about the right flank of the enemies, and to shew themselves at their backs before the other companies of foot encountered and charged one another. This suddain terror affrighted the enemies, but set all upright again and recovered the battail of the Romans. While through the fear of the Cavalry began to shrink and go down. Howbeit the horlemen and footmen both of the right point, were so troubled and so far out of order, that the Consul was forced to pluck some of them back with his own hand, and turn them with their faces affront the enemy. Thus all the while that the short lasted, the skirmish was doubtful: so as now the Romans in the skirmish had much ado to make head and stand to it in the right side, whereas the fright and flight first began. But on the left and all affront, the barbarous had the worst, and with great horror they looked behind and saw their enemies how they played upon their backs and refted not. After they had done with flinging their iron darts and lancing their fiery javelins, they drew their swords; and herewith began the conflict afresh. They were not wounded now from a far off by blind chance and hap-hazard: they knew not from whence; but foot to foot they stood, and hard to hand they coped and let drive one at another: no hope at all was now but to trust in pure strength and main force. The Consul seeing his men wearied, encouraged and refreshed them by sending for to relieve and maintain in the fight, certain cohorts out of the rearward. This new battailon well in heart, and with fresh weapons, charged the enemies toiled and tired: and being ranged in pointed wise like a quoin or wedge at the first hot on brake their arrais: and being once disordered, they put them to flight, and in scattering wise they ran as fast as their legs would carry them, to their camp. Cato seeing them flee on all hands, mounted on horseback and rode himself to the second legion, which was in the rearward for supply, and commanded to advance the standards and ensigns before him, to march apace, and to approach the camp of the enemies for to give an assault. If he espyed any one to step out of his rank, he would drive before and rap him with his light javelin that he had in his hand: commanding the Marshals and Captains to chastise him for it. Now was the enemies camp at the point to be assaulted, and the Romans were with stones, pikes, perches, and all kind of weapons set back and driven from the trench. But when this fresh legion approached neer, then both the assailants were more encouraged, and also

The Oration  
of Cato to his  
Captains and  
gallants.

the enemies fought more lustily in defence of their rampier. The Consul cast his eye all about him, to see how to break in at some place or other where least resistance might be made: and seeing the guard thin about the left gate, thither he conducted the Principals and the Halatti of the second legion: but the *corps de guard* which warded that gate, was not able to endure their violent charge. The rest on the other side, seeing the enemies within the rampier, abandoned the camp, and flung away their ensigns and weapons. The souldiers of the second legion followed the chase and killed them as they ran away, whiles the other ranacked and sifted their tents. *Valerius Antias* writeth, that there were 60000 fell that day upon the edge of the sword. *Cato* himself (that never loved to make the least of his own praise-worthy acts) saith, there were many slain; but setteth not down what number. He is thought to have performed that day three pieces of service worthy of great praise and commendation: first, in that he set a compais with his army far from his ships, far from his camp, and gave battail in the midst of the enemies, where his men could repose no hope at all but in their own vertue and valour: secondly, for sending those cohorts behind the enemies to charge upon their backs: and thirdly, for that he caused the second legion to march a great pace under their colours displaid, ranged as they were and ordered in battail array, for to approach and assail the gates of the enemies camp, whiles all the rest were disbanded and spread all abroad to pursue the enemy in chase.

After this victory achieved, he sat not still in rest and repose, but having founded the retreat and brought his own souldiers laden with pillage into the camp, he allowed them some few hours for their night sleep, and led them forth into the territory of the enemy to forrage and spoil: which was as effectual to enforce the Spanish Emportians, and all their neighbour borders to yield subjection, as the unhappy battel fought the day before. Many also of other Cities, which were retired to *Emporia* for refuge, rendered themselves to his devotion: whom he entertained all with gracious words, and when he had made them good cheer, bestowing wine and cates plentifully upon them, he sent them home to their own houses. Then immediately he dislodged and removed his camp. And all the way as he marched with his army there resorted Embassadors from divers States that yielded themselves unto him. By that time that he was come as far as *Taracón*, all *Spain* on this side *Iberus*, was wholly subdued: and the barbarous people brought in as presents unto the Consul, all the captives and prisoners, as well Romans as Allies, and namely, Latins, who by many and sundry chances had been taken in *Spain*. The bruit went commonly abroad, that the Consul would lead his power into *Turdetania*. There was a false alarm likewise given, and spoken it was, That he would visit the mountainers that lay out of the way. Upon this vain and headless rumour, there were seven forts belonging to the State of the Bergitians that revolted from him: but the Consul led his army against them, and without any memorable battel reduced them under obedience. And the Consul his back was no sooner turned, and he gone to *Taracón*, but they rebelled again, even before he was departed from thence in any other expedition. Subdued they were the second time, but they found not the like favour as before, to have pardon: for they were all sold like slaves in open market, under the garland because they should not thus every while trouble the peace.

In this meantime *P. Manlius* the Pretor, after he had received the old army at the hands of *Q. Mutius* whom he succeeded, and joined thereto the other army of old souldiers belonging to *Appius Claudius*, and which were come out of the farther *Spain*, he made an expedition into *Turdetania*. Now these Turdetans of all other Spaniards are counted to be the worst souldiers, howbeit, in confidence of their great numbers and multitudes they came forward and encountered the Roman forces. But the men of arms had no sooner charged them, but presently, they were disarrained. As for the footmen, they fought in manner not at all. The old approved souldiers, who knew the enemies very well, and were experienced in feats of arms, made a quick dispatch of this skirmish, and soon put all past peradventure. Howbeit, the war was not so ended, nor determined in one battel. The Turdetans levied and waged 1000 Celtiberians, and so maintained war afresh with forrain mercenary forces.

The Consul being stung already with the Rebellion of the Turdetans, and supposing that other Cities would do the like, upon any good occasion and opportunity, disurnished all the Spaniards on this side *Iberus* of their armor and munition. Which they took for such an indignity, that many of them for very melancholly killed themselves: a martial and warlike nation, that thought they were as good be out of the world, as turned out of their arms; and reckoned no life, without their weapons. The Consul having intelligence hereof, commanded the Senators of all those Cities to repair unto him: and when they were assembled together, he used this speech unto them. "It concerneth you (qd, he) no less than us, to give over this rebelling and warring. For never yet to this day have ye entered into the action, but with more loss and damage of Spaniards, than toil and travel of the Roman army. To prevent this mischief that it should not happen, I suppose one good way it is, to contrive and work so, that ye might not possibly be able to rebel. Effect this I would fain, by the easiest mean and course of all other. Assure me I pray you herein with your good counsel: I assure you I will not be directed by any advice more willingly, than by that which you yourselves shall give me. When they held their tongues, and would not speak a word, he said unto them again, that he was content they should pause upon the matter, and consult thereof a few daies. When they were called again & kept silence in this second meeting and conference as well as in the former, he made no more ado, but in one day raised the walls of all their Cities: which

A which done, he went forward against those that hitherto were not come in, not yielded obedience: and into what quarters soever he came, he received all the States one after another, there bordering and adjoining, into his protection: save only *Segesia*, a wealthy City and of importance, the which he forced with mantelets and rolling pavoes, and such like fabrics. More difficulty in subduing these enemies he found, than others afore him who first came into *Spain* in this regard, for that in times past, the Spaniards at the beginning revolted unto them, as being weary of the tedious yoke of subjection under the lordly government and tyranny of the Carthaginians. But *Cano* had more ado with them now, in that out of liberty and freedom, which they had enjoyed and been used to, he was to engage them (as it were) bond, and to bring them again to servitude. Besides, he found all out of frame and order, whiles some of them were up in arms, others were forced by siege to revolt, as not able to have held out long, unless they had been relieved and succoured in time. But of this nature and courageous mind was the Consul, that he would himself in person be present and manage all affairs, as well those of smallest moment, as also those of greatest weight and consequence: and not only devise and give direction what was best to be done, but would himself set to his hand, and execute most of the exploits and effects them fully. There was not one amongst them all, that he commanded with more severity and rigour, than his own self. In living nearly, in spare feeding, in much watching, in painful travel, he strived to surpass and outgo the meanest common souldiers. And no privilege challenged he, no advantage sought he to himself in his whole army above others, but only honour and sovereign command.

The Pretor *P. Manlius* had the more trouble in his war-service, by reason of the Celtiberians, whom (as it hath been said before) the enemies had levied and hired with their money. And therefore the Consul being sent unto by the Pretor his letters, led his legions also thither. Being there arrived, (now the Celtiberians and Turditans were severally encamped apart one from the other) the Romans fell presently to maintain light skirmishes with the Turditans, and ever and anon charged their *corps de guard*: and how rashly and inconsiderately soever they began the game, yet they ever went away winners. As for the Celtiberians, the Consul lent certain Tribunes or Knight Marshals unto them to empare, giving them in charge to make them an offer and tender unto them the choice of three conditions. First, if they could be content to arrange themselves to serve under the Romans, and to receive at their hands double wages to that they bargained for with the Turditans. Secondly, whether they would be willing to go their waies home under safe conduct and public security, besides that their siding with the Roman enemies should not be laid to their charge, nor bring them within the compais of any danger. Thirdly, if they had more mind to war, than that they should let down some time and place, when and where they might come to an issue, and trie it out in a set battail. The Celtiberians required to take a day for to consider better upon these points. So they assembled together in council, with great trouble and confusion, by reason that some Turdetans were thrust in amongst them: upon which occasion, they might worse grow to any conclusion. Now albeit uncertain it was, whether there would be any war or peace with the Celtiberians, yet the Romans gathered their provision out of the territory and boroughs of their enemies, like as in time of peace: yea, and more than that, they entered oftentimes within their fortifications and defences, as if there had been some common traffick and commerce agreed between them, by way of private trade. The Consul seeing he could not draw the enemy to a battail, first led certain companies lightly appointed with banners displayed, to rattle booties in one quarter of the country, which as yet was free, and not risted of the wars: but afterwards hearing that all the bag and baggage and other cariage of the Celtiberians was left at *Saguntia*, he set forward thither to give an assault to the Town. But seeing that nothing would move and stir them, he paid not only his own souldiers their wages, but also the Pretors their due, and leaving the main host in the Pretor his camp, himself returned to the River *Ebro*, accompanied only with seven cohorts. With these forces, as small as they were, he won certain Towns, and there revolted unto him the Sedetans, Ansetans, and Suefletans. The Lacerans (a Nation living out of the way after a savage manner within the wilds and woods) kept still in arms, not only upon a natural and inbred wildness, but also upon a guilty conscience, in that whiles the Consul and his army was employed in the Turdulois war, they had made sudden raids and inursions into the Lands of their Allies, and pitifully wasted the same. And therefore the Consul advanced forward to assault their Town, and led against it not only his own cohorts and bands, but also the youth of his Allies, who had good cause to be angry, and to oppose themselves unto them. The Town which they inhabited, lay out in length, but was nothing so wide and large in breadth: and within one half mile or less, he pitched down his ensigns, and planted himself. There he left behind a guard of choise companies, and freightly charged them not to stir out of that place, before he came unto them himself. The rest of his forces he led about unto the farther side beyond the Town. Of all the aid souldiers that he had about him, the greatest number were the youth of the Suefletans, and those he commanded to approach the wall for to give assault. The Lacerans, when they took knowledge of their armor and colours, calling to mind how often they had overrun them at their pleasure, and wasted their lands without check or impeachment, how many and sundry times they had in ranged battel discomfited & put them to flight, all at once let open the gate, and sallied out upon them. The Suefletans were so little able to sustain the forcible charge of their onsets, that they hardly could abide their very shout & first cry. The Consul seeing now, that come to pass indeed which he suspected would

\* *Gigema* in *Andalusia*, also called.

be so, rode a gallop upon the spur to those said cohorts of his own that were left on the other side under the Town, and taking them with him in great haste, whiles all the Townsmen were spread abroad in following the chase after the Snesetans, he led them into the Town at a place where there was no noise, no stirring, and not a man to be seen; and made himself master of all, before the Lacetans were returned back: but within a while he received them to mercy upon their submission: who, poor men, had nothing to yield and lose but their bare armor and weapons. Immediately he followed the train of this victory, and led his forces against the hold or strong Town of *Virgum*. This was a receptacle and place of sure retreat for certain Robbers and Thieves, who from thence used to make many rides into the peaceable parts of that Province. The principal and chief person of *Virgum* quit the place, and betook himself unto the Consul, and began to excite as well himself as the Townsmen; saying, that the government of the Town and the State thereof lay not in their hands. For why? these robbers after they were once received in among them, seized themselves wholly of that strength, and had all at their command. The Consul willed him to go home again, and to devise and forge some likely and probable cause why he had been absent and out of the way; with this charge and direction, that when he saw him approach under the walls, and the robbers aforesaid wholly amused and occupied in defence thereof, then he should remember to join with the rest of his part and faction, and be possessed of the fortrels and hold of the Town. This put he in practise and execution accordingly. So whiles the Romans of one side scaled the walls, and they on the other side had taken the fortrels, these barbarians were suddenly at once surprised with a two-fold fear before and behind. The Consul when he had gotten the place into his own hands, gave order, that all those who were gotten into the Castle and held it, should remain free; themselves and all their kindred, and likewise enjoy their goods. The rest of the Vergetans he commanded the Treasurer to sell and make money of them. As for the Robbers, they suffered according to their deserts. After he had set the Province in quiet, he laid great tributes and imposts upon the mines of iron and silver: which being once ordained and established, the whole province grew in wealth and riches, every day more than other. For these his exploits achieved in *Spain*, the LL. of the Senat decreed, that there should be a solemn procession at *Rome*, to endure for three dayes.

The same winter, *L. Valerius Flaccus* the other Consul, fought in *France* a set field with the power of the Boians, near the forest of *Lutetia*, and won the victory. And by report, there were eight thousand Gauls there slain: the rest abandoned the war, and slippt every one into their own Hamlets and Villages. The rest of the winter the Cons. kept his army at *Placentia* and *Cremoa* about the *Po*, and repaired in these Cities whatsoever had been decayed and demolished during the wars.

The affairs in *Italy* and *Spain* standing in these terms: when *T. Quintius* had so passed the winter in *Greece*, the setting aside the *Aetolians* (who neither had been recompensed according to the hope that they conceived of the victory, nor yet could long time like of repose) all *Greece* throughout in general enjoying the blessing of peace and liberty, flourished and maintained their State exceeding well, admiring no less the temperance, justice, and moderation of the Roman General after victory, than his valour and prowess in war: there was an Act of the Senat of *Rome* brought and presented unto him, importing thus much, That war was determined against *Nabis*, the tyrant of the Lacedaemonians. Which when *Quintius* had read, he published and proclaimed a general Diet or Council at *Corinth* against a certain day, when and where all the States associates should assemble by their delegates and Embassadors. Now when there was met together from all parts a frequent number of Princes and great personages, in such sort, that the very *Aetolians* also were not absent, *Quintius* used unto them this or the like speech. "The Romans & Greeks have warred against King *Philip* as ye well know; and as with one mind and common counsel they have so done, so either of them had several quarrels unto him, and privar causes and occasions by themselves to take arms. For *Philip* had broken the league and amity with us Romans, one while by sending aid and maintenance to the Carthaginians our enemies: otherwhiles by assailing our allies in the sea ports: and to you wards he hath so demeaned himself, that albeit we could not forget and put up all the wrongs that he hath done unto us, the very injuries that ye have received at his hands, minister sufficient cause unto us to war against him for your sake. As for this dayes consultation, it resteth wholly in your selves. For, this I propound unto you, Whether your will is to suffer *Argos* (which as ye know your selves *Nabis* the tyrant holdeth) to remain still under him in obedience: or whether you think it meet and reason, that a most noble and ancient City as it is, seated in the very heart of *Greece*, should be reduced unto liberty, to enjoy the same condition and state wherein other Cities of *Peloponnesus* and *Greece* do stand. This contention I say, as you well see, entirely toucheth you and your good, and concerneth us Romans no farther than thus, that by the servitude of that one only City, we can not have the full and entire glory of setting *Greece* wholly in liberty. But if you regard not the state of that City, and are not moved with the example thereof and the danger, for fear the contagion of this mischief spread farther: we for our parts are content, and take all in good worth, and will not set you down and teach you what to do. Only I require your advice in this point: minding to resolve upon that, which the Major part of you shall carry by voices. After the Roman General had ended his speech, all there began to deliver their opinions. And when the deputed delegate or agent for the Athenians had magnified and extolled as highly as possibly he could, the good

A good demerits of the Romans towards *Greece*, yielding them great thanks, that upon their request they had granted them aid against *Philip*, and without any petition at all, offered their help and succour against *Nabis* the tyrant: and seemed therewith to be offended and displeased at some, who nevertheless in their talk and speeches found fault and carped at these great favours and demerits; yea, and spake badly of future events, whereas it behoved them rather to acknowledge and confess how much they were bound and beholden already to the Romans for good turns past: it well appeared that he pointed out directly the *Aetolians*, and girded at them. "Whereupon on *Alexander*, a principall and chief man of their nation, in eight first against the Athenians, who having been in times past the head Captains and maintainers of freedom, betrayed now the common cause for love of their own privar batteries. Moreover, he complained that the *Achaean*ans, who first served *Philip* in his wars, and at the last (when they saw him down the wind and fortune to frown upon him) fell away like disloyal traitors & possessed themselves of *Corinth* to their own behoof, practising also to compass and gain unto them the City of *Argos*. As for the *Aetolians*, the first and principall enemies of *Philip*, and always allies and friends to the Romans, howsoever they had expressly and precisely covenanted in the league, to enjoy their towns and territories, after *Philip* was vanquished, were notwithstanding put besides *Echinum* and *Pharalus*. He charged the Romans with fraud and deceit, who pretending an outward show of a vain title and colour of liberty, held the Cities of *Chalcis* and *Demetrias* with strong garrisons: and yet when *Philip* made some stay and halting to withdraw and void from thence his armed guards, they were ever wont to object and say, that *Greece* would never be in freedom, so long as *Chalcis*, *Demetrias*, and *Corinth* were in his hand: and finally he alleged against them, that under pretence of *Argos* and *Nabis*, they sought occasion to remain still in *Greece* and keep their armies there. Let them (quoth he) transport their legions once into *Italy*, the *Aetolians* would then undertake and promise, that *Nabis* should remove his garrison out of *Argos*, upon composition and with good will, or else they would compell him by force and arms, to be overruled by the puissance of all *Greece* united together in one general consent. By this vain babble of his, he roused *Arifstus* first, the Prator of the *Achaean*ans, who spake in this wise. Never will *Jupiter* Op. Max, quoth he, and Queen *Juno* the Patroness of *Argos*, suffer that City to be the recompence or prize between the Lacedaemonian Tyrant, and these pillaging and thieving *Aetolians*: to be brought to this hard point and these terms of extremity, as to sustain more misery and calamity when it is recovered by us, than when it was won and taken by him. O *Quintius*, it is not the feyling between us and them that can defend us from their robbers. What will then become of us, if they should make themselves a fort and Castle of strength in the midst of *Peloponnesus*? Nought have they of the Greeks but their language, like as they carry nothing of men but their shape and vilage. For look into their manners, their fashions and behaviour, they are more rude and cruel than any barbarians, nay, they are more savage than the most wild and ravenous beasts that be. We beseech you therefore O Romans, both to recover *Argos* out of the hands of *Nabis*, and also to establish the State of *Greece* in such sort, that ye leave these parts also safe and secure enough from the robberies and thieving hostility of these *Aetolians*. The Roman General *Quintius*, seeing them of all sides to blame and rebuke the *Aetolians*, said, that he would have answered them himself, but that he perceived them all so hatefully bent against them, that more needfull it was that they were to be appealed than farther provoked. And therefore holding himself satisfied and contented with that opinion which was conceived of the Romans and *Aetolians*, he said, that he would demand what their pleasure was to advise, concerning the war against *Nabis*, unless he rendered *Argos* to the *Achaean*ans? And when they all were of one mind to make war, he exhorted them to send aids proportionably to the power and strength of each State and City. To the *Aetolians* he sent an Embassador, more to discover and lay open their intention (as it fell out accordingly) than upon any hope he had to obtain ought at their hands. Unto the Provost Marshalls of the camp, he gave commandment to send for the army from *Elatia*.

About this time, when the Embassadors of King *Antiochus* came unto him to treat about alliance and a league, he answered, That he could say nothing to them nor determine of that point in the absence of those Delegates aforesaid; and therefore they were to repair unto the Senat of *Rome*. Then, himself in person prepared to make an expedition and voyage against *Argos*, with those forces which were brought from *Elatia*. And when he was about (as *Arifstus* the Prator, with 10000 foot of *Achaean*ans, and 1000 horse met him in the way; and came from thence they joyined both their forces and encamped together. The next day after they came down into the Plain of *Argos*, and chose a place to fortifie and lie in leaguer about four miles from *Argos*. Now was *Pythagoras* the Captain of the Lacedaemonian garrison, who had both married the tyrant his daughter, and was his wives brother besides. This *Pythagoras* against the coming of the Romans, had fortified with strong guards both the Castles (for two there are within *Argos*) and other places, which either had easie access or were suspected. But as he was employed in these provisions and preparations, he could not dissemble and hide the fear which this arrival and approach of the Romans strake into him: and beside this forraint terror from without, there happened also an intestine mutiny within. There was one *Damocles* an *Argive*, (a young Gentleman of more spirit and courage than wisdom and discretion) who at the first by interposing a mutual and reciprocal oath, had conferred with certain persons of good sufficiency, about expelling the garrison: but whiles he studied to strengthen the conspiracy and his own side, he was not well assured

assured of their fidelity, and could not judge which of them were true and which not. As he talked upon a time with his complices, the Captain of the garrison sent him by one of his guards; whereupon he perceived that his complot was revealed: he exhorted therefore the conspirators that were in the way to take arms with him, rather than to die by torture upon the rack: and so with some few about him he marched forward into the market-place, crying aloud, That as many as loved the safety of the Common-weal should follow him as their head and maintainer of their liberty: but no man moved he with his speech to go after him and take his part: for no hope saw they of any succour at all near at hand: so far off were they from making good account of a sure guard of defence. And as he spake those words, the Lacedæmonians were come round about him, and killed both him and his fellows. After this were others also apprehended: the most part of them were slain, and some few cast into prison. A great number the night following slid down the wall by ropes, and fled to the Romans. These assured the Romans, that if their army had been near the gates, the commotion and conspiracy aforesaid would have taken effect, and in case their camp approached nearer, the Argives would not be in quiet, but make some inturrection: whereupon *Quintius* sent out the footmen lightly appointed, together with the horsemen; who skirmished with the Lacedæmonians about *Cylarabus* (a publick school and place of exercise about a quarter of a mile out of the City) who were fallen out at the gate, and without any great difficulty chased them within the town: and in that very place where the conflict was, the Roman General encamped. One day he spent in escourting an epical, whether any new trouble and uproars arose among them within the City. But when he perceived once that they were all amored for fear, he assembled a Council to take advice. Whether he were best to give the assault upon *Argos*, or no? All the heads of *Greece*, (except *Ariftenus*) agreed with one accord, that since there was no other cause of war elsewhere, it should begin there especially. *Quintius* in no case would like of that course, but willingly he gave ear with evident approbation unto *Ariftenus*, as he discoursed and reasoned against the general opinion and consent of them all: and over and besides added this of himself. That considering the war was enterprised and taken in hand in the behalf of the Argives against the tyrant, there was nothing less becoming and more without excuse, than to leave the enemy himself, and to assail and batter the poor City of *Argos*. For his part he would fight at the head, even against the Lacedæmonians and their tyrant, the principall cause of this war. Then having dissolved the Council, he sent certain cohorts lightly appointed to purvey store of grain. As much as could be found ripe in those parts was cut, mowed, and reaped down immediately and laid up: all that was green they trampled under foot and spoiled, that the enemies soon after might have no good thereof. So he dislodged and removed from thence, and having passed over the mountain *Parthenius*, at three daies end he encamped in the territory of *Carya* near to *Tegæa*. In which place he expected the aids of his allies before he would invade the territory of the enemies. From *Philip* there came a thousand and five hundred Macedonians, and of *Theffalians* forty horse. The Roman General laid not now for succours of men (whereof he had sufficient and plenty) but for his provision of victuals, which he had commanded the towns bordering near hand to furnish him withall. Besides, there came great forces by sea, and met him there: for by this time was *Lucius Quintius* arrived with forty sail from *Leucas*: also eighteen covered ships of *Rhodes*. And now also was *Enmenes* the King, about the Islands *Cyclades*, with ten close hatched and decked ships, thirty gallions, with other smaller vessels among of sundry sorts. Likewise of Lacedæmonians that were exiled and banished persons, there were very many; who, chased and driven out by the oppression and wrongfull dealing of their tyrants, repaired now into the Roman Camp, in hope to recover their native country again. Now a great many had been expelled in divers and sundry ages, since time that the tyrant first usurped rule, and were possessed of Lacedæmon. The chief of these exiled persons was one *Agelopolis*, a man to whom by right of descent and lineage the inheritance of the kingdom of Lacedæmon appertained. He whiles he was but an Infant hapned to be expelled by *Lycurgus* after the death of *Clementis*, who was the first tyrant at Lacedæmon.

The tyrant best thus round about with wars threatening both from sea and land, and destitute in manner of all hope, (considering the proportion of his forces to the power of his enemies:) yet nevertheless neglected not to wage war, but levied out of *Greece* one thousand more (even the chosen flower of all their youth) to the other thousand that he had from thence already. He had besides of mercenary souldiers three thousand in arms: also ten thousand of his own subjects and Citizens of Lacedæmon, together with those that he had taken out of the burroughs and villages in the country. Moreover, he fortified the City with trench and mure. And that there might arise no trouble and stir within the town, he held the spirits of men in awe with fear of sharp and rigorous punishments. And forasmuch as he could not hope nor imagine that they desired and wished his good and safety, for that he held some Citizens in suspicion and jealousie: after he had brought forth all his forces into the plain, which they call *Dromos*, he commanded the Lacedæmonians to assemble together without any armour and weapons to an audience: and when they were assembled he environed them with his armed guard. And after some few remonstrances by way of a short preamble, Why they ought to hold him excused at such a time if he feared every thing, and made all sure as well as he could: considering withall, it was expedient even for them also (as many as the present state of the world might bring in suspicion) to be kept short for being able to execute any attempt, rather than be surprized in the midst of their practices and complots, and

\* i.e. A running race.

And so he persuaded accordingly: even for this cause (quoth he) I will have certain persons in safe custody and durance, until such time as the tempest be overblown which now is coming. And when the enemies be once repulsed, (from whom less danger there will be in safe domesticall treatment) may be prevented then incontinently will I enlarge them and set them at liberty. This said, he commanded the names to be called of fourscore or thereabout of the principall of the youth; and as every one of them answered to his name, he clapt him up fast in prison: and the next night following, murdered them every one. After this, certain hlots (these were they who ever of old time were the Burghers and Villagers, a kind of peasants and country kerns) were accused to have intended to flee unto the enemy and to band with him: who likewise were whipped & scourged throughout all the streets, and then put to death. By the fearful example of this cruelty, the courages of the common sort were well cooled and abated, yea, and so stoned, that they durst not once quench nor give attempt of any new designsments tending to change and alteration. His forces he kept within his strength and places of defence, for neither thought he himself strong enough to enter the field and fight a set battell, nor durst abandon the City, seeing the minds of men to wavering, and their affections to unconstant.

*Quintius* having made his provision and set all things in good order, departed from his standing camp, and the second day came to *Sellacia* upon the river *Oenus*: in which very place *Antigonis* sometime King of the Macedonians struck a battell (men say) with *Cleomenes* the tyrant of the Lacedæmonians. And there, having intelligence, that from thence he was to mount up an hard ascent and narrow passage, he set a short compass through the mountains, having first before certain men to level the ground and make the way even, and so got into a large and broad portage, until he came to the river *Enrolas*, which runneth in manner hard under the walls of the City of *Sparta*: where, as the Romans were pitching their tents, even as *Quintius* himself with the horsemen and light van-courriers gone before, the Auxiliaries of the tyrant charged upon them: who looking for nothing less, because no man had encountered them all the ways as they marched, but passed on in their journey as in a peaceable country, were much troubled and affrighted herewith. This fear of theirs continued a good time, while the horsemen called upon the footmen, and they again unto the horsemen; and both the one sort and the other trilled in themselves but little or nothing at all. At length the standards of the legions with their ensigns came forward; and were within sight, and so loon as the companies of the vanguard advanced forth to fight, they who erewhile terrified others, were driven in fearful haste themselves into the City. The Romans being retired so far from the wall, as that they were without dart-shot, stood a while ranging in battell array. But after that they saw none of the enemies come abroad against them, returned to their leaguer. The next day after *Quintius* took his way and marched with his army in order of battell along the town side, near unto the river, hard at the foot of the hill *Manalus*. The companies of the legionary footmen led the march in the vanguard, the light footmen and the horsemen followed in the rereward, and flanked the rest. *Nabis* kept within the walls his mercenary souldiers (in whom he reposed greatest confidence) arranged under their ensigns, and in readiness to fight, purposing to charge the back of his enemies. And the rereward of the Romans was not so soon passed by, but they talked out of the town at sundry places at once, with as tumultuous a noise as they made the day before. *Appius Claudius* had the leading of the rereward, who having prepared beforehand the hearts of his souldiers, and advertized them to be prest and ready for what occurrence soever might happen presently turned the ensigns, and set a compass with the whole army to make head against the enemies. Whereupon there ensued a hot fight which endured a good time, as if two armies had directly encountered one another. In the end, the souldiers of *Nabis* began to give ground and flee: in which flight of theirs they had made less halt, and better saved themselves, but that the Achæans who were acquainted well with the ground, and knew the coasts of the country, hotly followed the chase: they made a foul slaughter and butchery among them; and the most part, such as were dispersed here and there in their flight they disarmed. Then *Quintius* encamped near unto *Amycla*, and having harried and wasted all the territory round about the City (which places were very well peopled and very pleasant:) when he saw no enemies issue out at the City gates, he removed his camp hard to the river *Enrolas*. From whence he made excursions, wasted all the vale lying under the hill *Tajgetus*, and the lands butting and adjoining close to the sea.

Much about the same time *L. Quintius* made him self Master of the towns, situate on the sea side: some yielded willingly, others for fear or perforce. And being afterwards advertized, that the town *Gythium* served for a place of safe retreat and refuge unto the Lacedæmonians in all their exploits and service at sea, and that the Romans lay encamped not far from the sea side; he resolved to assail it with all forcible means. This town at that time was very strong, well peopled with Citizens and other inhabitants, and sufficiently furnished with all warlike provision and munition. And in very good time it fell out, that as *Quintius* was entered into this difficult enterprise, King *Enmenes* and the Rhodian fleet arrived. A mighty number of mariners and sea-servitors, gathered out of three Armadoes, within few daies made and furnished all engines and fabricks, which were to assault this City so well fortified both by sea and land. Now was the town-wall broken down with the undermining of the fortifications, now was the wall shaken by the push of the ram, and with all these was one tower thereby continual battery was overthrown, and with the fall thereof all the walls that stood of each side came tumbling down and lay along. And the Romans endeavoured



red at one time to enter the town, both from the haven (where the passage was more plain and eafie) to the end, that the enemies might abandon the defence of the more open place; and alſo at the breach made in the wall: and they miſſed but very little of entrance there where they intended, but the hope they conceived of yielding the City, which anon was croſſed again, and turned to nothing, ſtaid their violence and heat of aſſault. *Dioxagorides* and *Gorgopas* governed the town then in equall authority. *Dioxagorides* had diſpatched a courier to the Roman lieutenant, to ſignifie that he would betray the town: and when the time and place of execution of this deſignment was agreed upon between them, the traitor was killed by *Gorgopas*: by occaſion whereof, the City was the better defended with more carefull heed by him alſone: yea, and the aſſault thereof had been more difficult, but that *Titus Quintius* came to ſuccour and help with four thouſand choſen ſouldiers. He was no ſooner diſcovered with an army arranged in battell array from the brow and top of the hill that is not far diſtant from the town; whiles *L. Quintius* withſhall from another ſide followed the aſſault with his ordnance and artillery both by ſea and land, but *Gorgopas* then began himſelf to deſpair in very deed, and was driven perforce to take that very courſe, which in another he had puniſhed by death: and upon compoſition that he might depart and have away with him thoſe ſouldiers which he had in garriſon, he delivered up the City to *Quintius*.

Before that *Cythereum* was rendered, *Pythagoras* left as Captain at *Argos*, leaving the guard and defence of the City unto the charge of *Timocrates* of *Pellene*, came with a thouſand waged ſouldiers, and two thouſand Argives unto *Nabie* at *Lacedæmon*. And *Nabie* like as at the firſt arrivall of the Roman fleet, and the ſurrender withall of the towns ſtanding by the ſea ſide, was much affrighted, ſo he had recovered again ſome little hope and was well quieter in mind, lo long as *Gorgopas* held out ſtill, & his garriſon within the town kept their own. But after he heard once, that it alſo was yielded unto the Romans, and loſt; ſeeing no hope left by land ſide, which was wholly poſſeſſed by the enemies, and that he was altogether ſhut up from the ſea, he thought it beſt to yield unto fortune. And firſt he ſent an herald into the camp, to know whether the enemies would permit him to ſend his Embaſſadors unto them. Which being granted, *Pythagoras* repaired unto the General with no other charge and comiſſion, but only to requeſt that they ſhould ſit pari with the Roman General. Hereupon the Council was aſſembled: and generally opined it was, that there ſhould be granted unto him a conference: inſomuch, as both time and place was agreed upon and appointed. Now when they were come to the hills ſtanding in the midſt of that quarter, with ſome ſmall companies of ſouldiers attending on either ſide upon them, they left their cohorts behind them, ſtanding in guard, within the open view and ſight of both parts: and then *Nabie* came down with a certain choſen guard for his body; and *Quintius* accompanied with his brother, *Eumenis* the King, *Sobolus* the Rhodian, and *Arſteus* the Prætor of the Acheans, with ſome few Knight Marſhalls and Colonels. And then the tyrant being purſo his choice, whether he would ſpeak firſt, or hear another, began his ſpeech in this wiſe.

"If I could have thought my ſelf (*O Quintius*, and you all that are here preſent) & imagined what the cauſe ſhould be, that you either proclaimed or made war firſt againſt me, I would have attended the iſſue of my fortune with ſilence. But now I could not but take that Maſtery and command of my ſelf to forbear, but that before I periſh, I would needs know the reaſon and cauſe of my ruin and overthrow. Surely, if ye were ſuch men as the Carthaginians are reported to be (with whom there is no regard of truth, no truſt and ſecurity in covenants of ſociety and alliance) I would not then marvel at all if you made ſmall reckoning, & cared but little what meaſure ye offered unto me. But now, when I behold and adviſe you well, I ſee you are Romans, whoſe manner is to entertain moſt duſtly and preciſely the obſervation of holy rites & divine Religion, and the faithful keeping of human league and alliance. When I conſider and look into my ſelf, I hope and think verily that I am one, with whom in general, as well as with the reſt of the Lacedæmonians ye are linked by virtue of a moſt ancient league: and in particular regard of my ſelf, a private amity and ſociety hath been lately renewed by the war with *Philip*. But peradventure ſome man will ſay, That I have broken and overthrowen the ſame firſt, in that I hold the City of the Argives. And how ſhall I be able to answer this, and excuſe my ſelf? Shall I plead to the ſubſtance of the matter, or to the circumſtance of the time? The thing I ſee preſent unto me, is a twofold plea for my defence. For being called by the inhabitants themſelves of the City, who offered the town unto me, I received it at their hands, and in no wiſe ſeized upon by force: I received it, I ſay, when it ſided and took part with *Philip*, before it was comprised within your league. As for the time, it juſtifieth and cleareth me alſo, and my doings. For even then when I was poſſeſſed of *Argos*, I was allied and aſſociat with you in good accord: and in our covenants, we articulated and capitulated to ſend aids unto you for your wars, and not to withdraw the garriſon from *Argos*. And verily, in this difference and queſtion about *Argos*, I have the vantage, as well in regard of the equity of the fact (in that I received a City not of yours but of your enemies received it I ſay, not ſurprized by force, but offered and delivered willingly) as alſo by your own confeſſion, for that in the conditions of the aſſociation agreed between us, ye left *Argos* free unto me. But it may be that the name of tyrant hurteth me: and ſome of mine actions comdemn me much, and namely, that I ſet ſlaves free, and divide lands to the poor commons. As for the name, thus much I am able to answer: that, ſuch as I am, better or worſe, ſtill I am the very ſame man, and no other than I was when you, even you *O Quintius*, entered alliance with me: then, I remember well, I was called King among you: and now I ſee I am termed a Tyrant, And therefore

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"therefore if I my ſelf had changed the title and ſtile of my dignity and government, I muſt have yielded a reaſon and account of my levity and inconfiſtancy: but ſeeing you have altered it, ye ought to answer for your vanity. Now as concerning the multitude, ſo augmented by the enfranchiſing of ſlaves: as touching the land alſo, parted and diſtributed among the poor and needy; I can maintain and juſtifie my doings herein, & protect me under the defence and privilege of the very time. For all theſe things, be they as they may be, I had done already, when ye made a league and covenant with me, and received aids at my hand in the war againſt *Philip*. But in caſe I had done ſo at this very preſent, I ſtand not now upon this, whether I either had offended you, or broken your amity, but thus much I aver, that done I had according to the cuſtom and ſtatute of our anſeſtors. And ye muſt not think to ſquare and try the praſtice of *Lacedæmon* according to the rule and ſquare of your laws and ordinances. For to let paſſ many other things (and needleſs it is to compare particulars) ye chule your gentlemen or men of arms according to their revenue according to revenue ye chule likewise the footmen. Your will is that ſome few ſhould excell in wealth and power, & the commons be ſubject & vaſſals unto them. Our Law-giver thought not good that the common wealth ſhould be ruled by a few, whom you call a Senator; that one or two States ſhould excell & have preeminence in the City; but he thought that in the equality of wealth & worſhip, there would be many more to bear arms for their country. I have made a longer diſcourſe I confeſs, than the ordinary and natural brevity of our ſpeech in theſe parts will bear. And I might have knit all up in one word and ſaid, that I had done nothing after I was entered into amity with you, wherewith you needed to have taken any offence & been displeased. Then the Roman General made answer to theſe points in this manner. Not ſtrider that no aſſociation at all have we made with you, but with *Pelops* the true & lawful King, of the Lacedæmonians: whereof I muſt needs ſay that the tyrants alſo who afterwards held the ſeignory & ſovereignty of *Lacedæmon*, have uſurped the right, and enjoyed the benefit during the time that we were otherwiſe employed, and wholly buſied, one while in the Punic wars, another whiles in the Gauls, and evermore in one or other: like as you alſo have done in this laſt Macedonian war. For what was leſs unſetting and more abſurd, than for us who waged war againſt *Philip* for the liberty of *Greece*, to conclude amity with a tyrant: and ſuch a tyrant as of all others that ever have been is moſt cruel, moſt violent and outrageous with his own ſubjects? And conſidering that we were entered into the courſe and train of ſetting all *Greece* at liberty, albeit you had not poſſeſſed your ſelf of *Argos* by covin, nor held the ſame by force, yet it behaved us to reſtore *Lacedæmon* alſo to her ancient liberty, and to ſettle her in her own laws, whereof erewhile you would ſeem to make mention, as if you had followed the ſteps of *Lycurgus*. Shall we make care and take the pains to void the garriſons of *Philip* out of *Iaſſus* & *Bargilla*; and when we have ſo done, leave to be trodden under your feet *Argos* & *Lacedæmon*, two moſt noble Cities, the two lights as it were in times paſt of all *Greece*; which remaining ſtill in ſervitude and ſlavery, might deſace the reſt of our glory & mar the title that we aim at, of Saviours and Deliverers of *Greece*? But you ſay, that the Argives friended *Philip* and took his part. We are content well enough, that you ſhould not trouble your ſelf and be angry for our ſake. For we know for certain, that this was the fault of two or three perſons at moſt, and not of the whole City: and we know as well, that it was not agreed in any publique council, that you and your garriſon were ſent for and received into the Caſtle. As for the Theſſalians, the Phœceans, & Locrans, they ſided with *Philip*. We wot right well by a general content of all and yet when we enfranchiſed all *Greece* beſides, we alſo ſet them at liberty. What think you then ſhould we do in regard of the Argives, who are innocent for any publique counſel intended againſt us? You ſid that you were blamed & charged ſore for ſetting bondſlaves free. No ſmall objections theſe are. I aſſure you, not of little importance. But what are they in compariſon of other bad parts and heinous faults, committed by you and your followers day by day, one in the head of another: Grant but liberty of an Aſſembly general either at *Argos* or *Lacedæmon* wherein the people may ſpeak their minds freely, and what they know by you without empaiſement: if you would learn the truth indeed, and hear the particular of a moſt proud and unſupportable dominion and tyranny. And to let all old matters go by. What a bloody maſſacre committed this ſon in law of yours *Pythagoras* even almoſt within my very ſight in *Argos*? nay, what a slaughter and butchery made you your ſelf, even when I was well-near within the marches of *Lacedæmon*? But come on thoſe perſons whom in a general aſſembly you cauſed to be attached, and promiſed in the preſence of all the Citizens to keep them ſafe and ſure in ward: come on, I ſay, command them to be brought forth now bound as they be; that their poor fathers & mothers may underſtand that they are alive, whom they have mourned for ſo much, without cauſe, as if they had been dead. But you will ſay, ſet ſafe all this be true, what is that to you Romans? Dare you indeed ſpeak out and lay ſo much to thoſe that deliver *Greece* and ſet it free? to thoſe I ſay, that for the freedom thereof have paſſed the ſeas have warred both by land and ſea? And yet all this while (ſay you) I have not directly & ſcruply wronged you nor properly infringed & broken your friendſhip and amity. No have you not? How often would you have me to convince you of the contrary? But I will not ſay many words & much circumſtance, but come to the very catch and point of the matter, What be the things I pray you, wherewith friendſhip is commonly broken? I take it they are theſe two eſpecially, namely, if you take my friends for your foes; and joyn your ſelf to my enemies. You have done both the one and the other: for you have taken by force and arms *Meſſenus*, a City received

\* Hereupon it is, that they who ſit few words, and ſay, are like to ſpeak language, and that manner of ſpeech is called *Lacæmoniſmus*, the manner of *Quintius*.

red at one time to enter the town, both from the haven (where the passage was more plain and easier) to the end, that the enemies might abandon the defence of the more open place; and also at the breach made in the wall: and they mislaid but very little of entrance there where they intended, but the hope they conceived of yielding the City, which anon was crossed again, and turned to nothing, staid their violence and heat of assault. *Dexagorides* and *Gorgopas* governed the town then in equal authority. *Dexagorides* had dispatched a courier to the Roman lieutenant, to signify that he would betray the town: and when the time and place of execution of this designment was agreed upon between them, the traitor was killed by *Gorgopas*: by occasion whereof, the City was the better defended with more careful heed by him alone; yea, and the assault thereof had been more difficult, but that *Titus Quintius* came to succour and help with four thousand chosen souldiers. He was no sooner discovered with an army arranged in battell array from the brow and top of the hill that is not far distant from the town; whiles *L. Quintius* withall from another side followed the assault with his ordnance and artillery both by sea and land, but *Gorgopas* then began himself to despair in very deed, and was driven perforce to take that very course, which in another he had punished by death: and upon composition that he might depart and have away with him those souldiers which he had in garrison, he delivered up the City to *Quintius*.

Before that *Gyttheum* was rendered, *Pythagoras* left as Captain at *Argos*, leaving the guard and defence of the City unto the charge of *Timocrates of Pellene*, came with a thousand waged souldiers, and two thousand Argives unto *Nabie* at *Lacedamon*. And *Nabis* like as at the first arrivall of the Roman fleet, and the surrender withall of the towns standing by the sea side, was much affrighted, so he had recovered again some little hope and was well quietted in mind, so long as *Gyttheum* held out still, & his garrison within the town kept their own. But after he heard once, that it also was yielded unto the Romans, and lost; seeing no hope left by land side, which was wholly possessed by the enemies, and that he was altogether shut up from the sea, he thought it best to yield unto fortune. And first he sent an herald into the camp, to know whether the enemies would permit him to suffer him to send his Embassadors unto them. Which being granted, *Pythagoras* repaired unto the General with no other charge and commission, but only to request that they might parley with the Roman General. Hereupon the Councill was assembled: and generally opined it was, that there should be granted unto him a conference; inasmuch, as both time and place was agreed upon and appointed. Now when they were come to the hills standing in the midst of that quarter, with some small companies of souldiers attending on either side upon them, they left their cohorts behind them, standing in guard, within the open view and sight of both parts: and then *Nabis* came down with a certain chosen guard for his body; and *Quintius* accompanied with his brother, *Emmenes* the King, *Sobolus* the Rhodian, and *Arifthenus* the Prætor of the Acheans, with some few Knight Marshalls and Colonels. And then the tyrant being put to choice, whether he would speak first, or hear another, began his speech in this wise.

The Orator  
of Nabie.

"If I could have bethought my self (O *Quintius*, and you all that are here present) & imagined what the cause should be, that you either proclaimed or made war first against me. I would have attended the issue of my fortune with silence. But now I could not have that Maternity and command of my self to forbear, but that before I perish, I would needs know the reason and cause of my ruin and overthrow. Surely, if ye were such men as the Carthaginians are reported to be (with whom there is no regard of truth, no trust and security in covenants of society and alliance) I would not then marvel at all, if you made small reckoning, & cared but little what measure ye offered unto me. But now, when I behold and advise you well, I see you are Romans, whose manner is to entertain most duly and precisely the observation of holy rites & divine Religion, and the faithful keeping of human league and alliance. When I consider and look into my self, I hope and think verily that I am one, with whom in general, as well as with the rest of the Lacedæmonians ye are linked by virtue of a most ancient league: and in particular regard of my self, a private amity and society hath been lately renewed by the war with *Philip*. But peradventure some man will say, That I have broken and overthrown the same first, in that I hold the City of the Argives. And how shall I be able to answer this, and excuse my self? Shall I plead to the substance of the matter, or to the circumstance of the time? The thing itself presenteth unto me a twofold plea for my defence. For being called by the inhabitants themselves of the City, who offered the town unto me, I received it at their hands, and in no wise seized upon it by force: I received it, I say, when it sided and took part with *Philip*, before it was comprised within your league. As for the time it justifieth and cleareth me also and my doings. For even then when I was possessed of *Argos*, I was allied and associated with you in good accord: and in our covenants, we articulated and capitulated to send aids unto you for your wars, and not to withdraw the garrison from *Argos*. And verily, in this difference and question about *Argos*, I have the advantage well in regard of the equity of the fact: in that I received a City not of yours but of your enemies received it I say, not surprised by force, but offered and delivered willingly) as also by your own confession, for that in the conditions of the association agreed between us, ye left *Argos* free unto me. But it may be that the name of tyrant hurteth me: and some of mine actions condemn me much, and namely, that I set slaves free, and divide lands to the poor commons. As for the name, thus much I am able to answer: that, such as I am, better or worse, still I am the very same man, and no other than I was when you, even you O *Quintius*, entered alliance with me: that then, I remember well, I was called King among you: and now I see I am termed a Tyrant. And therefore

"therefore if I myself had changed the title and file of my dignity and government, I must have yielded a reason and account of my levity and inconstancy: but seeing you have altered it, ye ought to answer for your vanity. Now as concerning the multitude, so augmented by the enfranchising of slaves; as touching the land also, parted and distributed among the poor and needy; as I can maintain and justify my doings herein, & protect me under the defence and privilege of the very time. For all these things, be they as they may, I had done already, when ye made a league and covenant with me, and received aids at my hand in the war against *Philip*. But in case I had done so at this very present, I stand not now upon this, whether I either had offended you or broken your amity, but thus much I aver, that done I had according to the custom and fashion of our ancestors. And ye must not think to square and try the practice of *Lacedamon* according to the rule and square of your laws and ordinances. For to let pass many other things, (and needlets it is to compare particulars) ye chuse your gentlemen or men of arms according to their revenue: according to revenue ye chuse likewise the footmen. Your will is that some few should excell in wealth and power, & the commons be subject and vassals unto them. Our Law-giver thought not good that the common wealth should be ruled by a few, whom you call a Senator: that one or two States should excell & have preeminence in the City: but he thought that in the equality of wealth & worth, there would be many more to bear arms for their country. I have made a longer discourse, I confess, than the ordinary and natural brevity of our speech in these parts will bear. And I might have knit all up in one word and said, that I had done nothing, after I was entered into amity with you, wherewith you needed to have taken any offence & been displeased. Then the Roman General made answer to these points in this manner. Nostridship nor association at all have we made with you, but with *Philip* the true & lawful King, of the Lacedæmonians: whereof I must needs say that the tyrants also who afterwards held the signory & sovereignty of *Lacedamon*, have usurped the right, and enjoyed the benefit during the time that we were otherwise employed, and wholly busied one while in the Punic wars, another whiles in the Gauls, and evermore in one or other: like as you also have done in this last Macedonian war. For what was less unfitting and more absurd, than for us who waged war against *Philip* for the liberty of *Greece*, to conclude amity with a tyrant and such a tyrant as of all others that ever have been is most cruel, most violent and outrageous with his own subjects? And considering that we were entered into the course and train of setting all *Greece* at liberty, albeit you had not possessed your self of *Argos* by covin, nor held the same by force, yet it behoved us to restore *Lacedamon* also to her ancient liberty, and to settle her in her own laws, whereof erewhile you would seem to make mention, as if you had followed the steps of *Lycurgus*. Shall we make care and take the pains to void the garbisons of *Philip* out of *Lassus* & *Bargilla*: and when we have so done, leave to be trodden under your feet *Argos* & *Lacedamon*, two most noble Cities, the two lights as it were in times past of all *Greece*: which remaining still in servitude and slavery, might deface the rest of our glory, & mar the title that we aim at, of Saviours and Deliverers of *Greece*? But you say, that the Argives friended *Philip* and took his part. We are content well enough, that you should not trouble your self and be angry for our sake. For we know for certain, that this was the fault of two or three persons at most, and not of the whole City: and we know as well, that it was not agreed in any publick council, that you and your garrison were sent for and received into the Castle. As for the Theſſalians, the Phœceans, & Locrans, they sided with *Philip*, we wot right well by a general consent of all and yet when we enfranchised all *Greece* besides, we also let them at liberty. What think you then should we do in regard of the Argives, who are innocent for any publick council intended against us? You find that you were blamed & charged for setting bond slaves free. No small objections these are. I assure you, not of little importance. But what are they in comparison of other bad parts and heinous facts, committed by you and your followers day by day, one in the head of another: Grant but liberty of an Assembly general either at *Argos* or *Lacedamon* wherein the people may speak their minds freely, and what they know by you without impeachment: if you would learn the truth indeed, and hear the particular of a most proud and unsupportable dominion and tyranny. And to let all old matters go by. What a bloody massacre committed this son in law of yours *Pythagoras* even almost within my very sight in *Argos*? nay, what a slaughter and butchery made you your self, even when I was well-near within the marches of *Lacedamon*? But come on those persons whom in a general assembly you caused to be attached, and promised in the presence of all the Citizens to keep them safe and sure in ward: come on, I say, command them to be brought forth now bound as they be: that their poor fathers & mothers may understand that they are alive, whom they have mourned for so much, without cause, as if they had been dead. But you will say, let safe all this be true, what is that to you Romans? Dare you indeed speak out and say so much to those that deliver *Greece* and set it free? to those I say, that for the freedom thereof have paid the seas have warred both by land and sea? And yet all this while (say you) I have not directly & truly wronged you nor properly infringed & broken your friendship and amity. No have you not? How often would you have me to convince you of the contrary? But I will not use many words & much circumstance, but come to the very catch and point of the matter. What be the things I pray you, wherewith friendship is commonly broken? I take it they are these two especially, namely, if you take my friends for your foes: and joyn your self to my enemies. You have done both the one and the other: for you have taken by force and arms *Messena*, a City received into

into our society and alliance by the very same conditions and covenants that *Lacedæmon* was; if you I say our allies, have forced a City allied unto us. Again, with *Philip* our enemy, you have not only concluded amity, but (God save all) contracted alliance and affinity by means of *Philotes*, a Colonel and Commander of his: and making war against us, you have kept the seas all about *Malæa* with your men of war and rovers: and I think I may safely say, you have taken prisoners, and killed more Roman Citizens than *Philip* himself. And the whole sea-coast of *Acædæmon* hath leis melted our ships that use to bring provision unto our armies, and been more safe for passage than the promontory & cape of *Malæa*. Do you forbear therefore to make such vaunt of idleness: spare you, of all other, to speak of the rights of alliance; and laying off the mask of popularity: language and civil speech, talk as a tyrant and enemy as you are. Upon this, *Ariftemus* dealt with *Nabis*, one while admonishing and admonishing him, another while requesting and entreating him, I now that the opportunity was offered, to provide for himself and his whole citate: he began to discourse unto him of the Tyrants of all the states confining thereabout one after another by name, who when they had resigned up and laid down their absolute sovereignty of command, and restored liberty to their subjects, passed their old age among their Citizens, not only in repose and security, but also in great honour and reputation. These words uttered & heard between them to and fro, the night drew on apace & parted the conference. The morrow after, *Nabis* promised, seeing the Romans would have it so, to quit the City *Argos*, to withdraw his garrison from thence, and to deliver again all the captives and fugitive traitors that were under his hands: and if they demanded any more of him, he requested that they would set it down in writing, that he might consult thereof with his friends. So both the Tyrant had respite and time granted to take advice, and also *Quintus* late in Council with the principall heads of his allies what to do, for most part were of opinion to maintain the war still, and to kill the tyrant out of the way; for never would the liberty of *Greece* be otherwise firm and sure: and better far had it been, never to have entered into arms with him, than being once begun, to give it over. And he will, say they, be greater and more strong hereafter, as if his tyrannical government were approved, and no doubt he would vouch the people of *Rome* for author of his unjust rule and dominion, and will induce and incite by his example many in other free States and Cities, to lie in wait to work means to overthrow the liberty of Citizens, and to bring them into thraldom and bondage. The General, of himself was more affected and inclined to peace: for he saw, "that if the enemy were once driven within the walls, there was no way but to lie in siege against the City, and that would require long tract of time: forasmuch as it was not *Gythæum* (and yet that was betrayed and rendered, and not forced by assault) but *Lacedæmon*, a most strong town both for men and munition, that they were to lay siege unto and assault. And whereas the only hope was, that whenthey approached with the army, there might some dissention and sedition have risen among themselves within: now when as they saw the ensigns in manner advanced hard to the City gates, there was not one that muttered or stirred at all. He added moreover and said, That *Philus* the Ambassador newly returned from *Antiochus*, reported, how all was not found there, nor the peace like to continue: and that he had passed over into *Europe* with far greater forces both for land and at sea, than at any time heretofore: and if (quoth he) the army should be wholly employed in the siege of *Lacedæmon*, what other power have we to maintain war withal against M. so puissant and mighty a Prince as is *Antiochus*? These were the remonstrances that openly gave out: but secretly he was troubled in mind for fear lest a new Consul should come in his place, and have the government of the Province of *Greece*: and so he should leave unto his successor, the honour of the victory of a war commenced by him, and in good forwardness. But when he perceived that his allies were nothing inclined to his waies, notwithstanding all his contradiction and bending to the contrary, by making semblant that he now drew with them and was of their mind, he won them all to approve his designment and intention. "Well, God speed our hand (quoth he) let us besiege *Lacedæmon* since ye will needs have it so: but considering that the laying siege unto Cities, is a thing as ye well know, that goeth so slowly forward, and oftentimes maketh the assailants sooner weary than the defendants: you ought even now to call N. this account presently with your selves, that we must lie all winter long about the walls of *Lacedæmon*. And were there nothing but travel and perill, that during so long time we were to endure, I would exhort and encourage you to suffer and abide the same, with stout bodies and resolute minds. But besides all that, we must be at great cost and expences about fabricks, engines, and instruments of artillery, requisite to the assault of so great a City: we must I say be provided of victuals good store against winter, as well to serve us as you. Bewell advised therefore to the end that you should not suddenly in haste huddle up these matters, or after ye are once entered into the action, give over and abandon it with shame) that ye dispatch your letters aforesaid every one to the State wherein he liveth, and found them to the depth how their hearts serve them, and what strength and forces they have. Of aids & succours I have enough and to spare: but the more in number we are, the more maintenance shall we need. At this time the territory of our enemies hath nothing but bare soile and naked ground: and withal, the winter is coming on apace, all which season, carriage (especially far off) is cumbersome and hard. This Oration at the first caused them every one to regard and look homeward to domestical difficulties and inconveniences, namely, the idleness, the envy and backbiting of those which tarry at home, against them that are employed in warfare: the common liberty

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A (which causeth men of one society and commonalty hardly to accord and sort together) the publick want of treasure, and the nigardice of private persons, when they are to part with any thing out of their own purses. And therefore suddenly changing their minds, they put to the discretion of the Roman General, to do and determine what he thought expedient for the good of the people of *Rome* and their allies. Whereupon *Quintus* taking the advice only of his own Lieutenants and Provost-Marshals, engrossed these Articles and conditions following, according to which peace should be concluded with the Tyrant. *Imprimis*, That there be a truce made for the term of six months between *Nabis* and the Romans. King *Eumenes* and the Rhodians. *Item*, That both *T. Quintus* and *Nabis* should immediately send Embassadors to *Rome*, that the peace might be ratified and confirmed by the authority of the Senat. *Item*, That from that day forward, where B in the conditions put down in writing should be presented unto *Nabis*, the truce aforesaid should begin. *Item*, That within ten daies next after ensuing, all the garrisons quit *Argos* and the rest of the towns within the territory of the Argives: and then thole peeces to be delivered void and free unto the Romans. *Item*, That no slave taken captive in wars, belonging either to the King, or to any publick state, or private person, be had away from thole towns: and if any before time had been carried forth, they should be restored again duly to their right Masters. *Item*, That *Nabis* should deliver again those ships that he had gotten from the maritime Cities, and that himself have no vessel at all but only two gallions, and thole to have no more than six and twenty oars apiece to direct and rule them. *Item*, That he render all the runagate Traitors and captives unto all the Cities confederate with the people of *Rome*, as also make restitution to the Melians of all their goods again, that either could be found, or the owners know certainly to be theirs. *Item*, That he restore to all the banished *Lacedæmonians* their wives and children: but of the wives, so many only as would be content to follow their husbands: and that none of them should be compelled against their wills to go with any exiled person. *Item*, That to as many mercenary soldiers of *Nabis*, as were either gone from him into their own Cities or to the Romans, all their own goods should be justly and truly delivered again. *Item*, That to the Island of *Cretæ* he should not be possessed of any one City: and look what Cities he then held, he yield them to the Romans. *Item*, That he enter into alliance with no Candior, nor with any other whatsoever, nor yet make war with them: *Item*, That he remove all the garrisons out of all the Cities that himself had delivered up, and which had surrendered themselves and all they had, under the protection and obedience of the people of *Rome*, and not molest them neither by himself nor any of his. *Item*, That he build no town nor Castle, either in his own land or in any other. *Item*, That for the more assurance of performing these covenants, he give five hostages, such as it should please the Roman General to choise: and namely, his own son for one of them. Last of all, That he make present payment of one hundred talents of silver, and fifty more yearly untill the term of eight years be run out. These Articles engrossed, were sent to *Lacedæmon*, after the Camp was removed nearer to the City. But nothing well pleased was the tyrant with any of them. Only he was well apaid, that beyond his hope and expectation, there was no mention at all therein of reducing the exiled persons home into the City. But that which offended and displeased him most was this, that both shipping was taken from him, and also the maritime E port towns: for great commodity he gat by the sea. In scouring the coast from the cape of *Malæa* with his pyrats and men of war: and besides, the youth and able men of thole Cities, served him very well to furnish and man his ships with the very best fouldiers and men of service that were. And albeit he scanned and considered upon these articles in great secrecy with his friends, yet were they all of them divulged abroad and current in every mans mouth: so vain are the courtiers commonly and hardly to be trusted, as in all things else, so especially in keeping of secret counsell. These conditions were controlled and found fault with, not so much by all men in general, as by each one in particular, as they took exceptions against thole points that touched and concerned themselves. They that had married the wives of the banished, or were possessed of any part of their substance, chafed, and stormed thereat, as if they were to lose and forgo their F own, and not to render and restore the goods of others. The slaves who had been freed by the tyrants, were now not only to lose the benefit of that freedom, but also to endure harder servitude and bondage than aforesaid: setting before their eyes how they should return again into the houses and hands of their old Masters, angry and incited now against them. The hired fouldiers were malecontent, for that they saw they should lose their pay after peace concluded: and saw full well, that there was no being for them in thole States and Cities, who hated the tyrants themselves no more than their followers and attendants. At first they muttered and murmured, whispering these things among themselves in their secret meetings and conventicles: afterwards they mutined, and on a sudden ran and took arms. The Tyrant seeing the multitude disquieted enough of themselves with this tumult, assembled the people together. Where after he had declared the conditions imposed upon him by the Romans, and in every article had untuly put to somewhat of his own devising, to aggravate all matters and make them seem more grievous and intollerable, at the rehearsing of every particular the whole assembly one while cried out, and another while the sundry parts thereof, set up a note of utter dislike. Then he asked their opinion what answer they would have him to return to thole Articles, and what to do? They all in manner with one voice accorded and said, that we are to answer the matter, but that he should plainly go to war, and make no more ado.

ado. And that every man for his own part (as the usual manner is of a multitude, when they are together) should take a good heart, and hope the best, saying, that Fortune favoureth Fortune. The tyrant incited with these their words, seconded them himself, and assured them that the Aetolians and the Aetolians would take their parts and assist them: and if they did not, yet were they strong enough of themselves, and had sufficient means to endure the siege. No more talking now nor thinking of peace, but every man was ready to run in haft to his severall quarters, and stand upon their own guard without any rest or repose from thenceforth. The Romans to loon as they lay some few of them to fall out of the City, and to discharge their darts among them, were soon put out of all doubt, that no other remedy there was, but they must to war again. After this, there passed certain light skirmishes four daies together, at first without any assured issue of good speed, whether of the one part or the other: but the fifth day after one conflict fought in manner almost of a set battell. certain Roman souldiers following the chafe upon their enemies, and killing them in their flight, entered the City at certain void places, where the wall was not united: for in that order were the walls built of that town in those daies. *Quintus* then verily, having well bridled and tamed by this terror his enemies for making any more excursions, and supposing that there remained no more, but lully to go to an assault. sent out certain of purpose to call the mariners & sea-servitors from *Gythium*, whilst himself in person, accompanied with the Provost *Marthals*, rode about the walls to view the situation of the City. This *Sparta* in times past stood without murage. And the tyrants of late daies had built walls against the open flats and plain fields. The higher ground and of harder access, they fortified with strong corps de guards of armed souldiers, instead of bulwarks of defence. When *Quintus* had sufficiently considered every corner, he supposed there was no other way but to invest it round about, and thereupon with all his forces united (which being all together Roman Citizens and Latine allies foot and horse, land-souldiers and sea-servitors one with another, amounted to 50000 fighting men) he compassed and environed the City. Some brought scaling ladders, some fire, every man one thing or other, not only to give an assault, but also to terrifie and amaze them: with direction and express commandment with a loud cry and shout at one in all places to approach the walls. & give the venture upon them; to the end that the Lacedaemonians affrighted at one instant on every side, might not know which way to turn them, and be to seek, where first to make head against the enemies, and in what place to come with succours. Having therefore divided the whole power of his army into three parts, he gave the one of them in charge to assail that quarter which was called *Phobum*: a second likewise to set upon that which is named *Distymnum*; and the third to force the canton *Hepiagonia*: places all lying open and without a wall. The City being thus seized on all sides with so great fear, the tyrant moved and troubled to hear those sudden outcries & fearful noises brought unto him by hilly messengers: according as any place stood most in danger at the first, either presented himself in proper person or else sent some to help; but afterwards, seeing the fear so general, and no one place void of danger, he was so affrighted, that unable he was either himself to give good direction to others, or to hear theirs. So void was he and distrustful of advice and counsel, yea, and bereft of his right wits and senses. The Lacedaemonians at first hand sustained the furious violence of the Romans in the narrow straightes and passages & at one time in divers places, three armies fought on either side, but as the heat of the fight increased, the service was nothing equal of both parties: for the Lacedaemonians discharged shot from which the Roman souldiers easily saved themselves, by means of their large targets, and withall much thereof either fell short or besides, or else so feebly flung from them that little or no harm they could do. For by reason of the straightnes of the place, and the multitude so thronged and thrust together, they had not only no space to take their run, when they should lance their darts (the best means of all other to enforce them) but not so much as run, rooting, and at ease to drive and level them with all their strength. In so much as of all the darts and spears which were directly shot against them, none at all pierced to their bodies & very few so much as stuck in their bucklers. Many some happened to be wounded from the higher places by the stones & good near unto them, and about their sides. And anon as they advanced forward they seemed to be hurt, not only with arrows & darts, not from off the houses, but also with tiles and flutes, & they were aware. But afterwards, they covered their heads with their targets, when they lessened and united together one under the other, fearfully, that not only there was no place to venture for the darts thrown and cast at random, nor, not so much as any room for a person to get between, levelled though it were, and aimed near at hand: so as under this target, they approached nearer and nearer in safety. At the first the narrow and straight passages flled with the throng both of themselves and also of the enemies so thrust and crowded together, hid them for a while; but afterwards, when they had by little and little gathered upon the enemies, and put them back, and were come into a larger and more spacious street of the City, then their fear and violence could not possibly be endured any longer. Now when the Lacedaemonians turned their backs, and fled apace to gain the higher places for their vantage, *Nabis* verily took his part trembling and quaking, as if the City had been quite lost, looked about him on every side, which way himself might escape and save his life. But *Pythagoras* as in all things else he performed the devoir and part of a courageous Captain, so he was the only cause that the town was not lost: for he commanded to set fire on the houses standing next to the wall, which in the minute of an hour burned out on a light flame, as being set forward by the help of those, who otherwise were wont to quench the like fires, whereupon

whereupon the houses came rattling and tumbling down upon the Romans heads, and not only the tilebards, but also the timber pieces half burnt fell upon the armed souldiers, the flame spread still far and near, and the smothering smoke put them in fear of more danger than was. And therefore, as well those Romans who were without the City in the hottest of their assault, retreated from the walls, as also those that were entered already, for fear lest by the fire behind them they should be separated from their fellows, retired themselves. *Quintus* also seeing how the case stood, caused to wound the retreat, and so being recalled, they returned out of the City which they had as good as won, into the camp. And *Quintus* conceiving more hope by the fear of the enemies, than of the thing it self, and the service done, never gave over for three daies to terrifie them partly by skirmishing, and partly by intrenching and stopping up certain quarters, that they might have no passage at all to fly and shift for themselves. The tyrant constrained at length with these dangers menaced, sent *Pythagoras* again as an Orator unto *Quintus*. But he at first rejected him, and commanded him to avante out of the camp: yet in the end, after he had made most humble supplications, and cast himself prostrate at his feet, he gave him audience. The beginning of his speech was this, that he yielded all to the discretion and former award of the Romans. But seeing that he gained nothing thereby, and that his words took no effect, they grew at length to this point. That upon the same capitulations which few daies before were exhibited up in writing, a truce should be made, and hereupon was both the money and also the hostages received.

Whiles the tyrant was besieged and assailed, there came post upon post to *Argos*, that *Lacedaemon* was at the point of being lost: whereupon the Argives took much heart and courage unto them (by reason that *Pythagoras* with the best part of the garrison souldiers was departed before out of their town) that condemning the small number which remained in their fortresses, under the leading of one *Archippus*, they expelled the rest of the garrison. As for *Timocrates* of *Pellene* their Captain, because he had behaved himself in his charge and government gently and mildly, they sent him away alive with safe conduct. At the very instant of this joyfull occurrence, *T. Quintus* arrived, after he had granted peace to the tyrant and sent away from *Lacedaemon*, *Eumenes* and the Rhodians, together with *L. Quintus* his brother to the fleet. The City of *Argos* in great joy proclaimed the celebration of their most solemn feast, and those so famous and renowned games and pastimes called *Nemea*, against the coming of the Roman army and their Generall, which they had forelet upon the ordinary time and day, by occasion of the troubles of war. And for the honour of *Quintus*, they ordained him to be the overseer of these solemnities. Many things there were to redouble and increase this their joy and solace to the full. The Citizens were reduced from *Lacedaemon* whom *Pythagoras* of late and *Nabis* aforetime had carried away. They also were returned home again who had fled and escaped, after the conspiracy of *Pythagoras* was detected, and the massacre begun. Now they saw their liberty again, whereof they had lost the fight a long time: now they beheld the Romans the authors thereof, and who for their fakes were induced to take arms and enterprise the war with the tyrant. Also, upon the very day of the Nemean games, the liberty of the Argives was published and proclaimed by the voice of the publicke beadle and crier of the City. But look how much joy and hearts content the Achaeans conceived in their common and general Council of all *Achaia*, for the restoring of *Argos* into their ancient freedom, so much troubled they were again, in regard that *Lacedaemon* was left still inviolate, and the tyrant so near unto them ready ever to prick their sides, whereby their joy was not so found and entire. But the Aetolians in all their Diets inveighed mightily against this, saying, that the Romans never gave over the war with *Philip* before he had abandoned all the Cities of Greece: as for *Lacedaemon*, it was left still under a tyrant and in the mean while the lawfull and naturall King who had been in the Roman camp, and all the rest of the noblest Citizens should live in exile. For now the people of Rome was become a pensioner to guard the body of tyrannizing *Nabis*. Then *Quintus* brought back his army from *Argos* to *Elatia*, from whence he departed to the Spartan war. Some write, that the tyrant when he fought with the Romans, came not immediately out of the City: but that he was lodged without by himself full opposite to the Roman camp: and that after he had made good a long time, expecting the aid of the Aetolians, he was driven in the end to a battell, by occasion that the Romans charged upon the foragers and purveyors of his camp: in which battell he was vanquished and beaten out of the field, and craved peace, after that fifteen thousand of his men were slain, and four thousand taken prisoners, and above.

At one and the same time in a manner were letters brought both from *T. Quintus* touching the affairs achieved at *Lacedaemon*, and also from *M. Porcius* the Consul out of *Spain*. And by order from the State, there was granted in the name of either of them a solemn procession to continue three daies. *L. Valerius* the Consul, after he had governed his Province in quietnes upon the defeat of the Boians about the Forrest of *Litana*, returned to Rome against the general assembly for election of Magistrates, and created Consuls, *P. Cornelius Scipio Africanus* the second Punick war, and *T. Sempronius Longus*: whose fathers had been Consuls in the first year of the second Punick war. Then the Assembly was holden for the election of Praetors, wherein were chosen *P. Cornelius Scipio*, and the two *Cneii Cornelii*, the one *Mevendus*, and the other *Blutius Cn. Domitius Aemilius*, *Sextus Digintus*, and *T. Juventius Talo*. When these elections were finished, the Consul returned again into his Province. That year the Ferentinians assailed to obtain a new privilege: to wit, That as many Latines as were enrolled in any Roman Colony, should

be Citizens of Rome. But they of *Puteoli*, *Salernum*, and *Buxentum*, who were Colonies and had their names entred there, and by that means carrying themselves as Roman Citizens, were judged by the Senat to be no Citizens of Rome.

In the beginning of this year, wherein *P. Scipio Africanus* was Consul the second time, with *T. Sempronius Longus*, two Embassadors of *Nabis* the tyrant, arrived at Rome. For to give them audience, the Senat assembled together without the City in the Temple of *Apollo*. Their petition was, That the peace agreed upon with *Quintus* might be ratified: and their suit was granted. When it was moved, as touching the government of the Provinces: the Senat (assembled in great frequency) were all of this opinion, That forasmuch as in *Spain* and *Macedony* the war was ended, both Consuls should have the government of *Italy*. *Scipio* was of advice, That one Consul was sufficient for *Italy*, and that the other should be employed in *Macedony*. And why? there was cruel war menaced from King *Antiochus*: himself already was passed over into *Europe*: And what think ye, quoth he, will he then do, when the *Etolians* (who doubtless are enemies) of one side shall sollicite and call upon him for to war, and *Annibal*, a warriour and commander so renowned for the defeats and overthrowes of the Romans, shall prick him forward of the other? Whiles they debated thus about the Provinces of the Consuls, the Prætors call lots for their severall governments. The City jurisdiction fell to *Cn. Domitius*, the forraign to *T. Juventinus*. To *P. Cornelius* the father *Spain* was allotted, and the hither to *Sex. Digintus*. *Cn. Cornelius* Blasto had *Sicily* assigned unto him, and *Merenda* was charged with *Sardinia*. It was not thought good that a new army should be transported over into *Macedony*. But concluded it was, that the army there should be brought back by *Quintus* into *Italy*. & still charged, Item, That that the army likewise should be raised, which had served under *M. Porcius Cato* in *Spain*. Item, That both Consuls should govern *Italy*, and levy two legions of Citizens to go thither, that when those forces were dismissed and licensed to go home, which it pleased the Senat to set at liberty, there should be eight Roman legions in all, and no more in pay.

In the former year, when *M. Porcius* and *L. Valerius* were Consuls, there had been held a solemnity of a sacred Spring. But when *P. Licinius* the high Pontiffes made report first to the Colledge of the Priests, and by the advice and authority of that Colledge, unto the LL. of the Comcil, That there was some error committed, and that it was not performed accordingly: the Senators ordained, that it should be done again anew, according to the discretion and direction of the Pontiffes aforesaid. Also that the great Roman Plaies, which together with that Spring were vowed, should be exhibited with the accustomed cost and expences: And that all young cattell that fell between the Calends of *March*, and the last day of *April*, in that year wherein *P. Cornelius*, *Scipio*, and *T. Sempronius Longus* were Consuls, should be accounted as consecrated for that sacred Spring above-named. After this, there was an assembly held for the choosing of Censors, wherein were created *Sex. Aelius* *Pæus*, and *C. Cornelius* *Cethegus*: who elected *P. Scipio* the Consul, President of the Senat, like as the Censors before them had done. In the survey and review of the whole Senat, they left out and discarded three only, and none of them who had borne office of State, and sat in the Ivory chair. Great love these Censors won amongst them of that calling and equality, in giving commandment to the *Ædiles* curule, that at the Roman games and plaies they should set out places apart from the rest of the people for the Senators to behold the laid dispositions. For sometime they beheld the sports and pastimes all together, without regard and distinction. Few also of the Gentlemen or Knights of Rome had their horses of service taken from them: and rigorously dealt they with no estate and degree. The porch of Liberty, and the hallet called *Villa publica*, were by them repaired and enlarged. The sacred Spring was celebrate: and the games vowed by *Se. Sulpicius* the Consul, were by them exhibited. And whiles all men were amused and their minds occupied thereupon, *Q. Pleminius* who had been cast in prison for divers and sundry outrages committed at *Locris*, to the great offence of God and man, had procured certain persons, who in the night season at one instant should set on fire many places of the City, to the end that whiles all the people were affrighted in this night-tumult, he might break prison and escape. This complot was discovered and reported to the Senat by some of them that were privy and accessory thereunto. And *Pleminius* was let down into a lower dungeon and there killed.

That year were certain Colonies of Roman Citizens conducted to *Puteoli*, *Vulturnum*, and *Livernum*, and three hundred men planted in each of them. Likewise Colonies of Roman Citizens were brought to *Salernum* and *Buxentum*. The Triumvirs who had the placing of them were *T. Sempronius Longus*, Consul for the time being; *M. Servilius* and *Q. Minutius* *Thermus*. The territory of the Campans was divided among them. Three other also deputed for the like purpose, *D. Junius* *Brutus*, *M. Rabius* *Tamphilus*, and *M. Helvius*: placed a Colony of Roman Citizens in *Sipontum* to enjoy the lands of the Arpins. Likewise other Colonies of Roman Citizens were planted in *Templa* and *Crotone*. The lands belonging to *Templa* were won from the *Bruthi* who had expelled the Greeks: and the Greeks remained in *Crotone*. The Triumvirs for *Gravæ* were *Cn. Octavius*, *L. Aemilius* *Paulus*, and *C. Pletorius*: and for *Templa* *L. Cornelius*, *Merrula*, and *C. Salomius*. Also that year were seen at Rome divers wonders and prodigious sights: and some were reported from other parts. In the common place place, in the publike Hall, Comitium, and Capitol, were seen certain drops of blood, And oftentimes it rained earth. The head of *Vulcan* was on fire. News came that at *Interamna* there ran a stream of milk. Also that at *Ariminum* there were

A were two Infants both of free condition, born without eyes and nose, and another in the Picene country handless and footless. These strange tokens were by order given from the chief Pontiffes, and brought word, that in their territory it rained stones.

In *Gaul* near to *Mediolanum*, *L. Valerius Flaccus* the Pro-Consul, fought a set field with the French *Insulbrians* and *Boians*, Which *Boians* under the conduct of *Dorulacus* passed over the river *Padus* for to sollicite and raise the *Insulbrians*. In which conflict were slain ten thousand enemies. About the same time his Colleague in government *M. Porcius Cato* triumphed over *Syrac*. In this triumph he carried in pomp and shew 25000 pound weight of silver in bullion, and in coin 120000 bigat pieces of Oican silver 540 pound weight, and of gold 400000 pound weight. Of the booty won from the enemies he dealt among his souldiers that were footmen 270 asses a piece, and trebble so much to every man of arms.

*T. Sempronius* the Consul having put himself in his journey toward his Province, led first his legions into the *Boians* country. *Boiarie* at that time their Prince with his two brethren, having raised the whole nation to rebellion, encamped in certain commodious places: so as it appeared that if the enemy entred their confines, they were ready to give him battell. The Consul perceiving how strong and confident the enemies were, dispatched a courier to his Colleague, to make halt if he thought fit good and come unto him: for until his coming he would fall off, seem to retire and not fight. But the same cause that moved the Consul to stay, gave occasion to the Gauls to make more haste: for besides that the delaying & lingring of the Consul, encouraged the enemies, they were desirous to have the trial of a battell before the forces of both Consuls were joined together. Howbeit, for two daies space they did nothing but stand ready ringed for fight, if any should come forth to brave and dare them. On the third day they approached the trench and rampier of the Consuls Camp, and on every side at once gave the assault. The Consul immediately commanded the souldiers to arm. And when they were armed, he kept them in awhile, with intent to encrease the foolish confidence in the enemies, and to dispose of his own forces, and give direction, what companies should ally out at every gate. The two legions he commanded to issue forth under their colours at the two side gates called *Principales*: but in the very passage without the Gauls stood thick and made head again, so that the way was stopped up. A long time they fought in those very straits. And they bestirred themselves no more with their hands and swords, than they pressed one upon another with their bodies and targets: whilest the Romans strived to advance their ensignes out of the gates, and the Gauls endeavoured no less, either to enter themselves within the camp, or else to impeach the Romans for going forth. But in this conflict there was nothing between them either won or lost, no ground gained the one of the other, before that *Q. Vitorius* a principall Centurion of the *Pilani* in the second legion, and *C. Atinius*, a Tribune or Marshall of the fourth, caught the banners from the ensigne-bearers (a thing often practised in time of extremity) and flung them among the enemies. For whiles they laboured and strained themselves to recover each one a banner, they of the second legion first brake through and got forth of the gate: so as now, they maintained skirmish without the trench, and the fourth legion stuck still in the gap. By which time there arose another tumult and noise in the contrary side of the camp: for the Gauls were broken in at the *Questors* gate (or the gate against the *Questorium*) and slain those that valiantly made head and held them play: to wit, *Lucius* *Posthumus* a treasurer (surnamed *Tympanus*, *Marcus* *Atinius* and *Publius* *Sempronius* two Colonels of the allies, and well near two hundred souldiers besides. Thus the camp on that part was won, until such times as an extraordinary cohort was sent from the Consul to defend the *Questors* gate aforesaid: which either flew would have rushed in. And much about that very time the fourth legion also with two extraordinary squadrons brake forth at the gate. Thus at once there were three several battells in sundry places about the camp: and the dissonant cries and noises (according to the divers occasions of each party ministered by their fellows) turned and withdrew the minds and spirits of those that were in fight, from the present skirmish before them. In this manner maintained they the fight till noon: equally matched in strength and number, and little or no odds between them for hope of victory: but tedious travell and extremity of heat compelled the Gauls (whose bodies are soft and open and soon running to sweat, and who of all other things can least run upon, rushed their colours, and chased them into their own hold. Then the Consul founded the retreat: at which signall given the most part retired themselves: but a sort of them, upon a hot desire of fight, and good hope to be Masters of their camp, perished still, close to their trench. The Gauls disdainning their small number issued all forth out of their Camp: and then the Romans being discomfited, were glad now of themselves for fear and fright to crudge unto the Consul. Thus on both sides there was one while victory, and another while fearfull flight: game: when all cards were told and the reckoning made, the Gauls had the worst of the battell. Then the Gauls retired themselves into the most inward parts of their country, and the Consul marched with his legions to *Placentia*. Some write, that *Scipio* and his Colleague with their

\* The quarter and lodging of the Treasurer.



this joyn't forces, invaded and spoiled the countries of the Boians and Ligurians, so far forth as they could pass for woods and bogs: others again record, that he, having done no memorable exploit at all, returned to Rome about the assembly for election of Consuls.

The same year T. Quintus spent the whole winter season at *Elatia* (whither he had retired his forces for winter harbour) in hearing mens causes and ministering justice to every one; also in reforming and redressing all such disorders as had passed in the States and Cities, through the licentious government and jurisdiction either of Philip himself or his Captains, whilst he advanced those favourites of his own faction, and put down the right and liberty of others. In the beginning of the spring he came to *Corinth*, where he had given summons, that there should be holden a general Diet of the States, There in the assembly of all the Embassadors and agents from the Cities, gathered about him as it were to hear an Oration, he made a speech unto them; beginning I first with the amity contracted between the Romans and *Greece*: and proceeding to the acts achieved in *Spain* by the Generals afore him, and those also of his own. All that he spake was heard and received with great applause, until he touched the point concerning *Nabis*: for it was generally thought unfitting, that he undertaking to set all *Greece* at liberty, had left a tyrant (not only a grievous oppressor of his own subjects, but also dangerous to all the Cities about him) to remain still as a fearful malady settled in the very bowels and heart of a most noble and renowned State. Quintus, not ignorant of their affections and dispositions, confessed, that he should not indeed have any ear at all to the motion or mention of peace with the tyrant, in case that *Lacedæmon* could have stood in safety without so doing: but now since that *Nabis* might not possibly be confounded and overthrown, without the present ruin and fearful downfall of the City, he thought it a better course in policy to leave the tyrant enfeebled and disarmed of all means to offend and hurt any man, than to suffer so goodly a City to die in the cure, and under the hand as it were of the Physician, amidst those quick and sharp remedies which it were never able to endure: and so in seeking to recover liberty, to perish and die for ever. And after he had discoursed of things past, he inferred, that his purpose and intent was, to go into *Italy*, and to have away with him his whole army: also that within ten daies they should hear news how all the garrisons had quit *Demetrius* and *Chalcis*: and that he would deliver out of hand unto the Achæans in their very sight, the fortresses of *Corinth*: that all the world may know, whether be the Romans guile, or the fashion of the *Ætolians*, to over-reach and lie: who in their common talk have not led to discourse, to sow fumes, and to buzz into mens heads that it was dangerous for *Greece* to put their liberty into the Romans hands: & that they had but made an exchange of their lordly rulers: admitting the Romans in lieu of the Macedonians. But as for them (quoth he) their tongue is no slander, being such persons as never took heed and made regard what either they did or said. But the other Cities he advertised to weigh their friends by deeds and not by words: to be wise and well advised whom they are to trust, and whom they are to beware of: to use their liberty in measure and moderation: which if it be well tempered and qualified, is good and wholesome to particular persons and general States: but excessive if it be, it would not only be grievous and unupportable to others, but also unruly, dangerous, and pernicious to themselves that have it. He gave them counsel, that the Princes and States in each City should maintain concord not only among themselves, but also with all other in common: for so long as they accord and agree together, no King nor tyrant should be strong enough for them: whereas discord and sedition maketh overtire and openeth ease way to enemies that lie in wait for the vanage: considering that the side which in civil contention is the weaker and goeth to the walls, will band rather with a forrainger, than give place and stoop to a Citizen. In conclusion, he advised them, to keep and preserve by their careful regard, this their liberty purchased for them by forrainger, and delivered unto them with faithful security of strangers and aliens: that the people of Rome might see, that they have given freedom to well deserving people: and this their great benefit hath been well bestowed upon worthy persons. Whiles they hearkened to these sage admonitions: as uttered out of the mouth of a worthy father, the tears gushed plentifully out of their eyes for kind heart and joy: inasmuch as they troubled him in the delivery of the rest of his speech, for a while there was a plausible noise heard among them as they approved his words, and advised one another to ponder these sage sayings, and to imprint them deeply in their hearts, proceeding as it were from divine oracle. After silence made, he requested them to seek up all those Roman Citizens (if haply there were any) who lived in servitude and slavery among them, and within two months to send them unto him into *Theffalie*: for it were a great ignominy and shame even for them, that in their countries there should remain in bondage any of those, by whose means they themselves were set free and delivered out of bondage. With that, they all cried aloud with one voice, That for this above all the rest they rendered thanks unto him, in that they were admonished and warned by him, to reform their deceit and duty, to honesty for religions, and so necessary. Now a mighty number there was of captives in the Punick war: such as *Amibal* (when their friends redeemed them not by ransom) had sold in open market. And how great the multitude of them was, this may prove and testify which *Polybius* writeth: to wit, that this cost the Achæans for their part \* one hundred talents: yet they ordained and set down, that there should but 500 *Denarii* be repaid unto their Masters for the redemption of every poll: for by this account *Achæa* had 2000 of them. And now unto them as many as all *Greece* was like to have, by that proportion [and see what number may arise.] The

\* By this account of Livy, a talent in this place amounts to 287 li, 10 sh sterl.

A The assembly was not broken up and dismissed, before they might see the garrison descending from the fortres of *Corinth*, who marched directly to the gate and went their waies. The General presently followed after, and being accompanied with them all, who called him with a loud voice, Their Saviour and Redeemer: he took his leave and bade them farewell: and so returned the same way he came to *Elatia*. From thence he sent his Lieutenant *Ap. Claudius* with all the forces, commanding him to conduct the army to *Oreum* by the way of *Theffalie* and *Epirus*, and there to expect and wait his coming: for he purposed there to take Sea and let over his army into *Italy*. He wrote also to L. Quintus his brother and Lieutenant, and Admiral likewise of the fleet, to gather all the ships of burden from along the Sea coast of *Greece* into that place. Himself went to *Chalcis* and having withdrawn the garrisons not only from thence but also from *Oreum* and *Eretria*, he held a general Council there of all the cities of *Eubœa*: and after he had made remembrance unto them in what case he found them, and in what estate he left them, he dismissed the assembly. From thence he departed to *Demetrius*, where also he removed the garrison, and being attended with a train of all the citizens, like as at *Corinth* and *Chalcis* before, he took his journey into *Theffalie*: where the cities were not only to be set free, but also to be reformed, and from a general disorder and confusion wherein they stood, to be reduced and framed into some tolerable order and form of government. For they were not only tainted and infected with the corruption of the times, and the violent current of licentious outrage, which had taken head under the government of the King: but also of an inbred troublesome spirit and humor of their own, whereby, since their first beginning and uprising, even unto our daies they never held Parliaments, Electors, Diets, Councils or any other assemblies whatsoever, without much trouble and sedition. He chose the Senate and Judges there in regard especially of their wealth, and in all Cities he made that part more mighty, unto which it was more expedient and beneficial to have all quiet and in peace. Thus having visited *Theffalie*, and taken a general review thereof, he came by the way of *Epirus* to *Oreum*, from whence he minded to cross the seas. From *Oreum* all his forces were transported to *Brundisium*, and so they passed forward throughout *Italy* to the City of Rome, in manner of triumph, lending before them as great a train of prizes by them taken, as they made themselves in their march. After they were come to Rome, the Senat assembled without the City for Quintus, where he had audience to declare and discourse of his worthy exploits: and willing they were to grant him triumph, according to his deserts. Three daies together he rode in triumph. The first day he made a shew of all the armour as well defensive as offensive, also of brazen and marble images, of which he had taken more from King Philip, than he found in the sackage of the cities. The second day there was carried in pomp, the gold and silver both unwrought and wrought into plate, yea, and cast into coin. Of silver unwrought there was 8000 pound weight: of wrought, 270 pound weight. Many vessels of plate of all sorts, and most engraven; some of right curious and exquisite workmanship. Likewise brazen vessels, cunningly and artificially made: and besides, ten shields of silver, and in coin eighty four thousand Attick peeces of silver, which they call *Tetradrachma*, weighing almost four Roman deniers apiece: of gold there was three thousand seven hundred and fourteen pound weight, and one shield full and whole of beaten gold, and of Philip golden peeces in coin, fourteen thousand five hundred and fourteen. The third day were born in view for a pageant, a hundred and fourteen coronets of gold, which were the presents of Cities given unto him. Moreover, there were led that day the beasts for sacrifice: and before his chariot went many noble prisoners and hostages, and among them, *Demetrius*, King Philip his son, and *Armenes* the son of *Nabis* the tyrant, a Lacedæmonian born. Then rode Quintus himself in a chariot into the City, and a great number of souldiers followed after, by reason that his whole army was retired with him out of his province. To every footman he gave two hundred and fifty *Asis*, duple as much to a centurion, and triple to an horfman. Those who were redeemed out of captivity, followed his chariot with their heads shaven, and much beautified the glory of the triumph.

In the end of this year, Q. *Ælius Tubero* a Tribun of the Commons, presented a request or bill unto the people, and they granted and enacted it, to wit, that two Colonies of Latins should be conducted, the one into the Brutians country, and the other into the territory of *Thurium*. For the conduct and planting whereof, there were ordained three Deputies called *Triumvirs*, whose commission was in force for three years, namely, Q. *Nevius*, M. *Minutius Rufus*, and M. *Furius Crassipex* for the Brutians: and for *Thurium*, A. *Mælius*, P. *Ælius*, and L. *Apustius*. For the choosing of these officers, Cn. *Domitius* the Pretor in the City, called two several assemblies in the Capitol. In that year were certain Temples dedicated, one of *Inno Sophia* in the herb-market, which had been vowed and set out to building four years before, by C. *Corneilius* the Consul, during the war with the French: and he in his Censorship dedicated it. Another Temple of *Favunus*: the *Ædiles* C. *Scribonius* and Cn. *Domitius*, had likewise bargained for the building thereof two years before, and laid by the money therefore; and this Cn. *Domitius* being now Pretor of the City dedicated it. Also Q. *Minutius Raba*, dedicated a Temple to *Fortuna Primigenia* upon the hill *Quirinalis*, having been created Duumvir himself for that purpose. *Sempronius Sophus* had vowed the same ten years before, in the time of the Punick war and agreed for a certain price to have it built. Also C. *Servilius* the other Duumvir consecrated the Temple of *Jupiter* within the island. Vowed it was six years before in the Gauls war by L. *Furius Purpurio* Pretor, and by him afterwards (when he was Consul) order was given for the edifying thereof. And these were the affairs which passed that year.

P. Scipio returned out of his Province and government of Gaul for the election of new Consuls, and to that purpose was the general assembly summoned: wherein were chosen L. Cornelius Merula, and Q. Minutius Thermus. The next morrow after were created Pretors, L. Cornelius Scipio, M. Fulvius Nobilior, C. Scribonius, M. Valerius Messala, L. Porcius Licinius, and C. Flaminius, C. Antius Serranus, and L. Scribonius Libo. Ediles of the chair, were the first that exhibited the Stage-plays called *Megalæa*. And the Roman plaies or games represented and set out by these Ediles, the Senat now first and never before beheld apart from the rest of the people. And this (as all novelties and new fashions) misliked much talk: whiles some gave their opinion and said, That now at length that was given to this most noble and honorable State, which long ago was due: others again confirmed thus, and gave out, "That whatsoever was added to the Majesty of the Senators and Nobles, was derogatory from the dignity of the people: and that all such kind of distinctions, whereby estates and degrees are levered one from another, are prejudicial as well to common peace as publick liberty. For these five hundred and eighty years say they, these plaies and games have been beheld and looked upon in common, without any such precise difference. What new accident is suddenly befallen, why the Nobles should not be willing to tolerate the Commons be intermingled with them in the Theatre? and why a rich man should disdain his poor neighbour to sit by him? This is a new appetite and frange longing of theirs indeed, full of pride and arrogancy, a thing never desired nor taken up and practised by the Senat of any nation whatsoever. So as in the end even *Africanus* bespewed himself (men say) and repented thereof, for that he in his Consulship moved and perwaded the bringing up of this new fashion. So hard a matter it is to alter an old custome, and make a new order to be well liked of. And men are ever more willing to keep them to ancient customes, unless they be such, as practise and experience do evidently check and condemn.

In the beginning of the year, wherein L. Cornelius and Q. Minutius were Consuls, news came to thick of many earth-quakes, that men were not only weary of the thing it self, but also of the holy-dayes and solemnities that were published and proclaimed in that regard. For the Consuls could not intend either to assemble the Senate and sit in Council, or manage the affairs of the Common-weal, for being wholly employed about sacrificing and appeasing the wrath of the gods. In conclusion, the Decemvirs were commanded to peruse the books of *Sibylla*, and according to their answer and direction, a procession and supplication was for three daies solemnized. And before the Altars and shrines of the gods and goddesses, they made their prayers with garlands and coronets on their heads: yea, and commandment was given, that every household and family by it self should fall to their prayers and devotions. Also the Consuls by order from the Senat made proclamation, That upon what day a feast or solemnity was ordained by occasion of one earthquake, no man the same day should bring news of another. Then the Consuls cast lots for the government of their provinces, and after them the Pretors did the like. Unto Cornelius befall *Cavii*, and to Minutius the *Ligurians*: C. Sempronius had the charge of the civil jurisdiction, and M. Valerius of the forraign: L. Cornelius governed *Sicily*, L. Porcius *Sardinia*, C. Flaminius high *Spain*, and L. Fulvius the lower. The Consuls looked for no war that year: but even then as that instant were letters brought from M. Cincius Lord President of *Pisja*, which gave notice, that twenty thousand *Ligurians* were up in arms, having conspired together in all market Towns and places of resort throughout the whole nation, and that they had already wasted the territory of *Lunus*, and having invaded and passed through the *Pisan* Land, had over-run also the Sea coasts. Wherefore Minutius the Consul, unto whom the government of *Liguria* was allotted, by the advice of the LL. of the Senat mounted up into the pulpit *Rostri*, and published an act, That those two legions of Roman citizens, which the former year had been enrolled, should within ten daies present themselves at *Arretium*, in lieu whereof he would levy two other legions out of the City. Also he commanded the allies and Magistrates of the Latin nation, and their Embassadors leaguers, who owed knight-service, and were bound to find soldiers to come before him into the Capitol. And from among them he enrolled fifteen thousand foot and five hundred horse, according to the number of young and serviceable men that were to be found in each State: which done, he commanded them forthwith, to go directly from the Capitol to the gate of the City, and presently to take musters that all might be done with greater expedition. Unto Fulvius and L. Minutius were appointed three thousand Roman footmen and two hundred horsemen apiece, for to supply and strengthen their forces: also five thousand foot to either of them of allies of the Latin nation, with two hundred horse. Moreover the Pretors were charged to dismiss and call the old soldiers, so soon as they were arrived into their provinces. Now, when as the soldiers who were enrolled in the City-legions, reorted thick unto the Tribuns of the Commons, that they should take knowledge of as many of them as were exempted from warfare, for that they either had served out their fulltime by law appointed, or were sickly and diseased: beheld the letters of Sempronius dashed all this, and cleared every difficulty and scrupulosity: wherein it was written, that fifteen thousand *Ligurians* were entered the territory of *Placentia*, and had made great wast and laccage therein putting all to fire and sword as they went, even as far as to the very walls of the Colony it self, and the banks of *\* Padus*. Also that the nation of the Boii made countenance and gave suspicion of rebellion. In which regards seeing there was a tumultuous and insubordinate war toward, the Senat passed a decree, wherein they signified that it was not their pleasure that the Tribuns should accept any excuses pretended by the soldiers, but that they should all meet

A meet and assemble together, according to the Edict. Over and besides they gave order, that the allies of the Latin nation, who had served in the armies of P. Cornelius and T. Sempronius, and were discharged from soldiery by them being Consuls, should now be ready to show themselves, against that day which L. Cornelius the Consul should appoint, and at what place soever of *Herrania* he should command by way of proclamation: Also that the said L. Cornelius the Consul in his march and journey toward the Province, might take up, enrol, and arme, what soldiers he thought good, out of all the burroughs and villages in his way, and have them with him whither soever he would, yea, and have commission to dismiss whom of them he thought good, and whensoever he listed at his good pleasure.

After that the Consuls had taken musters, and were gone into their Provinces, then T. Quintus demanded to have a day of audience in the Senat concerning those affairs that he had concluded with the assistance of the ten Delegates above said: and that it would please them to confirm and establish the same by virtue of their assent and authority. Which they might do with more ease, in case they would hear the Embassadors themselves speak, who were come out of all Greece, a great part of *Asia*, and from the Kings. These embassies were admitted into the Senat by C. Scribonius the Pretor for the City, and all dispatched with a gracious answer. But because the dispute about *Antiochus* required long time of debate, therefore it was referred and put over to the ten Delegates, of whom some had been in *Asia*, or at *Lysimachia* with the King. And Quintus the Embassadors could say, and so return unto them such an answer, as might stand with the honor and welfare of the people of *Rome*. The chief of this embassage from the King were *Menippus* and *Hegesannus*. Then *Menippus* began and said, "That he knew no such perplexed difficulty in their alliance. For, faith he, there are three sorts of confederacies and associations, whereby States and Kingdoms ordinarily conclude league and amity one with another. The first, when they that are vanquished in war, have conditions and articles imposed upon them: for when all is yielded into the hands of him that is the mightier and more puissant, then it is in his power and at his discretion and will, to give unto the conquered party what he list, or to take from him as he pleaseth. The second is, when they that are equal in warlike forces give over on even hand, and be content to make peace and amity, upon indifferent and equal conditions, one with the other: in which case, demand and claim is made, restitution and amends performed according to the account and agreement: and if in time of the wars, any have been molested and troubled in their possession, they fall to composition either by the form and tenor of ancient law, or respective to the good and profit of both parties. The third is, when they that never were enemies, meet and confer together about concluding some friendship, by way of solemn alliance and society, who neither give nor take any conditions: for that belongeth properly to Conquerors, and those that are conquered. Seeing then that *Antiochus* is comprised in this last kind, I marvel (qd. he.) that the Romans should think or say, It is reasonable to tender articles unto him, or to prescribe and set down, what Cities of *Asia* they would have to be free and exempt, and which they would have to be tributary: and into what Cities they would expressly forbid the King his garrisons, or the King himself to enter and set foot. For in this wise ought they to make peace with *Philip* their enemy in times past, and not to draw a contract of amity and association with *Antiochus*, a friend at this present. To this Oration *Quintus* shaped his answer in this sort, "For as much as it pleaseth you to make your speech thus distinctly by way of division, and severally to rehearse all kinds of confederacies and accords, I also will set down as methodically in order two conditions, without which, you may let the King your master to understand, that he must not look to entertain any friendship with the people of *Rome*. The one is this, that if he would debar us to intermeddle with the Cities of *Asia*, he likewise himself have nothing to do with all *Europe*. The other, that if he cannot contain himself within the compass of *Asia*, but will needs encroach upon it the Romans likewise may have liberty and power both to maintain those amities which they have already, and also to entertain new with the States of *Asia*. Hereat *Hegesannus* inferred and said, "That this was an indignity intolerable, and which he could not abide to hear, namely that *Antiochus* should be disfavored of those Cities of *Thrace* and *Chersonesus*, which *Seleucus* his great grand-father had conquered with singular honor from King *Lysimachus*, whom he vanquished in war and slew in field, and seized the same in him as his rightful inheritance. As for the same Cities possessed by the Thracians, *Antiochus* himself with as great praise and glory hath partly by force of arms regained out of their hands, and partly re-peopled with the old inhabitants called home again, whereas they lay abandoned and desolate, and namely, *Lysimachia* it self, as all the world seeth: and more than that, hath re-edified to his exceeding charge and expence, those that lay along in their ruins, and were consumed with fire. What likens then is there between these two demands: namely, that *Antiochus* should quit the possession of that which either he acquired or recovered in that sort: and that the Romans should abstain and forbear *Asia*, which never appertained unto them? To conclude, *Antiochus* (faith he) is devious of the Roman friendship, but in such terms as may stand with his honor, & not purchase himself shame and reproach. Then *Quintus* rejoyned again in this manner: "For as much as, qd. he, we balance and weigh things according to honesty (as in truth it is befitting the chief and principal state of the world, and so great and mighty a King to prize that only or at least will



"Kings made reentry and enjoyed it, and evermore he went away with the possession thereof. That was the stronger, and had the keener sword. In these considerations they requested the Romans to leave the thing in that state and condition, wherein it stood before that the Carthaginians were enemies, or King Masani's friend and ally to the Romans; and not to intermeddle between, nor take a part, but let the winner wear it, and him have it that can hold it. In conclusion it was thought good, that to the Embassadors of both parties this answer should be returned, namely: That they would send certain Commissioners into Affrick, to decide this controversy about the land in question, between the people of Carthage and the King. So there were sent of purpose, P. Scipio Africanus, C. Cornelius Cethegus, and M. Minutius Rufus. Who having heard what could be said and seen the thing, left all hanging still in suspense and undecided without adjudging it by their definitive sentence to the one or the other. But whether they did, on their own head and self-accord, or by direction from the Senat, is not so certain as it seemeth agreeable unto that present time in policy, to leave them as they found them, and the controversy still depending. For unless it were so, Scipio himself alone, in regard of the knowledge that he had of the thing, and of his authority with the persons (so much bound they were unto him on both sides) might with a word of his mouth, or a nod of his head, have ended all this matter.

### The five and thirtieth Book

#### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the five and thirtieth Book,

Publius Scipio Africanus being sent Embassador unto Antiochus, talked at Ephesus with Antiochus (who had sided with Antiochus) to this effect, that he might rid him of that fear which he had conceived of the people of Rome, as touching the taking away of his life. Among other matters passed between them, when he demanded of Antiochus, whom he judged to have been the noblest and greatest warrior that ever was, he answered that it was Alexander King of the Macedonians; for that he with almost power had discomfited a great number of armies, and which, passed through those difficult and remote parts of the world, unto which a man would not believe that it were possible for any person to go and see them. When he asked again of him whom he deemed for the second: Who but Pyrrhus (said he) because he taught the manner how to pitch a camp, & besides, no man had the craft to gain places and hold for advantage, nor could fee his corps de guard, or plant garrisons better than he. At which he proceeded still to know whom he thought to be the third, Antiochus named his own good self. At which answer Scipio fell a laughing: And what would you have said then (said he) if your hap had been to have vanquished me? Alas! then (said he) I would have set my self before Alexander, before Pyrrhus, and before all other. Among other prodigious fights, whereof there were reported very many, it is said, that in the year wherein Cn. Domitius was Consul, in Oropus, and said these words: Rome, look to thy self. The Romans prepared to war with Antiochus, Nabis the tyrant of the Lacedemonians, provoked by the Aetolians, who solicited but Philip and all; Antiochus to wage war against the people of Rome, revolted from the Romans, and after he had laid out war against Philip, the Pretor of the Aetolians, by the Aetolians slain. The Aetolians likewise abandoned the friendship of the people of Rome with Antiochus King of Syria, and it was warred upon Greece, and surprised many Cities, and namely, Chalcis and Euboea among the rest. Besides, this book containeth the martial affairs in Liguria, and the preparation of Antiochus, for the war.

### The five and thirtieth Book of T. Livius.

In the beginning of that year wherein these affairs thus passed, Sext. Digintus Pretor in high Spain, fought battels (rather ordinary, and for number many, then otherwise memorable) and worth the speaking against those States, whereof after the departure of Cato a great number rebelled. And those battels for the most part were so unfortunate, that hardly he could deliver up to his successor the one half of those soldiers which he had received. And doubting of Spain would have taken heart again, if the other Pretor P. Cornelius Scipio, the son of Cato, had not sped better in many of his conflicts beyond Iberia. Upon which terror, no fewer than twenty good Towns revolted unto him. And these exploits performed Scipio as Pretor. Who also in quality of Propretor, encountered the Lusitanians upon the way, as they returned homeward charged with a mighty great booty raised out of the base Spain, which they had utterly pillaged and spoiled: where he fought from the third hour of the day unto the eighth, with doubtful event. For number of soldiers he was inferior to his enemies, but for all things else he had the advantage and went beyond them. For his battalions were well appointed and close compacted of armed men, and so charged upon the enemies marching in a long train, and the same encumbered with a deal of cattle: besides, his soldiers were fresh and in heart, whereas the other were wearied with long travel.

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vel. For the enemies set forth at the third watch; and besides their night journey, they had marched three hours also of the day, and without any repose or rest at all, they came to a conflict presently upon their travel on the way. And therefore at the beginning of the battle, so long as they were in any heart, and their strength served, they troubled and disordered the Romans with the first charge they gave; but afterwards for a while they came to be equal in fight. In which hazard of doubtful issue the Propretor vowed to set forth certain solemn games to the honour of Jupiter, in case he might discomfit the enemies, and kill them in chase. At the length the Romans advanced forward more hotly, and the Lusitanians retreated, yea, and anon turned their backs quite. And when as in this train of victory the Romans pursued them hard in the rout, there were of the enemies slain upon 12000, 500 and forty taken prisoners, all in manner horsemen; and of military engines they carried away one hundred thirty and four. Of the Roman army seventy and three only were lost. This battle was fought not far from the City Illipa. And thither brought P. Cornelius his victorious army, enriched with prey and pillage. Which was laid all abroad before the Town, and every man had leave given to challenge and claim his own. All the rest was given to the Treasurer for to be sold, and the money raised thereof, was parted among the soldiers.

Now had not C. Flaminius the Pretor as yet taken his leave of Rome, when these things fell out in Spain, and therefore both he and his friends talked and discoursed much upon these occurrences both good and bad: and forasmuch as a great war in his Province was broken out to a light fire, and himself was to receive from Sext. Digintus but a small remnant of an army, and the same timorous still and full of fright, as not well recovered of their former flight, he had assailed to bring about, that the Senat would assign unto him one of the City-legions; to the end that when he had joined thereto those soldiers which himself had enrolled according to an order let down by the Senat, he might out of all that number chuse forth six thousand and five hundred footmen, and three hundred horsemen. With which legion (for in the army of Sext. Digintus he reposed small confidence) he minded to make war. The ancient Senators denied and said, That acts of the Senat were not to be made upon every flying tale and report set abroad and blazed by some particular persons in favor of Magistrats. Neither would they hold any thing for certain, but that which either the Pretors themselves wrote out of the Provinces, or Embassadors sent of purpose related. And if there were any such commotion and trouble in Spain, they were of advice that the Pretor should levy in haste without Italy, such tumultuary soldiers, as in that case were usually taken up. D. The intent and mind of the Senat was, that soldiers should in that sort be prest out in Spain. Valerius Antias writeth that C. Flaminius both failed into Sicily to levy and muster men, and also as he made fail from Sicily toward Spain, was by wind and tempest put with the shore of Africa: where he found certain soldiers dispersed over the country, remaining of the army of P. Africanus: of whom he took a military oath to serve him in his wars: and that to these levies raised into two Provinces, he joynted also a third in Spain.

The war of the Ligurians likewise grew as fast: for they had already besieged and invested Pise with forty thousand men: and thither resorted and flocked daily unto them great multitudes as well for hope of pillage, as upon the bruit and rumor that went of the war. Minutius the Consul came at that day appointed to Arretium, which was the Rendezvous where he had commanded all his soldiers to meet him: from whence he marched with a four-square Battalion toward Pise. And when the enemies had removed their camp a mile from the City on the other side of the River, the Consul entered the Town, which no doubt by his coming he perceived. The next day himself also encamped on the other side of the River, almost half a mile from the enemies, from which place he made light skirmishes with them and saved the territory of his allies from the excursions and robberies of the enemies. He durst not as yet try a battail in pitched field, as having but raw and new soldiers; and those gathered out of many kinds of men, and not so well known among themselves, that one might surely trust another. The Ligurians bearing themselves bold of their numbers, not only came forth into the field ready to bid battail, and hazard all upon a throw: but having multitudes at commandment and to spare, sent out into all parts sundry companies to spoil and raise booties as far as to the marches and frontiers of the country. And when they had gathered together much cattail and great store of pillage, they had a strong place of defence ready at hand, well manned and guarded, by means whereof all was conveyed into their boroughs and Towns.

Thus while the Ligurians war was settled about Pise, the other Consul L. Cornelius Merula entered with his army by the utmost confines of the Ligurians into the territory of the Boians: where the war was managed far otherwise than with the Ligurians. For the Consul entered the field in battail array, but the enemies fell off, and would not fight. In so much as the Romans seeing none to come forth and present themselves, ran abroad into all parts to speed their hands with pillage. And the Boians chose rather to suffer their goods to be ranfacked making no resistance, than to live the same with the hazard of a battail. The Consul when he had wrought his pleasure and consumed all with fire and sword departed out of the territory of the enemies, and marched toward \* Mutina securely without any regard of himself, as through a peaceable country of his friends. The Boii perceiving one that they were gone out of their limits, followed after with a still and silent march, seeking some convenient place for to lay an ambush. And having in the night season passed beyond the Roman camp, they seized themselves of a freight passage within a silence, through which of necessity the Romans must pass, and there they forlay them. This

This was not so closely carried, but the Consul had an inkling thereof: and therefore whereas in his manner was to set out in his march early in the morning, long before day light, now for fear lest the darkness of the night should increase the terror of a tumultuary skirmish, he waited for the day. And albeit the sun was up before he removed and set forward, yet he lent out a Troop of horlemen to scour and discover the quarters. And after he was advertised by these spies what number there was of enemies, and in what place they were, he commanded that all the baggage and carriage of the whole army should be bestowed in the mids, and that the Triarii should stake and pale it all about, whilst he with the rest of his forces marched in order of battle, and approached the enemy. The like also did the French, after they once saw that their ambush and trains were detected, and that they must of necessity fight a set pitched battle, where down right blows, clean strength, and pure valour, was to carry away the victory. Thus about the second hour of the day they affronted one another. The left wing of the horlemen of the allies and the extraordinary fought in the vanguard, under the conduct of two Lieutenants that had been Consuls, to wit, *M. Marcellus*, and *T. Sempronius*, Consul the year before. The new Consul one while was in the front of the battail, another while at the tail to keep in the legions, left for eager desire of fight they should advance forward to the conflict before that the signal was given. As for the men of arms belonging to the legions, he commanded *Quintus* and *P. Minutius*, Marshals or Colonels, to bring them forth, and conduct them without the battail into a large plain, from whence out of the open ground they should on a sudden charge the enemies, when he gave them a signal by sound of Trumpet. Thus as he was marshalling and directing his men, there came a messenger from *T. Sempronius Longus* with a report, that the loo's Extraordinary K fouldiers aforesaid were not able to abide the violence of the Gauls: that very many of them were slain, and those that remained, partly for weariness of ravail, and partly for want of cowardice began to quail their heart of fight: and therefore if he thought to good, he should send one of the two legions to succour, before they had received farther dishonour. Whereupon the second legion was sent, and the Extraordinaries retired themselves out of the battail. Then began the conflict anew, by reason that the fouldiers came in fresh and in heart, and the legion besides was compleat and fully furnished with all her companies: the left wing of horlemen aforesaid was retired out of the battail, and in lieu thereof, the right wing advanced into the fore-front. By this time the men with extreme torching heat rolled and tried the bodies of the Frenchmen, which of all things can least abide heat: howbeit, standing with their ranks thick and close together, one while they leaned one upon another: other whilst they rested and bare themselves upon their targets, and sustained the violence of the Romans. Which when the Consul perceived, he commanded *C. Livius Salinator* who had the conduct of the light horse in the wings, to send in the quickest horse in all his company, with full carter to break their ranks: and gave charge that the legionary horlemen should abide behind in the rereguard. This tempest and storm of Cavalry first shuffled and put in disorder the battail of the Gauls, and afterwards brake their ranks and files clean yet not so, that they turned their backs: for why, their Captains and Leaders would not suffer them, laying about with their truncheons upon the backs of them that so trembled for fear, and forced them again into their ranks: but the light horlemen aforesaid riding among them would not permit them to stand to it, and keep their place. The Consul for his part encouraged and exhorted his fouldiers to stick to it awhile, for the victory was in their hands; and to charge still upon them, so long as they saw them disordered and affrighted: for if they suffered their ranks to close again they should abide another conflict, and the same perhaps doubtful and dangerous. The Ensign-bearers he commanded to advance their banners: and thus at length with putting all their power and good will together, they discomfited the enemy, and put him to flight. After they flew their backs once and took them to their heels, running away on all sides, then the legionary horlemen were sent out after to follow the chase: fourteen thousand Boians that day were slain, a thousand and nine hundred taken prisoners alive: 221 horlemen, three of their Leaders, and of Ensigns were won 212, and chariots 63. The Romans likewise won not this victory so clear, but it cost them some blood. For of their own fouldiers and allies together, there died above five thousand, N 23 Centurions, besides four Colonels of Allies, and two Marshals of the second legion, to wit, *M. Genucius*, and *M. Marcius*.

At one and the self same time in manner, both the Consuls letters were brought to *Rome*, *Cornelius* his letters, touching the battail fought at *Mutina* with the Boians: but the other of *Q. Minutius* from *Pise* were written to this effect, That whereas by lot it belonged to him to hold the assembly for the election of new Magistrates, yet considering in how doubtful terms of hazard his affairs stood in *Liguria*, that he might not possibly depart from thence without the utter ruin of the allies, and hinderance of the weal publick: therefore if it might seem so good unto the LL. of the Senat, he would advise them to send unto his brother Consul, That he, who had finished his war, might return to *Rome* for to hold the foresaid general assembly for the election: but in case O he should think much thereof, because this charge properly appertaineth not to him: he promised them, that himself would do whatsoever the Senate should think good. But he requested them to consider and be well advised, Whether it were not more expedient for the common weal to proceed rather to an interregnum, than that he should leave the Province in that state of jeopardy. The Senat hereupon gave in charge to *C. Scribonius* for to send two Embassadors both of Senators calling, unto *L. Cornelius* the Consul, who should carry also with them unto him the

A the letters of his colleague written and sent unto the Senat: and withal, to let him understand, that unless he would come himself to *Rome* for the election of new Magistrates to succeed, the Senat would suffer an interregnum rather than call away *Q. Minutius* from the war unfinished, and wherein he was wholly employed. The Embassadors that were sent, brought word back, That *L. Cornelius* would repair to *Rome* himself for the chusing of new Magistrates. As touching the letters of *L. Cornelius*, wherein he gave them to understand, what happy issue & success he had in the battail with the Boians: there was some reasoning and debate in the Senat-house: for *M. Claudius* his Lieutenant had written other letters privately to most of the Senators, to this effect: That they were much beholden and bound to give thanks unto the good fortune of the people of *Rome*, and the valour of the fouldiers, in that they sped so well as they did: for by means of the Consul, not only there were a good number of men lo't, but also the army of the enemies was escaped out of their hands, when they had fit opportunity presented unto them, of a final defeat and overthrow thereof: and that by this occasion there was a greater number of the fouldiers miscarried: for that they who should have retired and succoured those that were distressed, came too late out of the rereguard: and the reason why the enemies got away and escaped was this, because the legionary horlemen had not the signal found enough sounded unto them, and could not possibly pursue them in the chase. Therefore as concerning that point, they would not determine any thing rashly and hand over head, but the matter was referred and put over to a more frequent assembly of Senators.

A greater object there was to trouble their heads: for the City was much oppressed with usury: and albeit the avarice and covetousness of men had been well gaged and bridled by many laws concerning usury, yet there was a cautelous device and shift found out, to avoid all statutes in that behalf: to wit, that all obligations should pass in the names of allies, and be sealed unto them, who were not tied and bound to observe the laws aforesaid. By which means the creditors entangled their debtors in what bonds they list, and forced them to pay extreme interest as they would themselves, without stint. For to see into this disorder and enormity, and to redress the same, it was thought good and order taken, to set down and limit a certain day, namely, upon which the usurers were left restrained. From which day all those allies should come in and declare and profess, what money they had put forth upon usury to any citizens of *Rome*: and that the creditor should have right to recover those monies put forth from that time, according to such conditions as the debtor would himself. Hereupon, after there were discovered great sums of money and debts contracted by this fraudulent practice, *M. Sempronius* a Tribune of the Commons, by advice of the Senat propounded a law, and the Commons allowed it. That the same course of putting out money practised between citizen and citizen of *Rome*, should likewise be in force among the allies of the Latin Nation. In this sort went matters in *Italy*, both within the City of *Rome*, and also in the wars abroad.

In Spain the war was nothing so much as the bruit that ran thereof. *C. Flaminius* in high Spain, wan *Illicita*, a Town in the Oretans country: after which exploit, he laid up his fouldiers in their winter harbour. And in winter time there passed certain light skirmishes (not worth the naming) against the excursions of brigands and cheeves, I may rather say, than enemies: and yet the fortune was variable, and not without some loss of men. As for *M. Fulvius* he achieved great matters: for he fought in a ranged battail with banner displayed against the Vaccaens, the Vectones, and the Celtiberians, before the Town *Taletum*: where he discomfited and put to flight the army of those nations, and took prisoner alive, their King *Hilernus*.

Whilst these things thus passed in Spain, the day drew near, of the solemn election of Magistrates at *Rome*: and therefore *L. Cornelius* the Consul having left *M. Claudius* Lieutenant in the army, came to *Rome*: who, after he had discomfited in the Senat-house of his own exploits, and in what estate the province stood, he complained to the LL. of the Senat, that considering so great a war was brought to an end, by one battail so fortunately and happily fought, there was no solemnity to the honour of the Gods, performed in that behalf. Over and besides, he demanded, That they would decree a procession and triumph withal. But before the Senators were to deliver their opinions to this demand, *Q. Metellus*, who had been Consul and Dictator, rose up and said, That there had been letters brought at one and the same time: both from the Consul *Cornelius* to the Senat, and also from *M. Marcellus* to a great many of the Senators, and those letters importing contrarieties: whereupon the consultation of that matter had been deferred and put off, to the end that it might be argued and debated in the presence of them both, who wrote the letters: and therefore I ever looked (quoth he) that the Consul (knowing especially that his Lieutenant had written and informed somewhat against him, and considering that himself was to repair to *Rome*) would have brought him also with him: seeing that it had been more meet and befitting him to have delivered the army to *T. Sempronius*, one that was in the commission and had a command, than to a Lieutenant. But it should seem now, that his was left behind far enough off of very purpose, for fear he would avow and justify personally his hand-writing, and charge him face to face: and that if the Consul should make report of any untruth, he might be challenged therefore, and the thing sifted and canvassed, until the truth appeared clearly and came to light: and therefore my opinion is (quoth he) that nothing be determined at this present, as touching the demands of the Consul. But when as he persisted notwithstanding, and followed the suit still, namely, that they would ordain a solemn procession, and that himself might enter the



the City, riding in triumph: then *Marcus* and *C. Titinius*, both Tribunes of the Commons, protested, that they would interpose their negative, and cancel the order of the Senat in that behalf.

The Censors for that time, were *Sex. Aelius Patrus* and *C. Cornelius Cethegus*, created the year before. *Cornelius* took a review of the City and numbred the people; and there were accounted by his survey 143704 polls of Citizens. Great floods arose that year, and *Tyber* overflowed all the flats and plain places of the City: and about the gate *Flumentana* certain houses and buildings were overthrown withal, and laid along. The gate *Calpioniana* besides, was stricken with lightning, and the wall about it was likewise blasted from heaven. At *Atricum*, *Lanuvium*, and in mount *Aventin*, it rained stones. And reported it was from *Capua*, that a great swarm of Wasps came flying into the market place, and leaped upon the Temple of *Mars*; which being with great care taken up and gathered together, were afterward consumed with fire. In regard of these prodigious tokens, order was given, that the Decemvirs should search and peruse the books of *Sibylla*; whereupon a novendial sacrifice (to continue nine dayes) was appointed, a publick procession solemnized, and the City was cleansed and hallowed. About the same time *M. Porcius Cato*, dedicated the Chappel of *Virgin Victory*, near to the Temple of the Goddess *Victory*, two years after that he had vowed it. In that year also the Triumvirs, *C. Manlius Vulso*, *L. Apulius Fullo*, and *P. Aelius Tubero*, (who had preferred a bill of request about the planting of a Colony) had commision granted, to conduct a Colony of Latins into the countrey of *Thurinum*: and thither went three thousand footmen and three hundred horsemen; a small number in comparison of the largeness and quantity of the territory. There might well have been set out thirty acres for every footman, and three score for an horseman: but by the motion and advice of *Apulius*, one third part of the Lands was excepted and reserved; so that afterwards in time, they might enrol new Coloners if it pleased them. And therefore the footmen had twenty acres, and the horsemen forty apiece.

Now approached the end of the year, and more ambition there was, and hotter suit for place of dignity in the election of Consuls, than ever had been known any time before. Many mighty men, as well of the *Patritii* and nobles, as the Commoners, stood and laboured hard for the Consulship, to wit, *P. Cornelius Scipio*, the son of *Cnema*, who lately was departed out of Spain after he had achieved many worthy deeds. *L. Quintus Flaminius* who had been Admiral of the navy in Greece, and *Cn. Manlius Vulso*, all of the Nobility. But of the Commons were *C. Laelius*, *Cn. Domitius*, *C. Livius Salinator*, and *M. Aemilius*. But all mens eyes were fixed upon *Quintius* and *Cornelius*. For they desired one place, being both of them nobly descended, and their fresh glory for feats of war, recommended both the one and the other. But above all other things, the brethren of these competitors, two most renowned warriors of their time, set the debate on a light fire. The glory of *Scipio*, as it was the greater of the twain, so it was more subject to envy. The honour of *Quintius* was more fresh, as who that year had newly triumphed. Over and besides, the one of them had been now almost ten years continually conversant in the eyes of men (a thing that maketh great men not so highly regarded, by reason that they are grown stale, and the world is full already of them) also he had been twice Consul, and Censor since he vanquished *Annibal*. But in *Quintius* all was fresh and new, to win the good grace and favor of men. And more than that, he neither after his triumph had obtained ought of the people, nor, to say a truth, requested any thing. He alleged, that he made suit for his own natural and whole brother by both sides, and not for a Cousin German; in the behalf of a very companion and partaker with him in the managing of the war (for as himself served by Land, so his brother performed many exploits by sea.) So he obtained, that *Quintius* should be preferred before his competitor, whom *Africanus* and his brother *Africanus* brought in and graced, whom the whole race of *Cornelii* seemed to countenance, even then when a *Cornelius*, Consul, was president of the election, and held the assembly, whom the Senat had given to grave attestation of, in adjudging him to be the best man simply in all the City, and thought most worthy to receive the goddess *Idaea*, coming from *Pessinus* to the City of *Rome*. Thus were *L. Quintius*, and *Cn. Domitius Ahenobarbus* created Consuls, in such fort, that *Africanus* was of no credit, and bare no stroke at all (ye may be sure) in the election of a Consul out of the third estate of Commons, albeit he employed himself, and did his best for *C. Laelius*. The next day after were the Pretors elected namely, *L. Scribonius Libo*, *M. Fulvius Centimalus*, *A. Atilius Serranus*, *M. Baebius Tamphilus*, *L. Valerius Tappus*, and *Q. Salentinus Sarrus*. In this year *M. Aemilius Lepidus* and *L. Aemilius Paulus*, the Censors, bare themselves to in their office, as they made their year to be notable and much spoken of. They condemned and fined many of the City graiers or farmers of the common pastures: and of that money which arose of their amercements, were certain gilded shields made, which were set up on the finial or lantern of *Jupiters* Temple. They made one terrace or gallery without the gate *Trigemina*, with a marchants Hall or Burse adjoined thereto, near *Tyber*: and another from the gate *Fontinalis*, they built in length as far as to the Altar of *Mars*, leading to *Mars* field.

For a long time nothing was done in *Liguria* worth the remembrance. But about the end of the year, twice were the Romans in great jeopardy: for both the camp of the Consul was assailed and hardly defended, and also not long after, as the Roman host marched through a streight pass, the army of the Ligurians kept the very gullet of the passage, and the Consul seeing he could not make way through, turned his ensigns, and began to retire the same way he came: but by that time, some of the enemies had gained also the back part of the pass, inasmuch as the

lamentable

A lamentable remembrance of the Caudine overthrow, not only presented it self to their spirit and mind, but also was in manner an object to their eye. Now had he amongst his auxiliary or aid-forces, to the number almost of eight hundred horse. Whose Captain promised the Consul, that he and his would break through whither way he would, let him only buttell him which of the two quarters were better peopled and inhabited: for the first thing that he did, he would fire their Villages and houses: to the end, that the fear and fright thereof might force the Ligurians to depart out of the chafe which they held and besege, and run to succour their own neighbours. The Consul commended him highly, and led him with hope of large rewards. Whereupon the Numidians mounted on horseback, and began to ride about the corps de guard of the enemies, without offering to charge upon any man. At the first, a man that had seen them, would have thought nothing more contemptible, being both men and horse, little, spare and gaunt. The horseman unarmed and without weapon, save that he carrieth about him some light darts: the horses without bridles; and as they ran shutting out their stiff necks, and bearing their heads forward without any reining at all, they made a very ill favoured sight. And the riders, for to make themselves more despised, would on purpose seem to take fals from their horses, and made their enemies good sport. Whereupon they (who if at first they had been assailed, would have been heedful & ready to have received the charge now far still (many of them unarmed) to behold this pleasant pastime. The Numidians would gallop toward them and presently ride back again, but so, as by little and little they gained ground, and advanced nearer to the pass, yet making semblance, as if they had had no rule of their horses, but were carried thither against their will. At the last, they let slips to their horses indeed, and brake through the mids of the enemies guards: and so soon as they had recovered the open ground, they let on fire all the houses near the high way side, and so forward they burnt the next village they came unto, and destroyed all afore them with fire and sword. First, the smook that was decried, afterwards, the outcry heard of them that were affrighted in the villages, and last of all, the children and old folk that fled to save themselves, made a trouble and hurlybury in the camp: inasmuch, as every man of himself without advice, without warrant or direction, made what halt he could to run and save his own. Thus in the turning of an hand, the camp was abandoned, and the Consul delivered from siege, arrived thither where he intended.

But neither Boians nor Spaniards (with whom that year the Romans made war) were so spitefully and maliciously bent against them, as the whole nation of the *Aetolians*. They at the very first were in very good hope, that presently upon the remove of the forces out of Greece, *Antiochus* would have entred *Europe*, and seized upon the vacant possession thereof: and that neither *Philip* nor *Nabis* would be in reft and do nothing. But seeing them not to stir in any place, they thought it high time to make some trouble and confusion themselves, for fear lest by delays and lingring, all their designments would turn to nothing: and therefore they published a Diet or Council to be holden at *Naupladium*. In which assembly *Thoon* their Pretor, after he had made grievous complaint of the wrongs received by the Romans, moving and solliciting the State of *Aetolia* (for that they of all other nations and Cities of Greece, were least honoured and let by after that victory, whereof they had been the cause) gave his advice, That there should be Embassadors sent to all the neighbouring Kings, not only to found their minds and affections, but also to incite and prick them every one forward to enter into arms against the Romans. So *Dimerchitus* was addressed to *Nabis*, *Nicander* to *Philip*, and *Dicaearchus* the brother of the Pretor unto *Antiochus*. *Dimerchitus* had in commision to signify unto the tyrant of *Lacedaemon*, "That by the loss of his maritime Cities, the very strings and sinews of his tyranny and Kingdom were cut in sunder: For from thence was he furnished with souldiers, from thence had he his ships and servitors at sea: whereas now, he might see the Achaeans LL, and rulers of *Peloponnesus* whiles himself was pinned up and enclosed within his walls, and never should he have opportunity to recover himself, if he let pass this that presently was offered unto him. No Roman army was now in Greece: and never would the Romans think it sufficient cause, to pass over the Seas with their legions into Greece, for any occasion of *Gythium* or other Laconians inhabiting the Sea-coasts. These pretensions were laid forth to incite the courage of the tyrant, to the end, that when *Antiochus* was once passed over into Greece, he being touched in confidence, that he had broken the Roman league, by committing outrage upon their allies, might of necessity join and band with *Antiochus*. Semblable remonstrances and reasons used *Nicander* for to provoke and persuade *Philip*: and much more matter he had to enforce that point, as the King was depoted from much higher degree of estate than the tyrant had been, and also had sustained far greater losses. To this, he alleged the ancient name and renown of the KK, of *Macedony*; and how that nation had over-runne the whole world and filled all places with their noble conquests & victories. Moreover he said, That he advised him to take a course, which was safe both to be enterprised, and also easy to be executed. For he gave not *Philip* counsel to stir, before that *Antiochus* were passed over with an army into Greece: and considering that he without the aid of *Antiochus* had maintained war so long against the Romans and *Aetolians*, what possible means had the Romans to withstand him assisted with *Antiochus* & the *Aetolians* his allies, who even then were fiercer enemies than the Romans? Over and besides, he inferred this reason also, what a brave and doughty Captain *Antiochus* was, a man even born to be an enemy to the Romans, and who had slain already more leaders and souldiers of theirs, than were left behind. These were the allegations of *Nicander* to *Philip*. As for *Dicaearchus*, he had other motives to persuade with *Antiochus*. First, and principally

pally above all others, he affirmed, "That howsoever the prize and booty of *Philip* fell to the Romans, the victory was gained and achieved by the *Ætolians*, and none but they either gave the Romans entrance and passage into *Greece*, or furnished them with forces for the performance and accomplishment of the victory." Then he shewed and made promise what power: "as well of foot as horse they would present unto *Antiochus* toward his wars, what places they would give him for his land-forces, and what havens and harbours for his strength and army at Sea. After all this he fluck not (to serve his own turn) for to over-reach and tell a loud lie as touching *Philip* and *Nabis*, in giving out confidently that they were both of them ready and at the point to renew war: and would take the vantage of the very first opportunity and occasion that could be presented, to recover those things which by war they had lost. Thus the *Ætolians* laboured to set all the world at once upon the top of the Romans. Howbeit, the *RK*, were either not moved at all with their solliciting, or bestirred them more slowly than they looked for. But as for *Nabis*, he sent immediately about all the Towns by the Sea side, certain persons of purpose to sow discord and kindle seditions among them: and some of their principal citizens he won by gifts and presents to his own purpose and designs: but such as stiffly continued fast and firm in alliance and allegiance with the Romans, those he made away and murdered. Now had *Q. Titinius* given in charge and commission to the *Acheans*, for to guard all the *Laconians* that dwelt upon the Sea-coasts: and therefore presently they both dispatched their Embassadors unto the Tyrant, to put him in mind of the confederacy and association with the Romans, and to warn him and give him advertisement, that in no wise he would trouble that peace, which he had so earnestly craved and sought for: and also sent aid unto *Cythenus*, which now the tyrant began to assault; yea, and addressed other Embassadors also to *Rome* to give intelligence of these occurrences.

*Antiochus* the King after he had that winter time given his daughter in marriage to *Ptolemaus* the King of *Egypt*: at *Rhaphia* a City in *Phœnicia*, retired to *Antiochia*; and in the very end of the same winter, passed through *Cilicia* over the mountain *Taurus*, and came to *Ephesus*. And from thence in the beginning of the Spring, after he had sent his son *Antiochus* into *Syria* for to defend and keep in obedience the utmost frontiers of his Kingdom, left in his absence there might arise some troubles behind his back: he marched with all his Land-forces against the *Pisidians*, who inhabit about *Seiga*.

At the same time the Romans Embassadors *P. Sulpicius* and *P. Villius*, who as we said before, had been sent unto *Antiochus* with direction, first to visit *K. Eumenes*, arrived at *Elaa*, and from thence went up to *Pergamus*, where *Eumenes* kept his royal court. *Eumenes* was desirous in his heart that *Antiochus* should be warred upon: supposing verily, that if he were at peace, being a Prince so much mightier than himself, he would be but an ill and dangerous neighbour so near unto him: but it was war once asked, that he would be no more able to beard and match the Romans than *Philip* had been: and that either he should wholly be overthrown and come to utter ruin; or if being vanquished he had peace given unto him by the Romans; then, as he lost much thereby and would be weaker, so himself should gain by the bargain, and grow mightier, that afterwards he might be able easily of himself to make his part good, and hold his own against him, without the help and aid of the Romans: or if any misfortune should happen unto him, he were better by far, to hazard any fortune whatsoever in the Roman society, than either alone to endure the Lordly dominion of *Antiochus* and be subject, or in refusing to obey, be compelled thereto by force and arms. For these causes he employed all the credit and authority he had, yea, and addressed all counsel that he could devise for to prick on and set forward the Romans in this war. *Sulpicius* remained behind sick at *Pergamus*. But *Villius* advertised that the King was occupied and busied in the *Pisidian* war, went to *Ephesus*: and whilst he abode there some few days, he endeavoured and made means to have conference oftentimes with *Annibal*, who haply at that time sojourned there, both to found his mind if possibly he could, and also to secure him of all fear from the Romans. In these meetings and communications, no other thing passed nor was done between them, But see what ensued hereupon of it self, as if it had been a thing wrought and compassed of meet policy. *Annibal* by this means was less let by and in smaller credit with the King, yea, and in all matters began to be more and more suspected and had in jealousy. *Claudius* (the Historian) who followeth the Greek books of *Asilius*, writeth that *P. Africanus* was joyned in that embassy, and that he talked and devised with *Annibal*, & *Ephesus*: and namely, maketh report of one conference and speech between them twain; and that is this, *Africanus* demanded of *Annibal*, whom in his judgment, he took to have been the greatest commander for feats of arms, that ever was: to which he made answer, that he judged *Alexander* the King of the *Macedonians* was simply the most excellent warrior: in this regard, that he with a small power had defeated innumerable armies; and besides had passed as far as to the utmost bounds of the whole earth, even to those lands that a man would think incredible for any one to reach unto. And when he asked again whom he deemed worthy to stand in the second place: he answered, that *Pyrhus* was the man; for that he first taught how to pitch a camp and above all other points of military skill no man knew better to choose out commodious ground and places of advantage, or more cunningly to plant and dispose garisons: besides he had such a sleight and dexterity to draw and win men unto him, that the Italian nations had rather have been subject to him a foreign Prince, than to live under the people of *Rome*, notwithstanding they had of long time the Seignory and rule of those parts, and

A when he proceeded still to know whom he reputed for the third, he made no sticking at the matter, but named himself. Whereupon *Scipio* took up a laughter and replied again: What would you say then, if your hap had been to have subdued me? May then, quoth he, I would think I were worthy to be set before *Alexander*, before *Pyrhus*, yea, and before all other martial men and commanders in the whole world. At this answer, *Scipio* took delight and pleasure, to see how subtly and cautiously he had like a cunning Carthaginian, couched his words in a certain kind of flattery, as if he had lequestrated him from out of the range and rank of all other Captains as being by many degrees incomparable, and far above all others. Then *Villius* went forward from *Ephesus* to *Apamea*: and thither *Antiochus* also repaired for to meet him, hearing of the coming of Roman legats. In this communication and conference at *Apamea*, the matter was debated much after the same sort, as it had been at *Rome* between *Quintus* and the Kings Embassadors. But the news of *Antiochus* the Kings son his death whom I said a little before to have been sent into *Syria* brake off the peace. Great mourning and sorrow there was in the Kings Court, and much was that young Prince missed and moaned, for, that good proof he had given of himself, that if he had lived any long time; he would have proved by all likelihood of his towardness, a great, a mighty, and a righteous King. The dearer and better beloved he was of all men, the more suspicious was his death: and namely, that his father doubting that he would preface forward and be intent to succeed him in his old age, took order by the ministry of certain Eunuchs or guiled men (persons greatly accepted with Kings for such services) to have him poisoned. And they say, that another cause also let him forward to commit this secret act, because having given the City *Lysmachia* to his son *Selenus*, he had no such place to bestow upon *Antiochus* his son, for to keep his residence in, whereunto he might have removed him farther off from his own person, under colour of doing him honor. Howbeit, great semblance and shew there was of much mourning and lamentation all over the court for certain dayes: inasmuch as the Roman Embassador retired himself to *Pergamus*, because he was loth to converse there uncivilly, at so unreasonable a time. The King returned to *Ephesus*, and gave over the war that he had enterprized. Where, the court gaites being shut by occasion of the mourning time, he devised and conspired in great secret with one *Minio* an inward friend unto him, and whom of all other he loved best, and trusted most. This *Minio*, a meer stranger and altogether ignorant in foreign affairs and forces, measuring and esteeming the power and greatness of the King by his exploits done in *Syria* or in *Asia*, deemed verily, that *Antiochus* had not only the better cause, in that the Romans demanded unreasonable conditions: but also should have the upper hand in the tryal thereof by war. When as now the King refused to have any conference and dispute with the Embassadors, either for that he knew by good experience that it would be bootless for him to do so, or because he was troubled in spirit upon this late and fresh object of grief and sorrow: *Minio* undertook the business, and professed that he would speak to the point of the matter and to good purpose: and so persuaded the King to send for the Embassadors from *Pergamus*. By this time *Sulpicius* was recovered of his sickness, and therefore both of them repaired to *Ephesus*; where *Minio* excused the King, and in his absence they began to treat about their affairs. Then *Minio* with a premeditated oration began in this wise, "I see well (qd, he) that you Romans pretend unto the world a goodly title of letting free the Cities of *Greece*, but your deeds are not answerable to your words: and ye have set down unto *Antiochus* one manner of law to be tied unto, and practise your selves another. For how cometh it about that the *Smyrneans* and *Lampsacens* should be Greeks, more than the *Nepopolitans*, the *Rhégians*, and *Tarentins*, of whom you exact tribute and require ships by virtue of the accord and covenants between you? Why send you yearly to *Syracuse* and other Greek Cities of *Sicily*, a Pretorin sovereign authority, with his rods and axes? Certainly, ye have nothing else to say, but that ye have subdued them in war, and by right of conquest have imposed these conditions upon them. The like, yea, and the same cause know ye that *Antiochus* alleged as concerning *Smyrna*, *Lampsacus*, and other Cities and States of *Ionica* and *E. Ios*. For having been conquered in war by his ancestors and progenitors, having I say been made tributary and liable to impositions, he challengeth of them the ancient rights and duties due from them, and to him belonging. And therefore if ye will debate and treat the question according to equity and reason and not rather pick quarrels and seek occasions of war I would gladly know what ye will answer to him in this point? To this *Sulpicius* made answer in this wise, "Antiochus (qd, he) hath done very well, and with a good regard of modesty, in that having no other matters to plead unto for his defence and the maintenance of his cause, he hath made choice of any other rather than himself to be the speaker. For what one thing is there alike in those cities which you have named and put in comparison? Of the *Rhégians*, *Nepopolitans* and *Tarentins*, we demand that which is our due according to the deeds of covenants indented, and hath ever been since time that first they were in subjection under us; that I say which we have challenged and enjoyed by virtue of one continued course and tenor of right, by us ever practised without any intermission or interruption. And are you able to avouch, that as those nations neither by themselves nor by any other, have altered and changed the accord between us and them: so the Cities of *Asia*, when they once became subject to the ancestors of *Antiochus*, remained always in the perpetual possession of your Kingdom? And not rather, that some of them have been under the obedience of *Philip* & others obedient to *Ptolemaus*? Yea, and divers of them for many years have been free & used their own liberties without contradiction, and no words or doubt made thereof? For admit this once,

"that (because these Cities sometime were in bondage through the iniquity of those times where-  
 "in they were oppressed) there shall be a right pretended, and the same be effectual to reduce  
 "them again after so many ages into servitude? What wanteth it but ye may as well say, that we  
 "have done just nothing, in delivering Greece out of the hands of *Philips*; and that his successors  
 "and posterity, may claim again and lay title to *Corinth*, *Chalcis*, *Demetrias*, and the whole Thessa-  
 "lian nation? But what mean I to maintain the cause of the Cities of Greece, whom it were more  
 "meet and reasonable, that both we and the King himself would give audience unto, and let them  
 "plead what they can for their own selves? With that he commanded the embassages of the Ci-  
 "ties to be called in, which were prepared and instructed aforehand by *Eumenes*, who made this  
 "reckoning, that whatsoever strength went from *Antiochus*, should accrue and come unto him and  
 "his Kingdom. Many were admitted to speak: and whiles every one set forward his own cause, I  
 "some by way of complaint, others in manner of demand, each one putting in for himself without  
 "regard of right or wrong, so he served his own turn, they fell at length from reasoning to warbling  
 "and wrangling: in so much, as the Embassadors returned to Rome as uncertain and doubtful in all  
 "matters as they were when they came, without releasing or obtaining any one thing at all.

When they were dismissed and gone, the King held a Council as touching the Roman war, in  
 "which assembly, some delivered their opinion more freely and stoutly than others: but generally  
 "the more bitter speech that any one used against the Romans, the greater hope he had to enter in-  
 "to especial grace and favour with the King. One above the rest, inveighed much and spake against  
 "those proud and insolent demands of the Romans, who imposed hard laws and conditions upon  
 "*Antiochus*, the mightiest King of all Asia as if he had been no better than *Nabis*, whom they had X  
 "conquered and subdued. And yet (saith he) they left unto *Nabis* some leignory and dominion in  
 "his own country and City of *Lacedemon*: whereas if *Lampisacum* and *Smyrna* should be the  
 "command of *Antiochus*, they deemed that an unworthy thing and a very indignity. Others opened  
 "and said, "that those two Cities were but small causes, and not worth the naming, for so pulsant  
 "a Prince to stand upon and to war for. But alwayes (say they) men begin with just and reasona-  
 "ble demands, to make an overture and way to compals and obtain that which is unjust. Unless  
 "one would believe, that when the Persians requested of the Lacedaemonians, water and earth,  
 "they stood in need of a clot & turf of ground, or a draught of water, in like sort for all the world  
 "the Romans do but found and try the King in their demands touching these two Cities. For  
 "these Cities likewise, so soon as they shall perceive that those two have shaken off the yoke of L  
 "obedience, will soon revolt and turn to that people which is their deliverer, and at whose hands  
 "they hope for liberty. And say, that freedom were not to them more dear and precious than  
 "bondage yet it is the nature of every man to feed and please himself with a bare hope of a change  
 "and new world, much more than with the assured hold of any present state whatsoever. There  
 "was in place at this council, *Alexander of Acarnania*, one who sometime had befriended *Philip*; but  
 "of late days was slain from him and followed the court of *Antiochus*, a more wealthy and magni-  
 "ficent Prince: and being taken for a politician who had a special insight into the state of Greece,  
 "was not ignorant of the affairs of Rome, had wound himself into high favour and inward friend-  
 "ship with the King, that he was taken in to be one of his privy council, and acquainted with all  
 "his secrets. This man, as if the question in hand had been, not, Whether war should be levied or M  
 "no: but, Where, and by What means, and How it should be managed, spake aloud & said, "That  
 "he made full reckoning and account in his very spirit and heart of the victory, in case the King  
 "would pass the Seas over into Europe, to plant & settle himself in some part of Greece, and there  
 "wage war: for at his very first coming he should see in arms already the Aetolians, that inhabit  
 "the very heart and centre of Greece, who would be the only Captains and port-engines to march  
 "before them, ready to venture and enter upon the most difficult and dangerous enterprises of  
 "war. Again, in the two cantons and angles as it were thereof, he should find *Nabis* of the one  
 "side from *Peloponnesus*, at hand to rise and raise those quarters, with intent to regain the City of  
 "the Argives, to win again the maritime Cities, which the Romans have dispossessed & dispossessed  
 "him of, and have mued and shut him within the walls of *Lacedemon*. On the other side he N  
 "Macedony *Philip* would no doubt take arms, so soon as he shall hear the first alarm and sound of  
 "trumpet. Full well (qd. he) know I his courage, and of what spirit and stomach he is right well.  
 "Wot that he hath fostered in that breast of his for a long time, anger and despite like to these wild  
 "and savage beasts, which either are kept within iron gates, or fast tyed and bound: and as well I  
 "remember, how many a time he was wont (during the wars) to pray heartily to all the Gods,  
 "to vouchsafe for to give him *Antiochus* for his helper and assistant: and if now he might enjoy  
 "his wish, and have the thing so long desired and prayed for he would without any delay enter in-  
 "to arms and war incontinently. Only (qd. Alexander) we must not linger and stay nor drive off,  
 "for as much as herein consisteth the very point of victory, even betimes to seize upon commo-  
 "dious places of advantage, before the enemies be possessed of them. Also with all speed, *Antiochus*  
 "is to be sent into *Affrick*, whereby the Romans may be distracted, and compelled to turn them-  
 "selves sundry ways. *Antiochus* only was not called to this council: for by reason of the foresaid  
 "conferences with *Vilius*, the King had him in some jealousy, and therefore he was out of favour,  
 "and of no credit and account with him. At the first, he put up this disgrace and made no words,  
 "but afterwards he thought it a better course, both to demand the cause of so sudden strange  
 "and alienation of his, and also to take some good time to excuse and purge himself. And therefore  
 "upon

upon a day having simply asked of the King, and heard the cause of his anger toward him. "My  
 "father *Amilcar* (qd. he) O *Antiochus*, when upon a time he sacrificed unto the Gods, caused me  
 "a very little one, to be brought and presented before the Altar, where he forced me to touch the  
 "same with my hand, and to take an oath, Never to be friend unto the people of Rome. To accom-  
 "plish and fulfill this oath, I maintained the wars for the space of six and thirty years: by virtue of  
 "this oath, in time of peace I was driven out of my native country; and being fled from thence,  
 "this oath brought me into your court: and by the guidance and direction of this oath, if you  
 "should disappoint me of my hope, yet whatsoever I know there are forces, wherever I hear  
 "there is any stirring and rustling of arms, I shall seek all the world over, until I find some Roman  
 "enemies. And therefore if there be any of your Courtiers that have a mind and desire to advance  
 "B themselves in your good grace, and would grow by carrying tales and accusing me unto you, let  
 "them find some other subject and matter to do this by me: for I hate the Romans, and am like-  
 "wise hated of them. That this is truth which I say, my father *Amilcar* and the Gods in heaven,  
 "can testify. Wherefore, whenever you shall think to make war with the Romans, see you enter-  
 "tain *Antiochus* for one of your greatest and most assured friends: but if any occurrent shall force  
 "you to peace, seek some other councillor and not me, to confute withal about that point. This  
 "speech was so effectual, that not only it prevailed with the King, but also reconciled *Antiochus* unto  
 "his state. And so they departed out of the council with a full resolution to make war.

At Rome it was commonly talked and discoursed, that *Antiochus* was an enemy, but no provi-  
 "sion and preparation there was for war, but only whetting the edge of their stomachs. For both  
 "C Consuls had no other Province but *Italy* assigned unto them to govern. And they were either to  
 "agree between themselves, or else to cast lots, whether of the twain should hold the general assembly  
 "and be president of the election for that year. And he whose hap was not to be charged with  
 "that business, was to be in readiness to lead forth the legions into any place out of *Italy*, as need  
 "should require. And to this Consul it was permitted to enrol two new legions of Citizens, and  
 "besides of allies and Latins 20000 foot, and 800 horse. To the other Consul were appointed  
 "those two legions, which *L. Cornelius* the Consul of the former year had under his governance: al-  
 "so of allies and Latins 15000 footmen out of the same army and 500 horse. As for *Q. Minutius*,  
 "his commission was continued still for the conduct of that army which he had in *Liguria*. And for  
 "to supply and make up the broken companies, he was allowed to enrol 4000 Roman footmen,  
 "and 150 horse, and likewise to levy of the allies 5000 foot, and 250 horse for that service. D  
 "D *Domitius* it fell by lot, that he should go with a power out of *Italy*, whither soever the Senate  
 "gave order: and unto *Quintius* to govern *Gaul*. Then the Pretors election followed, who like-  
 "wise call lots for their Provinces. *M. Fulvius Centumalus* had the civil jurisdiction, and *L. Scri-  
 "bonius Libo* the foreign. *L. Valerius Tappus* governed *Sicily*, *Q. Salentinus Sarras*, *Sardinia*: *M. Ba-  
 "binius Tamphilus* high Spain, and *A. Atilius Serranus* the baie. But these two changed their Pro-  
 "vinces, first by an order from the Senate, and afterwards by an act also of the Commons. For to  
 "Atilius *Macedony* was assigned and the navy, and to *Babinius* the countrey of the Brutii, *Flamin-  
 "inius* and *Fulvius* continued in the government and command of Spain, and to *Babinius Tamphilus*  
 "for the rule of the Brutii, were those two legions appointed which the year before lay in the City,  
 "E with commission to take up and levy of allies fifteen thousand foot, and five hundred horse to go  
 "thither. *Aulus Atilius* had in charge to cause thirty gallees to be made with five banks of oars  
 "on a side, and to take out of the harbours and docks as many old vessels as were fit for service, and  
 "to enrol mariners and rowers. The Consuls also were enjoined to deliver unto him two thou-  
 "sand allies of the Latin nation, and a thousand Roman footmen. It was commonly voyced, that  
 "these two Pretors with two armies both by Land and at Sea, were prepared against *Nabis*, who  
 "openly now assailed the confederates of the people of Rome. But still the Embassadors were look-  
 "ed for, who had been sent unto King *Antiochus*, and the Senat commended the Consul *Domitius*  
 "not to depart from the City before their return. The Pretors, *Fulvius* and *Scribonius*, whose  
 "charge it was to minister law and execute justice in Rome, had commission to provide a hundred  
 "gallees, besides that fleet which *Atilius* was to command. But before that either Consuls or  
 "Pretors went forth into their Provinces, there was a procession holden, in regard of the prodig-  
 "ies and fearful sights that were reported. For word was brought out of *Picennum*, that a shee-  
 "goat had yeained six kids at once, and that it rained earth at *Amternum*: and at *Formia*, that a gate  
 "and wall of the City were smitten with lightning: and (that which most of all troubled and  
 "frighted the Consul *Domitius*) that an Ox spake these words, *Rome, take heed to thy self*. In regard  
 "of the other prodigious tokens, there was supplication holden: but as for the Ox, the Sooth-  
 "sayers and bowel priers gave commandment, that he should with great care be kept and nourish-  
 "ed. The *Tiber* also with more violence overflowed into the City than in the former year, and over-  
 "threw two bridges and many buildings, especially about the gate *Flumeniana*. Moreover, a mighty  
 "G huge stone shaken out of the Capitol cliff, fell from thence into the Tiber called *Ignarium*, either  
 "by the force and violence of rain, or some earthquake (which if there were any, was so little, that it  
 "could not be perceived) and that stone killed many a man. In the countrey also, by reason of this  
 "deluge, much cattle was carried away with the flood, and many farm houses and granges were  
 "born down and laid along.

Before that *L. Quintius* the Consul was arrived into his Province, *Q. Minutius* fought a bat-  
 "tle with the *Ligurians* in the territory of *Pise*, and slew nine thousand enemies: the rest he dis-  
 "comfited,

comfired, put to flight and chased into their camp; which being assailed, was defended manfully with much fighting until dark night: and then the Ligurians slipped away in the night season secretly. And by the dawning of the next day the Romans entered and seized thereof when it was empty of the enemies. Lest pillage was there found, for that ever and anon what booties looted they gat in the country they sent home to their houses. *Minutius* notwithstanding gave the enemies no repose from that time forward. For being departed out of the territory of *Pisæ* he came into *Liguria*, where he destroyed their boroughs and Castles, and put all to fire and sword. There the Roman souldiers filled their hands with the Tuscan prizes, sent thither by the forragers and robbers.

Much about this time the Embassadors returned to *Rome*, from the KK. who brought word and made relation of nothing that was sufficient to enforce them to proceed in any halt to war, but only against the Lacedæmonian tyrant, by whom (as the Achæan Embassadors also gave intelligence) the Sea coasts of *Laconia* were wronged and assailed, against the covenants of the league. Whereupon *Antiochus* the Pretor was lent with a fleet to defend the associates. And for as much as there was no imminent peril from *Antiochus*, it was thought good, that both the Consuls should go into their Provinces. *Domitius* took his journey, and went the nearest way by *Ariminum*, and *Quintus* came into the Boians country by the way of *Liguria*. And these two Consuls armies in divers quarters, waited all abroad the enemies country. At the first some few of their Gentlemen and Horsemen, together with their Captains; afterwards, all those of Senators calling; and last of all, as many as were of any repute, worth and worship, to the number of fifteen hundred fell to the Consul.

Likewise in both *Spain* that year the affairs went prosperously: for not only *C. Flaminius* won by force of manacles and engines of battery the rich and strong Town *Litabrum*, and took prisoner alive their Lord *Corribulo* a noble Prince, but also *M. Fulvius* the Pro-consul fought with two armies of the enemies twice, and put them to the worle; and won by assault two Towns of the Spaniards *Vesetia* and *Halone*, with many other fortresses: the rest of themselves recoiled upon him. After this he made a journey into the Oretans country, & there having gotten two towns, \* *Nolitæ* and *Cusibis*, he set forward and marched to the river *Tagus*. In that quarter these flood † *Toletum* a small City but strongly fortified: whiles he assaulted it, there came a mighty army of the Vedons to aid the Toletans, with whom he fought a set field, and won the day, and having defeated the Vedons, he forced the Toletans with engines of battery, and won the Town.

But all the wars which at that time were in hand, nothing troubled the LL. of the Senate so much as the expectation of the war, which *Antiochus* had not yet begun and enterprised. For albeit they had ever and anon certain advertisements and intelligences of all things by their Embassadors, yet many flying tales and headless bruits there went without any certain Authors, reporting lies as well as truths. And among the rest there ran a rumor, that *Antiochus*, so loons as he was come into *Æolia*, would presently put over a fleet into *Sicily*. Whereupon the Senate, notwithstanding they had sent *Antiochus* the Pretor with a fleet into *Greece* yet forasmuch as there was need not of forces only but also of authority to entertain the hearts and affections of their allies, they sent over *T. Quintus*, *Cn. Octavius*, *Cn. Servilius*, and *P. Villius* as Embassadors into *Greece*, and gave order that *M. Pabius* should advance his legions out of the country of the Brutians, towards *Tarentum* and *Brundisium*, that from thence if need required, he might sail over into *Macedonia*. Moreover, that *M. Fulvius* the Pretor should put out a fleet of thirty sail, for the defence of the coast of *Sicily*; and that the Admiral thereof should have full commission there to command (now *L. Oppius* *Salsator*, who the former year had been one of the *Ædiles* of the Commons, had the conduct of those ships.) Also, that the lame Pretor should address his letters unto *L. Valerius* his Colleague, and advertised him that it was to be feared, that the armada of King *Antiochus* would cross over out of *Æolia* into *Sicily*; and therefore it was the will and pleasure of the Senate, that he should take up and enrol into that army which he had already, of tumultuary souldiers 12000 footmen, and 400 horse, by whose means he might defend that coast of the Province which looketh toward *Greece*. For the levy of these forces, the Pretor took musters not only in *Sicily*, but also in the Isles adjacent and lying thereabout, and fortified with good garrisons all the Towns upon the Sea side which lie toward *Greece*. Those rumours aforesaid were fed still and maintained by the coming of *Attalus* the brother of *Eumenes*, who reported that King *Antiochus* was passed over *Hell-spont* with an army: and that the *Ætoliens* were in that forwardness, that they would be preit and ready in arms against his arrival. Great thanks were given as well to *Eumenes* in his absence, as to *Attalus* then present in place. Also order was taken, that he should have a lodging allowed him at his pleasure, and his charges born for his diet and house-keeping. Moreover, there were given him as presents, two great horses of service, two pair of horsemens armors, as much silver plate as amounted to an hundred pound weight; and of gold plate, as much as weighed 20 pound.

And for as much as messengers one after another advertised and gave warning, that war was at hand, it was thought requisite and expedient, that the new Consuls should be chosen in all convenient speed: whereupon a decree passed from the Senat, that *M. Fulvius* the Pretor should forthwith dispatch his letters unto the Consul, to certify him of the Senats pleasure. Namely, that he should commit the government of his Province and the army unto his Lieutenants, and return himself unto *Rome*, and in his way send out his writs aforesaid for the publishing of an assembly

A general for the election of Consuls. The Consul obeyed these letters, directed forth his summons in manner aforesaid, and came to *Rome*. In this year also great ambition there was, and much fury for the dignity of government. For that three noblemen stood for one place, namely, *P. Cornelius Scipio* the ion of *Cneus*, who the former year had the repulse, *L. Cornelius Scipio*, and *Cn. Manlius Vulso*. The Consulship was conferred upon *P. Scipio*, so as it might appear to the whole world, that this honour was deferred only, and not fully denied to so worthy a personage. His a junct companion in government was *M. Atilius Glabrio*, a man by calling a commoner. The morrow after were the Pretors chosen, to wit, *L. Emilius Paulus*, *M. Emilius Lepidus*, *M. Junius Brutus*, *A. Cornelius Mammula*, *C. Livius*, & *L. Oppius*; both furnished *Salsator*, *Oppius* was he that had the conduct into *Sicily* of a fleet of thirty sail. Mean while that these new Magistrats call lots for the government of their Provinces, *M. Babius* was commanded to pals over with all his power from *Brundisium* into *Epirus*, and to keep his forces about *Apollonia*. And *M. Fulvius* the Pretor of the City had in charge to build fifty new Galeaces called *Quinqueremes*, of five banks of oars on either side. And thus verily the people of *Rome* was provided against all enterprises and attempts of King *Antiochus* whatsoever.

Neither was *Nabis* behind for his part in levying war; but afflicted with great fear of the Town of *Gyrbæum*; and of a mischievous and malicious mind against the Achæans, for sending a garrison to aid the besieged Townsmen, he foraged and waited their country. The Achæans durst not go in hand with war, before their Embassadors were returned from *Rome*; and until they might know the pleasure and will of the Senat: but after the return of those Embassadors, they both published a Diet and general Council at *Sicyone*, and also sent their Embassadors to *Quintus* for his advice and counsel. In this Diet, all their opinions inclined and tended to make war out of hand: only the letters of *T. Quintus* made some stay of the enterprise, wherein he advised them to expect the Pretor and navy of the Romans. Now when the States there assembled in council were distracted, some persisting still in their former opinion, and others of mind to take with them the advice of him unto whom they had sent for council: the multitude at length looked what *Philopomenus* would say in that behalf. The Pretor he was for the time, and in those dayes surpassed all other in wilddome and authority. Then he rose up and used this preface and said, "That it was a good custome among the *Ætoliens*, and well ordained and provided, that the Pretor himself in all consultations of war should not deliver his own opinion; and therefore willed them of their selves to resolve and determine with all speed possible what they pleased. As for the Pretor, I faith he, he will be ready to execute with fidelity and careful diligence their decrees accordingly: yea, and endeavor so far forth as mans policy may reach unto, that they shall not repent of their resolution, be it war or peace. This brief speech of his was more forcible and effectual to incite them to take arms, than any periswasive Oration, wherein he openly could have shewed his desire to follow the wars. And therefore with exceeding accord of all in general they agreed upon war. As for the time and means of managing the same, it was wholly referred to the discretion of the Pretor, to use his own liberty and pleasure. *Philopomenus*, besides that *Quintus* so advised, was also himself minded to wait for the Roman fleet which on the Sea side might defend *Gyrbæum*: but fearing again that their present necessity could abide no delays, and left not only *Gyrbæum* should be lost, but the garrison also miscary, which was sent to the defence of the war, he set afloat and put to the Sea the Achæans shipping. The Tyrant likewise had rigged and dressed a small fleet to empeach any aid and succours that haply might be sent to the besieged by Sea, to wit, three covered ships with hatch and deck, three Brigantins or Pinnaes, and as many Gallions. For the old ships were by composition and covenant delivered up to the Romans. And to make proof and trial of these new vessels how swift and nimble they were, and what to see how all things else were well fitted for a battail, if need were; he made every day certain shews and representations of fight at Sea, and exercised both mariners and souldiers by such kind of false alarms: supposing that herein principally consisted the hope of his siege, in case he could cut off all their aid from the Sea side. Now the Pretor of the Achæans as he was equal to any of the best and most renowned commanders and Captains of that time in Land service, either for experience and practise, or wit and policy: so at Sea he was but a novice and a learner, as being an Arcadian born, an Inlander far within the main, and ignorant besides of all forein forces, but that he had born arms and served a little in *Cady*, whiles he had the leading there, of some auxiliaries. One old Gally there was a *Quadrireme*, taken at Sea 80 years before, at what time as the caried *Nicola* the wife of *Craterus* from *Napellum* to *Corinthe*. And having heard much talk of this ship (for indeed she had been sometime of great name in the Kings royal fleet) he commanded her, all rotten as she was now, and ready to fall in pieces, to be shot into the Sea from out of the Bay of *Argium*. This ship as admiral, made way before the rest, wherein *Tiso* of *Paræa*, a Captain General of a fleet was aboard; and encountered the ships of the *Laconians*, making sail from *Gyrbæum*. And at the first she chanced to affront and run against a new strong ship, and being old of herself, leaking and taking water at every joyn, she was rent asunder and fell in pieces. All within her were taken prisoners. The rest of the fleet having lost their captains fled as fast as possibly their oars could make speed and away. *Philopomenus* himself was in a light foist frigot or pink, and fled again: and never it is said until he was arrived at *Paræa*. This mishap nothing discouraged and abated the heart of this martial warrior, who had run through many and sundry adventures: but contrary-wise wrought this effect, that he assured himself and said, that if he were overtaken and put to the worle in service at Sea, wherein

he had no skill, he would so much the rather quit himself upon the Land (where he had such experience and was so ready) as that the Tyrant should not long joy and make boast of his winnings. *Nabis* puffed up with pride of his fortunate victory, and persuading himself assuredly that he had no cause to fear any more danger from the Sea, purposed likewise to stop up all the avenues and passages by Land; and therefore beset all the ways betimes with strong guards, which he bestowed in convenient places. And retiring with a third part of his forces from the siege of *Gythium*, he encamped before *Pleia*. This is a place that overlooketh and commandeth *Leuca* and *Acra*, by which ways it seemed that the enemies would make their approach with their army. Whiles he kept a standing camp there, and few of his souldiers were provided of tents and pavilions, and the rest of the common sort had made them cabins of reeds, wound and interlaced one within another, and the same covered with leaves only to give them some shade. *Philopamenes* devised, before that he were discovered and came in sight of the enemies, to assail them at unawares and not looking for his coming, after a new fashion of war that they little doubted. Certain small cranes or boats he got together into a secret blind bay, lying within the territory of *Argos*: in which he bestowed certain souldiers nimble appointed, most of them having round bucklers, with slings, darts, and such like offensive light weapons. From thence he coasted along the River near the shore, until he was come to the promontory or cape adjoining close to the enemies camp: then he went along, and by known ways he came by night unto *Pleia*: and whiles the watch was fast asleep, as mistrusting no such fear near hand, he set fire upon the cabins soresaid in every quarter of the camp. Many men were consumed with the fire before they wist that the enemy was come: and they that were ware of them, had no means to help and save themselves: so with fire and sword all went to wrack. Some very few escaped out of this extremity of danger, and fled to the main camp before *Gythium*. Thus *Philopamenes* having discomfited and frightened his enemies, led his army forth with to wait *Tripolis* in the territory of *Laconia*, bounding fast upon the confines of the Megalopolitans: and having driven from thence great prizes of men and cattle, he departed before that the Tyrant could send any guards from thence for the defence of the Countrey. And when he had gathered and assembled his army at *Tegen*, and published and made known unto the Achæi and other Allies, a Diet or general council to be holden there, whereas also were the chief States of the Epirots and Acarnanians: he determined (forasmuch as both the hearts of his own people were sufficiently recovered after the disgrace and shameful dishonour received at Sea: and also the courages of his enemies well cooled and they affrighted) to lead his forces against *Lacedæmon*: supposing that, that only means to draw the enemy away from the siege of *Gythium*. And first he encamped before *Cyria* within the enemies ground. But that very day was *Gythium* forced by the enemies and won. *Philopamenes* nothing ware thereof: set forward, and encamped near *Barbophryen*, a mountain ten miles from *Lacedæmon*. *Nabis* also, having gained *Gythium*, departed from thence with his army lightly appointed: and marching apace beyond *Lacedæmon*, seized upon a place, called, The Camp of *Pyrrhus*: whither he made no doubt but that the enemies intended to be possessed of. And then from thence he went to meet them. Now by reason of the narrow way, they took upon their march almost five miles of ground in length. At the tail of the army were the horsemen, and especially, where the Auxiliaries marched: because *Philopamenes* thought, that the tyrant would charge his men behind with his mercenary souldiers, in whom he reposed his greatest trust. Two things fell out contrary to his expectation at once, which troubled him much: the one was, that the place was gotten by the enemies before, which he intended to have seized upon for his own advantage: the other was, for that he saw the enemy affront his vanguard in place to rough and rugged, that without the guard of his light-armed souldiers, he could not possibly march forward and advance his Ensigns. Now *Philopamenes* had a singular dexterity and skill, yea, and great experience in leading an army, and in making choice of his ground either to pitch or fight: and not only in time of war, but also in peace, he busied his head and employed himself principally therein. His manner was, when he rode forth any whither and was come to a freight passage hard to pass through, to look every way, and diligently to view and consider the situation and posture of the place on all sides: and if he were alone, to cast about and advise with himself: but if there were any in his company, to ask their advice in this wise: What if the enemy appeared and shewed himself in that place? How if he came affront or askance on this or that side? nay, How if he should charge upon our back, what were best to be done? It may be the enemies will encounter us directly ranged in battail array: it may be they march disorderly and loosely, minding nothing else but their way, and to travail on. Thus *Lysias* would he either devise with himself or seek advice of other, what place he were best to seize for his own purpose and commodity: also what number of armed men he should need to employ: or what kind of armour and weapons were needful to use (for therein also lay no small importance.) Moreover, where he should bestow his carriages? where he should lay his baggage? and where he should place and dispose of the multitude that were not meet to bear arms? what strength and what manner of guard was needful for their defence? and whether it were more expedient to go forward still the way that he was entered into, or better to go back again as he came? likewise, what ground was meet to be chosen for to pitch his camp upon? what compass and space were necessary to be taken up for the fortification of the place? from whence he might have convenient watering? from what quarter he might be best provided of fodder and fuel? Finally,

A Finally, against the morrow, which way were safest to remove the camp? and what form and manner of march were best? In these courtes and discourses, he had from his childhood so inured and exercised his spirits, that he was never to seek what to do upon any such suddain occasion or occurrence presented unto him. And now at this present, seeing his enemies so near, first and foremost he made a stand with his vanguard; then he sent out toward the foremost ensigns, his auxiliary Candioti that came to aid him, and those horsemen which they call Tarentin, whose manner is to have with them, two horses apiece: and then commanding his own men of armst to follow after, he possessed himself of a rock standing over a brook or running rill, from whence they might water commodiously: into that place he gathered together all his bag and baggage; there he bestowed all the pages and horse-boys, and followers of the camp, whom he enclosed also with armed men: and as the nature of the place would give him leave, he fortified the camp. But to pitch pavilions in a craggie, rugged, and uneven ground he found much ado. Now were the enemies about half a mile off: and at one and the same rivulet they watered both, with the guard of their light armed souldiers: but before that they could scuffle and skirmish together (as commonly they do when the camps stand so near one to another) the night overtook them. It appeared plainly there would be some fighting the next day about the brook for water: and therefore in the night season he bestowed close in a valley, farthest out of sight from the enemies, as many of his targeteers as possibly the place would contain and hide. When day-light was come, the light armed Candioti and those Tarentin horsemen (of both sides) entered into skirmish upon the very banks of the brook. *Latemiastus* the Candiot had the leading of his country-men; *Lycoctas* the Megapolitan commanded the light horse. The Candioti, who likewise were auxiliaries and aid-souldiers to the enemy, and the same sort also of the Tarentin horsemen, guarded those that came to water for them. Doubtful was the skirmish for a good while (as being managed and maintained of the one side and the other by men of one Nation, and those furnished with the same kind of weapons) but those that were for the Tyrant, were more in number than the other. And by reason that *Philopamenes* had given charge and direction to the Captains, after they had held skirmish a while, to seem to retreat and flee, thereby to train the enemy into the aforesaid place of ambush, they followed hard in chase upon them as they fled along within the valley, and most of them were either slain or wounded before they saw the enemies hidden there within. Now those targeteers aforesaid, were set in that order (so far forth as the breadth of the valley would permit) that they might easily receive their fellows as they fled, within the spaces between their ranks and files. Then at once they arose, fresh in heart, and ordered in good array, and charged upon the enemies, disordered, disband, loose, scattered: weary with travel, and faint of their wounds. Then was it out of doubt and past all peradventure where the victory went: for presently the Tyrant souldiers turned their backs, fled a good deal faster than they made pursuit before, and were beaten into their camp: many were either killed or taken prisoners as they fled; and they had been put in a fright also within the camp, but that *Philopamenes* commanded to sound the retreat, fearing more the rugged and broken ground, and the disadvantage and difficulties thereof, in case he should rashly ventured forward any farther, than he did the enemy. Then he, taking his conjecture by the issue of the fight, and guessing by the nature of *Nabis* the General, in what fear and fright he might be, sent unto him one of his auxiliaries that were strangers, counterfeiting himself to be a renegade revolt, to inform him assuredly, that the Achæans determined the next day to march as far as to the river *Ewrotas*, which runneth hard by the walls of *Lacedæmon*, for to stop the passage, that neither the Tyrant might retire himself into the City when he would, nor any munition or victuals be carried from thence into the camp: moreover, that they would give the attempt, and assay if they could solicit any of the citizens to revolt from the Tyrant. This counterfeit carried himself so in this errand, that the Tyrant believed not so much his words, as took hold thereby of a good pretence and honest occasion for to quit and abandon the camp: and therefore the next morrow, he commanded *Pythagoras*, with the auxiliary souldiers and the horsemen, to keep a good guard about the trench and enclosure of the camp: himself in person with the strength of his army, marched as it were to a battail, and commanded to advance forward the ensigns in all haste toward the City. *Philopamenes* perceiving that the army marched to sit through the narrow passage down the hill, put forth all his own horsemen and the auxiliary Candioti, against the guards of the enemies that watched before the camp. They, seeing the enemies to approach and themselves forsaken of their own fellows, at first went about to retire within their hold: but afterwards when they perceived the whole army of the Achæans advancing against them in order of battail, fearing that they and their tents should be at once surprised, made apace after their own host which was gone a good way before. With that, the targeteers of the Achæans assailed the camp, entered upon it, and ransacked the tents, whiles the rest went forward and pursued the enemies. The way was such, as that an army at liberty and free from fear of enemies, might hardly and with much ado find any ground and march without encumbrance: but so soon as the skirmish began in the tail end of the rearward and the noise and cry of them affrighted behind was heard in the vanguard of every man made shift for one, flung away weapons, and fled into the woods on either side of the way: and ere one could turn about: all the ways were strewd and choaked up with armour and weapons, and especially with darts or javelins, which lighting for the most part with one end full against the enemies, were in stead of a staked or empaled palisade to hinder their passage.

\* or rather *Philopamenes*.



*Philopemenes* having given commandment to his light armed aid-souldiers to presse forward still, and to follow the chale as fast as they could (knowing well that the horsemen would have much ado and trouble in their flight) conducted himself the main army and heavily charged by a cre open way to the River *Enrolas*: where he encamped himself a little before the going down of the sun, and there he staid for his light appointed souldiers, whom he had led to follow after the enemies. Who being come about the time of the first watch, brought word, that the Tyrrane some few was entred into the City, but the unarmed multitude were dispersed, and wandered all about the forestt and the woods. Then he willed them to repose and refresh their bodies: which being done, himself chose out of all the souldiers besides (who becaue they were come fat into the camp, had well heartned themselves with taking their refection and some small sleep) certain elect and special men, and took them forth immediately with him, having about them nothing but their swords, and set them in good order to keep two port-wales, by which men go to *Phoenice* and *Barlophenes*, where he presumed that the enemies would take their way and retire themselves upon their flight: and nothing was he deceived. For the Lacedaemonians, so long as the day light lasted, had withdrawn themselves to the middle of the forestt, through by-lanes and blind paths: but when the night was once come, and that they defried lights within their enemies camp, they kept themselves aloof over-against them within close and secret lanes: and when they were once passed beyond, and thought all to be in safety and security, they came down into the more open high waies, where they were received and caught up by their enemies that forlaied them in ambush: so they were every where by numbers either killed or taken prisoners: in somuch as scarce one fourth part of their whole army escaped. *Philopemenes* having shut up the tyrant close within the City, spent almost thirty daies consequently ensuing, in wasting and spoiling the territory of the Laconians: and when he had thus weakened and in manner broken the back of his enemy, he returned home, and the Achans held him a paragon, and equal to the Roman General for glorious deeds of arms, nay, in the service of the Laconian war they preferred him before the other.

During the war between the Achans and the tyrant, the Roman Embassadors, who carefully and diligently visited the Cities of the Allies, for fear lest the *Aetolians* had alienated any of their affections from them to King *Antiochus* travelled but little in going about to the Achans, whom by reason of the hatred they bare to *Nabis*, they hoped verily to be fast and faithful enough unto them in all other things. And first they came to *Athens*, from thence to *Chalcis*, and so into *Theffaly*: and after they had conferred with the Theffalians in a frequent council of theirs, they turned their way to *Demetrias*, where there was published a solemn Diet to be holden by the *Magnesians*. Where they were to frame their speech more curiously than in other places, becaue certain of their great men and Potemats were estranged from the Romans, and altogether made for *Antiochus* and the *Aetolians*. The reason was this: becaue when news came that *Philopemen*, who was left hostage with the Romans, should be rendred again unto him, and likewise therewith remitted which had been imposed upon him, among other false tales and untruths it was reported, that the Romans would redeliver *Demetrias* also into his hands. And rather than that should come to pass, *Eurylochus* (a principal and chief man among the *Magnesians*) and some others of that faction, desired to have a new world and an alteration, by the coming of the *Aetolians* and *Antiochus*. To these *Magnesians*, they were to couch and place their words to, in ridding them of that foolish vain fear which they had conceived, that thereby they did not put *Philop* clean beside his hope, and so give him occasion to be ill affected unto the Roman: considering that he alone was to them of far greater importance in all respects, than were the *Magnesians*, put all together. Thus much only they said by way of advertisement. That as all *Greece* generally was much beholden and bound unto the Romans for the benefit of Liberty, which they by their means enjoyed, so that City and State especially above all others was obliged unto them. For there, not only a garrison of *Macedonians* had been maintained to keep them in awe, but also the King had built him a royal palace, to seat himself there, to the end, that they might evermore have in their eye, their Lord to command them. But in vain, and to no purpose was all this, in case the *Aetolians* brought *Antiochus* in his stead to make his residence in the house and place of *Philip*: and would needs entertain a new and unknown King in lieu of the old, so long a time and so well known. The sovereign Magistrat of that City, they call *Magnetarches*; and for that time *Eurylochus* was the man: who bearing himself big and stout of his high place, said plainly, That he knew no cause, why either he or the *Magnesians* should suppress and smother the rumour that run so rife touching the delivery of *Demetrias* into *Philip* his hands. For rather than to suffer that, the *Magnesians* were to oppose themselves, yea, to do and dare any action whatsoever. And in the vehement heat of speech he went so far, that inconsiderately he cast out one word and said, That *Demetrias* seemed free in outward shew and appearance, but in very truth was at the command and devotion, yea, and at every beck of the Romans. At this speech there arose a diffonant bruit and murmuring of the assembly, which jarred and varied one from another, whiles somefooled him up, others were offended, and took it in great despite, that he should presume to utter and speak so much. And *Quintius* was in such an heat of choler therewith, that stretching forth his hands to Heaven, he cald the Gods to witness this ingratitude and disloyalty of the *Magnesians*. At whose words they were all greatly terrified. Then *Zero* one of the chief, a man at that time of great authority and reputation, as well in regard of the honourable port that he ever carried in the whole course of his life, as also for that he always stood firm and fore

to the Roman side, besought *Quintius* and the rest of the Embassadors with tears, Not to impute the folly of one man to the whole City, for every man is to bear his own burden, and as he hath brewed, so to drink, and abide the smart of his own scratching. As for the *Magnesians* (saith he) they acknowledge to owe unto T. *Quintius* and the people of *Rome*, not only their freedom, but all other things else that are most deer and precious unto men. Neither could a man pray or wish at the hands of the immortal Gods for any thing, which the *Magnesians* had not received by their means: and sooner would they like franck persons pluck the very heart out of their own bellies, yea, and tear themselves in peeces, before they would violate and break the amity which they had with the Romans. This speech of his was followed and seconded with the humble prayers of the multitude. *Eurylochus* departed out of the assembly, and through by-ways and blind lanes recovered the gates, and from thence fled straight into *Aetolia*. For now by this time, and every day more than other, the *Aetolians* discovered and shewed themselves how they were affected to revolt. And happily at the same time, *Thoon*, a principal perionage of that Nation, whom they had sent as Embassador to King *Antiochus*, was newly returned, and brought with him *Menippus* the Kings Embassador, Who, before they had audience given them in a council assembled forthem, had filled every mans ears and blabbed forth, what offices were prepared both for Land and Sea, what a mighty power was coming both of foot and horse, how Elephants were sent for out of *India* and above all (wherewith they thought the minds of the people would be most moved) That there was such a mass of gold brought, as would buy all the Romans out and out. It was easy to fee what trouble and broil such language might make in the general diet and assembly. For the Roman Embassadors had intelligence, both of their coming, and of all that ever they did. And albeit there was little hope or none at all to do any good, yet *Quintius* thought it not amiss, that some Embassadors from the allies and associate Cities should be present at that Council, such as might admonish and put the *Aetolians* in mind of the Roman alliance and society, and not sly to speak their minds frankly, yea, and thwart the King his Embassador. The Athenians of all other were thought the meetest mentor for that purpose, both in regard of the authority and reputation of their City, and also for the ancient league between them and the *Aetolians*. So *Quintius* requested them to send their Embassadors to the Pancretion in Parliament. When the assembly was met, and the Council set, *Thoon* first declared his embassy: and after him was *Menippus* called in, who being entred in place, spake in this manner: "It had been (quod) the best course for all them that inhabit both *Greece* and *Asia*, that *Antiochus* had intermeddled in these affairs, during the upright fortune and entreatise of *Philip*: then, every man had enjoyed his own, and all had not been reduced to the appetite and devotion, nor brought under subjection of the Romans. And even yet (quoth he) in case ye persist still in the same mind, and purpose resolutely to accomplish and finish their your designs and commenced enterprises, possible it is by the favor and help of the Gods, and by the means of the *Aetolian* association that *Antiochus* may recover the State of *Greece*, crased as it is, and much broken and bring it again to her first fresh hue, to her lively and light some lustre, which consisteth in true liberty, even that which is able to stand alone and maintain it self, and dependeth not upon the will and pleasure of others. The Athenians, who first (after the Kings embassy was delivered) had audience given them and liberty to speak their mind, without making any mention at all of the King, "Advertised the *Aetolians* of the Roman society and put them in mind of the favors and good turns done by *Quintius* to all *Greece* in general: advising them to take heed, that without discretion they overthrew not the welfare thereof, by running rashly and too soon into a new world of strange courses and fine devices: for hot, haisty, and heady counsels are at the first sight and entertainment, pleasant and amiable; in the handling and managing, hard and difficult: in the end and issue, heavy and dangerous. Consider how the Roman Embassadors, and namely, *Quintius* among them, are not far off: and whiles things stand in good terms of integrity, it were better to treat and debate of matters in question and doubt, by words and reasons, than to set all *Asia* and *Europe* together to take arms and to make lamentable and deadly war one upon another. The multitude desirous of a change, inclined altogether, and were wholly devote to *Antiochus*, being of opinion that the Roman Embassadors were not to be admitted into the Council: but the more grave and ancient persons of the nobility and states-men, obtained thus much by virtue of their authority. That they should have audience granted unto them. And when the Athenians had made relation of this decree and conclusion passed, *Quintius* was of mind to go into *Aetolia*: for this account he made, either to obtain somewhat that he came for, or else to have all Gods and men to bear him witness, that the Romans would enter into the action of war justly and in manner upon constraint and necessity. " *Quintius* being thither come, began at first to discourse before the whole assembly, as touching the society of the *Aetolians* with the Romans, and how often they had broken for their parts the faithful accord between them: and when he had so said, he used a brief speech concerning the right of those Cities that were in question. And if they thought that they had any law and reason of their side, how much better (quoth he) were it to send Embassadors to *Rome*, either to argue and expostulate the matter with them, or to demand their advice (whether they would themselves) than to cause the people of *Rome* to make war with *Antiochus* & the *Aetolians* together, not without great trouble of the whole world & certain ruin of all *Greece*? For none should feel the smart & calamity of this war sooner than they that are the very causes thereof & began first. Thus spake the Roman Embass, by way of prophecy, but

but in vain and to no effect. After him *Thous* and the rest of that faction, were heard with the H general applause of all: and they effected so much, that without any farther proroguing of the Diet, and referring the matter to another day, yea, and without staying so long until the Romans were out of the place and absent, they concluded to make a decree, by virtue whereof *Antiochus* should be sent for to enfranchise *Greece*, and to decide the quarrel between the Romans and the *Ætolians*. This decree was not to proud and insolent, but *Damocritus* their Pretor accompanied it with as arrogant and reproachful a frump of his own. For when *Quintus* required of him to see the said decree, he without any respect of the honorable personage of the man, made answer, That for the present time he had somewhat else to do of greater importance; but he would give him the decree and an answer withal shortly, and that within *Italy*, encamped upon the bank of *Tyberis*. So great a spirit of senseless folly in those dayes had possessed the nation of the *Ætolians*, I and their chief Magistrats! Then *Quintus* and the delegats returned to *Corinth*.

After the Romans were dismissed, the *Ætolians* held no more general council of the whole Nation, because they would make semblance and seem to do nothing of themselves as touching the cause and question of *Antiochus*, but sit still and expect the coming of the King. Many, they treated and debated the matter by their *Apocleti* (for to they call their special and privy Council which consisteth of certain elect chosen persons) by what means there might be an alteration and change in the affairs of *Greece*. This was held of all men for certain, that in every City and State, the chief and the best men generally were for the association of the Romans, and contented themselves with the present condition wherein they stood: but the multitude and those who had not all things to fall out to their own good liking, were desirous of a change. And one day above the rest, the *Ætolians* entered into a designment and plot, which was not only out of all measure audacious, but also most shameless, namely, to surprise and possess themselves of *Demetrius*, *Chalcis* and *Lacedæmon*. And to each of these Cities there was sent one of their principal personages, namely, *Thous* to *Chalcis*; *Alexamennus* to *Lacedæmon*; and *Diocles* to *Demetrius*. This *Diocles* had the help and assistance of *Eurylochus* a banished man (of whose flying away, and the occasion thereof we have spoken before) who otherwise had no hope at all to return again into his native country. The kinestock and friends of *Eurylochus* and the rest of that faction, upon instructions given them by his letters, willed his wife and children to present themselves in the frequent assembly of the citizens in habit of mourners, in poor array, and vailed after the manner of humble suppliants, there to beseech them all and some, not to suffer him a guiltless person, neither convicted nor condemned, to wax old and pine away in exile. All that were plain and simple men seemed to be touched with pity and commiseration. The wicked and seditious persons conceived some hope to make a confusion in the State by these *Ætolian* troubles: in so much as every one was of opinion and gave his voice, that he should be restored and sent for home. This ground being laid and matters thus prepared, *Diocles* with his horsemen (for then was he the Captain of the Cavalry) took his journey, under a colour and pretence to reduce and bring home this banished person his host and good friend; and in one day and night travelled a mighty great journey, and came within six miles of the City. And sometimes in the morning by day light, accompanied with three elect troops he marched forward, commanding the rest of the horsemen to follow after. When he approached the gate, he caused them all to alight on foot and to lead their horses in their hands by the reins of their bridles, and to go without order, resembling travellers and waifaring men, so as they seemed more like to the ordinary train of Captain *Diocles*, than to the men of arms and warriors under his charge: and leaving one of his troops at the gate, for so left the horsemen behind might be shut out, he led *Eurylochus* by the hand, and brought him through the mids of the City and the market place home to his house: and all the way he was met with many of his lovers and friends that welcomed him, and joyed for his return. Anon the whole City was full of horsemen, and all places of opportunity and advantage were seized and possessed by them. Which done, divers were sent to massacre the chief of the adverse party in their houses. Thus the *Ætolians* became masters of *Demetrius*.

As for *Lacedæmon*, they deviled in no hand to force the City, but by some wile to entrap and surprise the tyrant. For seeing the Romans had depouled him of all his Sea coast Towns: and the Achæans driven him within the walls of *Lacedæmon*, there was no doubt, but who to ever could first take his life from him, should carry away all the thanks and curry especial favor with the *Lacedæmonians*. Good occasion and pretence they had to send unto him a power of armed men, for that he had importuned them by his prayers for some aids, considering that by their advice and perswasion he had rebelled. So there were given unto *Alexamennus* a thousand footmen, and thirty elect horsemen, drawn out of all the flour of the City. *Damocritus* the Pretor delivered unto them from the privy council of that nation (of which we have before spoken) "That they should not believe that they were to be employed in war against the Achæans, or in any other service, according as each one might imagine and conceive in his own head: but he charged them to be ready to perform and execute obediently whatsoever suddain designment *Alexamennus* upon the present occasion should happen to attempt, were it never so unlooked for, strange, inconsiderate, and audacious: and to rest upon this, That they were sent with him to accompany him that, and for no other purpose. Thus *Alexamennus* with the conduct of these men thus prepared to his hand, came unto the Tyrant: and no sooner was he arrived, but he possessed him presently with a world of hopes: giving to understand, "That *Antiochus* was already passed over  
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"into *Europe*: that shortly he would be in *Greece*, and over-spread all seas and lands with his armies and armados: that the Romans should full well know and find, that they have not now to deal with such an one as *Philip*: that the numbers of his foot and horses by land can not be counted, nor his ships at Sea numbered; that the battail of his Elephants at the very fight will decide the matter and finish the war. Moreover, that the *Ætolians* with all their forces, were ready and prest to come to *Lacedæmon*, (as need required) at any time: but indeed, desirous they were to shew and muster before the King at his arrival, a goodly number of armed soldiers. *Nabis* therefore himself should do very well, not to suffer those forces which he had, to decay with long repose and idleness, but bring them forth and train them abroad, make them to run in their armour thereby both to whet and sharpen their courages, and also to exercise and inure their bodies: for by use and custome, the labour will be lighter; and by the courtesy and graciousness of their General, not without delight and pleasure. Hereupon, they began to issue out of the City, and oftentimes went into the plain lying hand by the River *Eurotas*. They or the tyrant's guard kept commonly in the battail or middle ward: and himself with three horsemen at the utmost (with whom *Alexamennus* for the most part was) used ordinarily to ride before the ranks, taking survey and viewing the utmost points and wings of the army. The *Ætolians* were placed in the right wing, as well those that came before to aid the tyrant, as those thousand that were newly arrived with *Alexamennus*. Now had *Alexamennus* taken a custome, one while to tourney as it were amongst the ranks before in the company of the tyrant, and to instruct him in some matters sounding to his commodity: otherwhiles, to ride to his own men into the right wing, and to return to the Tyrant, as if he had given them charge of somewhat necessary to be done again to return to the Tyrant, as if he had given them charge of somewhat necessary to be done. But upon that day which was appointed for to do the feat and murder the tyrant, after he had ridden forth with the tyrant to the usual place, and kept him company a while, he took occasion (as his manner was) to make a step aside to his own souldiers: and then he went in hand with those horsemen which were sent with him from out of *Ætolia*, and said thus unto them: "Now sirs, you must adventure and execute that lustily and without delay which you were commanded to perform by my direction and leading. Be ready with heart and hand, and be not slack and idle to exploit that, which ye shall seeme to undertake and enterprise. And look whosoever he be that either standeth still, or will seem to argue and interpose his own wit and advice to cross mine, let him make account, he shall never go home again to his own country. With that he let them all a quaking, for well they remembered what their charge was when they came forth from home. Now was the Tyrant a coming on horseback from the left wing: Then *Alexamennus* commanded his horsemen to couch their lances down, and to have their eye upon him. He also selected himself to take a good heart unto him, which was not a little daunted at first with the consideration of great a designment that he had projected. When he was now approached and come near the Tyrant, he ran with full carrier at him, gored his horse, and overthrew himself to the ground. He was not so soon unhorsed and laid along, but the horsemen stabbed him with many thrust: whereof the most part did no harm, considering they were driven against his corselet: but in the end they found where his body was naked and unarmed, so he gave his last gasp before he could be rescued by his guard in the main battail aforesaid. Then *Alexamennus* taking with him all the *Ætolians*, made all the haste he could to possess himself of the royal palace. The Pensioners and Squires of the body, seeing this murder done before their eyes, were at first mightily affrighted: but afterwards perceiving the army of the *Ætolians* to go their wayes and depart, they ran to the breathless carkie left among them and of men that should have guarded his body and revenged his death, they became a sort of idle gazers and lookers on. And surely there would not a man have once stirred, in case the multitude had immediately been called to an assembly: and if after arms laid down, they had been entertained by him with some Oration or Remonstrances framed according to thetime. The *Ætolians* were kept many together, in arms still, without any outrage or wrong done or offered to any one person. But all things that they did, hastened in speedy ruin and destruction of those that had committed this fact: as it could not otherwise be in the Capitol, but they should be served, who had plaid so lewd and treacherous a part. The Captain and Ring-leader of all this mischief kept him self close shut within the royal palace, spending both night and day in rifling and searching the Tyrant's coffers and his treasury. And the *Ætolians* for their part also fell to ransacking as if they had won that City by assault, which they made countenance and semblance to let free. The indignity of these their pranks, the contempt without regard made of them, encouraged and animated the *Lacedæmonians* to gather together and consult of the matter. Some were of opinion and said, That the *Ætolians* were to be thrust out by the head and shoulders, and to be sent away with a mischief, and their own liberty to be recovered, which under a colour of being restored, was intercepted and taken from them: that for fashion at leastwise, some one of royal blood should be set up, others advised and said, that for to be the head in this action. Now there was of that race and stem one *Laonicus* a young Child, brought up with the children of the late Tyrant: him they mounted upon horseback, and then they took arms with all speed, and as many *Ætolians* as they could light upon, wandering here and there in the streets, they ran upon and hewed in peeces. Then they assaulted the palace, where they also murdered *Alexamennus*, albeit with some few about him he made resistance and defended himself. The rest of the *Ætolians* gathered together about *Chalciceus* (which was a Chappel of *Diana* made of brass) and there likewise they were massacred. A few of them  
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\* *Leontario*, or  
*Londatio*.

\* *Libo de Paya*,  
or *Calcepoli*.

flang away their weapons and fled, some escaped to *Tegea*, and others to \* *Megalopolis*; where he being apprehended by the Magistrates, they were sold in port-sale, to them that would offer most. *Philopammenes* hearing of the Tyrants death, went to *Lacedaemon*, where he found all things out of order and in confusion by reason of fear. And having called forth the principal & chief citizens, he used unto them such a speech, as indeed *Alexandernus* should have made, and thereby knit the *Lacedaemonians* in league and alliance with the Achaeans: which he effected the sooner, because it chanced even then, that *Attilius* was come before \* *Gythium* with four and twenty galleaces of five banks of oars on a side.

About the same time, *Thous* had not so good speed before *Chalcis*: by means of *Euthymidas*, a great and chief man of the City (one, who by the might and stronger hand of those that sided with the Romans, had been expelled the City after the coming of *T. Quintus* and the Embassadors or delegates) and also of *Herodotus* of *Canus*, a Merchant and a man that in regard of his wealth and riches bare a great side in *Chalcis*: *Thous*, I say, sped not so well by their means, notwithstanding that the supporters and part-takers of *Euthymidas* were well disposed to betray the Town; as *Euryloechus* did in the surprising and seizing of *Demetrius*. This *Euthymidas* from *Athens* (for there he had made choiceto dwell) first came to *Thebes*; and so from thence went forward to *Salganea*, *Herodotus* abode at *Thronium*, and not far from thence within the gulf of *Malea*, he had 200000 men, and *Thous* two hundred horsemen, and about thirty light Caravels. Which *Herodotus* was commanded to set over into the Island *Atakana* with six hundred footmen, that from thence, when he perceived once the Land-forces to approach *Aulis* and *Enripus*, he might cut over to *Chalcis*. As for themselves, they conducted the rest of the forces in all the haste they could, and most by night journeys marched unto *Chalcis*. *Mitrid* and *Xenocides* (who had the managing of the affairs in *Chalcis*, and might do all in all there, now that *Euthymidas* was banished) remained in *Chalcis*, and whether they mistrusted somewhat themselves, or had some inkling and intelligence of the matter, I wot not, but afraid they were at first, and had no other hope at all but by flight to save themselves: howbeit afterwards when their fear was well allayed and settled, seeing evidently, that not only their own country was betrayed, but also the Roman society abandoned, they plotted in this wise, and entered into a course as followeth.

It fortuned at the very same time, that a solemn anniversary sacrifice was celebrated at *Eretria* to the honour of *Diana Amerynthia*: to which solemnity there resorted not only the inhabitants of those places near at hand, but also a number of Carytians. Thither they sent certain Orators, to request and entreat the Eretrians and Carytians, both to take some pity of their estate, considering they were born in the same Island, and also to have some regard to the alliance of the Romans: and not suffer *Chalcis* to fall into the hands of the *Aetolians*: who no doubt, if they might get *Chalcis*, would not be long ere they had *Eubaea* too. Sirly Lords (say they) ye are the Macedonians, and rigorous, but the *Aetolians* would be much more unhelpful. These Cities were principally respective to the Romans, whose virtue and prowess in war, whose justice and bounty in victory they had lately experience of; and therefore both States armed the flower and manhood of all their youth and sent them. The Townsmen of *Chalcis* having committed the guard of their walls to thee, went forth themselves with all their forces passed over *Eurypus*, and encamped near *Salganea*. From which place they sent first an herald, and after him Embassadors to the *Aetolians*, to demand of them, Wherein they had so offended either in word or deed, that their allies and friends should come to molest and assail them so by way of hostility? To whom *Thous* the General of the *Aetolians* made this answer, That they were not come to annoy and trouble, but to deliver and free them from their servitude under the Romans. For bound they were and tied now with a brighter and more glittering chain indeed, but far heavier, than at what time as they had the garrison of the Macedonians within their Castle. The Chalcidians replied again and inferred, that they neither were in bondage, nor needed at all the garrison of any. And thus the Embassadors departed from the party, and returned to their own people. *Thous* and the *Aetolians*, whose whole and only hope was to come upon them on a sudden and surprise them at unawares, retired home again as they came, being not able to maintain open war, nor to assail a City so well fortified both by sea and land. *Euthymidas* being advertised that his country-men lay in camp at *Salganea*, and that the *Aetolians* were dilapidated and gone, retired himself also from *Thebes* to *Athens*. And *Herodotus* likewise, after he had wittily and with great longing, expected from \* *Atlantacerta* dates together, to see some signal (but in vain) sent out a pinnace or brigantine, to know what the cause might be of such stay; and understanding that the enterprise was given over by his complices and fellows in the complot, he returned to *Thronium* from whence he came.

*Quintus* likewise having intelligence of these occurrences, as he failed with his fleet from *Cerinth*, encountered *Eumenes* in *Enripus* near *Chalcis*. And thought good it was between them that *Eumenes* the King should leave at *Chalcis* five hundred souldiers in garrison, and himself go directly to *Athens*; and *Quintus* kept on his way to \* *Demetrius* whether he intended, supposing, that the deliverance of *Chalcis* would make somewhat to induce the Magnesian to embrace again the society of the Romans. And to the end that those persons in *Demetrius* who sided with him might have some forces for their defence, he wrote unto *Eumenes* the Pretor of the Thessalians, to put the youth in arms: and he sent *Vilius* before unto *Demetrius* to found their affections, not minding otherwise to give the attempt, unless some part of them inclined to respect the ancient society. *Vilius* entered the mouth of the haven with a five banked Gallace, Thither ran

A the whole multitude flocking unto him. And *Vilius* demanded of them whether they had rather that he came to them as to friends or enemies? Unto whom *Euryloechus* the *Magnetarches*, answered, that he was come unto his friends: but he willed to him forbear the haven, and suffer the Magnesian to be at peace and liberty, and to beware that under a pretence of parole, he did not solicit and disquiet the multitude. After this there was no farther talk and speech between them but plain debate and altercation whiles *Vilius* the Roman blamed and challenged the Magnesian, as unthankfull persons, and forewarned them of the miseries and calamities that hung over their heads; and again the multitude cried out aloud, and accused as well the Senat as *Quintus*. Thus *Vilius* without doing any good, returned to *Quintus*. But *Quintus* having dispatched a messenger to the Pretor, that he should reduce home his forces, retired himself again by sea to *Cerinth*.

B The affairs of *Greece* thus interlaced and bled with the Roman, have carried me away as it were out of my lists: not for that they were to necessary and important to be written, but only because they were material to the cause of the war against *Antiochus*. After the Consuls were elect (for there I began my digression) *L. Quintus* and *Cn. Domitius*, the Consuls went into their severall provinces, *Quintus* in *Liguria*, and *Domitius* against the Boii. As for the Boii, they held themselves quiet, yea, and the whole body of their Senat with their children, their captains also with their Cavalry, to the number in all of fifteen hundred, yielded themselves to the Consil. But the territory of the *Ligurians* was overrun and waited, and some fortresses won: whereby not only there were prizes got of all sorts, and prisoners taken, but also diverse captives, as well citizens as allies were recovered out of the enemies hand. This very year a Colony was planted at *Friso*, by an act of Senat and Commons: and there went thither three thousand and seven hundred footmen, and three hundred horsemen. The Triumvirs, who had the placing of them, were *Q. Navius*, *M. Minucius*, and *M. Furius Crassipes*. Every footman was endowed with fifteen acres of land, and the horsemen with twice as much. It was a territory held last in the tenure of the Brutians, and they had conquered it first from the *Greeks*.

About the same time, there hapned at *Romet* two most fearful accidents; the one of them continued long, but was not altogether so vehement and terrible: for there was an earthquake endured eight and thirty daies. All which time, the lawfeed or vacation from all courts of law and civil causes, continued in great fear and pensiveness: in regard whereof, a supplication was holden for three daies. As for the other, it was not a vain fear, but a very loss indeed that touched many men: for there began a scarfire in the beast Market, and continued a day and a night, burning many houses standing on the *Tyber* side; and all the shops and ware-houses, with merchandise of great price, were consumed. Now was the year well drawing to an end, and daily more and more the bruit and rumor of the war with *Antiochus* encreased: and likewise the care that the LL. of the Senat had thereof. And therefore they began to treat as concerning the Provinces of the Magistrates elect, to the end, that all of them might be more circumspect and intente to their charges. So a decree passed, that the Consuls should have the governance of *Italy*, by name, and also to go whithersoever the Senat should please to dispose of them: and all men knew well enough, that the war against *Antiochus* was upon the point. Also ordained it was, that he whose lot it was to manage that war, should have the conduct of four thousand footmen of Roman Citizens, and three hundred horsemen; besides six thousand allies of the Latine nation, and four hundred horsemen. *L. Quintus* the Consul was appointed to take multiers for those souldiers, that there should be no stay, but that the new Consul might immediately put himself in his journey, to what expedition soever the Senat thought good. Item, it was decreed as concerning the Provinces of the Pretors, in this manner: namely, That the first lot should assign the double jurisdiction, civil and foreigner, as well among Citizens as strangers: the second should concern the Brutians: the third, the navy, and the same to sail whithersoever the Senat would appoint: the fourth for *Sicily*: the fifth for *Sardinia*: the sixth for the neiber *Spain*. Over and besides *L. Quintus* the Consul was commanded to enroll two new legions of Roman Citizens, besides twenty thousand foot and eight hundred horsemen of allies of the Latine nation: and this army they set out for the Pretor, who was to govern the Brutii. Two chapels that year were dedicated to *Jupiter Capitolinus*: the one of them to *L. Furius Purpureo* who won in the Gauls war, as Pretor; the other when he was Consul and *Q. Marcius Ralla* the Daumvir, dedicated them. This year there passed many sharp and grievous sentences and judgements upon officers against whom (being privat men) *M. Tuccius* and *P. Iunius Brutus* the two *Aediles* of the chair, commenced action. Of that silver wherein they were fined, was made a chariot with four wheels, gilded; and set up it was in the Capitoll in the cabinet of *Jupiter* above the top of his shrine: likewise twelve bucklers gilded. The same *Aediles* also, caused the porch or gallery to be made without the gate *Tergemina*, among the carpenters.

G As the Romans were wholly annexed upon preparation for this new war, so *Antiochus* for his part sat not still: three Cities there were which kept him back and checked his progresse, to wit, *Smyrna*, *Alexandria* in *Troas*, and *Lampsaenus*; the which they never could to that day force by assault, or draw in to amity with any condition whatsoever; and to leave them behind in thole towns, when he should in proper person passe over into *Europe*, he was not willing. Somewhat therefore was comprehended by a consultation as touching *Amibal*. For as first he was afraid and hindered by the open ships which he intended to land with him in *Affrick*, And afterwards he was into his head by *Thous* the *Aetolian* especially, and question moved, whether

ther it was good simply to send him thither at all, or no? This *Thous*, when *Greece* was all in a hurry and full of troubles, bare them in hand, that *Demetrius* would be in their power and at their devotion. And like as with his leavings touching the King, in multiplying and magnifying his foreces, he had brought many of the *Greeks* into a fools paradise, even so also after the same manner he ceased not to feed the King with lies, and fill him with hopes, making him believe as all men wished for him with all their hearts, and would run by heaps to the sea strand to meet him, lo! as they could ken his fleet under sail. This self-same man was so bold also as to alter the Kings mind as touching *Amibal*, which seemed before resolved and settled. For he persuaded him that the Kings navy was not to be dismembred, and part therefore to be sent away; and if he were to make out any of the ships from the rest, yet *Amibal* of all other was not to have the conduct thereof, a banished person and a Carthaginian; who was like enough to be of many minds, & to change a thousand times in a day, such was his present condition and fortune. And such was his nature and disposition. And as for that glorious name for martiall prowess (which is the cause that *Amibal* is so much set by, and which recommendeth him as a speciall and singular gift to the world) it is too much, and far unfitting for any one captain under a King: and more meet it were that the King himself should be regarded and seen above all other, that the King, I say, and none but the King should be the leader, conductor and commander of all. Again, if *Amibal* chanced to military with a fleet, or to have his forces defeated, the losse would be accounted no more then if any other meaner captain had done it: but if the affairs should prosper and speed well, *Amibal* should go away with the honour, and not *Antiochus*. Moreover, say that fortune were to kind as to give *Antiochus* the upper hand of the Romans, and the entire victory over them for ever, what hope or likelihood is there that *Amibal* would be content to live under the King and subject to him alone, who hardly could brook and endure the command and sovereignty of the whole state wherein he was born? He hath not carried himself so, ever since his infancy, bearing a mind to compass the dominion of the whole world, as that now in his old age he can not abide to have a lord and a superior over him. To conclude: the King (quoth he) hath no such need of *Amibal* in this war, as to make him a commander: we may use him for a counsellor, and to forth have him in his train and company; for some mean fruit and use of such a nature, cannot be cumbersome, hurtfull, and dangerous: but if high and great matters be reached at, soon they may bear down and overcharge both the giver, and also the receiver. And if spirits are so ready to envy and malice others, as they whole birth and parentage, whole degree and estate is not answerable to their haughty minds: and such commonly, as they hate the virtue, to they detest the good of another. Hereupon their counsell of sending *Amibal* into *Africa*, was forthwith laid aside and clean cast behind, which was to well devised in the beginning of the war.

*Antiochus* bearing himself aloft now, principally for that *Demetrius* was revolted from the Romans unto the *Ætoliens*, determined no longer to delay the matter, but presently to take a voyage into *Greece*. But before that he embarked and took the sea, he went up to *Iunon* from the castle for to sacrifice to *Minerva*; and when he was returned to his fleet, he made sail with a dole covered and hatched ships, and 60 uncovered and undecked, and after those he followed two vessels of burden, charged and fraught with victuals, munition, and warlike furniture of all sorts. And first he fell with the land \* *Imbros*; and from thence he cut over to *Sejathor*, where after he had talied his ships which had been scattered one from another in the wide and deep sea, he arrived at *Pretum*, the first town of the main and continent. Where *Eurylochus* the *Magnatarches*, [the sovereign of *Magnesia*] and the principall citizens of the State, who were come from *Demetrius*, met him and joynt with him; who rejoicing exceedingly to see so goodly a company of them in his train, the next day put into the haven of the City of *Demetrius*; and not far from thence landed all his forces, which amounted in the whole to ten thousand foot, five hundred horse, and six Elephants: a small power (God wot) and unufficient to leize upon *Greece*, all naked and alone, far shorter then to hold and maintain war with the Romans. After it was reported that *Antiochus* was come to *Demetrius*, the *Ætoliens* proclaimed a councill, wherein they made a decree to send for *Antiochus*. For now the King knowing that they would passe such an Act, was departed from *Demetrius*, and had withdrawn himself to *Phalera* within the gulph of *Malon*, where he had received once the patent of that decree, he went from thence to *Lamia*, where he was received with exceeding favour of the common people, with clapping of hands, shouts, exclamations, and others signs, whereby the multitude used to shew & testify their great joy. When they were assembled together and set in Councill, *Phanac* the Pretor and other chief citizens brought him solemnly in: where *Oyes* made, thus the King began his speech, first exulting himself, in that he was come with a far smaller power then all men hoped or looked for. And even this (quoth he) may serve in stead of the greatest argument that may be of my exceeding love and affection toward you, in that being to unprovided and unfurnished of all things, and at a time so unseasonable for to fail, as too early to take the sea, I have not thought much but am willingly come at the call of their Embassadors: being thus assuredly perswaded, that the *Ætoliens* seeing me once, will suppose that in me alone consisted all their hope and defence: whatsoever. And yet I would accomplish I assure you, and satisfie to the full even your contentment also, whole expectation for the present may seem to have been disappointed: for soon as the

A "time of the year will serve, and the spring is once come, that the seas are navigable, I will overspread all *Greece* with men, horse, and munition: I will take up all the sea coasts with fleets, I will spare for no cost, no pain, no perill, I will I have taken from their necks the heavy yoke of the Roman empire, let *Greece* free indeed, and the made the *Ætoliens* the chief commanders therein. Nay, with mine armies besides (shall come all kind of provision and furniture out of *Africa*. But for the present (saith he) the *Ætoliens* must see & take order, that my people may be served with corn and other victuals at a reasonable rate. To this effect when the King had spoken with the great assent of all men, he departed. After the Kings departure, there rose some contention between two great men of the *Ætoliens*, to wit, *Phanac* and *Thoud*. *Phanac* was of opinion, that it was better policy to use *Antiochus* for a mediator and reconciler of peace, or to be an umpire or arbitrator to decide the controversies between them & the Romans, rather then to be the General of the war. For his very coming, and majesty would be more effectual then all his forces to strike some reverence in the Romans, and cause them to be respectful unto him. For men oftentimes yield and remit many things of themselves willingly, to avoid war, which they cannot be forced unto by war and by arms, when they are once entred into action. *Thoud* inferred again and said, that *Phanac* spake not this for any desire & love to peace, but his meaning was to scatter and dispatch this furniture and preparation of war for this intent. That by this tedious lingering, the Kings courage might abate, and the Romans gain time to make themselves ready. For, that there was no reason possibly to be gotten at the Romans hand, they had tried sufficiently by good experience, in sending for many embassages to *Rome*, and in debating the matter so often with *Quintus*: neither would they ever have fought unto *Antiochus* and craved his aid, if all their hope otherwise had not been cut off and clean failed. And now since his helping hand is presented unto them sooner then all men thought or looked for, they were not now to begin to faint and give over, but rather to request and intreat the King, that since he was come himself in person (which was the greatest matter of all) to set free and maintain *Greece*, he would send for forces both at sea and land. For the King in arms, might peradventure obtain something: but disarmed if he were, little or no reckning would the Romans make of him in the quarrell and question of the *Ætoliens*, nor, in his own affairs, whensoever he should reason and debate thereof. And here went the hare away. They all opened straightways to stile the King with the name of *Imperator* [an Emperor]; and they chose thirty of the chief personages to assist him in council for all things requirit. Thus the Diet was dissolved, and every man flit away and retired to his own City.

D The next day the King sat in a consultation with their Apocletes, in what place they should begin the war. And it was thought best, first to assail the City of *Chalcis*, which lately the *Ætoliens* had assailed in vain. And for to effect this service, there was more expedition and speed required then any other great forces and preparations. Hereupon the King set forward with 1000 footmen which followed him from *Demetrius*, and made by the way of *Phocis*: The Captains of the alio of the *Ætoliens*, having levied some few companies of their youth took another way and met with him at *Cheronea*, and followed with ten covered ships. The King encamped near *Sulganea*, and himself in person with the chief of the *Ætoliens* croiled the *Euripus*: and when he was landed and not far gone from the haven, the Magistrates and chief men of *Chalcis* came forth without their gates, and some few of both sides met together for to parle. The *Ætoliens* were earnest to perswade with them, "That so far forth as they might without impeaching the Roman amity they would assueme the King to be their alie and friend, forasmuch as he was passed into *Europe* not to make war, but to deliver *Greece*, and let it free in every deed, and not in word only and false semblance, as the Romans had done. And nothing was there more for the good and benefit of the Cities in *Greece*, then to entertain the society and fellowship of them both. For under the defence and safeguard of the one, they might be sure to guard themselves from the violence and outrage of the other. But if they accepted not of the King, they were best to take heed and see what danger they presently incurred: considering the succours of the Romans to relieve them were so far off, and the forces of *Antiochus* their enemy to annoy them, no need even at their gates, whom of themselves with their own power they were not able to withstand. To this *Mitias* one of their chief men made this answer: I marvel much (quoth he) who they be, that *Antiochus* for to deliver and set free, hath taken the pains to leave his own Kingdom, and to pass over into *Europe*. For mine own part, I know no City in *Greece*, that either hath Roman garrison, or payeth any tribute unto them, or is bound to an unjust and unreasonable covenant, or endureth any hard laws and conditions against their wils: and therefore the Chalcidians have need of no person to restore them to freedom, since they be free already: nor yet of a garrison for their defence, considering that by the grace and favour of the same people of *Rome*, they enjoy peace and liberty already. As for the King, we refuse not his amity, nor yet reject we the friendship of the *Ætoliens*. And we will take it for a special point of friendship that they shall do us, if they gently will depart out of our land and be gone. For as for us, we are ready to tolerate in this, not to receive them within our walls, nor, nor to contract with them any society, without the advice and consent of the Romans. Whence these matters were related to the King, who stayed behind with the ships, he determined presently to return to *Demetrius*: for that he was not come with such a power as to attempt any thing by force; where, leaving his first enterprise come to nothing, he conferred with the *Ætoliens* what was to be done next: & concluded it was to found the *Ægeans*, & *Aminander* the King of the *Attians*. They supposed that the nation of the

Bœotians was clean estranged and badly affected to the Romans ever since the death of *Bacilla* and those troubles that ensued thereupon. They were periwaded also that *Philopammenes* a great potentat, and principal leader of the Achæans, was both malicious and odious unto *Quintus* for emulation and jealousie of honour in the Laconian war, *Aminander* had espoused and taken to wife *Apamena* the daughter of one *Alexander* a Megapolitan, who vaunted himself to be defended from *Alexander* the Great, named his two sons *Philip* and *Alexander*, and his daughter *Apamena*; whom being thus advanced by marriage with a King, her elder brother *Philip* accompanied into *Athamania*. This *Philip* a vain-headed young man, the *Ætolians* and *Antiochians* had induced into a foolish hope (considering that for certain he was of the royall blood) toobtain the Kingdom of *Acædony* (if haply he could bring about to joyn *Aminander* and the *Athamanians* to *Antiochus*. And these vain conceits of great behest wrought mightily not with *Philip* only, but also with *Aminander*.

Now in *Achaia* there was a councill holden at *Egium*, and audience given there to the Embassadors of *Antiochus* and the *Ætolians*, before *T. Quintus*. Where the King his Embassador spake first, and being, (as all those commonly are, that have intertinement and maintenance of Kings) full of foolish babble, & making sea and land resound again with his vain prating and senseless words; set tale an end, and told them, what an infinit number on horsemen were passing over by *Hellaspont* into *Europe*: whereof some of them were in compleat harness, armed at all ver by *Hellaspont* into *Europe*: whereof some of them were in compleat harness, armed at all ver by his report, were sufficient of themselves to defeat all the armies of *Europe* if they were put together, yet he added besides a mighty number, I wot not how many of footmen: and terrified them with namely a sort of strange nations, that scarcely had been heard of before, to wit, the Dakes, the Medians, the *Elymeans* and *Cadusians*. But for his forces at sea, there was no bayes, harbors, nor havens in all *Greece* able to receive them. The *Sydoniens* and *Tyrrians* (by their) hold the right side, the *Aradians*, and the *Sidians* out of *Pamphylia* keep the left: nations for skill "it were needlesse to discourse of, since they themselves knew well enough, that the realm of *Asia* have alwaies flowed with gold, as their proper wealth. So as the Romans now were not to deal with *Philip* nor with *Antiochus*, the one a chief person among many others of *City*, and the other limited within the confines only of the kingdom of *Acædony*, but with the great Monarch of all *Asia*, yea, and of some part of *Europe*. And yet he, as mighty a potentat as he is (notwithstanding he is come to the utmost coasts and bounds of the *Levant* sea, to deliver and enfranchise *Greece*) demandeth nothing of the Achæans prejudicial to their fealty and alliance, and entreateth the Romans their first allies and associates: for he required not them to take arms against them, but only not to intermeddle and take part in his seeking is, that (as becometh good friends and mediators between both parties) they would all well and peace among them, and not interpose themselves in a quarrel of war. *Archidamus* likewise the Embassador for the *Ætolians*, requested in manner the same, that they would hold themselves quiet and in repose (a thing most easy, and safe for them) and being but lookers on the war, wait and attend the issue of others mens fortunes, without the hazard of their own; yet he staied not so, but proceeded to say far and overthot himself so much in words, that he brake forth at length in ill language, one while railing against the Romans in general, another while against *Quintus* in particular; calling them ungratefull and unthankfull persons, reproaching, upbraiding, and hitting them in the teeth, how not only they had got the victory of *Philip*, but also loved themselves by the vertue and valour of the *Ætolians*; and as for *Quintus* he was to thank them and their means as much as his own life came to & the preservation of his army. For wherein at any time (qd. he) performed he the duty and devoir of General in the field? Seen him indeed I have in the time of battell and in the camp, take the flight of birds, kill sacrifices, and make vows very devoutly, like some holy priestly-priest or divining Prophet, whiles I my self was faim in his defence to expole and prelent my body to lances and darts of the enemies. To these challenges *Quintus* made answer in this wise, saying, that *Archidamus* had more regard in whole presence he spake, than to whom he directed all his speech: for the Achæans know very well, that all the valour of the *Ætolians*, standeth in bragging words and not in martiall deeds, as men that love to be heard in Dics and assemblies rather then seen in the field and battall; and therefore no marvell if he made so small reckning to speak unto the Achæans, considering that he knew, how well acquainted they were with the manners and fashions of the *Ætolians*. But he hath besides vaunted and made great brags before the King Embassadors, and in their person, before the King himself in absence. And if a man had not known before, what it was, and had lo knit and united *Antiochus* and the *Ætolians* together, he might perceive it evidently by the speeches of the Embassadors: for by exchanging lies reciprocally, and by bragging of their forces which they have not, they have inflated and puffed up one another with vain hopes, whilest they tell and would make them believe, that *Philip* by them was vanquished; That the Romans by their valour were protected; and other gay matters, which erewhile ye heard building castles in the air, to the end, that you & other states and nations would side with them and take their parts: the King again (by his Embassadors) overpresadeth all with clouds of horsemen and footmen, and covereth whole seas with fleets

A "and armados. Now in faith this is mine host of *Chalcis* up and down, a friendly man I assure you, and a good fellow in his house, and one that knoweth how to entertain his guests and bid them welcome. And verily I can liken this manner of dealing to nothing better then to a supper of his: We went upon a time to make m. try with him, and I remember well it was not midsummer (when the dyes are longest and the sun at the hottest) where he made us passing good cheer. And as we wondered how as such a season of the year he met with that plenty of venison and such variety withall; the man (nothing to vsinglorious as these fellows here) smiled pleasantly upon us and said, we were welcome to a feast of a tame twine and no better: but well for a good cook my masters (qd. he) who by his cunning hand, what with seasoning it, and what with serving it up with divers sauces, hath made all this fair shew of wild flesh, and the same of sundry forts. This may fitly be applied to the King his armes and forces: of which even now so great boast was made. For these divers kinds of arms, these many names of nations never heard of before, to wit, the Dakes or Daebans (I wot not what to call them) the Medes, the *Cadusians*, the *Elymeans*, they are but Syrians when all is done; who for their bate minds by nature, are much better to make a sort of slaves then a company of good fouldiers. And would to God (you my masters of *Achaia*) I could represent unto your eyes the port and train of this great King, when he ran from *Demetrius*, one while to *Lamia* to the councill of the *Ætolians*, & another while to *Chalcis*: you should see in the Kings camp hardly two pretty legioners, & those but lame ones neither and not well accomplished: you should see the King sometime as good as begging grain of the *Ætolians*, to measure out among his hungry fouldiers: otherwhiles making shift to take up monies at interest to make out their pay: now standing at the gates of *Chalcis*, and anon shot out from thence and excluded clean: and when he had done nothing else but been *Antiochus* and *Antiochus*, returning fair into *Ætolia*. *Antiochus* (you see) hath yielded but small belief to the *Ætolians*, and the *Ætolians* have as little trusted & relied upon the vanity of the King. And therefore the lesse should you be deceived by them, but rather repose your selves assuredly in the fidelity of the Romans so often tried, so often known and approved. For whereas they say (it is your best course not to be embarked and interested in this war) I assure you, there is nothing more vain then this, nay, nothing so hurtfull unto your estate. For you shill be apize and prey to the victor, without thank of either part, without any worth and reputation. *Quintus* was thought by the Achæans to have spoken not imperitently, but to have answered them both, fully and an easie matter it was to approve his speech unto those, that were well enough inclined to have given him gentle hearing: for that it was no question nor doubt at all, but that every man would judge them to be friends or enemies to the Achæan nation, whom the Romans held for theirs: yea, and would conclude in the end of an ad, to denounce war both against *Antiochus* & the *Ætolians*. Moreover, according as *Quintus* thought good, they sent presently an aid of 500 fouldiers to *Chalcis*, and of as many to *Pyraenae*. For at *Athens* there had like to have been a sedition and mutiny, whiles some drew the multitude (which commonly is bought and sold for money) to take part with *Antiochus* upon hope of large rewards and great bounties, untill such time as *Quintus* was sent for by them that took part with the Romans: in so much as *Apollodorus* (who gave counsell and periwaded to revolt) was accused by one *Leon*, and being condemned, was banished. Thus verily the embassage returned from the Achæans to the King with present answer. The Bœotians delivered no certainty: this only was their answer. That when *Antiochus* himself was come in *Bœotia*, then they would consider and consult what they were best to do.

*Antiochus* being advertised, that both the Achæans and King *Emenes* also had sent men for the defence of *Chalcis*, thought good to make haste, that his forces might not only prevent them, but also if it were possible receive them and cut them short as they came. And for this intent, he sent *Menippus* with three thousand fouldiers or thereabout, and *Polyxenidas* with his whole fleet. Himself a few daies after marched with six thousand of his own fouldiers; and of that levy, which on a suddain might be gathered at *Lamia*, no great number of *Ætolians*. Those five hundred Achæans afore said, and the small aid that King *Emenes* sent under the conduct of *Xenodorus* the *Chalcidian*, having safely passed *Enripus* before that the waies and passages were beted, arrived at *Chalcis*. The Romans also who were upon five hundred, at what time as *Menippus* encamped before *Salganea*, came to *Hyemnum*, where is the passage out of *Bœotia* into the Island of *Eubœa*. In their company was *Mithian* sent as Embassador, from *Chalcis* to *Quintus*, for to crave some succour: who perceiving that the waies were laid and the streights kept by the enemies, leaving his intended journey by the way of *Adis*, turned to *Delium*, minding from thence to cut over into *Eubœa*. This *Delium* is a temple of *Apollo* situate upon the sea strand, and five miles distant from *Tamagra*, from whence there is a short cut (little more then a league) over an arm of the sea unto the next parts of *Eubœa*. In this Temple and sacred grove about it, so religious, so privileged and feared (as are those franchised houses and sanctuaries which the Greeks call *Asyla*) and at that time, when neither war was proclaimed, or at least while not so far proceeded, as that in the hearing and knowledge of any man there had been sword drawn, or blood shed in any place. In this place, and at this time, I say, whiles the fouldiers wandered at their leisure and pleasure, some goneto see the temple above said and the grove, others walking upon the strand unarmed, and a great sort also of them scattered over the fields (such as were gone for forrage, and fwell) all on a suddain *Menippus* finding them loose and disbanded, charged upon them and slew them, and to the number of fifty he took alive: very few escaped, among whom



was *Miliv*, who got into a small vessel of merchandise. This occurred, as it troubled and distressed *Quintus* and the Romans, for the loss of their soldiers, so it seemed much to increase the right of their just quarrel to make war upon *Antiochus*, *Antiochus* having advanced his army, and approached *Anis*, after he had once again addressed Orators, partly of his own subjects, and partly *Antiochus* to *Chalcis*, for to follow those causes which of late he had commenced, but in more incommensurate terms, now prevailed easily, notwithstanding *Mithridates* and *Xenocles* laboured to the contrary, that the gates should be left open unto him. All those that were for the Romans abandoned the City almost before the Kings coming. The soldiers of *Achæa* and King *Eumenes*, kept *Salganea* The Rom. soldiers also (who were but few) fortified and made a fence upon the water of *Eurippus*, to be a defence for the passage. *Menippus* began to assail *Salganea*, and the King himself to let upon the fort of *Eurippus* afore said. The Achæans and soldiers of *Eumenes* first grew to composition, and having capitulated to depart without any harm, quit their place of garrison. The Romans held out longer, and stoutly defended the hold of *Eurippus*: but even they also being to (streightly) invested both by land & water, and seeing now the ordinance and engines of battery, brought and ready to be planted against them, would no longer endure the siege. When as now the King had possessed himself of the City of *Eubæa*, all the other Cities of that Island, refused not to submit and come under his subjection. And he thought he had made a good beginning and entrance in this war, in that to great an Island, and so many Cities commodiously seated, and of such importance, were reduced under his obedience.

## The six and thirtieth Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the six and thirtieth Book.

**M**arcus Acilius Glabrio the Consul, with the aid of King Philip, vanquished King Antiochus, who was to Thermopylæ, and drove him out of Greece. He also subdued the *Ætolians*. P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica, the Consul (reputed and judged by the Senat, the best man in the City) dedicated the temple of the mother of the gods, whom himself had brought into the Palatium. He also when he had overcome the Boians, took them upon surrender to his protection, and triumphed over them. Over and besides, here are set down the prosperous battles fought at sea, against the admirals and captains of King Antiochus.

## The six and thirtieth Book of T. Livius.

**S**oon as P. Cornelius Scipio the son of Cneus, and M. Acilius Glabrio, the two Consuls were entered into their magistracy the LL. of the Senat enjoined them (before any speech & question moved as touching the provinces) to sacrifice greater beasts in all those temples, wherein the custom was for the more part of the year to celebrate the solemnity of Lætiasterns, and to make their prayers in this manner. That whereas the Senat intended a new war, the gods would vouchsafe to bless and happily conduct the same to the good and publick weal of the Senat and people of Rome. All those sacrifices proved good and as they ought to be: even the very first beasts that were slain, prognosticated fortunate success, and shewed apparent signs that the gods were pacified and well pleased. And thus the soothsayers and bowel-priests, out of their learning, answered, it was evident, that by this war the bounds and limits of the Roman empire should be extended, and that both victory and triumph was fore signified. These answers being reported, and mens minds settled, and their consciences relieved of all scruples as concerning the gods, then the LL. of the Senat granted out an order, that a bill should be preferred solemnly unto the people in this form: *Pleaseth it you, and is it your will, that war should be enterprised against Antiochus, and all that take his part? And if this bill passe and be granted, are ye pleased, that the Consuls, if they think so good, refer the whole matter unto the Senat to take order for the managing thereof accordingly?* P. Cornelius propounded this bill, and the people accepted thereof. Whereupon the Senat let down a decree that the Consuls should cast lots for the government of Italy and Greece; and that he whose hap it was to govern Greece, should (over and above that number of soldiers, which L. Quintus by authority and commission from the Senat had for that province either enrolled or levied) receive that army also which M. Baebius the Pretor caused to pass over the year before into Macedonia, by virtue of an order from the Senat, in that behalf enacted; and license he had, if need to be required, to take up aid-soldiers from among the allies without Italy, so as he exceeded not the number of five thousand. Also agreed it was, that L. Quintus the Consul of the year before, should be deputed lord-General for that war. As for the other Consul, unto whom had been allotted the charge of Italy, he was commanded to levy war against the Boians

A Boians and to their choice, whether army he had rather have of those two which the former Consuls conducted: and when he had received one, to send the other to Rome; that those legions of Citizens should be in readiness for to be sent whither it pleased the Senat. This order being taken in the Senat, astonishing the appointment and assignation of those provinces, then it was thought good that the new Consuls should cast lots for their governments. To Acilius befell Greece, and Italy to Cornelius. After this by a special roll there passed an act of the Senat. That whereas the people of Rome had ordered to wage war at that time against King Antiochus, and those that were under his dominion, the Consuls should cause a procession to be solemnized. Also that the Consul M. Acilius should conceive and make a vow to Jupiter, for to celebrate the great Games in his honour, and to bring offerings to every altar. This vow was by him pronounced in this form of words, according as P. Licinius the Arch-Priest ended and prompted unto him. *If that war which the people hath determined to be enterprised and made against King Antiochus, shall be performed according to the mind and contentment of the Senat and people of Rome, then shall the people of Rome celebrate unto thy honour, O Jupiter, the great Games for the space of ten daies together, and oblations shall be brought to every Altar, of that price and amounting to that sum which the Senat shall ordain and set down. And what Magistrate sever shall exhibit those Games, or in what place, yea, and at what time: soever they shall be represented, the same Games shall be held for good, and reputed as well done, yea, and the offerings accepted as rightly presented.* After this, there was published and proclaimed by both Consuls, a supplication for the space of 2 daies. When the Consuls had cast lots for the parting of their governments, the Pretors likewise went presently about the same for their provinces. To M. Junius Brutus fell both the jurisdictions, as well of Citizens as aliens. A Cornel. Mammula had the charge of the Brutii. M. Emilius Lepidus of Sardinia, and L. Oppius Salinator of Sardinia. C. Levidus Salinator was L. Admiral of the navy, and L. Acilius Paulus governor of the nether Spain. And in this manner following, were the armies and forces distributed and appointed. Unto A. Cornelius were assigned the new soldiers which the former year L. Quintus the Consul, by virtue of an Act of the Senat, had enrolled. And his commission was to defend and keep in order all that tract and coast about Tarentum and Brundisium. As for L. Emilius Paulus, who was to take a voyage into the farther Spain, he was allowed (besides the army which he was to receive of M. Fulvius the Pro-Pretor) to have the conduct of three thousand new soldiers footmen, and three hundred horse: so that of them, two third parts should consist of allies of the Latin nation, and one third of Roman Citizens. The supply was lent unto C. Flaminius into the higher Spain, whose commission was renewed for to have the command thereof. M. Emilius Lepidus had commandment to receive the government of the province, and withal, the conduct of the army, at the hands of L. Valerius, whom he was to succeed; and if he thought so good, to keep with him in the Province L. Valerius, in quality and place of a Vice-Pretor: and so to divide the province, that the one part should reach from *Argentunum* to *Pachynus*; the other half from *Pachynus* to *Tyndarum* (also, that L. Valerius should defend the sea-coasts and the river with a fleet of twenty Gallies. The same Pretor aforesaid was to levy and gather a double tenth of corn, and to take order for the convey thereof to the sea, and to be embarked and transported into Greece. The like commission had L. Oppius, to exact and take another tenth in Sardinia: but that grain was to be brought to Rome, and not to be carried over into Greece. C. Livius the Pretor and Admiral of the navy, was appointed with 300 sail ready rigged and trimmed, to sail into Greece with all speed, and to receive the ships that *Acilius* had: likewise to repair, rigge and furnish the old vessels that rid in the harbors, or lay at one side up in docks. M. Junius the Pretor his charge was, to levy mariners and rowers from among the libertines, for to serve that Armado. And there were sent Embassadors into *Africa* to Carthage, and into *Numidia*, three into either part, for to seek and purvey corn to be sent into Greece, for which the people of Rome would make present payment. And so wholly employed was the City to prepare and take order for this war, that P. Cornelius the Consul published an Edict, that no Senators, or any that had authority to give their opinion in the Senat, neither any inferior Magistrates, should take any journey out of the City, farther then they might have return againe the same day: Item, that there should not be five Senators absent at once from Rome.

C. Livius the Pretor, whilst he used all diligence and care to prepare and provide his fleet, was empeached and hindered a time, by occasion of a debate and contention that arose between him and the Colonies of the sea-side. For when they should be gathered and sent to sea, they appeared to the Tribunes of the Com. from whom they were put over and referred to the Senat: and the Senat with one voice and accord pronounced and determined, that these Colonies were not exempted from sea-service. The Colonies that contended with the Pretor about their immunities were these, *Hestia, Fregena, Castrum novum, Pyrgi, Antium, Tarracina, Minturne* and *Stintia*.

This done, the Consul Acilius by order from the Senat, consulted with the college of the Feciales or Herald at arms, and demanded their advice. Whether the war should be proclaimed and defiance given to *Antiochus* himself in person; or if were sufficient, to intimate and denounce the same to some one of his garrisons? Also whether they would advise to proclaim war against the *Ætolians* apart by themselves: or whether it were not meet and convenient first to disclaim and renounce their society and friendship, and then to proclaim and denounce hostility? The Feciales answered, that heretofore they had determined and cleared this point, at what time as



"suppose that our embassy effect nothing at his hands, yet may we provide and take order, that  
 "if we cannot work and win them to side with our selves, yet that he shall not combine and band  
 "with our enemies. Your Ion *Selenus* is now at *Lysimachia*, who shall not so soon with those forces  
 "which he hath about him, begin to invade and wait (by the way of *Thracia*) the confines of *Ma-*  
 "*cedony*, but he shall withdraw and turn *Philip* clean away (from giving succour to the Romans) to  
 "the defence especially of his own. Thus have you heard mine advice as touching *Philip*: now for  
 "the whole course and managing of the war, what mine opinion was, you have not been ignorant  
 "of from the first beginning. If then, I might have had mine own waies, and my counsell had been  
 "taken, the Romans should not have received intelligences of the taking of *Chalcis* in *Enba-*  
 "nor of the forcing and winning of a little pile upon *Enripus*; but they had heard by this, that all  
 "the coast of the *Ligurians* and of the *Cisalpine Gauls* was up in arms and on a light fire of war;  
 "and (which would have feared and frighted them most) that *Annibal* was in *Italy*. And now  
 "things standing as they do) my advice is, that you send for all your forces both by land and sea.  
 "Let your carriks and bulks with victuals and provision follow after your armado & ships of war.  
 "For in this place, like as we are too few to perform any martial exploits, so we are too many,  
 "considering our small store of victuals. And when you talked and united all your force together,  
 "divide your navy in two parts: the one you shall keep in the roade of *Coreyra*, to impeach the Ro-  
 "mans, that they shall not passe in safety and security, the other you shall cause to sail unto that  
 "coast of *Italy* which looketh toward *Sardinia* and *Afriek*. Your self in proper person, with all  
 "your land army shall march onward into the territory of the *Bylliones*: whence shall ye have good  
 "means for the defence of *Greece*, as making the Romans believe, that you are upon the point  
 "to pass the seas, yea, and being ready indeed to crosse over if need should require. This gene-  
 "rally is my counsell: mine, I say, who as I will not take upon me a singular skill in all kinds of war,  
 "so me thinks I should know how to war with the Romans, as having learned my skill thereby,  
 "as well to my cost as advantage, and as much with my good as harm, & look whatsoever deign-  
 "ment I have projected unto you, I promise and protest, that I will be faithful and forward in  
 "the execution thereof: and the gods approve and blesse that course, which your self shall think  
 "the best. To this effect, in a manner, was the oration of *Annibal* directed; which all that were  
 "in place and heard it, rather praised for the present, then put in practice and effected afterwards.  
 "For no one thing was done of all that he had said, save only *Antiochus* sent *Polyxenidas* for a navy  
 "and army out of *Asia*; yes, there were Embassadors also dispatched to the General Diet of the  
 "Theffalians. And a day was appointed for the *Etolians* and *Aminander* to meet the army at *Pha-*  
 "*ra*, whither King *Antiochus* came freight after with his power. And whilst he staid there, ex-  
 "pecting *Aminander* and the *Etolians*, he sent out one *Philip* a *Megapolitan*, with two thousand men  
 "to gather out the bones and reliques of the *Macedonians* about *Cynosephale*, where the war with  
 "*Philip* was determined, and the quarrel decided by a famous battell: were it that therein he fol-  
 "lowed his own heart and took a conceit, thereby to wind himself into grace and favour with the  
 "Macedonian Nation, and to bring the King into obloquie and disgrace, because he left his soldiery  
 "unburied: or that, as it is the vein (or vanity rather) engrained in Kings by kind, he let his mind  
 "and buffed his spirits in matters, for appearance gay and goodly, but in effect fond & foolish. There  
 "he made a mount (as it were) of a number of bones gathered together into one place, that lay scatter-  
 "tering and strewd here and there: a thing no doubt that the *Macedonians* conned him not thank  
 "for, and which *Philip* (you may be sure) took in foul scorn and malicious disdain. And therefore  
 "*Philip*, who at that time minded to take counsell of Fortune, and to be directed by her, as the en-  
 "clined now, sent to *Marcus Bibulus* the Vice-Pretor, and advertised him, how *Antiochus* invaded  
 "Theffalia, and if it pleased him to stir out of his winter labour, he would meet him, that they might  
 "confer both together what were best to be done.

While *Antiochus* lay now encamped before *Phera*, where *Aminander* and the *Etolians* had  
 "joynd with him, there came Embassadors from *Larissa*, expoliating, Wherein the Theffalians  
 "had to offend either by deed or word, that he would molest and trouble them with war; and  
 "withall beseeching him to retire & withdraw his forces, and debate the matter (if he had ought a-  
 "gainst them) by his Embassadors. At the same time they sent five hundred men in armes, well ap-  
 "pointed, under the governance of *Hippolochus*, to lie there in garison, who because they could not  
 "pass thither, by reason that all the avenues were seized and kept by the Kings forces, returned to  
 "*Scoutusa*. As for the Embassadors of the *Larissians*, the King made them a gracious answer, and said,  
 "That he was entered into Theffaly, not by way of hostility to distresse them, but in friendly man-  
 "ner to maintain and establish the freedom of the Theffalians. Likewise he sent an Embassador to  
 "*Phera*, to signify so much to them and in the same terms. But the *Phereans* giving him no an-  
 "swer again, dispatched unto the King an Embassador of their own, one *Pasiphilus*, a principal man  
 "of their City. Who after he had pleaded the semblable remonstrances to those, that had been  
 "in the like case alleged and laid forth in the behalf and name of the *Chalcidians*, in that Coun-  
 "cell holden neer the freights of *Enripus*, and besides, uttered something else with more bold-  
 "ness and courage; the King dismissed him, after he had willed them to consider more of the  
 "matter, and be well advised, that they took not that counsell which anon they would repent,  
 "whiles they thought to be too wary, provident, and forcasting the future time. When this em-  
 "bassage was related at *Phera*, the Citizens took no long time to deliberate, but soon resolved in  
 "the maintenance of their faith and loyalty to the Romans for to undergo whatsoever hazard

At the fortune of war should present unto them. Whereupon both they addressed themselves to  
 "defend the City with all their might, and also the King began to assault and batter the walls on all  
 "parts at once. And knowing well enough (as in truth there was no doubt) that in the issue of the  
 "siege of that City which he first enterprised, lay the whole importance and consequence of all, ei-  
 "ther to make him despised ever after, or feared and dread of the Theffalians, therefore he terrified  
 "the besieged inhabitants, on every side, and by all means possible that he could devise. The  
 "first assault they sustained stoutly and manfully; but afterwards seeing many of the defendants were  
 "either overturned or slain, or grievously hurt and wounded, their hearts began to quail: yet re-  
 "claimed by the rebukes and chafflements of their captains and leaders, and animated by their ef-  
 "fectual exhortations, to persist still in their purpose and resolution, they quit the utmost compals  
 "of the wall (leaving a what default they were for want of men) and retired themselves more in-  
 "ward into the City, into one part thereof, which was strongly fortified with a mure and less cir-  
 "cuit and compals then the other. At the length, overcome with travell and calamities, and fear-  
 "ing that if they were forced and taken by assault, they should find no mercy nor pardon with  
 "the conqueror, they yielded themselves. The King following the train of victory, delayed co  
 "time, but whilst the fight was fresh, sent four thousand armed men presently to *Scoutusa*, where  
 "the townsmen made no stay, but rendered the town and themselves incontinently, having before  
 "their eies the fresh bleeding example of the *Phereans*, who ramed by mere force and want of mi-  
 "series, were compelled to do that at last which they oblatinly refused at the first. Together with  
 "the City it self was surrendered also *Hippolochus* and the *Larissian* garison under his hand. All of  
 "them the King sent away without any hurt or violence offered unto their persons: for he thought  
 "thetby to win the hearts and love of the *Larissians*. Having accomplished these exploits within  
 "ten daies after his first coming to *Phera*, he marched towards *Crano* with all his army, and at his  
 "first coming won it. Then he reigned and seized *Cyrra* and *Metropolis*, and the boroughs &  
 "sorts about them: so as now all those quarters were subdued and put under his jurisdiction, except  
 "*Avax* and *Gyro*. Then he determined to assail *Larissa*, supposing, that either upon the fearful  
 "terror of other Cities forced, or in regard of his demerit in dismissing the garison to court con-  
 "sily, or by the present example of so many Cities yielded unto him, they would not long persist  
 "in their obduracy. And for to terrifie them the more, he commanded the elephants to march in  
 "the forefront of the vanguard, and approached himself in a square battell, with four sides, in such  
 "D sort as the hearts of many of the *Larissians* waved in doubtful suspense, between forced fear of  
 "present enemies, and kind regard of absent friends.

In this time *Aminander*, with the whole youth and manhood of the *Athamians*, became ma-  
 "ster of *Pelinaum*, *Menippus* also with three thousand *Etolian* footmen and two hundred horse  
 "went to *Perrhabia*, won *Mallea* and *Cyrra* by assault, and waited the territory of *Tripolis*. Hav-  
 "ing performed these exploits with great expedition, and celerity, they returned to *Larissa* unto  
 "the King, and arrived even then when as the King was in consultation what to do with *Larissa*:  
 "for the counsell was divided into diverse opinions. Some thought it good to proceed forcibly,  
 "and not to defer and assail the Cities wals with fabricks and engines of battery on all sides at once:  
 "alleging that the town being situated in a plain towards the champain field side, might be ap-  
 "E proached unto with ease and invellid every way. Others again inferred one while, that there was  
 "no comparison between the strength of this City and of *Phera*: other while, that it was now winter  
 "time, and a season of the year far unfit for warlike executions, and most of all other for the siege and  
 "assault of Cities. As the King thus hung in the equal balance of hope and despair, the Em-  
 "bassadors of *Pharalus* arrived, who, as good hap was, being come to surrender up their town, revived  
 "his spirits and mightily comforted his heart.

*M. Bibulus* in this mean while having parlied and conferred with *Philip* in the *Dassaretians*  
 "country, sent *Appius Claudius* by the common advice of them both, to the succour and defence  
 "of *Larissa*; who passed through *Macedony*, and by long journeyes came to the top of those hills  
 "that command *Goni*. Now this *Goni* is a town twenty miles distant from *Larissa*, seated ju-  
 "st in the very freights of that Forrest and passe called *Tempe*; who having taken up a larger circuit  
 "of ground to encamp in, then was proportionable to his number, and made more fires in them then  
 "need was for that company, gave semblance unto the enemy (which was the thing he aimed at)  
 "that all the Roman forces were there, together with King *Philip*. King *Antiochus* therefore  
 "preceeding unto his army, that the unseasonable winter that approached, after he had stayed one  
 "only day before *Larissa*, dislodged, and thence departed, and to returned to *Demetrias*. The *Et-*  
 "*olians* likewise and *Athamians* repaired to their own countries.

*Appius*, albeit he saw that the siege was levied (which was the only cause of his coming) yet  
 "down he went to *Larissa* to encourage and confirm the hearts of the allies against the time to  
 "come. And a two-fold joy there was, both because the enemies were gone and had quit their coun-  
 "try, and also for that they saw the Roman garison within their wals. King *Antiochus* departed  
 "from *Demetrias* to *Chalcis*, where he fell in love and love with a damell of that City, daughter  
 "of *Cleptolemus* a *Chalcidian*. Now after he made means to the maidens father first by intercel-  
 "sion of messengers and mediators, and after by importuning him in his own person with earnest  
 "requests by word of mouth (who was very loth and unwilling to entangle & tie himself in match-  
 "ing her so high above his own calling) at length he overcame the man, that he obtained his desire;  
 "and as if it had been a time of settled and confirmed peace, he proceeded to consummate and cele-  
 "brat

brat the marriage. And forgetting clean, how at one time he had undertaken the charge of two affairs so important, to wit, the war with the Romans, and the deliverance of Greece; he passed away the rest of the winter in feasts and banquets, and in those delights and pleasures, which ordinarily (you wot well) follow upon the liberal drinking of wine; yea, and when he had thereby rather wearied his body than fulfilled his appetite, he gave himself to sleep without compulse. The like riot and loose life took hold of the rest of the Kings captains, by example in all places; but in Boeotia especially, such as commanded the garrisons. Nay, the very soldiers were let loose and given over to take voluptuous waies, and not one of them would put on armor, keep the watch, or attend the guard, or do any thing pertaining to the duty and charge of a soldier. And therefore at the beginning of the spring, when he was come by *Phocis* and *Cheronea* to the *Randevous*, where he had appointed from all parts his forces to meet, he soon perceived that the soldiers had from the winter as licentious as their leaders, and kept no better order and stricter discipline. Then he commanded *Alexander* himself having done sacrifice at *Delphi* to the honour of *Apollony* to *Stratus*, a town in *Boeotia*. Himself having done sacrifice at *Delphi* to the honour of *Apollony* went forward to *Nanpaktum*. And after the Diet holden of all the States of *Boeotia*, in the way which leadeth to *Stratus*, along by *Chalcis* and *Lyfimaehia*, he encountered his own forces, which came by the gulf of *Malæa*. Where *Mnesiochus*, a Principal Acarnanian, but wrought and bought with many gifts and presents, not only himself won that nation to take part, and to side with the King, but also had drawn to his own mind and affection *Clitus* their Pretor, who at that time had the sovereign rule there, and might do all in all. He seeing that the Leucadians (who were the chief of all the Acarnanians) could not be easily induced nor brought to revolt, for the awe wherein they stood of the Roman fleet, which either was with *Attilius*, or about *Cephallenia*, went cunningly to work with them. For having delivered his opinion in their general Councell, that the inland parts of *Acarnania* were to be well guarded and defended; and that as many as were able to bear arms should go forth to *Medio* and *Tyrreum*, for fear those places should be seized by *Antiochus* and the *Ætolians*: there were again some who made answer and said, how there was no such need that all should be raised and levied so tumultuously in haste; for said, how there was no such need that all should be raised and levied so tumultuously in haste; for a garrison of five hundred men was sufficient. And when he had obtained that number of young and able men, he placed three hundred of them in garrison at *Medio*, and two hundred at *Tyrreum*: his reach and drift was to have them put into the Kings hands for hostages. And even at that time arrived the Kings Embassadors at *Medio*, whose embassy being heard, they laid their heads together and consulted in the publick assembly what answer to return unto the King. Some were of opinion to continue still in the Roman society: others were of advice again, that the Kings offer of amity was not to be rejected. The counsell of *Clytus* was mean and indifferent between both, and therefore accepted, to wit, that they should address the Embassadors to the King, to in- treat him that he would permit them to take a day of deliberation upon a matter of such consequence in a full Diet of the Acarnanians. In this Embassy *Mnesiochus*, and those of basifaction were employed of set purpose: who having dispatched messengers covertly to King, to advertise him to approach the town with his forces, trifled out the time themselves, and made no haste to set forward in their embassy. Whereupon these Embassadors were scarcely gone forth of the City, when *Antiochus* was entered the borders, and anon shewed himself hard at the gates. And whies they that with nothing of this treason were affrighted, and in great trouble and tumult, called the youth hastily to arms, he was by *Clytus* and *Mnesiochus* let into the City. Some willingly of themselves came running about the King: those also that were of the adventure, for very fear joyined with him. Whom he seeing to be afraid and terrified, he entertained with gracious words, and so gently handled them, that in hope of his clemency to much divulged and spoken of abroad, certain States of *Acarnania* revolted and turned unto him. Then from *Medio* he went to *Tyrreum*, unto which place he had sent *Mnesiochus*; and his Embassadors shewed him. But the treachery and deceit at *Medio* being discovered, made the Tyrreans more wary and careful than otherwise fearful, who made him this plain direct answer without any double ambiguity, that they would admit of no new alliance, without the advice and authority of the Roman Generals: so they shut their gates, and disposed armed men upon their walls. Now he fell out very ill and happily for confirming, and encouraging the hearts of the Acarnanians, that *Cn. Octavius* sent by *Quintus*, having received a garrison and some few ships of *A. Posthumus*, who by *Attilius* the Lieutenant had been appointed Governour of *Cephallenia*, was come to *Leuca*; and by *Attilius* the Consul had already passed the seas with his legions, and the Romans were encamped in *Theffaly*. And for as much as this bruit carried a great likelihood of truth, by reason that the season of the year served now for navigation, the King after he had planted a garrison at *Medio* and in other towns of *Acarnania*, departed from *Tyrreum*, and passing through the Cities of *Boeotia* and *Phocis*, returned to *Chalcis*.

Much about the time *M. Babinus* and King *Philip*, who had communed and devised together before (during the winter) in the Dardanelles country, having sent *Appius Claudius* into *Theffaly*, for to raise the siege before *Larissa*; and because the season then was unmeet and too poor for execution of any exploit, were retired to their wintering harbours, now in the beginning of the Spring joyined all their forces together and came down into *Theffaly*. (Now at that time was *Antiochus* in *Acarnania*.) And at their first coming, *Philip* began to lay siege unto *Malæa*

*Malæa*, and *Babinus* to *Phacum*: which when he had forced in manner at the first assault, he won *Phellus* also with like expedition. From whence having retired himself to *Atrax*, he took *Chyrenia*, and so consequently surprized *Eritum*, and after he had planted garrisons in these towns that he had thus recovered, he joyined with *Philip* again lying in siege before *Malæa*. Upon the very coming of the Roman army, when the townsmen had yielded themselves either for fear of forces, or for hope of pardon, they marched jointly together with one army to recover those towns whereof the Athamians were seized: to wit, *Ægium*, *Ericium*, *Gomphi*, *Silae*, *Tricca*, *Meli-* *bea*, and *Pholonia*: After this, they invetted *P. Æneum*, where *Philip* the Megapolitan lay in garrison with five hundred foot, and forty horie: but before they gave the assault, they sent a trumpet to *Philip* to give him warning, that he should not ad- venture to try the utmost hazard. But he returned this answer again right stoutly unto them, that he would be content to commit himself to the Romans or the Theffalians, he asked not whether, but put his life and estate into the hands for that it seemed that *Limna* also at the same time might be assaulted, it was thought expedient that the King should go to *Limna*, and *Babinus* staid still to batter and force the town of *Pelleneum*.

It turned at the same time that *M. Acilius* the Consul, having passed the seas with a power of 10000 foot, and 2000 horie and fifteen Elephants, commanded certain chosen Colonels of footmen to conduct all the Infantry to *Larissa*, whilst himself with the Cavalry came to King *Philip* before *Limna*. At the coming of the Consul the town was yielded incontinently: the Kings garrison was delivered, and the Athamians withall. Then the Consul went from *Limna* to *Pelleneum*, where the Athamians yielded first and afterwards *Philip* also the Megapolitan rendered himself. And as he came down from the fort, *Philip* the King chanced to meet with him, and in scorn and derision commanded his men to salute him with the title of King, and himself also by way of mockage came close unto him, and greeting him by the name of brother *Philip*, scoffing and jesting in broad terms, far unfitting, I wot, his royal Majesty. Then was he brought before the Consul, and put in ward, and not long after sent bound to *Rome*. All the multitude besides of the Athamians, also of King *Antiochus* his soldiers, which were within the garrisons of those towns that were surrendered about that time were delivered unto *Philip*, who amounted to the number of 3000. The Consul departed to *Larissa* to consult and take advice for the general course of the whole war. And in his way there met him Embassadors from *Pieria* and *Metropolis*, for to render their Cities. *Philip* having courteously and lovingly intreated above all other the prisoners of the Athamians, that by their means he might win the grace and favour of that nation, and conceived some hope to conquer *Athamania*, led his army thither, and sent his captives aforehand into their several Cities. Now they were of great account and reputation among their countreymen, and withall made report of the King his clemency toward them, and how liberally and bountifully besides he used them: And *Aminander* verily, whose presence and majesty had kept some of them in allegiance, fearing lest he should be delivered into the hands of *Philip* (who long time had been his mortal enemy) and unto the Romans, whom he knew to have just cause at that time to be offended with him for his revolt, departed out of his own Realm with his wife and children, and retired himself to *Ambracia*. Thus all *Athamania* became subject to King *Philip*, and at his pleasure.

The Consul journeyed certain daies at *Larissa*, especially for to refresh his beasts, which first had been sea-sick, and afterwards were tired with long travel; and thus when he had renewed, as it were, and repaired his army with a little rest and repose, he marched to *Crato*. At his coming thither, these towns, to wit, *Pharsalus*, *Scantissa*, and *Pharia*, together with King *Antiochus* his garrisons that lay there, were yielded up unto him. And having put unto their choice, either to be gone or tarry till with him: as many of them as he saw willing (and those were about a thousand) he delivered unto King *Philip*: the rest he sent back disarmed to *Demetrius*. Then he regained *Proerna* and the fortresses and piles thereof, and when he approached the fountains, upon which the town *Thaumacia* situate, all the flower of the youth in their armour quit the City, and put themselves in ambush about the woods and passages, and from the higher ground charged upon the Romans in their march. The Consul at the first sent certain unto them, to par- l near at hand with them, and to see if they could scare them from such desperate outrage: but perceiving that they persisted still as they began, he commanded a Colonel with two ensigns of soldiers to fetch a compass about, whereby he possessed himself of the City, being void of defendants. They they that lay in the forefront in ambush, hearing an outcry behind their backs of the town taken, fled backward out of all parts of the wood, and fell upon the sword. The Consul then departed from *Thaumacia*, and the second day came as far as the river *Spercheus*, and so forward unto the territory of the *Hypanians*, which he spoiled.

During the time of these occurrences, *Antiochus* lay at *Chalcis*, who by this time seeing that he had gotten in Greece, but the pleasure of one wintering, spent so deliciously in *Chalcis*, and a dishonourable marriage; began to blame the *Ætolians* for their vain promises, and especially *Thous*; but *Antiochus* he had in great admiration, reputed him not only for a sage and prudent man, but also for a true Prophet, who foretold him of all things that then were come to pass: howbeit for

feared that his cold slackness might not overthrow that quite, which his rash folly had begun and enterprised, he sent out his couriers into *Ætolia*, to give them warning to levy all their youth and assemble them together; and himself for his own part had brought thither almost 10000 footmen, who were made up full and furnished by them that after came out of *Asia*, and 500 horsemen besides. To this place, perceiving that there repaired smaller numbers by many degrees than ever at any time before, and that they were but the Nobles only and some few of their valiant, who protested that they had done their endeavor to levy out of their Cities as many as possibly they could: but neither by authority, nor for love and favour, nor yet with absolute command were they able to prevail or do any good with them that refused warfare; and seeing himself thus forsaken on all sides, as well of his own subjects who dragged behind in *Asia*, as of his allies who performed not those matters, in the hope whereof they had called him to assist them, he withdrew himself within the straits of *Thermopylae*.

This mountain divideth *Greece* in the very middle, like as *Italy* is parted in twain by the ridge of the *Apennine*. On the fore-part of this straight and forest of *Thermopylae* toward the North lyeth *Epirus* and *Perthetia*, *Magnesia* and *Theffaly*, also the Phiotæ of *Achaia*, and the gulph *Malea*: but more toward is discovered the greatest part of *Ætolia* and *Acarnania*, *Phocia*, *Locris*, and *Boeotia*, together with the Island *Euboea* joining close thereto: behind it is situate the country of *Attica* running into the sea like a promontory, and besides it *Peloponnesus*. This mountain taking his beginning at *Leucas* and the Ponant or Western sea, reacheth through *Ætolia* to the Levant or Eastern Ocean, and is so full of rocks and rough crags between, that no whole armies, nor, for so much as single travellers lightly appointed, can find but hardly and with much ado the waies and paths to pass through: the utmost brows and the hills of this mountain bending toward the east they call *Oeta*; and the highest pitch and knop thereof, is called *Callidromos*; at the foot whereof lyeth the valley leading toward the gulph of *Malea*, wherein the plain is not above three or four paces broad. And this is the only high and port-way by which an army may march, if it be not otherwise impeached. And hereupon it is, that the passage is called \* *Pylæ*: and of some (because there are found therein certain natural hot waters or bays) *Thermopylae*: even that very place which is so famous and renowned for the memorable death of the Lacedæmonians more than for any worthy battell against the Persians. Here lay encamped *Antiochus* at this present (carrying nothing that mind nor resolution as those Lacedæmonians did) within the gates as it were of the straits, where he enclosed and stopped the passage besides, with strong defences: And when he had cut a double rampire and trench, yea, and raised a mure and wall where need was (which to do the place afforded him great plenty of stone lying every where) and had made all sure: presuming confidently that the Roman army would never venture nor be able to break through those barricadoes that way: he sent of those 4000 *Ætolians* (for so many were met together) some to keep a garrison in *Heraclea*, situate even before the very gullet and freight; and others to *Hypata*: for that he made no doubt but the Consul would assault *Heraclea*, and many polls brought word that all about *Hypata* was already wasted.

Now the Consul having spoiled the territory of *Hypata* first, and then of *Heraclea*, (where the *Ætolians* aids did no good and served to no purpose in the one place or the other) pitched his camp over-against the King. even in the very mouth of the gullet, near the fountains of the hot waters aforesaid: both those regiments above-named of the *Ætolians* were got within the town *Heraclea*, and there kept themselves sure. *Antiochus*, who before he saw his enemies, though all was fast enough and sufficiently fenced, began then to fear lest the Roman soldiers would find out some private paths and waies, thereby they might pass and get over those high hills that commanded his camp: for a rumour run, that the Lacedæmonians in times past were to enclose by the Persians, and of late daies also King *Philip* was likewise compassed and environed by the very same Romans. Whereupon he dispatched a messenger to the *Ætolians* in *Heraclea*, willing them to do him thus much service yet in these his wars, as to seize the tops of those hills and to keep them that the Romans might have no passage that way. Upon this message received, there arose some dissension among the *Ætolians*. Some were of mind to obey the King his will and commandment and to go accordingly; but others thought better to tarry still at *Heraclea*, to attend upon fortune and see what would happen: to the end, that if the King should chance to be vanquished by the Consul, they might have in readiness their forces fresh and in heart, to succour and aid their own Cities near at hand; or if his luck were to defeat the Consul, then they might follow the Romans in chase, when they were disbanded and scattered asunder. Both parts, thus divided as they were, not only perswaded him in their several designments, but also put the same in execution by themselves. For two thousand of them remained at *Heraclea*; the other two thousand parted themselves three waies, namely, to *Callidromos*, to *Rhoduntia*, and *Tichius*. (these are the names of three principal high hills;) and each company took and held one. The Consul when he saw that the *Ætolians* were possessed of these higher places, sent *M. Porcius Cato* and *L. V. Flaccus* two of his Lieutenants, to wit, *Flaccus* against *Rhoduntia* and *Tichius* and *Cato* against *Callidromos*: himself before that he advanced his battell against his enemies, made a brief speech unto his soldiers in this manner: "My soldiers, I see that the most part of you even of every quality and degree, are they that in this very Province sometime served under the conduct, charge, and government of *T. Quintius* in the Macedonian war. The Straits of

\* *ie. Galis.*

A "of that passage then, near the river *Aous*, were it so more difficult to gain and get over, than this is; for here are very gates, yea, and one natural way (as it were) to pass through, as if alleluia were stopped up between two seas. There were more strong defences and scones against them at that time, and those planted in places more convenient and commodious. The army of the enemies then, was both for number greater & for men & soldiers much better; for therein were the Macedonians, the Thracians, and the Illyrians, most fierce and warlike nations: in this are the Syrians and Asiatick Greeks; or half Asians, the vainest kind of people of all others, and born to serve. The King there, namely *Philip*, a most noble warrior exerted and inversed every from his youth in the neighbour wars of the Thracians and Illyrians. And all the nations bordering upon him: but this *Antiochus* (to say nothing of all his lie besides) is he who being come out of *Asia* into Europe, for to make war upon the people of *Rome*, hath done all the long wintertime nothing more memorable than this, That for to please his wanton lust he hath taken to wife the daughter of a private person; a man (I say) of low degree and baseness among other Citizens: & this new married man, fed fat and franked (as I may so say) with dainty suppers, & delicate bride-bankets, is come forth (forsooth) to fight a battell. His whole strength and all his hope hath been in the *Ætolians*, a people of all others most vain, uncontant, and unthankfull, as ye have tried heretofore; and *Antiochus* findeth true at this present. For neither assembled they in great number, nor possible was it to keep them together in the camp: nay, which more is, they mutine among themselves, and having demanded and required the guard of *Hypata* and *Heraclea*, they have defended neither the one nor the other. Some of them are fled to the tops of the mountains; others have shut themselves within *Heraclea*. The King himself hath confided plainly, that he was never so hardy as to meet in plain field and affront the enemy, nor so much as to pitch his camp in open ground; in that abandoning all that country before him, which he vaunted and bragged that he had taken from us and *Philip*, he hath hidden himself among the rocks. He hath not encamped before the entrance of the gullet and straits (as the same goeth of the Lacedæmonians in times past) but pitched his tents far within. And to bewray his cowardly fear, What difference is there between us doing, and hounding himself within the walls of some City for to be besieged? But neither shall those narrow straits save him no more than those steep hills defend the *Ætolians*, which they have seized. This one thing hath been foretold and provided for on all sides, that ye shall have nothing to make head against, but your enemies.

D "Now must ye resolve upon this point, That ye fight not only for the liberty of *Greece* (and yet even this also were a brave and honourable title, to be said for to deliver the same now out of the hands of *Antiochus* and the *Ætolians*, which before ye freed from King *Philip*) nor that ye shall have no other reward and recompence for your pains, but that which we shall find now in the Kings camp, but also that the great provision and furniture which daily is expected from *Ephesus*, shall be your prize and booty, and that ye shall hereafter make a way for the Roman Empire into *Asia*, *Syria*, and all those most wealthy and rich Reims, even as far as to the Levant Sea. And what shall let us then, but that from *Gades* to the red sea we bound and limit our State and Dominion, even with the very Ocean that environeth and compasseth the round globe of the earth? What shall hinder us, I say, but that all the nations of the world shall honour and worship the Roman name next unto the immortal gods? Prepare your hearts therefore and courage answerable to so high rewards, that with the leave and help of the gods we may to morrow fight a field. After this speech the assembly brake up, and the soldiers being dismissed, made ready their armor and weapons, before they took repast or repose. And in the morning, by dawning of the day, the Consul put out the signal of battell, and for his army in array, with a narrow and pointed front, according to the nature and straightness of the place. The King seeing the ensigns of his enemies, led forth his forces likewise. Part of his light armours he planted before the rampire and trench in the forefront, then he placed the flower and strength of the Macedonians, whom they call *Sarissophori*, i.e. Pikemen, for the fury and safeguard of his defences and fortifications. And to flank these on the left side, he put the archers, the flingers of darts, and flingers of stones, hard upon the foot of the hill, that from the higher ground they might assail and pelt the naked sides of the enemies. On the right flank of these Macedonians, at the very edge and point of the mmes and defences, which as they were enclosed and mounded with those places which reach to the sea, and are unpassable by reason of the bogs, muddy marshes, quagmires, and quicksands, he set the Elephants with their ordinary and usual guard. After them his horsemen and men of arms. Then leaving an indifferent space between, he ranged the rest of his forces in the second ward or middle battailon. The Macedonians who were belittled before the camp and the trench, at the first sustained the Romans easily enough (who assailed on every side to make an entry) for much help they had of them, who from the upper ground weighed bullets out of their slings, as thick as an hail storm, who launched darts aloft, and shot arrows besides. But when as afterwards greater numbers of enemies pressed upon them, and charged them with such violence as possibly might not be endured, they gave ground, and retired within their fortifications, keeping yet their array and their ranks whole. And then from the rampire they made (as it were) another pallisado with their long pikes that they held out afore them. Now the height of their camp-mure was so reasonable, that as it afforded some rise and vantage of ground for their own men to fight upon it, so by reason of the length of their spears, they might reach the enemy under them, in so much as many of the Romans approaching rashly, and venturing to clamber up,



were run clean through: and either they had given over and done nothing, or else more of them had died for it, but that *M. Porcius Cato* having beaten from the top of *Callidromus* the *Etolians*, and slain a great part of them (for he surprised them suddenly at unawares, and took of them fast asleep) appeared upon the hill that commandeth the camp. *Flaccus* sped not so well at *Tichius* and *Rhoduntius*, who laboured to get up those cliffs and holds, but to no purpose. The *Macedonians* and the rest that were in the Kings host and camp, at first, when they perceived of nothing but a multitude and number marching, imagined verily, that they were the *Etolians*, who having discovered the battell and fight a good way off were coming to aid them. But so soon as they beheld and discerned near at hand the ensignes and armour of the Romans, they took themselves in their own error, and were upon a sudden stricken with such fear, that they all flung their weapons away, and fled. But both their fortifications and defences in the way, & also the narrowness of the vale through which they were to be pursued, hindered the Romans in following the chase. And the Elephants above all which were in the reerward took up the ground so, as that the footmen could hardly pass by them, and the horsemen by no means possible; so afflicted were the horses, and caused more trouble and disorder among themselves, than they did during the battell. Besides the Romans staid sometime behind, whilst they rifled and ranacked the camp. Howbeit, they had the enemy in chase that day as far as *Lysium*, killing and taking in the very way, not only many horses and men, but also slaying the Elephants which they could not take alive; which done, they returned to their own camp, which that day had been assailed by the *Etolians*, who were of the garrison of *Heraclea*: but that enterprise, as it was exceeding bold and audacious, so it took no effect at all. The Consul having at the reliefe of the third watch the night ensuing, sent before his Cavalry to pursue the enemy, advanced likewise the ensignes of his legions forward by break of day. The King by this time had won some ground, and got a good way before; for he never gave over galloping with bridle in horse neck, until he had recovered *Elatia*. Where first he gathered together the broken ends of his army thus dispersed in flight, and lo having rallied a small and poor troop of souldiers, and the same armed by the halis, he retired to *Chalcis*. The Roman Cavalry was not able to overtake the King himself at *Elatia*, but overthrew and cut off a great part of his army, which either for weariness reeled themselves dragging behind, or else were scattered one from the other, as missing their way in those unknown quarters, going as they did without their guides: and letting aside five hundred which kept about the King, there was not one that escaped of the whole army. Which was but a small number in proportion of 10000. (if they were no more) for so many (according to *Polybius*) we have written that the King conducted over with him for his part into *Greece*. What were they then to that great power, which (if we believe *Valerius Antias*) came with the King for he writeth that he had in his host threecore thousand, and that forty thousand were slain of them, and above five thousand taken prisoners, with the loss of military ensignes two hundred and thirty. Of Romans there died in all a hundred and fifty.

As the Consul marched with his army through *Phocis* and *Boeotia*, the States and Cities which were privy to the revolt and partly culpable, stood without their gates with their insults and veils in token of peace, and craved mercy, tearing they should have been pillaged and ranacked as enemies. But his host journeyed every day in a peaceable and friend-country, doing no hurt or wrong to any earthly creature, until they were come into the territory of *Corona*: where the Statue or Image of *Antiochus* erected in the Temple of *Minerva Itona* kindled their choler, and the souldiers were permitted to spoil the country lying about that Temple. But bethinking themselves that (considering the said Statue was set up with the publique consent of all *Boeotia*) it was an indignity to deal so hardly with that territory only of *Corona*, the souldiers were immediately called in and reclaimed, and to they ceased the waiting and spoiling thereof. The *Boeotians* only had a check and rebuke by words, for carrying so unthankfull hearts to the Romans, of whom they had so lately received such high favours and benefits.

At the very time of the battell aforesaid, there rode at anchor ten ships of the Kings, in the gulph of *Malta* near to *Thronium* under the charge and conduct of *Isidorus*. To what place *Alexander* the *Acarnanian*, being fled from the conflict, fresh bleeding and full of grievous wounds, broughnews of the unfortunate fight. Whereupon the ships in great fear for this late terrible made haste and away to *Cenenum* in *Eubaea*, where *Alexander* died, and was interred. But three other ships which were come out of *Asia*, and lay in the same road, upon the news of the defeat of the army, returned to *Ephesus*. And *Isidorus* crossed the seas from *Cenenum* to *Demetria*, if peradventure the King were fled thither. About that very time, *A. Atilius* the Admiral of the Roman navy intercepted and surprised great store of the Kings provisions, which had passed already the straits near the Island *Andros*. Some ships he sunk, others he boarded and took: as for those that came hindmost in the reerward, they turned sail and shaped their course into *Asia*, *Atilius* being returned to *Pyraeum* (from whence he came) with a fleet of ships taken from the enemies, divided great store of corn both among the Athenians, and other allies also of that country.

*Antiochus* somewhat before the Consul his coming, loosed from *Chalcis*, and first fell with the Island *Tenon*, and afterwards sailed to *Ephesus*. Against the Consul his arrivall at *Chalcis* the gates were set open for him, and *Asiaticke* the Captain there for the King, quit the place upon the approachment of the Consul. In like manner other Cities in *Eubaea* yielded without resistance. And so with many dates (when all troubles were appeased and set in quiet order without the hurt and damage

A damage of any one City) the army was brought back to *Thermopyle*, and won much more honour and commendation for the modesty used after victory, than for the victory it self.

From thence the Consul dispatched *M. Cato* to *Rome*, by whose certain and true relation the Senate and people might have full knowledge of all the affairs that had passed. Who taking sea at *Crenfa* (a port town of Merchandise standing within the inmost gulph of *Corinth*) arrived at *Patre*, a City in *Achaia*. From *Patre*, he coasted along the rivers of *Stolia* and *Acarnania*, as far as *Corinth*, and so cut over to \* *Hydruntum* in *Italy*, from whence he travelled by land, and in exceeding great haste within five daies came to *Rome*. Early in the morning before day light he entered the City and from the gate rode directly to *M. Junius* the Prator, who assembled the Senate betimes by the break of day: and thither, *L. Cornelius Scipio* (who some daies before had been dismissed) and sent away from the camp by the Consul) hearing at his first coming that *Cato* was got before him, and in the Senate repaired, even as he was relating the news. Then these two Lieutenants by the commandment of the Senate were presented in the generall assembly of the people, where they declared the same which they had done before in the Senate house, as touching the deeds achieved in *Stolia*. And ordained it was, that a solemn procession for three daies, should be holden; and that the Prator should sacrifice forty head of greater beasts, in the honour of what gods he would himself.

And at the same time *M. Fulvius Nobilior*, who two years before went as Prator into the farther *Spain*, entered the City in pomp of an Ovation, or petty triumph. He could be born before him of silver bigats 30000. And besides that, silver in coin and ready money, 12000 pound weight. Also in gold the weight of 127 pound. *Atilius* the Consul sent certain messengers from *Thermopyle* to the *Etolians* at *Heraclea*, to advertise them that before he came they would now at last be wiser, and bethink themselves (after such experience of the King his vanity and insufficiency) for to deliver up *Heraclea*, and crave pardon of the Senate, either for their willfull folly, or their blind error. Who used these and such like motives and inducements unto them, namely, That other Cities likewise of *Greece* (during this war) abandoned the Romans and revolted from them, at whose hands they had received so many benefits: yet because that after the King was fled (upon whose assurance they had disloyally broken their allegiance) they stood not out still, nor persisted obstinately in their fault and folly, were received to mercy and protection. The *Etolians* likewise albeit they followed not the King, but sent for him, and were rather conductors and D leaders, than companions and associates in this war, yet if they could take up in time and repent, they might be pardoned and saved. But no answer returned they tending to peace: nay, it appeared, that the matter would come to a trial by arms, and for all the King was vanquished, yet the *Etolian* war was behind as wholly and entire as before time. Whereupon the Consul dislodged from *Thermopyle*, and marched directly against *Heraclea*: yea, and the very same day he rode on horseback all about the walls to view the situation of the City. This *Heraclea* is seated at the foot of the mountain *Oeta*: & though the town itself standeth in a plain, yet a fortress it hath built upon an high ground, which as it overlooketh the City, so it is so steep on every side, that it is altogether inaccessible. After he had diligently beheld all things that were to be marked and known, he determined to assault the town in four places at once. Unto *L. Valerius* he gave in charge to plant his platforms and to batter that side where the river *Asopus* runneth, and where the publique place of exercise is built. *T. Sempronius Longus* had commission to assault the Castle, without the walls indeed, but yet better inhabited and more peopled (as a man would say) then the town it self. On that side which standeth toward the gulph of *Mela*, which part yielded the hardest access, he appointed *M. Babius*. And from another pretty river which they call \* *Mela*, he set *Appius Claudius* opposite against the Temple of *Diana*. Through the great industry and earnest labour of these four gallants, striving who could perform the best service, the work went so well forward, that within few daies the frames and platforms, the Rams and all other engines of battery meet for the assault of Cities were finished. For besides that the territory about *Heraclea*, being a moory ground and full of tall trees, afforded them plenty enough of timber to frame and perform all sorts of fabricks: the houses also in the entry of the City without in the Suburbs standing void, by reason that the *Etolians* had put themselves within the walls, yielded unto them not only posts, beams, joists, planks, and boards, but brick, and tile, plaster, mortar, and stone of all sizes for divers and sundry uses. So, the Romans assaulted the town rather with fabricks, ordinance, and artillery, than by force of arms: but the *Etolians* contrariwise defended themselves by main strength and their weapons. For when as the walls should be shaken with the Rams, they caught not hold of them as the manner is with cords, and by plucking them aside, avoided their force: but armed in great number, they carried fire with they to fling upon the terraces and the fabricks. They had besides divers vaults and arches in the walls, at which they could readily and fitly fall out: and ever as themselves closed up the breaches of their walls, or made new for the ruin, they would remember to make more of those vaults still, that in many places at once they might break forth upon their enemies. Thus for the first daies, whilst they were fresh in heart, they issued forth oftentimes and many together, and quit themselves right lustily: but afterwards in fewer numbers, and more slackly every day than other. For being evermore employed about many things at once, nothing so much tamed and wearied them, as watching. For whereas the Romans had a great number of souldiers, and one guarded after another successively by turns; the *Etolians* being so few, were constrained without any change, to continue in unceasing

fast labour night and day. Thus for the space of twenty four daies they had no rest nor respite but day and night was all one unto them, maintaining fight still, and labouring without intermission against the enemies that assailed the City in all four quarters at once. When the Consul knew once that the Ætolians were wearied and overtoiled / partly by counting the time, and partly by that which he had learned of certain fugitives / he used this policy and stratagem. About midnight he sounded the retreat, and having drawn all his souldiers at once from the assault, held them quiet in the camp untill the third hour of the day. After that, he began to give a truce charge, and continued it unto midnight following, and so gave over again untill the same hour before noon. The Ætolians supposing verily that the cause why they surceased the assault, was for very weariness (like as themselves were tired out) so soon as the Romans had the retreat sounded unto them, departed every man from his ward and quarter, as if they also by the same signall were called away, and shewed not themselves in armor upon the walls before the third hour of the next day. The Consul having at one time given over the battery aforesaid at midnight, began at the fourth watch a fresh assault again with all forcible means in three parts: and at one side, he gave commandment to T. Sempronius to keep his men together, and intensively to observe and wait for the signall: assuring himself that in the alarm by night, the enemies would run to those places from whence they heard the noise. The Ætolians, many of them being found asleep, had much to do to rouse themselves, and were loath to rise up from their sweet sleep, their bodies being so weary with toiling, moiling, and watching before. Some of them who were yet awake ran in the dark to the place where the assailants made a noise. Their enemies laboured to get into the town, some by mounting over the ruins and breaches of the broken wall, others by scaling and climbing with ladders. And against them the Ætolians ran from all parts, ready to succour and help. One quarter, whereas there flood houses without the City, was neither defended nor assailed: but as there were some ready, and waited for the signall to give the assault, so there was not one of the other part for to resist and defend. Now began the day to peep, when as the Consul put forth the signall, and the souldiers began to mount over into the City, and found none to withstand them: some entered at the walls half broken down, others scaled them with ladders where they flood whole and sound. And the cry was not so soon heard that the City was taken, but the Ætolians left their guards on all sides, and fled into the Castle. The souldiers that had won the town were permitted by the Col. to rife and ransack it: which was not done so much upon anger and despite, as in this regard, that the souldiers who had been kept short & sitting thus long (notwithstanding so many towns recovered out of the enemies hands) might once at length in some one place taste the fruit of victory. The Col. having called from thence about noon, the souldiers unto him, divided them into two parts, whereof he commanded the one to cast about the foot of the hills unto a rock or cliff, which being in height equal to the Castle aforesaid, was notwithstanding divided from it by a valley between, seeming as if it had been sometime a part thereof and cut from it. Now these two points of the hills shot up near together in the head, that from the top of the one, a man might lance a dart into the Castle or fortress. The Col. with the other half of the souldiers laid beneath, expeding a sign and token from them that were to get up the cliff behind, ready thereupon to mount up from the town side into the fort. The Ætolians that were within the Castle could neither abide at the first the shout of those that had seized the cliff, nor afterwards the assault of the Romans from the City, both for that their hearts failed them and were danted already, and also because they were unprovided of all necessaries for to endure any long siege and assault: considering that women and children and all the other impotent multitude unmet to bear arms, were got thither in so great numbers, that the place was hardly able to receive and contain much less to keep and maintain them: and therefore at the first assault, they cast down their weapons and yielded. Among other principal personages of the Ætolians, Damocritus also was delivered: he, who in the beginning of the war when T. Quintus desired to see a copy of the Decree of the Ætolians for the sending for Antiochus, answered, that he would shew it him in Italy, when the Ætolians lay there encamped. For this proud speech of his, the Romans now conquerors, were the gladder that they had got him into their hands.

During the time that the Romans assailed Heraclea, Philip also besieged and battered Lania, according as it was before agreed between them: for near unto Thermopylae, at what time as the Col. returned out of Boeotia, he met with him, of purpose to signifie his joy in the behalf of him and the people of Rome, for their achieved victory; and also to excuse himself by occasion of sickness, that he was not present with him in person in the managing of the wars. From thence they parted asunder, and took divers waies, for to assault these two Cities (as I said) both at once: and distant they were one from the other near seven miles. And forasmuch as Lania was seated upon an hill, therefore the town discovered and overlooked all the country about, but especially on that side toward Heraclea, where, by reason that it seemeth a less compass, it representeth a full prospect to the eye. When as the Romans and Macedonians labouring and striving who could do it better, were day and night employed either about their fabricks and pioneers work, or else in skirmish and fight: the Macedonians found more difficulty than they. in this respect, that the Romans were builed in platforms, mantlets, and works all aboveground: but the Macedonians were put to undermine: and oftentimes (as it falleth out in such stony and craggy ground) they met with hard flints and rags not minable, and such as no iron or steel tool was able to touch and pierce. The King seeing little good done by this means, and his enterprise going but slowly forward,

\* Three of the clock in the morning.

A ward, began to found the townsmen, and to tempt them to render the City, using the mediation therein of their chief Citizens whom he parled withall: for this reckoning he made, that if Heraclea were forced before it, they within the City would sooner yield unto the Romans than to him, and so the Consul should win all the thank to himself for leving the siege. And nothing was he short of his count: for immediately upon the winning of Heraclea, a messenger came unto him from the Consul, willing him to surcease the assault and the siege; alleging, it was more reason, that the Roman souldiers who had fought in ranged battell with the Ætolians, should have the reward and recompence of the victory. By this means Lania was abandoned, and by the ruin of Heraclea her neighbour City avoided and escaped the like calamity of her own.

Some few daies before that Heraclea was won, the Ætolians having assembled a Diet at Hypatia, addressed Embassadors unto Antiochus and Lysia among the rest, even he, who aforesaid had been sent unto him. His commission and charge was, first, to request the King that once again he would rally his forces as well by land as at sea, and in person pass over into Greece: secondly, if any other important affairs hindered him, yet that he would send unto them both men and money. For as it touched his Highness, in honour, reputation, and credit, not to see his allies abandoned: so it made for the safeguard and security of his own Realm and royall estate, not to suffer the Romans (after they had once defeated the Ætolians) to fall over into Asia at their ease and pleasure, with all their forces. These were no fained devices, but true remonstiances indeed: and therefore prevailed the more with the King. Whereupon he delivered money presently to the Embassadors, sufficient to defray the charges of the war, and promised certainly to send unto Cere both by land and sea. These alone of all the Embassadors he kept still with him, who was not himself unwilling to lay behind, because he might be ever at hand to call upon the King for to perform his word and behest. But the winning of Heraclea killed the hearts clean of the Ætolians in the end: and within few daies after that they had dispatched their Embassadors into Asia, about the renewing of the war and sending for the King, they laid apart all designs of arms, and addressed their Orators unto the Romans to crave peace. Who, as they began to make some speech, the Consul cut them off, and said, he had other matters of greater importance to think upon and to dispatch: and commanded them to content themselves with a truce for ten daies, and to return to Hypatia; and with them he sent L. Valerius Flaccus, unto whom they should declare those things that they were about to deliver unto him, and whatsoever else they had to say. When they were arrived at Hypatia, the chief and principal Ætolians assembled themselves in the lodging of Flaccus, consulting with him what course they were to take in their treaty with the Consul. And when they went in hand to alledge the ancient rights of the leagues, and to lay abroad their good demerits, and what they had done for the Romans: Flaccus bad them lay a straw there, and speak no more of the privilege of those covenants and accords which they themselves had broken: shewing unto them, that they should speed better and gain more by a simple confession of their trespass, and in recourse only to prayer and humble supplication: forasmuch as all the hope they might have of safety, rested not in their own desert and goodness of their cause, but in the meer clemency and mercy of the people of Rome: promising for his part to assist them and second their petitions as well to the Consul as the Senate of Rome, since that thither also they must of necessity send an Embassage. This way seemed to them all, the best simply for their safety, namely, to put themselves to the disposition and devotion of the Romans: for they supposed by this means to drive the Romans for very shame to have regard of them & not to offer hurt or violent outrage to them, coming in the habit of poor suppliants: and yet withall, if any opportunity of better fortune should in the mean time offer itself unto them, to be their own Masters nevertheless and at their choice. When they were come before the Col. Phantus the chief of that embassy, made a long Oration, couching and framing his words in sundry waies right artificially, to mitigate and assuage the wrath of the conqueror, which he knip up and concluded with this speech, saying, That the Ætolians committed themselves and all that they had to the mercy and protection of the people of Rome. When the Col. heard those words: See you do so then indeed (qd. he) O ye Ætolians, and take heed I advise you that you deal herein bona fide. Then Phantus brought forth and shewed a fair instrument of a Decree, wherein the same was engrossed in plain terms. Since that (qd. he again) you mean good earnest, and are at our disposition. I demand that ye deliver unto me out of hand Dicarchus a statesman of yours, and Menetus of Epirus, (who being entered into Napaethum with a garison, had compelled the City to revolt) also Aminander and all the Nobles of the Athamians, by whose counsel and suggestions ye fell from us and rebelled. Phantus interrupted the Col. before he had well made an end of his speech, We yield not our selves (qd. he) to be your villains and slaves, but as allies to be protected by you: and I am verily perswaded you know not what you do, to impose those things upon us against all the manner and custome of the Greeks. The Col. replied again: In good faith, I paid not (qd. he) greatly what the Ætolians deem well or ill done according to the fashions of the Greeks: all the whiles that I, after the custome of the Romans, have that power and command over them, who erewhile by virtue of their own decree yielded unto us. And therefore by force of our arms have been vanquished and subdued by us. And therefore, unless that be executed which I command, yea, and with speed, my will is, that presently here you be bound hand and foot: and with that he commanded chains and gyves to be brought forth, and the Lictors to come about them for to lay hold upon them. Then the stout courage both of

Phantus

*Phanias* and the rest of the *Ætolians*, was well cooled & abated; and so at length they saw in what poor plight they were. And *Phanias* made answer, That both himself and the *Ætolians* there present in place, knew well, that those things were to be performed which were imposed upon them, but (quoth he) there needs a Council of the *Ætolians* for to enact a decree thereof, and therefore he requested the Consul to allow a surcease of arms only for ten daies. Then *Placus* began to speak for the *Ætolians*, and at his request the said abstinence was granted, and they returned to *Hypata*. When *Phanias* had related in the privy Council of those elect peers of that nation called *Apselei*, as well the demands that were commanded, as what had like to have fallen upon themselves in person, the peers sighed deeply and groaned again, to see their miserable condition; howbeit they were all of opinion, that the victor must of necessity be obeyed, and a general Parliament assembled of the *Ætolian* Burgeses out of all their towns and Cities. When all that multitude was gathered together, and heard the same related again, their hearts lo firsted within them at the cruelty and indignity of those Lordly commands, that if they had been well settled in peace, yet such a fit of anger had been enough to have put them into arms, and to stir the fume and choler the more, the difficulty of effecting the things demanded, helped well: for how possibly could they compass to deliver *Aminander*, being as he was an absolute King? But even then there was presented unto them by chance a new hope, For *Nicomachus* at that very time, coming from King *Antiochus*, filled the peoples heads with this vain expectation, namely, that the King made wondrous provision for war, as well by sea as land. This *Nicomachus* having accomplished his Embassy, and made return again into *Ætolia*, within the compass of twelve daies, after he was embarked, arrived at *Phaleria* in the gulph of *Maleas*: from whence he having brought the monies which he had, down to *Lamia*, whiles himself with certain nimble men and light appointed, travelled toward *Hypata* in the evening, between the Roman and *Ætolian* camp, through paths that he well knew; he chanced to stumble, ere he was aware, upon the corps de guard of the Macedonians, and was brought to the King before supper was done, the table taken up, and the King risen. When *Philip* was advertised thereof, he shewed no other countenance, than if a friend or guest, and not an enemy was come; he bad him sit down at the board, and eat his meat. Afterwards he kept him there with him still in the room, and voided all the rest, willing him in no case to be afraid. "He blamed greatly the bad courtes and demeanments of the *Ætolians* (which evermore lighted upon their own pates) who first had brought the Romans, and then *Antiochus* into Greece. But for my part (quoth he) since things done and past, may sooner be blamed than amended, I am content to forget and put all under my foot, and will never be the man that will seem to insult over them in their distress and adversity. And so should the *Ætolians* likewise take up in time, and lay aside all their rancor and malice to me: and *Nicomachus* especially ought to remember this day, on which by me his life was preserved. With that he sent him away with a good convoy, until he was past all danger; and this *Nicomachus* as before said, came to *Hypata*, even as the *Ætolians* were in deep consultation about peace with the Romans.

*M. Acilius* having either fold outright, or given away to the souldiers the booty of the country about *Heraclea*, and hearing that the Council at *Hypata* nothing tended to peace, and that the *Ætolians* were run together to *Naupactum*, for to abide in that place the whole violence of the war; sent *App. Claudius* with 4000 souldiers to seize the tops of the mountains, where as the passages were difficult; and himself ascended up to the hill *Oeta*, and sacrificed to *Heracles* in that very place which they call *Pura*, by occasion that the mortal body of that god was there consumed with fire: from whence he departed with his whole army & performed the rest of his journey well and marched with ease. Being come to *Corax* (an exceeding high mountain between *Calipolia* and *Naupactum*) he lost there many of his labouring beasts and sumpter horses, which together with their loads and sardels, as they went, tumbled down headlong from the mountain, and his men also were much troubled and encumbered. Whereby it was soon seen, with how lazy and idle an enemy he had to deal, who had not befet and kept with a guard that difficult passage, to empeach and shut up the thorow-fare from the enemies. Howbeit, as much toiled and troubled as his army was, he defended to *Naupactum*. And having erected one Fort against the Cattle, he inveilled all the other parts of the City, and divided his forces according to the situation of the walls. This siege he found as toilsome and painful, as that at *Heraclea*.

At the same time began the Achæans to lay siege to *Messene* also in *Peloponnesus*, for that it refused to be of their Council and association. For these two Cities, *Messene* and *Elis*, were exempt from the Achæan Diet and accorded with the *Ætolians*. Howbeit, the Elians, after that *Antiochus* was chased out of Greece, gave the Embassadors of *Achaia* a more mild answer, to wit, That when they had discharged and sent away the Kings garrison, they would consider of the matter what to do. But the Messenians having without any answer at all, sent the Embassadors away, had levied war; and fearing much their own estate, seeing their territory overpread with an army, and every where burned, yea, and their enemies encamped near unto their City, addressed unto *Chalcis* their embassadors to *T. Quintius* the very man who before had set them at liberty; to signify unto him, That the Messenians were ready both to open their gates & also to surrender their City unto the Romans, & not to the Achæans. *Quintius* so soon as he had heard their embassy, sent a messenger inconjunctly to *Megalopolis*, unto *Diophanes*, the Prætor there of the Achæans, to command him presently to retire his host from *Messene*, and to repair unto him. *Diophanes* obeyed

A obeyed his commandment, and having raised his siege, marched himself lightly appointed for speed before theret of his army, and about *Andania*, a small town between *Megalopolis* and *Messene*, encountered *Quintius*. Unto whom after he had shewed the causes of the siege, he received at his hands a gentle rebuke only, for that he had enterprised a matter of so great consequence without his authority; with an express commandment also to cease and discharge his army, and not to disturb and trouble the peace, made for the good and benefit of all. The Messenians likewise he charged to call home their banished persons into their City, and to joy to the Achæans in their general Diet and Assembly. And if they either had any matters to refuse, or would willingly provide for themselves against the future time, he willed them to make their repair unto him at *Corinthus* and enjoyed *Diophanes* immediately to summon the Diet of the Achæans for him, where B personally himself would be. Where, after he had complained as touching the Island *Zacynthus*, char by fraud and treachery they had come by and kept, he required that it should be restored to the Romans. Now this Isle had sometime appertained to *Philip* the King of the Macedonians, and he gave it unto *Aminander*, in consideration, that he might conduct his army into the higher parts of *Ætolia*, through *Athamania*: in which expeditions and exploits of his, the *Ætolians* hearts were so abated and quailed, that they were constrained to seek peace. *Aminander* made first *Philip* the Megapolitan governour of this Island; but afterwards, in time of that war wherein he banded with *Antiochus* against the Romans, he called him away from thence to employ him in martial affairs, and sent *Hierocles* the Agrigentian to succeed him in his place. This *Hierocles*, after the defeat and flight of *Antiochus* from *Thermopylae*, and the expulsion of *Aminander* out of C *Athamania* by King *Philip*, dispatched of his own motion certain messengers unto *Diophanes*, the Prætor of the Achæans, and for a sum of money agreed upon between them, betrayed the Island to the Achæans. The Romans thought it great reason that this Island should be theirs, in recompence for the wars which they had maintained; forasmuch as *M. Acilius* the Consul, and the Roman legions fought not at *Thermopylae* for *Diophanes*; nor yet for the Achæans, *Diophanes* to these challenges and demands sometime excused himself and the whole nation, otherwise flood to it, and avowed the action, and maintained the cause by a plea of right. Somewhere were of the Achæans there, that both protested, how from the beginning they utterly milked the course, and also at this present much blamed the Prætor for his wilful obduracy. And by their advice and authority an act was set down, that the whole matter should be referred and put to *Quintius*, to D determine what he pleased. Now had *Quintius* this nature, if a man crossed and thwarted him, he was fierce and fell; if one yielded and gave place he was gentle again, and pliable. And therefore, without shewing any sign of debate, either in language or countenance, thus he spake. "If I thought (quod he) and were perwaded in my heart, that it were good and commodious for the Achæans to hold and possess this Island in question, I would advise the Senat & people of Rome to let you enjoy it. But like as a Tortoise, so long as she keepeth her self close within her shell (I see) is sure and safe enough, against all blows and offence whatsoever; but when the once putteth forth any parts, look whatsoever is discovered and naked, the same is weak and subject to injury: even so you Achæans, being enclosed round about with the sea, are able easily to adjoyn E unto your selves whatsoever lyeth within the precinct of *Peloponnesus*, and to keep the same also when you have laid it to you: but so soon as for a greedy desire of having more and encroaching further, you go beyond those bonds, you lie open without, and are exposed to all hurt and damage. Thus *Zacynthus* was delivered to the Romans with the assent of all the Council there assembled, and *Diophanes* durst not say a word more to the contrary.

At the same time King *Philip* asked the Consul as he marched to *Naupactum*, Whether it was his pleasure, that he in the mean while should recover and regain those Cities which were revolted from the association of the Romans? And having a grant and warrant from him, he led his forces against *Demetrias*, knowing well enough in what terms of troubles that City then stood. For being forlorn and in utter despair, seeing *Antiochus* had forsaken them and no hope at all remaining in the *Ætolians*: they looked every day and night either for the coming of *Philip* their heavy friend; or else even the Romans themselves a worse enemy, like as they had a more just cause of anger and indignation against them. A confused and disordered sort there were of King *Antiochus* his souldiers, who being but a few at first left thereto to lie in garrison, grew after to be more, and most of them unarmed; such as after the field was lost [at *Thermopylae*] rather chanced to flee, and neither had strength nor heart enough to abide a siege. And therefore when *Philip* sent certain messengers before unto them, to signify, that there was some hope that they might be pardoned: they made them this answer, That the gates were open for the King, and that he might enter at his pleasure. At his first entrance, certain chief men of mark took the City and departed, and *Eurilochus* killed himself. The garrison souldiers of *Antiochus* (for so they had capitulated) were conducted to *Lyfimbria* through *Macedonia* and *Thrace*, accompanied with a convoy of Macedonians, for fear that any man should do them harm. There were some few ships also in the rode of *Demetrias*, under the command of *Idorus*, which together with their leader and Captain were dismissed. After this, he regained *Dolopia*, *Aperantia*, and certain Cities of *Perrhæbia*.

During the time that *Philip* was employed in these affairs, *T. Quintius* having recovered the Island *Zacynthus*, departed from the Diet of the Achæans, and crossed the seas to *Naxos*, which had been beleaguered already two months, & was at the point to be forced and lost: which if

if it might have been won by assault, it was thought that the whole nation and name of the Ætoli-  
 ans there would have perished for ever. And albeit he had good cause to be highly offended and  
 displeased with the Ætoli-ans, in remembrance that they only checked and impeach'd his glory,  
 at what time as he *Greece* free: and that they were nothing stirr'd and moved with his au-  
 thority, when he (forewarning them that those things would happen which afterwards fell out  
 just so indeed) would have discomfited and scared them from foolish and furious designs: yet,  
 supposing that it was a speciall part of his charge and work, that no nation of *Greece* (now freed  
 by him) should utterly be subverted and destroyed, he began to walk up and down alone under  
 the walls, to the end that he might be seen, and soon known of the Ætoli-ans. And among the very  
 formost guards took notice of him, & noised it was presently throughout all the ranks and com-  
 panies that *Quintus* was there. And thereupon they ran from all parts up to the walls, every  
 man stretch'd forth his hands, and with one accord and consonant voice called by name unto  
*Quintus*, beseeching him to help and save them. And albeit he was moved at these their piteous  
 cries with commiseration, yet for that time he signified by the turning away of his head, that he  
 refused and denied them: asking withall, What lay in him to do them any good? But afterwards,  
 being come unto the Consul, "Know you not (quoth he) O *M. Acilius* whereabout we are, and  
 "what we have in hand? or if you be a man provident enough, esteem you not that it mainly con-  
 "cerneth the common-weal? He let the Consul by these words a longing, and caused him to gie  
 more attentive ear what he would say, and withall, Why do you not speak forth (quoth the Con-  
 sul) and utter your mind what the matter is? Then quoth *Quintus*: "See you not that after you  
 "have vanquish'd *Antiochus*, you spend and lose much time here in the siege and assault of two  
 "Cities, when as now the year of your government is well nigh come about? And *Philip* the  
 "mean time without seeing a battell or the enighs of his enemies displaid, hath gain'd and joy-  
 "ned to himselfe not Cities only, but so many nations already, namely, *Artemanians*, *Perthabis*,  
 "*perantian* and *Dolopia*? But it is nothing so good and expedient for us, nor standeth it us so much  
 "upon, to take down the Ætoli-ans and pare their nails, as to look unto *Philip*, that he wax not  
 "too great: and (seeing you and your souldiers have not yet two Cities in reward and re-  
 "compence of victory) not to suffer him to go clear away with so many nations of *Greece*.  
 The Consul accorded hereunto: but he thought it a shame and dishonour for him to give over  
 the siege and effect nothing: but afterwards, all the matter was put unto the disposition of *Qui-  
 ntus*. Who went again to that side of the wall, whereas a little before the Ætoli-ans called and  
 cried aloud: unto him. And when as they intreated him more earnestly and with greater affec-  
 tion to take pity of the Ætolian people, he willed some of them to come forth unto him. And im-  
 mediately, *Phancas* himself with other principall persons of the Ætoli-ans, went out unto him:  
 unto whom lying prostrate and groveling at his feet: "Your present fortune (quoth he) and hard  
 "estate wherein you are, caused me both to temper my choler and also to stay my tongue. Those  
 "things you now see are faine out, which I foretold would come to pass. And not so much as this  
 "is left unto you, That the calamities faine upon your heads can be truly said to have light upon  
 "them that have not deserved as much. Howbeit, since it hath been allotted unto me as it were  
 "by destiny to be a foster-father (as I may so say) to nurse up *Greece*, I will not cease even to do  
 "you good, as thankles and ungratefull persons as you are. Send your Orators to the Consul *M.*  
 "to intreat him to grant you a truce for so long, until you may address your Embassadors to  
 "*Rome*, by whom you shall wholly refer and submit your selves to the Senat: and I will not fail  
 "to be an intercessor and advocate to the Consul for you and likewise unto the Senat. And as  
*Quintus* counselled them so did they. Neither rejected the Consul their Embassie, but granted  
 them abstinence of war for such a term as within which they might have an answer of their Em-  
 bassage to *Rome*: so he dislodged the siege was raised, and the army sent into *Phocis*. The Con-  
 sul together with *Quintus* passed over the sea to *Ægium*, unto the general Councill of *Achaia*.  
 There was much treaty and parly about the Æleians, and the restoring of the Lacedæmonians ex-  
 ciles: but nothing was effected in the one or the other. As for the Lacedæmonians, the Æleians  
 were desirous to reserve that for themselves, and to win thereby a thank, as proceeding from  
 their speciall grace. And the Æleians, chafe rather to come and be united to the Achæans Patrim-  
 ent of themselves, than by the mediation of the Romans. The Embassadors of the Epirots  
 came unto the Consul, who (it was well known) carried not themselves found and upright in the  
 entreaining of the Roman army: howbeit, they had not levied a souldier for *Antiochus*. Char-  
 ged they were to have relieved him with money: and deny themselves they could not but they  
 had sent their Embassadors unto the King. And when they put up a petition, that they might  
 be accepted again into the ancient band of amity: this answer the Consul returned unto them.  
 That he knew not yet whether to range them in the number of enemies, or peaceable friends,  
 and thereof the Senat should be judge; and therefore he referred their whole cause to  
*Rome*. And to that purpose a truce he granted them of fourscore and ten daies. The Epirots  
 sent to *Rome*, presented themselves before the Senat, and when they stood rather upon their  
 terms in recounting those things wherein they had not shewed any open hostility, than in de-  
 claring themselves of those matters that were laid against them: they received such an answer,  
 as whereby they might be thought rather to have obtained pardon, than to have made good and ju-  
 stified their cause. The Embassadors also of King *Philip* about that time had audience given them  
 in the Senat, who came to congratulate with the Romans, testifying their own joy, and wishing  
 theirs

theirs for their victory: and upon their request, that they might sacrifice in the Capitoll, and of-  
 fer an oblation and present of gold in the Temple of *Jup. Opt. Max.* the Senat gave the good leave.  
 So they presented and offered a crown of gold weighing \* one hundred pound. These Embassa-  
 dors had not only a friendly answer and gracious dispatch: but also *Demetrius* the son of King  
*Philip*, who had lien as an hostage at *Rome*, was delivered unto them, for to bring home again un-  
 to his father. Thus was the war achieved and brought to an end, which *M. Acilius* the Consul  
 waged against King *Antiochus* in *Greece*.  
 \* 360 pound  
 stert.

The other Consul *P. Cornelius Scipio*, whoe lot was to govern the Province of *Gaul*, before  
 that he took his journey to that war which he was to make against the Boians, demanded of  
 the Senat, that money should be assigned unto him, for to perform those plaies and games which  
 he had promised by vow, as Vice-Pretor in *Spain*, when he was driven to a great extremity in a  
 battell. This seemed to be a strange and unreasonable demand. Whereupon the LL. of the Senat  
 ordained, That what plaies the Consul had vowed on his own head without asking the advice  
 and counsell of the Senat, the same he should exhibit and let forth either with the issue of the  
 spoils got from the enemies, (it haply he had reserved any money raised thereout to that purpose)  
 or else defray the charges out of his own purie. These plaies and games *P. Cornelius* represented  
 for the space of ten daies. And near about the same time, the Temple of the great goddess dame  
*Cybele* (or *Idaea*) was dedicated. This goddess being brought out of *Asia* in the time that *P. Cor-  
 nelius Scipio* (surnamed afterwards *Africanus*) and *P. Licinius* were Consuls, was conveyed from  
 the sea-side into the mount *Palatine*, The Temple was let out to be buik at a price (according to  
 the canact of the Senat) by *M. Livius* and *C. Claudius* the Censors, when *M. Cornelius* and *T. Sempronius*  
 were Consuls. Thirteen years after the bargain was made for the edifying thereof, *M. Junius  
 Bruttus* dedicated it. and for the honour of this dedication were the first stage-plaies exhibi-  
 ted, (as *Valerius Antias* mine mine author saith) called thereupon *Megalense*. In like manner, *C. Licinius*  
 and *Lucullus* (one of the two Duumvirs) dedicated the Temple of the goddess *Joventus*, in the great  
 Race called *Circus Maximus*. The same had *M. Livius* the Consul vowed sixteen years before,  
 even at that very day in which he defeated *Asdrubal* and his army. The same *Livius* in his Censor-  
 ship, went through and bargained for the building thereof, whiles *M. Cornelius* and *T. Sempronius*  
 were Consuls. And in the honour of dedicating this Temple, the plaies were let forth: and  
 all was done with more devotion, because there was a new war intended against King *Antiochus*.  
 In the beginning of this year in which these things passed, whiles *P. Cornelius* the Consul  
 staid still behind at *Rome*, (for *M. Acilius* was gone forth already to war:) it is found in records,  
 that two tame oxen climbed up a ladder in the street *Carinae*, to the tile-roof of a certain house  
 there. And the foothlayers gave expresse order that they should be burnt quick, and the ashes to  
 be thrown into *Tyber*. Also it was reported, that at *Tarracina* and *Amitemnum*, it rained stones  
 sundry times. Item; That in *Minturna* the Temple of *Jupiter* and the shops about the market-  
 place, were blasted and smitten with lightning: and in the very mouth of the river *Vulturnus*, two  
 ships caught fire from heaven, and were consumed. In regard of these fearful prodigies, the Decem-  
 virs by order from the Senat went to the books of *Sibylla* and perused them: and out of  
 their learning pronounced, that a solemn fast should be now instituted in the honour of *Coris*,  
 and the same to be observed and holden every fifth year: also that a novendiall sacrifice for nine  
 daies together could continue; and a supplication for one day: and that they who went in this  
 procession and supplication, should wear garlands and wreaths of flowers upon their heads: last-  
 ly, That the Consul *P. Cornelius* should sacrifice to what gods, and with what beasts, the Decem-  
 virs would appoint and pronounce: When the gods were pacified as well by the accomplishment  
 of the vows accordingly, as by taking order for the expiation of those wondrous signs, the Consul  
 took his journey into his province: from whence he commanded *Cneus Domitius* the Pro-Pretor  
 (after he had cased his army) to depart to *Rome*: and himselfe went with his legions into the  
 territory of the Boians;

Within a little of that time the Ligurians (by verue of a sacred law that they had) levied and  
 assembled an army, and by night assailed the Camp unawares to *Quintus Minucius* the Pro-Con-  
 sul. *Minucius* kept his souldiers in order of battell until day within his hold, having an eye and  
 circumspect regard, that the enemy should not mount over the trench and defences in any place.  
 And at the day break he sallied forth at two gates at once: neither were the Ligurians repul-  
 sed (as he hoped they should) at the first charge; for they sustained and held out the skirmish above  
 two hours, with doubtfull event on both sides. At the last, when band after band issued out,  
 and still fresh souldiers succeeded in the room of the wearied, for to maintain fight, the Ligurians  
 in the end (besides other distresses, lost for want of sleep also) turned their backs. Of the enemies  
 were slain above four thousand; of Romans and allies under three hundred. Two months after  
 or somewhat less, *P. Cornelius* the Consul gave battell to the Boians and won the day: slew 28000  
 enemies, (as *Valerius Antias* writeth) took 2400 prisoners, gained 124 military enighs, 1240  
 horses, chariots 247: and of the winners (as he saith) there died not above 1284. Where (by the  
 way) how little credit soever (as touching the number) we give unto this Writer. (for in that  
 point there is none over-reacheth more than he) yet apparant it is, that a right great victory it  
 was: both for that the camp was won, and the Boians after that battell presently yielded them-  
 selves; as for that in regard of this victory a joyfull procession was by order from the Senat  
 held, and greater beasts slain for sacrifice.

Not much under or over this present time, *M. Fulvius Nobilior* returned out of the farther province of Spain in pomp of an Ovation, and carried in shew 10000 pound weight of silver in bullion: of Bigats in silver coin 130000, and in gold 126 li. weight. *P. Cornelius* the Consul, having first taken hostages of the Boian nation, and disfiled them of the one half of their country to the Inhabitant whereof the people of Rome might if they would send their Colonies: at his departure from thence toward Rome to an undoubted and assured triumph, licensed his army with commandment to meet him there and give their attendance upon his triumph-day. The morrow after that he was come, the Senat had summons to assemble in the Temple of *Bellona*: where after he had discoursed of his acts and deeds achieved, he required that he might be permitted to enter the City riding in triumph. *P. Sempronius Blæsus* a Tribune of the Commons for the time being, stepped forth and said, "That his advice was that *Scipio* should not flatly be denied the honour of a triumph, but to put it off to a farther day. And why? The wars (qd. he) of the Ligurians have always been joyned and linked with those of Gaul: which nations being so near together, are ever mutually one to succour another. If *P. Scipio* (after the Boians defeated in battle) had followed the train of victory, and either himself in proper person with his brave conquering army passed into the territory of the Ligurians, or sent part of his forces to *Q. Minucius*, who now for three years (or fast upon) both been detained within those quarters in a way of doubtful issue, we might have seen an end ere this of the Ligurian war also. But now (forsooth) his soldiers are dismissed, and brought home to accompany him & to solemnize his triumph: who might well have been employed still and done good service to the Common-weal: yea, & may do yet (if the Senat be so disposed) by deferring the time of triumph, for to make amends and regain that, which by over-hastiness of triumph hath been over-slipped. And therefore, in my opinion (qd. he) they should do well to command the Consul to go his waies back again, and take his army with him into his Province, & to do his best and utmost endeavour to subdue the Ligurians also. For unless they be brought under and made subject unto the people of Rome, the Boians be ye sure will not long be quiet: either we must have peace or war at once in both places. And so *P. Cornelius* in quality of Pro-Consul (as many others before him, who in their full Magistracy triumphed not) may after some few months have his triumph. To this the Cō. answered again and said, That neither the Province of the Ligurians was any part of his charge by law, neither warred he at all with the Ligurians, nor yet demanded to triumph over them. As for *Q. Minucius* (qd. he) I hope that shortly after he hath subdued them, he both will require his due triumph, and shall likewise obtain the same. For mine own part, I seek no more but to triumph over the Boians in Gaul, whom I have vanquished in plain battell, beaten out of the field and camp; whose whole nation within two daies after the fight and their general discomfiture, yielded and rendered themselves into my hands: and from whom I have carried away hostages for assured pledge of future peace: nay, that which is much more than all this, I have had the killing of six to many Gauls in open battell, and fought with so many thousands of Boians as no General ever did before me: the better half of 50000 men are slain upon the edge of the sword, and many a thousand taken prisoners: so as the Boians have none left but old folk and young children. Can any man make a wonder then, why a victorious army leaving no enemy behind in the Province, is come to Rome to honour the triumph of their Consul? Whose employment, if these may not be disposed to use in any other service or Province, Whether of these two waies think they will make them more willing and ready to put themselves into new dangers, and enter into their fresh labour and travell: either to pay them without delay & content them with the due & deserved hire of their former peril and pain, or to send them away with bare hope only, instead of the substance, for to expect still without effect: since they have been once already put by and disappointed of their first hope and expectation? Now for mine own part, I obtained honour enough that day on which the Senat sent me (deemed & declared the best man in all the City) to receive that great goddess & dame of *Italia*. This title alone, without any other addition of triumph, shall be sufficient to recommend to all posterity for honesty & honour both, the Image of *P. Scipio Nasica*. This said, not only the whole Senat themselves condescended generally to grant him triumph, but also with their countenance & authority compelled the Tribunes of the Commons to give over their hold, and surceale their interposition of a negative voice. So *P. Cornelius* the Consul triumphed over the Boians. In which triumph he carried for shew in French chariots, armor, ensigns, and spoils of all sorts: also French vessels of brass and copper. He commanded likewise to be led in pomp a number of horses taken, together with Noblemen and Gentlemen captives. Of chains of gold he made a shew of 1470. Besides, there was born in pomp, of gold 245 pound weight: of silver unwrought and wrought into plate, not unworthily by their manner (and namely in sundry French vessels) 2340 pound weight: lawfully of bigats in coin 234. To his soldiers that followed his triumphal chariot he gave 225 Asles apiece, double as much to a Centurion, and treble to an horseman. The next day after he called the people to a general assembly, whereafter he had discoursed again of his exploits, and complained of the wrongs that the Tribune had offered unto him in that he would have tied him to the war of another, with intent to defraud himself of the fruit of his own victory, he called his soldiers and discharged them quite.

Whiles these affairs thus went in Italy, *Antiochus* remaining at *Ephesus*, relied very secure and careless of the Roman war, as if the Romans had no purpose nor intention to pass over into Asia. This security of his was occasioned by many of his friends, who partly upon ignorance,

and partly upon flattery persuaded him so. Only *Amibal*, who at that time was of greatest credit, and might do most with the King, said unto him, "That he rather marvelled much why the Romans were not already in Asia, than doubted of their coming. For a neerer cut (quoth he) it is by Sea out of Greece into Asia, than out of Italy into Greece: and a greater motive to war is *Antiochus* than the *Ætolians*. And as for their valour and power, as hardly they are and mighty at Sea, as on Land: and their fleet hath hovered a good while already about *Malca*. Moreover, I heard say of late, that new ships be arrived, and a new General come out of Italy, to follow and perform this war. And therefore, let *Antiochus* need no longer upon a vain hope, and promise himself a permanent peace: for shortly he must make account to fight with the Romans in Asia. yea, and for Asia, both by Sea and Land: and no mean there is, but that either himself must lose his Kingdom, or take from them their sovereign feignory, who affect and pretend to be LL. of the whole world. He was the only man thought to forecatt, and truly to foretell what would ensue. Whereupon the King himself in person, with those ships which he had ready rigged and furnished, sailed to *Chersonesus*, with intent to strengthen those places with good garrisons: it haply the Romans should come by Land. The rest of the navy he commanded *Polyxenus* to prepare and put to Sea. And al about the Island he sent about his pinnaces and brigantines as espials to discover the coasts. *C. Livius* the Admiral of the Roman navy was arrived at *Naplis* from Rome with fifty covered ships. At which place he gave commandment, That the open vessels, which by covenant were due to be sent from the allies of all that tract, should meet. From whence he sailed to *Sicily*, and passed the streights by *Messana*. And when he had received six Carthaginian ships sent to aid him, and called upon the Rhegians and Locrians, and other affociats comprised in the same league and holding by the same tenure, for that shipping which of duty they were to find when he had also taken a survey of all his armado at *Lacinium*, he weighed anchor, and put to the main Sea. Being arrived at *Corcyra*, which was the first City of all Greece: that he came unto, he enquired in what terms the war-affairs stood: (for as yet all was not thoroughly quiet in Greece) and where the Roman fleet was? After he heard that the Roman Consul and King *Philip*, were about the pails of *Thermopylae*, and there lay in guard: that the fleet rid at anchor in the port and harbor of *Pyraeum*: he thought it good to use expedition, and to make speed for all occasions whatsoever, and incontinent determined to sail forward to *Peloponnesus*. And having at once instant waited *Samos* and *Zacynthus* as he went, because they chose rather to band with the *Ætolians*, he set sail for *Malca*, and having a good wind, within five daies he arrived at *Pyraeum*, where the old fleet anchored. At *Seylennus* King *Eumenes* met him with three ships: who had been a long time at *Agina*, unresolved in himself, whether he should return to defend his own Kingdom (for he heard that *Antiochus* made preparation at *Ephesus* for war, as well by Sea as Land) or not to depart a foot from the Romans, upon whose fortune depended his whole state. *Antus Attalus*, so soon as he had delivered to his successor five and twenty clofships of war, looked from *Pyraeum*, and came to Rome. So *Livius* with a fleet of eighty one ships, armed at their beakeheads with brassen pikes, besides many other smaller vessels (which open as they were, had brassen heads, as is aforesaid: or if they were without such pikes, served for espials) sailed to *Delos*. Much about that time the Consul *Attilius* sailed *Naxos*. At *Delos*, *Livius* for certain dayes was stayed by contrary winds (for that quarter among the Cyclades is exceeding windy, by reason that these Islands are divided asunder, some with broader gulfs, some with narrower.) *Polyxenus* being certified by the post-ships (set in diverse places to discover) that the Roman armado rid at anchor near *Delos*, dispatched messengers to the King, who leaving all matters which he entertained in *Hellaspontus*, returned to *Ephesus* as fast as ever he could make sail with his ships of war, piked at the head: and presently called a council, where it was debated, whether he were best to hazard a battell at Sea or no? *Polyxenus* was of opinion, "That he should not slack the time, but in any wise give battell and trie a fight, before that the fleet of *Eumenes* and the Rhodian ships were joyned with the Romans: for so in number they should not be much overmatched, and for all other things have the better, as well for nimbleness and agility of ships as for variety of aid-soldiers. For the Roman ships, as being unworkeably built, they are heavy of keelage and unwieldy, toaden they are and fraught besides with provision of victuals, as they are commonly that come into the enemies countrey. But as for your ships (seeing they leave all about them peaceable and quiet) they shall be charged with nothing but with men and munition. Besides, the skill of these flat and lands, and of the winds in these quarters, will be a great help unto you: whereas the enemies must needs be much troubled, for want of knowledge in them all. The designe of this counsel had credit given unto him on all parts and the rather, for that he was the man himself to put in execution the same counsel. Two daies they made stay to let all things in order and readines, the third day they set forward with a fleet of a hundred sail, whereof 70 were covered the rest open, and all of the smaller making and for *Phocaen* they shaped their course. The King hearing that the Roman Armado approached, departed from thence (for that he was not to be present in person at the conflict upon the sea) and went to *Magnessa* near *Sipylus*, for to levy land-forces. But his navy made sail to *Cyffus*, a port of the Erythraens, to attend the coming of the enemy thence, as in a place more commodious. The Romans, when the Northern winds were once laid (for they were aloft for certain daies, and locked them in) sailed from *Delos* to *Phaenae* a haven Town of the Chians, bearing toward the *Aegean* sea. From thence they came about with their ships to the City, and there having victualled themselves, they crossed over to *Phocaen*, *Eumenes*



Not much under or over this present time, *M. Fulvius Nobilior* returned out of the farther province of *Spain* in pomp of an Ovation, and carried in few 10000 pound weight of silver in bullock; of bigars in silver coin 130000, and in gold 126 li. weight. *P. Cornelius* the Consul, having first taken hostages of the Boian nation, and disfiled them of the one half of their country, to the inhabiting whereof the people of *Rome* might if they would send their Colonies; at his departure from thence toward *Rome* to an undoubted and assured triumph, licensed his army, with commandment to meet him there and give their attendance upon his triumph-day. The morrow after that he was come, the Senat had summons to assemble in the Temple of *Bellona*; where after he had discoursed of his acts and deeds achieved, he required that he might be permitted to enter the City riding in triumph. *P. Semonius Blesus* a Tribune of the Commons for the time being, stepped forth and said, "That his advice was that *Scipio* should not flatterly be denied the honour of a triumph, but to put it off to a farther day. And why? The wars (qd. he) of the Ligurians have always been joyned and linked with those of *Gaul*: which nations being so near together, are ever mutually one to succour another. If *P. Scipio* (after the Boians defeated in battle) had followed the train of victory, and either himself in proper person with his brave conquering army, passed into the territory of the Ligurians, or sent part of his forces to *Q. Minutius*, who now for three years (or fast upon) both been detained within those quarters in a way of doubtful issue, we might have seen an end ere this of the Ligurian war also. But now (forsooth) his soldiers are dismissed, and brought home to accompany him & to solemnize his triumph: who might yet well have been employed still and done good service to the Common-wealth: yea, & may do yet (if the Senat be so disposed) by deferring the time of triumph, for to make amends and regain that, which by over-haileins of triumph hath been over-slipped. And therefore, in my opinion (qd. he) they should do well to command the Consul to go his waies back again, and take his army with him into his Province, & to do his best and utmost endeavour to subdue the Ligurians also. For unless they be brought under and made subject unto the people of *Rome*, the Boians be ye sure will not long be quiet: either we must have peace or war at once in both places. And so *P. Cornelius* in quality of Pro-Consul (as many others before him, who in their full Magistracy triumphed not) may after some few months have his triumph. To this the Col. answered again and said, That neither the Province of the Ligurians was any part of his charge by law, neither warred he at all with the Ligurians, nor yet demanded to triumph over them. As for *Q. Minutius* (qd. he) I hope that shortly after he hath subdued them, he both will require his due triumph, and shall likewise obtain the same. For mine own part, I seek no more but to triumph over the Boians in *Gaul*, whom I have vanquished in plain battell, beaten out of the field and camp; whose whole nation within two daies after the fight and their general discomfiture, yielded and rendered themselves into my hands; and from whom I have carried away hostages and assured pledge of future peace: nay, that which is much more than all this, I have had the killing of so many Gauls in open battell, and fought with so many thousands of Boians: as no General ever did before me: the better half of 50000 men are slain upon the edge of the sword, and many a thousand taken prisoners; so as the Boians have none left but old folk and young children. Can any man make a wonder then, why a victorious army, leaving no enemy behind in the Province, is come to *Rome* to honour the triumph of their Consul? Whose employment, if these may be disposed to use in any other service or Province, Whether of these two waies think they will make them more willing and ready to put themselves into new dangers, and enter into other fresh labour and travell; either to pay them without delay & content them with the due & deserved hire of their former peril and pain, or to send them away with bare hope only, instead of the substance, for to expect still without effect: since they have been once already put by and disappointed of their first hope and expectation? Now for mine own part, I obtained honour enough that day on which the Senat sent me (deemed & declared the best man in all the City) to receive that great goddess & dame of *Ida*. This title alone, without any other addition of triumph, shall be sufficient to recommend to all posterity for honesty & honour both, the Image of *P. Scipio Nafica*. This said, not only the whole Senat themselves condescended generally to grant him triumph, but also with their countenance & authority compelled the Tribunes of the Commons to give over their hold, and surcease their interposition of a negative voice. So *P. Cornelius* the Col. triumphed over the Boians. In which triumph he caused to be carried for them in French chariots, armor, ensigns, and spoils of all sorts: also French vessels of brass and copper. He commanded likewise to be in pomp a number of horses taken, together with Noblemen and Gentleman captives. Of chains of gold he made a shew of 1470. Besides, there was born in pomp of gold 245 pound weight: of silver unwrought and wrought into plate, not unworkeably after their manner (and namely in sundry French vessels) 2340 pound weight: lawfully, of bigars in coin 234. To his soldiers that followed his triumphal chariot he gave 25 Asies apiece, double as much to a Centurion, and trebble to an horseman. The next day after he called the people to a general assembly, where after he had discoursed again of his exploits, and complained of the wrongs that the Tribune had offered unto him in that he would have tied him to the war of another, with intent to deprive himself of the fruit of his own victory, he called his soldiers and discharged them quite. While these affairs thus went in *Italy*, *Antiochus* remaining at *Ephesus*, relied very secure and careless of the Roman war, as if the Romans had no purpose nor intention to pass over into *Asia*. This security of his was occasioned by many of his friends, who partly upon ignorance, and

and partly upon flattery, persuaded him so. Only *Antibates*, who at that time was of greatest credit, and might do most with the King, said unto him, "That he rather marvelled much why the Romans were not already in *Asia*, than doubted of their coming. For a neerer cut (quoth he) it is by Sea out of *Greece* into *Asia*, than out of *Italy* into *Greece*; and a greater motive to war is *Antiochus* than the *Etolians*. And as for their valour and power, as hardy they are and mighty at Sea, as on Land; and their fleet hath hovered agood while already about *Malta*. Moreover, I heard say of late, that new ships be arrived, and a new General come out of *Italy*, to follow and perform this war. And therefore, let *Antiochus* see no longer upon a vain hope, and promise himself a permanent peace: for shortly he must make account to fight with the Romans in *Asia*. yea, and for *Asia*, both by Sea and Land: and no mean there is, but that either himself must lose his Kingdom, or take from them their sovereign feignory, who affect and pretend to be L.L. of the whole world. He was the only man thought to forecast, and truly to foresee what would ensue. Whereupon the King himself in person, with those ships which he had ready rigged and furnished, sailed to *Cherfonnesus*, with intent to strengthen those places with good garrisons: it haply the Romans should come by Land. The rest of the navy he commanded *Polyxenidas* to prepare and put to Sea. And al about the Island he sent about his pinnaces and brigantines as espials to discover the coasts. *C. Livius* the Admiral of the Roman navy was arrived at *Naples* from *Rome* with fifty covered ships. At which place he gave commandment, That the open vessels, which by covenant were due to be sent from the allies of all that tract, should meet. From whence he sailed to *Sicily*, and passed the streights by *Messana*. And when he had received six *Carthaginian* ships sent to aid him, and called upon the *Rhogens* and *Locrins*, and other affociats comprised in the same league and holding by the same tenure, for that shipping which of duty they were to find, when he had also taken a survey of all his armada at *Lacinium*, he weighed anchor, and put to the main Sea. Being arrived at *Corcyra*, which was the first City of all *Greece*; that he came unto, he enquired in what terms the war-affairs stood? (for as yet all was not thoroughly quiet in *Greece*) and where the Roman fleet was? After he heard that the Roman Consul and King *Philip*, were about the pals of *Thermopylae*, and there lay in guard; that the fleet rid at anchor in the port and harbor of *Pyraenus*; he thought it good to use expedition, and to make speed for all occasions whatsoever, and incontinently determined to sail forward to *Peloponnesus*. And having at one instant waited *Samos* and *Zacynthus* as he went, because they chose rather to band with the *Etolians*, he set sail for *Malta*, and having a good wind, within few daies he arrived at *Pyraenus*, where the old fleet anchored. At *Scyllan* King *Eumenes* met him with three ships: who had been a long time at *Agina*, unresolved in himself, whether he should return to defend his own Kingdom (for he heard that *Antiochus* made preparation at *Ephesus* for war, as well by Sea as Land) or not to depart a foot from the Romans, upon whose fortune depended his whole state. *Antus Antilus*, so soon as he had delivered to his successor five and twenty clof ships of war, looked from *Pyraenus*, and came to *Rome*. So *Livius* with a fleet of eighty one ships, armed at their beakheads with brassen pikes, besides many other smaller vessels (which open as they were, had brassen heads, as is afore said; or if they were without such pikes, served for espials) sailed to *Delos*. Much about that time the Consul *Aclius* sailed *Nemphitum*. At *Delos*, *Livius* for certain daies was staid by contrary winds (for that quarter among the Cyclades is exceeding windy, by reason that these Islands are divided allunder, some with broadergulls, some with narrower.) *Polyxenidas* being certified by the post-ships (set in diverse places to discover) that the Roman armada rid at anchor near *Delos*, dispatched messengers to the King, who leaving all matters which he interrupted in *Hellaspontus*, returned to *Ephesus* as fast as ever he could make sail with his ships of war, piked at the head: and presently called a council, where it was debated, whether he were best to hazard a battell at Sea or no? *Polyxenidas* was of opinion, "That he should not slack the time, but in any wise give battell and try a fight, before that the fleet of *Eumenes* and the Rhodian ships were joyned with the Romans: for so in number they should not be much overmatched, and for all other things have the better, as well for nimbleness and agility of ships, as for variety of aid-soldiers. For the Roman ships, as being unworkeably built, they are heavy of keelage and unwieldy, to den they are and fraught besides with provision of victuals, as they are commonly that come into the enemies countrey. But as for your ships (seeing they leave all about them peaceable and quiet) they shall be charged with nothing but with men and munition. Besides, the beak of the boats and lands, and of the winds in these quarters, will be a great help unto you: whereas the enemies must needs be much troubled, for want of knowledge in them all. The desire of this counsel had credit given unto him on all parts and the rather, for that he was the man himself to put in execution the same counsel. Two daies they made stay to let all things in order and readines, the third day they set forward with a fleet of a hundred sail, whereof 70 were covered the rest open, and all of the smaller making land for *Phocaea* they shaped their course. The King hearing that the Roman Armado approached, departed from thence (for that he was not to be present in person at the conflict upon the sea) and went to *Magestia* near *Sipylus*: for to levy hand-fores. But his navy made sail to *Cyffus*, a port of the *Erythraens*, to attend the coming of the enemy thence, as in a place more commodious. The Romans, when the Northern winds were once laid (for they were aloft for certain daies, and locked them in) sailed from *Delos* to *Phaenae*, a haven Town of the Chians, bearing toward the *Aegean* sea. From thence they cast about with their ships to the City, and there having visualled themselves, they croffed over to *Phocaea*. *Eumenes*

men: who was gone to *Elaa* toward his fleet, within few daies after, with four and twenty covered ships, and more uncovered, returned to the Romans: whom he found preparing and marshalling themselves (a little short of *Phocæa*) for a battel at sea. Then set they all forward with a hundred and fifty clofe covered ships, and more open and without hatches: and being with fide Northern winds, at the first driven to the sea shore, they were forced to sail single in rank one after another. But afterwards, as the violence of the wind began to be allaid, they assaid to cross over to the haven *Corycus*, which is above *Cyffus*. *Polyxenidas*, as soon as he heard that the enemies were at hand, rejoiced that he had occasion presented unto him of a naval battel: and himself stretched forth the left point of his fleet embattelled far into the sea, willing the Captains of the ships to display the right wing broad, toward the land: and so with an even front, he advanced forward to the fight. Which the Roman Admiral seeing, struck sail, took down the masts, and laying together all the tackling of the ships in one place, attended their coming that followed after. By which time there were thirty in a rank afront, with which, because he would make them equal to the left wing of the enemy, he set up the trinkets or small sails, meaning to make way into the deep, commanding them that followed still, to make head, and direct their prow against the right wing neer the land. *Eumenes* was the rere-Admiral, and kept the rereward clofe together: but so soon as they began to be troubled with taking down their tackling, he set forward with all speed and halt that he could make: and by this time were they in view one of the other. Two Carthaginian ships led before the Roman navy, which were encountered with three of the Kings ships. And considering the ods of the number, two of the Kings came about one, and with fifty wiped away the oars on both sides, then they shewed themselves aloft with their weapons, and boarded her, and after they had either overturned or killed the defendants, they were masters of that ship. The other that was in single fight, and assailed but by one, seeing the other ship taken by the enemies, fled back into the main fleet, before he was environed by the three enemies, *Livius* chafing herat, and angry at the heart, advanced forward with the Admiral ship afront the enemy: against her, those other two which had enclosed the Carthaginian ship afore said, hoping to do the like by this, came onward: which *Livius* perceiving, commanded the rowers to let their oars hang in the water on both sides, for the more stay and steadiness of the ship, and likewise to cast their iron hooks fashioned like hands, for to grapple the enemies ships, as they approached and came neer unto them: and when they were come to clofe fight in manner of land-service, then to remember the valour of the Romans, and not to hold the Kings slaves for men of any worth. And with much more facility and ease, than the two ships before conquered one, this one forth gained two. By this time the main fleet on both sides encountered on all sides, and fought pell-mell, *Eumenes* who being in the rereward, came last in place, after the conflict was begun, perceiving that *Livius* had disordered the left wing of the enemies, made head against the right, where he saw them fighting on even hand, not long after the left wing began to flie. For *Polyxenidas*, so soon as he saw himself without all question overmatched in valour of the souldiers, caused the trinkets and all the cloth he had to be set up, and purposed to flie again. Those likewise that were toward the land, and fought with *Eumenes*, within a while did no less. The Romans and *Eumenes*, so long as the mariners were able to plie their oars, and so long as they were in hope to annoy the tail of the enemies, followed the chase lustily enough: but after that they perceived their own ships (charged and heavily laden with victuals) follow after to no purpose, and to lag behind, nor like to overtake them which were the swifter, because they were the lighter, staid at length their pursuit, after they had taken 13 ships both with their souldiers and mariners, and sunk ten. Of the Roman Armado there perished but one Carthaginian, which at the first encounter was beset with two ships. *Polyxenidas* never gave over flight, but made way still until he had recovered the haven of *Ephesus*. The Romans abode that day in the place from whence the Kings armado came, purposing on the morrow to make fresh sail after the enemy. And in the midst of their course they met with those 35 Rhodian ships covered, conducted by *Pisistratus* the Admiral: and taking those also with them, they followed the enemy even as far as *Ephesus*, where in the mouth of the haven, they rid in order of battel: by which bravado, having wrong as it were from the enemies a plain confession that they were vanquished, the Rhodians and *Eumenes* were sent home. The Romans setting their course for *Chius*, first sailed by *Phoenicus*, an haven Town of *Erytraea*, and having cast anchor that night, the next day they weighed, and arrived within the lland, clofe to the City it self, where having sojournd some few daies, especially to refresh their rowers, they passed forward to *Phocæa*. Where leaving four quinquereme Galeaces, the fleet arrived at *Cana*, and because the Winter approached, the ships were laid up in their docks on drie Land, and for their safety were trenchred and paled about. In the years end the General assembly for election of Magistrats was holden at *Rome*, wherein were created Consuls, *L. Cornelius Scipio*, and *C. Laelius*. For now all men had an eye to the finishing of the war against *Antiochus*. The next morrow were the Pretors also chosen, namely, *M. Taccius*, *L. Aurunculeius*, *Cneus Fulvius*, *L. Emilius*, *P. Scipio*, and *C. Atilius Laber*.

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## The seven and thirtieth Book

## Of the Historie of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. F. upon the seven and thirtieth Book.

**L**ivius Cornelius Scipio the Consul, having for his Lieutenant P. Scipio Africanus (according as he had promised that he would be Lieutenant to his brothers Greece and Asia were ordained to be his Provinces; whereas it was thought that C. Laelius for the great credit that he was in with the Senat, should have had that Province given him) took his voyage for to war against Antiochus, and was the first Roman that ever sailed over into Asia, as Captain and Commander of an army. Emilius Regillus fought fortunately with the aid of the Rhodians before Myonnelus, against the royal navy of Antiochus. The son of Africanus taken prisoner by Antiochus, was sent home to his father. M. Acilius Glabrio triumphed over Antiochus, whom he had driven out of Greece, as also over the Rhodians. Afterwards, when Antiochus was vanquished by L. Cornelius Scipio (with the assistance of King Eumenes, the son of Attalus King of Pergamus) he had peace granted unto him, upon condition, that he should quit and C. Laelius the Provinces on this side the mount Taurus. And Eumenes, by whose help Antiochus was overcome, had his Kingdom enlarged. To the Rhodians also, for their helping hand, certain Cities were given and granted. One Colony was planted, called Bononia. Emilius Regillus, who vanquished the Captain of Antiochus in a naval battel, obtained also a naval triumph. L. Cornelius Scipio, who finished the war with Antiochus, had the like surname given him as his brother, and was called after Asiaticus.

## The seven and thirtieth Book of T. Livius.

**V**hen L. Cornelius Scipio, and C. Laelius were Consuls, after order taken for the service of the Gods, there was no matter treated of in the Senat, before the suit of the *Ætolians*. And as their Embassadors were instant and earnest, because the term of their truce was but short, to T. Quintus, who then was returned out of Greece to Rome, seconded them. The *Ætolians*, relying more upon the mercy of the Senat, than the justice of their cause, and ballancing their old good turns done to the Romans, to the late harms and trespasses committed, used humble supplication. But so long as they were in presence before the Senators, they were wearied with their interrogatories of all hands, who sought rather to fetch and wring from them confession of a fault, than any other answer: and when they were bidden to void out of the Senat-house, they cauled much debate within. For in the handling of their matter it was seen that anger bare more sway than pity, because they were not so much offended with them for being enemies, as they blamed them for an unruly, untamed, and unlovable nation. And after much hard hold for certain daies together, they relented at length, neither to grant nor deny them peace. Two conditions were tendered and presented unto them, either to refer themselves wholly to the pleasure and disposition of the Senat, or else to deliver a 1000 talents: and withal to hold those for friends or foes, whomsoever the Romans reputed theirs. And when they were desirous to draw from the Senators thus much, as to know in what points, and how far forth, they should submit themselves to the discretion of the Senat: they could have no certain answer to build upon. And thus without any peace obtained, they were dismissed, with express commandment to void the City that very day, and to begone out of Italy within 15 daies following. Then they fell to consultation in the Senat about the government of the Consular provinces. Both Consuls desired to have the charge of Greece, and Laelius was a great man with the Senat. Now when the house was minded that the Consuls should either cast lots or agree between themselves for their Provinces, he rose up and said, That it was more decent and befitting to put the matter to the judgment of that honorable court, than to the blind hazard of lots. To this Scipio for the present made answer, that he would consider better of it: and after he had conferred secretly with his brother apart (who advised him to be bold and put it to the Senat) he gave Laelius to understand, that he was content to do as he would have him. When this strange course and manner of proceeding (either new and unheard of before, or else after so long disuse of the practise thereof, forgotten and taken up again) caused the Senat to arm themselves against a great strife and contention, then P. Scipio Africanus said, That if they would ordain his brother L. Scipio to have the Province of Greece, he would accompany him in that voyage, in quality of his Lieutenant. This one word of his (accepted of them all with a general consent) staid all debate: for a great mind they had to make a trial, whether Annibal being vanquished could King Antiochus more than Africanus the Conqueror assist the Consul and the Roman legions. And all in a manner assigned Greece to Scipio, and Italy to Laelius. But the Pretors had their Provinces, let out to them by lots. L. Aurunculeius obtained the civil jurisdiction of citizens, and L. Fulvius of forainers: L. Emilius Regillus was L. Admiral of the armado, P. Junius governed Tuscany, M. Taccius Apulia and the

Brutii, and *L. Atinius Sicily*. Moreover that Consul, who was to be employed in Greece, had a commission granted, besides that army which he should receive of *M. Atilius* (and those were two legions) to furnish himself with a supply of 3000 footmen, and 1000 horsemen of Roman citizens; also of 5000 foot, and 200 horse of allies that were Latins: and besides, granted it was in the same commission, that when he was arrived into his Province, he should pass over with his army into *Asia*, if he thought it so expedient for the Common weal.

Unto the other Consul was allowed an entire whole army of new soldiers, consisting of two Roman legions, and fifteen thousand foot and six hundred horse of the Latin allies. *Q. Minutius* had direction (by reason that he wrote how he had performed in his Province all that there was to be done, and that the whole Nation of the Ligurians had yielded subjection) to translate his forces out of *Liguria* into the Boians country, and to deliver the same to *P. Cornelius* the Proconsul. Out of that territory which he had taken away from them after they were vanquished, those City legions were withdrawn, which had been levied and enrolled the year before: and committed they were to the charge of *M. Tuccius* the Pretor, besides 15000 foot, and 6000 horse of Latine allies: and all these forces were to be employed for to defend and keep in obedience, *Apulia* and the Brutians country, As for *A. Cornelius* the Pretor of the former years, (who with an army had the government of the Brutii) he was commanded to deliver unto *M. Atilius* (if the Consul thought it good) the legions transported over into *Ætolia*, if he would remain there still: but if *Atilius* would rather return to Rome, then *A. Cornelius* with that army, was to remain in *Ætolia*. Thought good it was, that *C. Atinius Labeo* should receive of *M. Atilius*, the government of *Sicily* and his army: and it pleased him, to take up and enrol out of that very K Province 2000 foot and 100 horse, for to supply and fulfill the broken companies. *P. Juncus Brutus* had commandment to levy a new army for the government of *Tuscan* to wit, one Roman legion, and 10000 foot of Latine allies, and 400 horse. Also *L. Emilius* the Admiral, was to receive of *M. Junius* the Pretor of the former year, twenty Gallies, and the mariners and oars thereto belonging; and besides, to levy himself 1000 mariners more, and 2000 footmen: and with those ships and soldiers to sail into *Asia*, and to receive the fleet of *C. Livius*. As for them that were already in the government of both the Provinces of *Spain* and of *Sardinia*, they were to continue there still for one year longer, and to have the same armies at command. This year were two tenths of corn levied of *Sicily* and *Sardinia*: and order was given for all the Sicilian counts to be sent into *Ætolia* the army: but out of *Sardinia*, that one part should be brought to Rome, and the other transported over into *Ætolia*, even to the same place that the other of *Sicily* afore said.

Before the Consuls set forward into their Provinces, it was thought meet, that the Pontifics should give order for the expiation of certain prodigies: for at Rome the Temple of *Juno Lucina* was smitten with lightning; so as both the lantern, yea, and the leaved dore thereof, were suddenly disfigured. Likewise at *Puteoli*, the Town walls in many places, and one gate, was blasted with lightning, and two men besides were stricken dead therewith. At *Narva* it was for certain known, that the day being fair and clear, there arose a stormy tempest, wherein also twelve men lost their lives. The *Tuiculus* reported, that with them it rained earth. And the men of *Rates* brought word, that within their territory a female mule foled. These prodigies (I say) were expiated: and the Latine festival holy-daies were celebrated anew, for that the dole of flesh was not given unto the Laurens, which of duty should have been delivered. Moreover, a solemn supplication was ordained, in regard of all errors and faults escaped in divine service and religious observances. Also out of the books of *Sibylla*, the Decemvirs declared and shewed, to what Gods, sacrifice should be made: and ten young prinings free born, and ten Virgins likewise, whose Fathers and Mothers yet lived, were employed about the ministry of those sacrifices. The Decemvirs also by night sacrificed young sucklings. And *P. Cornelius Scipio Africanus*, before he took his journey, erected an arch in the Capitol (over-against the high street that leadeth thither) with 7 gilded statues and 2 horses: and before that arch, he set up two cesters or fountains of marble. About this time, 43 principal persons of *Ætolia*, (among whom were *Democritus* and his brother) were conveyed to Rome, by two Squadrons or cohorts sent of purpose from *M. Atilius*: and there were laid up fast in the prison called "The stone quarries": which done, the consuls afore said were commanded by *L. Cornelius* the Consul, to make return to the army. From *Polemon* and *Cleopatra* (King and Queen of *Egypt*) there came Embassadors, testifying their joy which they conceived in the behalf of the Romans, in these terms, That *M. Atilius* the Consul had chased King *Antiochus* out of Greece: exhorting also the Romans to transport an army into *Asia*: for that not in *Asia* only, but likewise in *Syria*, all men were smitten with fear and amazed. As for the KK. of *Egypt*, they would be ready to do for their parts, whatsoever the Senat should let down. Thanks were returned to the K, and Q, afore said, and order was taken, that to the Embassadors for a reward should be given 4000 braken Asses apiece.

*L. Cornelius* the Consul, having accomplished all things to be done at Rome, published an Edition in a general assembly, That all well borne soldiers whom himself had enrolled for supply, as they who were with *A. Cornelius* in the Brutians country, should all meet at *Brundisium* upon the Ides of *Q. Vinculus*. Moreover he nominated three Lieutenants, *Sex. Digintus*, *L. Apollonius*, and *C. Fabricius Luscinus*, for to gather ships together out of all the Sea-coasts into *Brundisium*. And when he had prepared and set all things in good order, he departed from the City, clad in his rich

\* *L. Junius*, or *Latomie*.

\* 5 of July.

A rich coat of arms. There presented unto the Consul as he went forth, to the number of 5000 volunteers, Romans and allies together, who had served their full years in the wars under the conduct of *P. Africanus*, and now were exempt from soldiery, who all offered to go with him and to be enrolled as fresh soldiers. Much at the time that the Consul took his journey (during the festival Apollinarian games in the honour of *Apollus*, upon the first day before the Ides of *July*) it chanced, that in the day time, when the air was clear and fair, there arose a sudden darkness during the Eclipse of the sun, by reason that the body of the moon was directly under the Circle and rundle of the sun. *L. Emilius Regillus* also Admiral of the war, at the same time went to Sea, *L. Aemilius* was charged by order from the Senat, to build 30 Gaieaces with five banks of oars, and 20 Gallies with three banks, because a bruit was blown and razed abroad, that *Antiochus* upon the late battail at Sea, was about to prepare a much greater armada.

The Ætolians, after their Embassadors were returned from Rome and had made relation, that there was no hope of peace, albeit all their Sea-coasts (especially toward *P. Iaponefus*) were spoiled and waited by the Achæans, yet minding more their peril like to ensue, than remembering their loss received, seized the mountain *Corax*, intending to impeach and stop the passage of the Romans. For they made no question nor doubt, but that the next spring they would return to besiege and assault *Naupactum*. *Atilius*, who wist well what they expected, thought it better to go in hand with an enterprise unlooked for, and namely, to assail *Lamia*: for thus he thought, That seeing they had been already brought to a great strait and extremity by King *Persius*; now they might be taken suddenly and surprised at unawares, because they stood in fear of nothing less.

C Whereupon, removing from *Elatia*, he encamped first in the country of his enemies: near to the River *Sperchius*: from whence by night he dislodged, and advanced forth with his ensigns, and by the day break had invested their walls round about. Great fear and hurly there was, as in an accident unlooked for: yet all that day they defended the City more resolutely, than a man would have believed and thought they could have done in so sudden a danger: whilst men stood at defence upon the walls, women set up ladders in many places, and brought the men weapons and darts of all sorts, yea, and stones up to the walls unto them. *Atilius*, after he had sounded the retreat, brought back his men into the camp about noon: and after they had there refreshed their bodies with meat and rest, he gave them warning (before he dismissed the *Prætorium*) that ere day-light the next morning they should be ready in arms: for that he would not come back again with them into the camp, before they were masters of the Town. At the same time as the day before, he gave assault in many places: and for as much as the Townsmens strength decayed, their darts and weapons failed, and above all, their hearts failed, within few hours he won the City. After he had made a riddance of the pillage, sold some part, and given away the rest, he fell to take counsel what to do afterwards. There was not one man of opinion to go against *Naupactum*, considering that the Ætolians held and kept the pass of *Corax*. Howbeit *Atilius*, to the end that he would not keep the field in summer without doing some exploit, and that the Ætolians might not enjoy that peace by the slackness of the Roman soldiers, which obtain they could not at the Senats hand, he purposed to besiege *Amphissa*: and so the army was conducted thither from *Hædræa*, by the mountain *Oeta*. When he had encamped himself under the Town walls, he began

D to invest it round with men as he did *Lamia*, but with ordnance and engines to batter it. In many places as once he ran with the ram against the walls: and albeit they were shaken, the Townsmen were not about either to make ready, or to devise and invent any means of defence against that instrument of war. All their hope was in trusty armour and hardy valour. And so often they sallied forth, that they disordered and troubled not only the guards of the enemies, but also those that attended about the fabricks and artillery. Howbeit, in many places the wall was buried and breaches made: and even at that very instant news came unto him, that his successor had landed his army at *Apollonia*, and was coming by the way of *Epirus* and *Thessaly*. Now came the Consul with a power of 13000 foot, and five hundred horse. And by this time was he passed as far as to the vale and level of *Malea*: and having sent certain afore to summon the City *Hypæa*, and received answer again, that they would do nothing but by a publick decree of the Ætolians; because the siege of *Hypæa* should not stay him, and *Amphissa* not yet won, he led his forces against it, and sent his brother *Africanus* before. Ere they came, the Oppidians had quit the Town, for by this time the wall in many places lay open and naked, and were all fenced armed and manured into a Castle which they had, impregnable. The Consul pitched his tents six miles from the Town.

Thither arrived the Athenian Embassadors, and first they repaired to *P. Scipio*, who, as we have said, was gone before the main army, and afterwards to the Consul, intreating for the Ætolians. Of the twain they received a gentler answer at the hands of *Africanus*, who seeking some honest occasion to leave the Ætolian war, set his heart and eye wholly upon *Asia* and King *Antiochus*: and to this purpose he willed the Athenians to persuade not only with the Romans but also with the Ætolians, to prefer peace before war. And speedily, through the motion and persuasion of the Athenians there was a solemn embassy of the Ætolians dispatched from *Hypæa*. Induced they were rather to hope for peace by the speech of *Africanus* (for to him they came first) "who discoursed unto them, how that many Nations and Cities in *Spain* first, afterwards in *Africa*, had put themselves under his protection, and in them all he had left greater testimonies of his clemency and bounty, than of his warlike valour and martial prowess. Thus they had

brought the matter (as they thought) to a good pass, and made it sure: but when they came before the Consul, they had the same answer of him, with which they were sent away from the Senate, and commanded to avoid. The Aetolians wounded therewith anew, seeing they could win nothing neither by the mediation of the Athenian embassy, nor the gracious answer of *Africanus*, said, they would make report thereof unto their States and country-men. So, they returned from thence to *Hypata*, where they were to seek what to do, and could not resolve: for neither had they whereof to raise a thousand talents: and again, if they should absolutely put themselves into their hands, they feared to feel the smart thereof in their bodies. Therefore they commanded the same Embassadors to go again to the Consul and to *Africanus*; and to exhibit a petition, that if they were minded indeed and verily to grant them peace, and not by vain show and semblance only to frustrate and delude the hope of poor suppliants, they would either rebate them a quantity of that grand sum of money, or else accept of their absolute surrender, that no free citizen might be touched thereby in his person. But nothing could be gotten at the Consul's hands, for to alter or relent any jot: thus was this embassy also sent away as it came, and nothing done. The Athenians came after them in place, the principal man of whose embassy, *Echedemus*, seeing the Aetolians wearied with so many repulses, and lamentably to no purpose bewailing the miserable estate of their country; put them still in some new hope, and gave them counsel to crave truce for six months, that they might address their Embassadors to *Rome*, and receive an answer from thence: shewing unto them, that this delay could not augment their present calamity, which could not worse be; but contrary-wise, time and space coming between might afford many accidents whereby their present misery might be mitigated and allayed. So by the advice of *Echedemus*, the same men were sent once again, who had communed before with *P. Scipio*, and by his means obtained of the Consul a truce for that term; which was the thing they craved. The siege being raised before *Amphissa*, *M. Acilius*, after he had delivered up his army into the hands of the Consul, resigned his government, and departed out of the Province: and the Consul likewise from *Amphissa* returned into *Thessaly*, intending through *Macedony* and *Thraci* to conduct his army into *Asia*.

Then *Africanus* entered into speech with his brother, and said: "The journey which you entreat *L. Scipio*, I for my part approve and think well of, but all reflect in the will and pleasure of *Philip*: who if he be fast and faithful to the State and Empire of *Rome*, he will grant us passage, he will afford us victuals, he will furnish us with all things which in so long a voyage are necessary to the help and sustenance of our army: but if he fail and forsake us once, you must make account of no safety and security throughout all *Thraci*: therefore I am of advice that the Kings affection be first sounded, and that will best be done if the messenger who shall be dispatched unto him, may come upon him on a sudden, and take him unprovided and having no time to put any preprepared plot in practise. *T. Sempronius Gracchus*, a most nimble and active young Gentleman, was at that time chosen for the fittest person to perform this action: who taking fresh post Horses all the way as he rode, with incredible celerity made in his speed, that from *Amphissa* (for thence he had his dispatch) in three dayes space, he arrived at *Pella*. The King was at a feast or banquet when he came, and wine he had taken full liberally. And finding him thus disposed to solace and recreate his spirits, he had no reason to suspect that he was minded and inclined to any change or alteration: and so for that time this guest was bidden welcome, and had good cheer made him. The morrow after, he saw the provision of victuals in great store ready for his armies, he beheld the Bridges made over the Rivers, and the high ways mended and prepared, where passage was difficult. With these intelligences he returned to the Consul, with as great speed as he went, and met him at *Tyamaei*. From whence, the army in much joy and with greater and more assured hope, entered into *Macedony*: where all was provided to their hands. The King at their coming received them right stately and at their departure conducted them on the way as royally. Very willing, ready and courteous he shewed himself: which *Africanus* much liked and highly commended, being a man as in all other things singular, so in allowing of elegancy and humanity, if it were without superfluity and excess, nothing nice and freight-laced. Thus they held on their journey unto *Hellaspontus*, passing through *Macedony* and *Thrace*, and *Philip* still accompanied them, and provided all things for their use along the land.

After the battail fought at Sea near *Corycum*, *Antiochus* having had all the winter time free without any empachment to furnish himself with forces both for Land and Sea, above all things studied and devised how to repair his fleet, for fear he should be quite defeated and dispossessed of the Sea. And evermore this ran in his mind, that he had an overthrow, and yet the Rhodians fleet was away. For thus he cast with himself, that if they also should be present at the next conflict (and surely the Rhodians, thought he, will not for any thing be behind again) he then should have need of a mighty number of ships to match the enemies Armado as well in greatness as good-nets. And therefore he had both sent *Amibal* into *Syracora* to take up the ships of the Phoenicians, and also commanded *Polyxenidas* to repair those vessels which he had already, and to make and rig others with so much more diligence as his fight afore was less fortunate. Himself passed the winter in *Phrygia*, and seeking for aid out of all places; he sent out as far as into *Gallatracia*. The people there at that time were great warriors; keeping still the courages of Gauls, for that the race of that nation was not yet extinct and worn out. His son *Selenus* he had left in *Asia* with

an army to keep the maritime Cities in obedience, which *Eumenes* from *Pergamus* of one side, and the Romans from *Phocaea* and *Erythra* on the other side, solicited to rebellion. The Roman fleet, as I said before, wintered at *Cana*: Thither in the mids almost of winter came *Eumenes* with two thousand foot, and a hundred horse. Who having given out unto *Livius*, that great prizes might be raised out of the enemies territory about *Thyaira*, had so periwaded and wrought with him, that he sent with him five thousand soldiers: who being let forth to this rode and expedition, in few dayes drove away a mighty booty. Amid these matters, there hapned a mutiny in *Phocaea*, by occasion of some that would have withdrawn and turned away the hearts of the multitude unto King *Antiochus*. The wintering of the fleet was chargeable to that City. The imposition of a tribute was heavy, in regard that they were put to the finding of five hundred side-clocks, and as many coats for liveries: the scarcity of corn also was grievous unto them: for which default the ships and the Roman garrison abandoned the place and departed: whereupon that faction which in all their speeches and assemblies drew the common people to side with *Antiochus*, was rid of all fear. The Senat and the principal citizens of *Phocaea* were of opinion to continue to the last, in the association of the Romans: but the persuaders and counsellors of a revolt were of more credit with the multitude.

The Rhodians were not so slow the summer past, but they were as forward now in the spring: for before mid-March, they sent out the same *Pausistratus* Admiral of a fleet of six and thirty sail. And by this time *Livius* looked from *Cana*, and sailed toward *Hellaspontus*, with thirty ships, and seven Gallies of four banks of oars, which King *Eumenes* had brought with him, to the end that he might prepare things necessary for the passage of the army, which he supposed would come by Land. And first he fell with the bay or port which they call, The rode of the Achaeans, from whence he went up to *Ilium*, where, after he had sacrificed to *Minerva*, he gave gracious audience to the embassages of the neighbors bordering, which came from *Eleus*, *Dardanus*, and *Rhoium*, who committed their Cities unto his protection. From thence he directed his course to the heights of *Hellaspontus*, and leaving ten ships in the rode over-against *Abydos*, with the rest of the fleet, he passed over into *Europe*, to assault *Sestos*. As the armed soldiery approached their walls, the Iamick Priests of *Cybele* called *Galli*, bereft of their wits, presented themselves first unto them before their gates, in their solemn habit and vestments, saying, That they being the servants and ministers of Dame *Cybele* the mother of the Gods, were come by the instinct and commandment of that goddess to beseech the Roman General to spare the walls and the City. And not one of them had any harm done unto them. Among the whole body of the Senat with the Magistrates came forth to yeeld the Town. From thence they crossed over to *Abydos*, where (after many parleys, in which they had sounded their minds, and could have no answer tending to peace) they addressed themselves to lay siege to the City, and to assault it.

Whiles these things stood thus about *Hellaspontus*, *Polyxenidas* a Rhodian born, but banished his country, and a Captain for King *Antiochus*, hearing that a Rhodian fleet was gone to Sea, and that *Pausistratus* their Admiral, had in open audience given out certain proud and disdainful speeches against him, entered into a privat quarrel with him, toying and devising in his mind night and day nothing else, but how he might by some effectual and worthy deeds, check and confute those brave and glorious words of his. He dispatched therefore unto him as a messenger, a man well known unto him, with credence and instructions to give him to understand, that himself would (if he might) stand both *Pausistratus* and his country in good stead: and that *Pausistratus* (if it pleased him) had means to restore him again into his native country. When *Pausistratus* marvelled hereat, and was very inquisitive to know how this might be effected: and gave him his faithful promise (at his request) either to joyn with him in the action, or else to conceal all and keep counsel: then the messenger declared, that *Polyxenidas* would make over unto him the Kings navy either entire, or the greater part thereof: and in consideration and recompence of this so great demerit, he desired no more but that he might return into his country. The importance of this matter was so great, that he neither believed his words, nor yet neglected and despised the same. So he went to *Panormus*, a place in the Land of *Samos*, and there he abode to view and see the thing that was offered unto him. Couriers there ran between, and never would *Pausistratus* give credit to the party, until *Polyxenidas* wrote a letter with his own hand in the presence of his said messenger, that he would perform whatsoever he had promised, yea, and sent the same letters sealed with his own sign Manual. By this sure pledge or oage, *Pausistratus* made full account that he had the traitor surely bound and obliged unto him. For thus he thought, that *Polyxenidas* living as a subject under the King, would never hazard the danger of such pregnant matters to appear against himself, testified under his own hand-writing: so from that time forward the means of this pretended and counterfeit treason was devised and agreed upon. *Polyxenidas* gave him to understand, that he would of purpose lay aside and neglect preparation of all furniture, that he would neither have rowers nor other mariners in any number about his fleet: moreover, under a colour of talking and caltrefring he would lay up some ships on dry Land: others he would send away into the havens near at hand, and keep some few riding at anchor before *Ephesus* in the haven, and those (if he were forced to battail) he would set out to fight. The same negligence that *Pausistratus* heard say *Polyxenidas* would use in his fleet, the same himself presently shewed in his own. For some of his ships he sent to *Halicarnassus* for victuals, and other to *Samarthe* City, to the end that he might be in readines when the traitor gave the signal of assault.

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*Polyxenides* (still by false semblance increased the errors and vain imaginations of *Pausistratus*: for some ships indeed he drew aloft and laid up dry: and as if he meant to hale up more, he repaired and amended the docks, Oremen and mariners he sent forth out of their winter harbors to go to *Ephesus*, but secretly assembled them to *Magnesia*. Now it happened that a certain souldier serving under King *Antiochus*, who was come to *Samos* about some private affairs of his own, was apprehended there for a spy, and brought to *Panormus* before the Admiral *Pausistratus*. Wholeing demanded what they did at *Ephesus*: I know not whether for fear, or upon small loyalty that he bare to his Prince and country, discovered all: namely, that the fleet rid in the haven, rigged, decked and trimmed in readines: Item, that all the rowers and mariners were sent to *Septim* in *Magnesia*: Item, that some vessels, and those very few, were drawn up to land, and the docks and harbors were shut up close: and lastly, that never at any time before, the navy was so carefully I looked unto, nor Sea-affairs so well managed. But the mind of *Pausistratus* was so possessed before, with foolish conceits and vain hopes, that he would not believe these informations and intelligences for true. *Polyxenides* having let all things forward and in good readines, by night sent for the rowers and mariners from *Magnesia*: and having in great haite sent to Sea, and let afloat those vessels which lay at one side upon the land, after he had spent the whole day, not so much in making provision, as trifling out the time on fer purpose, because he would not have the fleet to be seen when it set forth, weighed anchor and loosed after the sun was gone down: and with 70 sail of covered ships, because he had a contrary wind, entred the Bay of *Pyrga* before day, where resting all the livelong day for the same purpose as before, the next night he failed to the neerer coasts of *Samos*. From whence he gave commandment to one *Nicaner* an Archipratt, to set sail for *Palimurus*, with five clove covered ships, there to land; and from thence to march with his armed souldiers over the fields the neerer way to *Panormus*, and to come upon the back of the enemies: himself in the mean while divided his fleet into two parts, and made way to *Panormus*, there to keep the entry and mouth of the haven on both sides. *Pausistratus* at first was troubled for a while at this unexpected occurrent: but afterwards, as one that was an old bearen souldier, he quickly took heart again, and calling his wits together, supposed that he might more easily repulse the enemies by Land than by Sea: and led his souldiers in two Squadrons upon the promontories which bearing out into the Sea like two horns, to force the haven: from which two oars or heads he supposed that he might easily let back and put by the enemies with shooting darts from both sides. But *Nicaner* who was sent by Land, impeached this design of his, so that he was forced suddenly to change his mind and alter that course, and therefore commanded all his men to go a shipboard and away. Hereupon exceeding fear there was both among the souldiers and also the mariners, as if they were to take their flight by Sea and not to fight, seeing themselves environed at once both by Land and Sea. *Pausistratus* supposing the only way to escape and save themselves, was to make way through the mouth of the haven, and so to recover sea-room: after he had seen all his men embarked, commanded the rest to follow, and himself first plying and labouring hard with oars, scudded amain with his ship to the entrance of the haven. Now when she was once past the streight and come into the open Sea, *Polyxenides* was there to welcome him with three Galeaces of five banks of oars, and to beset him. The poor ship was wounded with the iron pikes bearing out in the beak heads of the Galeaces, and so banged and sunk withal. The defendants upon the batches were overwhelmed with shot of darts, and among the rest, *Pausistratus* himself manfully fighting lost his life. The rest of the ships were boarded and taken, some before the haven, others within: and some there that by *Nicaner* were seized as they laboured to loole from the land, and to lanch forth. Five ships only of *Rhodes*, and two of *Cons*, escaped dead and fled, which made themselves way even among the thickest of their enemies, by the means of a fearful burning flame of fire that they had with them. For they ferme two long perches apoles bearing forward at the prow, like two sprit-sails, in every ship, carrying iron pots and pans aloft them full of light fire. The Gallies of *Elypreea*, meeting the Rhodian ships not far from *Samos* as they fled, the which were coming to help them, turned their course backward into *Hellepontus*, unto the Romans. About the same time *Selenus* gained the City of *Phocaea* by treason, entering in at a gate which the warders set open of purpose for him. And for fear, *Cyma* and other Towns of that coast revolted unto him.

Whiles these things thus passed in *Asia*, and that *Abydus* had endured the siege for certain dayes by the defence of the Kings garrison that manned the walls: now that all were overwelled and wearied, the Magistrats of the City (by the permission of *Philotas* Captain of the garrison) articulated with *Livius* upon conditions to render the Town. The only point whereupon they stood, and which Hayed the conclusion, was this, for that they could not agree whether the Kings souldiers should be sent away armed or disarmed. And whiles they debated hereabout, news came of the Rhodians defeat, and so the opportunity of gaining the Town slipped out of their hands. For *Livius* fearing, lest *Polyxenides* pushed up with the success of so great an exploit, would surprize the fleet that rid at *Cana*, leaving presently the siege before *Abydus*, and the gading of *Hellepontus*, put to Sea a fresh those ships that lay dry at *Cana*. And *Emmenus* came to *Elea*: But *Livius* went to *Phocaea* with all his fleet, to which he had adjoynd two tireme gallies of *Mytilene*. But when he heard say it was kept with a strong garrison of the Kings, that *Selenus* was encamped not far off after he had pilld the sea-coast, and charged hastily his ships with a good booty, and those were prizes of men especially, he stayed no longer there than until *Emmenus* might overtake him with his fleet,

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A but directed his course straight to *Samos*. The Rhodians upon the first news of this their overthrow, feared much, and withal mightily sorrowed: for besides the loss of their Sea-souldiers and ships, they lost also the very flour and strength of their years: for almost as many young Gentlemen of their nobility accompanied *Pausistratus*: among other motives, in regard of his authority, which was right great, and for good desert among his Country-men: But afterwards considering how treacherously they were over-wrought, and mishled by one of their own citizens, born among them, their melancholy turned into choler, and they forrow turned into anger. Whereupon they sent forth ten ships immediately, and few dayes after other ten, under the conduct of *Eudamius* the Admiral over them: who albeit he were not for other fears of arms and martial skill equal to *Pausistratus*, yet they supposed verily he would be a leader so much the more wary and circumspect, as he was the leis hardly and courageous. The Romans and King *Antiochus* first fell with the land *Erythraea*, where they stayed one night, and the morrow after gained the point of *Corycus*, a promontory of the *Ticians*. From whence when they purposed to trolly over to the neerer parts of *Samos*, not waiting for the sun-rising, by which the Pilots might observe the disposition of the weather, they hoisted up sails against a very doubtful and dangerous tempest: for the wind turned from North-east to full North: as they were in the midst of their course, whereby they began to be mightily tossed among the surging billows of the rough and angry Sea. *Polyxenides* supposing that the enemies would take their course directly to *Samos*, there to joyn with the Rhodian fleet, departed from *Ephesus*: and first anchored at *Myonessus*: from thence he failed to an Island called *Adaria*, to the end that as the enemies fleet failed by the night take advantage to let upon either some ships singled and severed from the body of the fleet, or play upon the tail and rereguard thereof. After that he perceived the whole fleet to be dispersed by force of the tempest, he thought fit to take that occasion to fall upon them: but the wind rising still more and more, and raising greater waves, because he saw he could not possibly come neer to board them, he cut over to the land *Erythraea* minding the next day to assail the ships in the main Sea as they passed to *Samos*. Some small number of the Roman ships in the beginning of the night put into the haven of *Samos*, which they found void and empty: the rest of the fleet after they had been tossed and commited all the night long in the deep, at length light upon the same harbor. Where being advertised by the peasants of the country, that the enemies ships lay in the rode of *Athalta*, they fell to combat: whether presently to bid battail and put it to the hazard, or expect the arrival of the Rhodian fleet. Defering therefore that enterprize (for so upon advertisement they were agreed) they tattered to *Corycus*, from whence they came. *Polyxenides* likewise, having staid at anchor in vain returned to *Ephesus*: and then the Roman ships, while the Seas were thus clear of enemies, failed over to *Samos*. Thither also arrived the Rhodian fleet few daies after: and that it might appear how long looked for it was, they all presently set sail for *Ephesus*, with purpose either to try an issue by a batle at Sea, or else if the enemy refused the tryal, to expreis and wring from him a plain confession of cowardise: which was a material point and of great importance to move the minds of the other neighbour-cities. Being arrived to the very haven mouth, they embattailed their ships and stood directly affront opposed unto it. And when they saw none make sail nor set out against them, the one part thereof rode afloat at anchor still in the very haven mouth: the other discharged the souldiers and let them a land. Upon whom (as they were driving a mighty booy which they had raised by foraging all the country over) *Adronicus* a Macedonian, who lay in garrison at *Ephesus*, sallied forth, even as they approached the walls of the City: and having called them of a great part of their prey afore said, he chased them to the Sea unto their ships. The morrow after the Romans having bestowed an ambush about the mid-way between, marched in order of battail against the City, to see if peradventure they could train forth the Macedonian again without the walls: but perceiving that no man durst come abroad for suspicion and fear of an await, they returned to their ships again: and when they saw their enemies would not abide them neither at Sea nor on Land, in the end the fleet failed again to *Samos* from whence it came. Thence the Pretor made out two Gallies of Italian confederates, and as many Rhodians under the conduct of *Epicrates*, the Rhodian Admiral, to defend and keep the streights of *Cephalonia*, which straits the Lacedaemonian together with the youth of the Cephalens, infested with his roving and robbing, in so much as there could no ships pass by Sea to and fro with victuals between Italy and that coast. At *Pyraeum* *Epicrates* met with *L. Aemilius Regillus* coming to succeed in the Admiralty: who hearing of the defeat of the Rhodians, and having himself but two Quinquereme Gallies, brought *Epicrates* back with him into *Asia* with four ships. There accompanied them also the open ships of the Athenians. And he passed over by the Sea *Agæum*. Thither also arrived *Timocrates* the Rhodian in the dead of the night with two Quadrirreme gallies from *Samos*. Who being brought unto *Emylius*, declared how he was sent to quiet and defend that Sea-coast, which the Kings roving ships and men of war by their often excursions from *Hellepontus* and *Agæum* had made too hot for the Hulks and other ships of burden which were used to paisth way. As *Emylius* failed from *Chios* to *Samos*, two Rhodian Quadrirreme Gallies were sent by *Livius* to meet him and King *Emmenus* also with two Quinquereme gallies presented himself unto him. Being all arrived at *Samos*, *Emylius* after he had received the navy of *Livius*, and sacrificed orderly as the manner was, called a council. At which *C. Livius* (for his opinion was asked first) spake and said, "That no man give me found and faithful counsel than he, who perwadeth another man to that which himself would do in the same case. As for me, my intent and purpose was, to

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"go against Ephesus with the whole armada, and thither to bring with me the vessels of burden that were charged with heavy ballast of gravel and sand, and to sink them in the very haven mouth, so that the haven should be choked up. And to make this bar against the haven, it was a matter (said he) of less difficulty, for that the mouth and gulf of the haven, was in manner of a river, long, narrow, and full of shoals and shallows. By which means I should have cut off the benefit of the Sea from the enemy, and make him lose the use altogether of his navy. But no man there besides himself thought well of this device. King Eumenes demanded, what they would do then after this choking up and stoppage of the haven passage, by sinking the ships? whether they would depart from thence with their own navy at liberty, to help their allies and terrify and affright their enemies; or never the later (still, keep the haven (as it were) in siege with the whole fleet? For if they departed, who could make doubt but that the enemy would pluck up those dams and bars that there lay drowned; yea, and with less ado and trouble, open the haven again, than it was stopped? and if they meant to tarry there nevertheless, to what purpose then was the haven shut up? But contrary-wise, they within Ephesus (quoth he) being in surety for any danger from their haven and having a most rich and wealthy City of their own, furnished with all things out of Asia, would pass the summer season in rest and repose; whereas the Romans floating in the open wide Sea, exposed to the violence of waves and lying at the mercy of tempests, should be driven to keep a continual guard, disurnished of all things, and rather tied up and debarred themselves, for being able to effect those things that were needful to be done, than in case to empeach and shut up their enemies. Then Endamur the Admiral of the Rhodian fleet, opened for his part, and spake to the question, saying, That he rather disliked of that counsell, than knew himself a better, or could advise what was to be done. Epitrate the Rhodian was of mind, to leave Ephesus for the present, and to send part of his ships into Lycia, for to associate unto them Patara, the capital City of that nation: shewing two things of great consequence, that hereby would accrue. For, both the Rhodians assured of peace, and secured from all danger of those quarters that lie about their Island, might thereby attend wholly, and employ all their forces upon the regard of this only war against Antiochus: and also the Armado which was prepared in Lycia might be stopped and empeached, for ever joining with Polyxenidas. This opinion imported, and prevailed most. Howbeit, thought good it was and agreed upon, that Regillus should present himself before Ephesus, with the whole fleet, to strike a terror into the enemies. And C. Livius was sent with four Rhodian quadrireme Gallies, and two Smyranean open ships into Lycia, with direction to take Rhodes in the way, and with them there to communicate all his counsels. The Cities which he passed by, namely, Mytilenus, \* Myndus, \* Halicarnassus, \* Cnidus and Cos, performed willingly whatsoever was enjoined and imposed upon them. Being arrived at Rhodes, he declared unto the Rhodians the effect of his commission, and withal required their advice. They all approved the design, and when he had taken of them to the fleet that he had of his own, three quadrireme gallies more, he sailed to Patara. At the first he had a merry gale of wind, that let them forward directly toward the City, and good hope they had with their suddain terror to do some good with the inhabitants: but afterwards, the wind being come about, the Sea rose, and the surging waves began to make it troublesome and dangerous; howbeit they laboured so with oars that they gat to the shore side. But neither was there about the City any safe bay to ride in, neither were they able to keep the Sea with anchor without the haven mouth of the enemies City, the Sea was so rough, and the night so neer. So passing along by the wall side of the City, they failed to the port of Phasius, less than two miles distant from thence, which was a safe rode for their ships from all danger of Sea, but high cliffs and rocks there were over their heads which commanded them, and those the Townsmen quickly seized, with the assistance of the Kings souldiers whom they had in garrison. Against whom Livius sent out the aid-souldiers of the Illeians, and the nimblest and most agile young men of the Smyrneans, notwithstanding the landing places were very difficult and upward. These sustained the fight at fifty fo long as they shot darts, and made petty excursions and profess rather of skirmishes, than a direct battle, as being but few in number. But after that they ran out of the City in great numbers, and that the whole multitude was issued forth, Livius feared lest not only those auxiliars should be environed and enclosed, but also the ships distressed and endangered from the land: so he brought forth to fight, not the souldiers only, but all the noble of the mariners also and the rowers, armed and furnished with whatsoever weapons they could find. And even then also there was a doubtful and dangerous conflict, wherein besides certain souldiers L. Apudius died in the conflict of this suddain and tumultuary skirmish. Yet in the end, the Lycians were discomfited, put to flight, and chased into their City. The Romans likewise retired to their ships, carrying away with them no bloudless victory for their part. From thence they shaped their course to the gulf or narrow freight of Telmessus (which of one side toucheth Caria, and Lycia on the other) laying aside all hope to assail Patara any more: and so the Rhodians were discharged and sent home. Livius after he had coasted along Asia crossed over into Greece, to the end, that having commended and conferred with the Scipios (who then abode about Thebes) he might sail directly into Italy.

Emilius when he had intelligence, that the designment intended in Lycia was given over, and that Livius was departed into Italy, being himself also returned to Samos (for that he was by violence of tempest repelled from Ephesus, without effect of his enterprise) thought it was a shame and dishonour, that the adventure was given upon Patara in vain, and therefore determined in proper

A proper person to make a voyage thither with his whole fleet; and to assault the City with all the force he could possibly. And having passed along Miletus, and all that coast of the associates, they disbarred from the gulf or creek of Bargilla, and came a land near Iassus. The City was held by a garrison of the Kings; and the Romans waited by way of hostility, the territory about it. Then Emilius sent certain to parley with the chief citizens and the Magistrats, to found them how they were disposed, and also to sollicite them to revolt: but being answered again that it lay not in their own power to do as they would, he marched forward to give an assault to the City. Now there were certain Iassians, banished persons, in company with the Romans, who in great number brought and importuned the Rhodians, not to suffer a City, so neer a neighbour and linked in blood unto them, for to perish and come to ruin, especially having no way offended: alledging, that the only cause of their banishment was their loyalty unto the Romans, and by the same violence of the Kings garrison souldiers, were they also held in awe who remained in the City, by which themselves had been expelled. For all the Iassians in general were of one mind, most willing and desirous to avoid and shake off the servitude under the King. The Rhodians were moved in compassion with their prayers, and joining unto them King Eumenes also, partly by shewing the conflagrancy and kindred between them, and partly by pitying and lamenting the distressed state of the City (besieged, as it were, already by the Kings garrison) they prevailed so much that they forbore to assail it. So they departed from thence, and because all other parts were peaceable, they sailed along the coast of Asia, until they arrived at \* Loyme, a port or haven town even against Rhodes. There in the Principia began first a secret whispering among the Colonels (which afterwards came to the ears of Emilius himself) namely, That the navy was led away far enough off from Ephesus, where by right and of duty he was to war; to the end, that the enemy being left at liberty behind their backs, might attempt to do what he list without controulment, against so many Cities and States of the Roman allies, neer unto him. Emilius was moved herewith, and calling unto him the Rhodians, demanded of them, Whether the whole armada might ride conveniently within the haven of Patara? And when they answered No, he took that occasion to pass no further, but to give over the voyage, and so brought back his ships to Samos.

In this same time Seleucus the son of Antiochus, after he had kept his army all winter time in Asia, employing it partly in succouring his associates, and partly in sacking and pilling those whom he could not draw into association, intended to invade the confines of King Eumenes his realm, D he (together with the Romans) was buffed far from home, in assailing the maritime parts of Lycia. And first he approached Elaea in countenance of an enemy, with banner displayed; but afterwards, leaving to besiege the City, after spoil made in hostile manner of the territory, he marched forward to besiege and assail the head City and capital strength of all his Kingdom. \* Pergamum, Antalus at the beginning seemed rather to brave and provoke him unto fight with his strong guards that he had placed without the City, and excursions with his horsemen and light armour, than to stand upon his guard and defence, and to receive the forces of his enemy: but at length, seeing by these light skirmishes that he was in no respect able to match Seleucus, he retired himself within his walls, and so the City began to be besieged. And much about the same time, Antiochus also being departed from Apamea, first lay encamped at Sardis, and afterwards, not far from the camp of Seleucus, neer to the head or source of the river \* Caicus, with a mighty army composed of diverse and sundry nations. The greatest shew of terror in this army was a doubled Regiment of Gauls, to the number of four thousand, hired for wages, who with some few other among them, he sent out to wait and destroy all parts of the territory about Pergamum. When news hereof came to Samos, Eumenes at the first, being called away by this war, (began at home, even at his very dores) made hast with his fleet to Elaea; where finding in readines certain horsemen and footmen both lightly appointed, by their sure convoy and safe conduct, he came to Pergamum before the enemies had knowledge thereof, or enterprised anything. Where once again they began to make light skirmishes by way of excursions, for in truth Eumenes lay off, and was not willing to hazard the main chance upon a throw. Few days after, both the Roman and Rhodian fleet came from Samos and were arrived at Elaea for to aid the King Eumenes. When Antiochus was advertised that they had landed their forces at Elaea, and that so many armados were met together in that one haven, and hearing withal about the same time, that the Consul was already with a power in Macedonia making reparation of all things for his passage over Hellaspes, he supposed now it was high time (before that he were pressed at once both by Land and Sea) to retreat for peace, and therefore he seized a certain hill over against Elaea, to fortify and encamp. Where, leaving his whole power of Infantry, he descended into the plain, under the very walls of Elaea, with all his Cavalry, to the number of six thousand Horse. And sending an herald to Emilius, he gave him to understand, that he was desirous to have a treaty of peace, Emilius sent for Eumenes from Pergamum; and they both, together with the Rhodians, debated to counsel what to do. The Rhodians refused not the offer. But Eumenes said it was neither honorable to parley of peace at that time, nor yet possible to conclude thereof, if they went about it. For being as we are (quoth he) pinned up within our walls and besieged, how can we receive from another, conditions of peace, saving our credit and honour? and who will hold that for a firm and assured peace, which we shall contract without the presence of the Consul, without the authority of the Senate, and without the grant of the people of Rome? For I demand of you, when we have made a peace, whether you will return presently into Italy or no? whether you will

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"withdraw your fleet and army: or rather wait and expect to know the Consul his mind and advise, the Senate's pleasure and ordinance, and the general assent of the people in that behalf: it remaineth then after that is done, that you stay till in Asia, and that your forces being brought back again into their wintering harbors, (after they have done with warfare) fall to continue, and eat out our allies, by charging them with provision of victuals: and afterwards, if it shall please the higher powers, and those that are in authority so to ordain, we must begin that war anew, which now we are able (if we slack not the time, nor stop the forward couric wherein we are) before winter come, with the favor and power of the Gods, to finish and bring to a final end. This advice took place; and answer was returned unto Antiochus, that there could be no treaty of peace before the Consul his coming. Antiochus having thus in vain sought for peace, when he had first foraged and wasted the territory of Elaea, and afterwards of Pergamus, left his son Seleucus there, and went himself in person to *Adramyteum*, pillaging and spoiling all the way as he journeyed, in all kind of hostility. Now this territory is a rich country, called, The champion plains of *Thebe*: much renowned by the Poet *Homer* in his poem; and in no one place besides of all Asia got the Kings soldiery a greater booty and more pillage. Thither arrived also to *Adramyteum* both *Æmylius* and *Eumenes* (having set a compals by sea) for the defence of the said City. During this time, they sent for a thousand foot, and a hundred horse out of *Ascha* to come unto *Elai*: all which forces were commanded by Captain *Diophanes*. So soon as they were disembarked and landed, there were ready to receive them certain men sent from *Attalus* of purpose to meet them, who by night conducted them to *Pergamus*, they were all old soldiery and well-experienced in feats of war: and their leader *Diophanes* had been brought up and trained under *Philopemenes*, the greatest warrior in those days of all the Greeks, who took but two days to rest his horse and men, and to take view of the enemies guards, namely, in what places and at what time they used customably either to come forward, or to retire. The Kings soldiery were approached almost to the very foot of the hill, where the City is situate. By means whereof they might forage behind at their will; and there was not one issued out of the City so much as to raise a dart aloft against the corps de guard of the enemies. After they were once so near driven to the walls, that they were fain to keep themselves close within the walls, the Kings soldiery without began first to contemn, and afterwards to neglect them. Many of them had not their horses so much as saddled and bridled, and some few were left in arms and in ordinance of battail: the rest were gone aside and spread over all parts of the champaign: some went to play and took themselves to youthful sports and wanton riot: others fell to feeding, pampering their bellies, and making good cheer under covert shade, and many were laid along asleep. *Diophanes* beheld all the manner hereof aloft from an high tower of the City *Pergamus*, and presently gave commandment to his soldiery to take arms and to be ready at the gate. Himself went to *Attalus*, and told him, that he purposed to assault the enemies corps de guard. *Attalus* (although he were very loth) gave him leave: for he saw ill well, that he was to fight with one hundred horse against three hundred: and one thousand foot against four thousand. Being out of the gate, he fat him down not far from the enemies corps de guard, waiting when some good opportunity and occasion would offer itself. Both they within *Pergamus* of one side, deemed this to be folly rather than hardiness: and also the enemies on the other side making towards them for a while, and perceiving them not to stir, altered nothing of their usual negligence, and that which more was, made a mockery at scorn of their small number. *Diophanes* kept his men still a good time, as if he had brought them forth only for a shew; to see and to be seen: but after he perceived once the enemies to be disbanded out of their ranks and ranges, he commanded the footmen to make all the haile they could after, whilst himself leading the way first among his horsemen, ran with his whole troop upon the spur as hard as ever he could, and setting up a shout and cry aloud on all hands, as well with foot as horse, charged suddenly upon the enemies guards, ere they were aware of them. Man and horse both were greatly scared: and the horses especially having broken their collars and halters wherewith they stood tied made foul work and much trouble among their own party. Some few of the horses kept their standing still unafrighted, and even those they had much ado to saddle, to bridle, and to mount upon: with so great a terrour came the Achæans, and with much more than so small a number could be thought to make. And as for the footmen in order arranged and well provided they fell upon those that were negligently dispersed abroad, ere they looked for them, and in manner half asleep. Great execution and butchery was committed upon them all the fields over, and they fled amain. *Diophanes*, having followed the chase as they ran away in scattering way, so far as he might well with safety of himself, returned to the guard and defence of the City, having won great honor to the nation of the Achæans by this exploit: for not only the men, but women also beheld this service, and looked on him from the walls of *Pergamus*. The next day after, the Kings Corps de guard were better ordered and kept closer together, yea, and retired half a mile farther from the City, where they encamped themselves. The Achæans likewise much about the same time advanced to the very same place. Many hours together they looked one upon another who would begin first, exposting every minute when the charge should be given. But after the fun was neer going down, and that it was time to return into the camp, they of the Kings part began to ruffle their ensigns and guidons together, and set forward with their bands, ordered in manner of a march for the way, more like than marshalled for to fight a battail. *Diophanes* sat still so long as they were within sight: but then he charged upon their rearward.

\* *Laudimius*.

A ward, with as great violence and fury, as the day before, and put them again into so great affright and trouble, that they gave them leave to wound them on their backs, and not one would stay to make head and resist, but trembling for fear, and hardly keeping the order of a march, they were beaten into their camp. This boldness of the Achæans forced *Seleucus* to dislodge and remove out of the territory of *Pergamus*.

*Antiochus* after he heard say that the Romans and *Eumenes* were come to the defence of *Adramyteum*, medled no more with the town itself, but after he had laid the fields waste, departed from thence, and forced *Persea*, a Colony of the Mitylenæans. As for *Cotton* and *Corylenus*, *Aphrodisias* and *Pryene*, they were won at the first assault, and so he returned to *Sardis* by *Thyatira*, *Sca*, *Mitylia*. The Roman fleet together with *Eumenes* and the Rhodians sailed first to *Mitylena*, and back again from thence, returned to *Elaea* from whence the came. So they held on their course to *Phocæa*, and fell upon an Island called *Bacchins*, situate above the City of the Phocæans: and after they had pillaged and rifled by way of hostility the Temples, which heretofore they had forborn, and taken away the Images (for the Island was magnificently adorned and beautified therein with many costly forces) into three parts: but seeing that it might not be won with bare scaling and strength of arms, without planting engines of battery and other fabricks: and besides, that three thousand siege, and the fleet retired to the Islands, having done no other exploit, but only pillaged the territory about the City.

This done, it was thought good that *Eumenes* should have licence to depart into his own kingdom, that he might provide for the Consul and the army, all necessaries toward the passage over *Hellepontus*: also that the Roman and Rhodian fleets should return to *Samos*, and there remain in guard, and have an eye unto *Polyxenidas*, lest he removed from *Ephesus* and made some attempt that way. So, the King returned to *Elaea*, the Romans and Rhodians to *Samos*, where *Ascanius* the Prætor his brother departed this life. The Rhodians, after his funeral obsequies and the other of *Gaidos*, thereto lie in rode, ready to make head against the fleet, which as the bruit blazed, was afloat and coming out of *Syria*. Two daies before that *Endamius* looked from *D Samus* with the Armado, thirteen ships sent from *Rhodes* under the conduct of Admiral *Pamphilus* to encounter the said Syriack fleet, taking with them four other ships, which were of the guard of *Caria*, delivered from siege *Dadela*, and other petty forts which the Kings soldiery assaulted. Then it was advised that *Endamius* should incontinently set forward on his voyage. And to that fleet which he had under his charge, he adjoined also four open ships. Being departed, he ventook those that were gone before: from whence they came in one band and train joyntly together unto *Phælis*, and then they judged it the best way, in that place to attend the coming of the enemy. This *Phælis* standeth upon the confines between *Lycia* and *Pamphylia*. As lieth far within the sea, & is the fifth land that sheweth it self, to them that sail from *Cilicia* to *Rhodes*: and from thence a man may ken and discover ships under sail afar off: for which cause especially, this was chosen for a fit and convenient place, wherein they might encounter the enemies fleet. But by reason the air was unwholsome, and the season of the year unhealthy (for it was midsummer) and the smells and stinking savours such as they had not been acquainted with: many contagious diseases and maladies which they foresaw no began to spread commonly abroad, and especially among the mariners: for fear of which plague and mortality, they departed from thence, and passed beyond the gulph of *Pamphylus*: and being arrived in the river *Enrymedon*, they received advertisement from the *Aspendians*, that the enemies were already before *Sida*. Those of the Kings side had failed but slowly in regard of the adverse season of the winds named *Etefæ*, which kept their set and certain time, like as those do which they call *Favonii*. Now of the Rhodians there were 32 quadrime Gallies, and 4 other extremes besides. The Kings fleet consisted of 37 and those of greater burden and bulke among which were three mighty Gallaces of 7 banks of oars on a side, and four of 6: besides 10 ordinary trireme Gallies. There were others also that knew by a fustinel or watch tower standing on a certain high place, how the enemies were at hand. The next morning by break of day both these fleets set forth of the haven, as if they would have fought that very day. And after that the Rhodians had passed the cape, which from *Sida* hitherwise declined by them, then presently were they discovered of the enemies, and the enemies likewise: and *Antiochus* and *Ascanius* one of his gallants and courtiers led the right: so as now they had ranged their ships broad in a front rank. The Rhodians advanced forward ordered in length and carrying the rearguard; and *Pamphilus* had the conduct of the middle ward, *Endamius* leading the enemies battell arranged and ready for conflict, put forth into the open sea, commanding that he followed after in order to keep their array, and so directly to affront the enemy: which could be set in array along the land side: and besides, himself making too much haste, with five ships only encountered *Antiochus*, for the rest followed not after him, because they were bidden

\* *Mitylia*.

\* Easterly winds yearly blowing about midsummer for the space of forty daies.  
\* Western winds in the spring or March winds.  
\* Hepters.  
\* Hæters.

to range afront. Now the reward had no room left them toward the land: and thus while they hastily were jumbled together, the fight by that time was begun in the right wing against *Antibal*. But at one instant the Rhodians cast off all fear, as well in regard of the goodness of their ships, as of their own experience and usual practice in service at sea. For their ships with great quickness and agility making sail into the main sea, made room for every one that came after along the land side: and withall, if any one happened to run upon a ship of the enemies with her piked beak head, either it rent the prow, or wiped away the oars, or passing clear through, between the ranks and files turned again and charged upon the poop. But the thing which terrified the enemy most was this, That a great galleace of the Kings which had seven banks of oars on a side, was bouged and took a leak with one only knock, that it received by a Rhodian ship far leis: whereupon the right wing of the enemy doubtless enclined to flee away. But *Antibal* pressed *Eudamus* very much in the open sea most of all with multitude of ships: for otherwise in all respects *Eudamus* had the odds and better hand of him by far: and certainly he had compassed and enclosed *Eudamus* round, but that a flag was put out of the Admirall, (by which signall the dispersed ships are wont to rally themselves together:) whereupon all those that had got the better of the enemy in the right wing, made haste to joyn in one for to succour their fellows. Then *Antibal* also and the ships about him, took their flight: but the Rhodians were not able to make way after them and to maintain the chase, by reason that the rowers many of them were sick, and therefore the sooner weary. Whereupon they cast anchor in the main sea, and laid to eat and take some recreation for to strengthen their bodies. And in this while *Eudamus* espied and beheld the enemies how they haled and towed by ropes at the tail of the open ships (that were only with oars) certain other which were lame, maimed, fore bruised, and cracked: and might see 20 others not much fonder than they, to leave the rick and depart: whereupon censing an *Ora* and silence to be made from an high turret in the fore-castle of the Admirall, Arise my friends (saith he) and see a pleasant sight yonder and a goodly spectacle. So they all arose at once and beheld how the enemies were afraid and what poor shift they made in haste to flee, and with one voice they all in a manner cried out to follow after and pursue them. Now *Eudamus* his own ship was shaken in many places and fore bruised: whereupon he commanded *Pamphilidas* and *Cheridas* to make way after them, so far forth as they thought they might without danger. And for a good time they held them in chase: but seeing *Antibal* approaching near the shore, and fearing lest the wind would lock them within the enemies coast, they returned toward *Eudamus* and drew along with them the great galleace which they took, and which at the first encounter was pierced, and with much ado trained it to *Phafis*. From thence they retired themselves to *Rhodes*, not so joyous for this victory, as blaming one another that they had not either sunk or taken the whole fleet of the enemies, having so good means as they had to do it. *Antibal* daunted with this one unfortunate battell, durst not even then pass along the river of *Lycia*, but desired to joyn unto the old fleet of the Kings as soon as possibly he could. To impeach him for effecting that, the Rhodians sent out *Charulidas* and twenty war ships with piked stems, toward *Patara* and the Port of *Megile*; and commanded *Eudamus* to return unto the Romans to *Samos* with seven of the tallest ships in all the fleet whereof he had the command: to the end, that he might induce the Romans with his counsell and advice, yea, and with all the countenance and authority that he had, for them to lay siege unto *Patara* and to assault it. The Romans took great joy and contentment, first at the news and report of this victory, and afterwards at the return of the Rhodians. And it seemed, if that one City stood not in their way to stay them, and that they were once rid of that care, they would without any let and impeachment, make all the sea coasts sure enough for any danger and damage from those quarters. But because *Antiochus* was departed from *Sardis*, the Romans held them back, and would not suffer them to abandon the guard and defence of *Etolia* and *Jonis*, for fear lest the Cities upon the sea-side might be surprized. And so they sent *Pamphilidas* with four covered ships, to the fleet that lay about *Patara*.

*Antiochus* gathered together not only the garrisons and aids of all the Cities that were about him, but also addressed his Embassadors with letters to *Prusias* the King of *Bithynia*, wherein he gave out hard words of the Romans for their passage into *Asia*: namely, "That their coming into *Asia* was for this, to demolish put down, and overthrow all kingdoms, and to set up the only Roman Empire that none else might stand in the whole world. That *Philip* and *Mabius* already were subdued and deposed and now himself was to make the third, against whom they were come. Neither would they make an end there but go on still, like a continuall fire that burneth forward, and take all afore them, and ever as they vanquished one, proceeded to another that is next. And no doubt, they would make a bridge of him to pass onward into *Bithynia*, now that *Eumenes* hath gently taken upon his neck the yoke of voluntary servitude: *Prusias* was somewhat touched with these letters, but when there came others written from *Scipio* the Consul, and his brother *Africanus* especially, he was wholly averted from entertaining any such suspicion. For *Africanus* besides the continuall custome that the people of *Rome* had, to advance and amplify the Majesty of *KK*, their allies and confederates with all kind of honour, alledged for his part, the domestic examples of their own house and family: inducing *Prusias* thereby to enter into a desire to win his love and friendship. For he discomfited & said, "That those Princes and petty *KK* in *Spain*, whom he had received into his protection, he led behind him when he went away, might march: also, that he not only had placed & established *Masaniassa* in his fathers realm & throne, but

A "but seized him in the kingdom also of *Syphax*, who before had chafed & expelled him: so as now "he was not only the richest potentate and most wealthy *K*, of all *Affrick*, but also for majesty & "pulsant forces a paragon, equal to any other *K*, in the whole world: As for *Philip* and *Nabis*, "emies they were and vanquished by *T. Quintius*, howbeit they remained *KK*, afterwards within "their own Realms. And *Philip* verily the year that is past, had his tribute forgiven him and his "son an hostage delivered unto him: yea, and some Cities without the dominion of *Macedony*, "have received them as their *K*, and the Roman Generals have winked thereat and been contented. And surely *Nabis* had been likewise graced and honoured, but for his own peevish folly "first, & the treacherous falsehood afterwards of the *Ætolians*, which was his utter undoing and "overthrow. But the chief thing of all that most confirmed the mind of *K. Prusias*, was the coming of *Livius* unto him in embassage from *Rome*, he, who a foretime in quality of Prator, had been Admiral of the navy. Who shewed and declared unto him, how the hope of victory was much more assured to the Romans than to *K. Antiochus*: and withall how the Romans would be the "fitter and surer friend, of the twain, yea, and make more conscience of keeping amity.

*Antiochus* being put besides all hope of the association with *Prusias*, departed to *Ephesus* from *Sardis*, to visit and see the fleet, which for certain months had been rigged and in readines: and this he did the rather, because he saw that he could not hold out with the Roman army and the two *Sepsons* the commanders thereof, than for that his sea-service in itself at any time before had given him hope for the present, in that his intelligence was, that a great part of the Rhodian fleet was about *C. Patras*, and King *Eumenes* also with all his own ships departed into *Hellepontus*, to meet with the Rhodian Armado had been defeated at *Samos* by a cautious plot and practice contrived before: the fortune of a battell in some sort or other (it made no matter how) whilst himself in person led his whole army to *Notium* (a town of the Colophonians, seated upon the sea, and distant about two miles from the ancient City *Colophon*). The City it self he had a good mind to conquer and bring in subjection unto him: for, being so near unto *Ephesus* as it was, there could not any means notified freightways to the Romans. Now he made full account that they would remove their fleet from *Samos* to succour that afflictor City of theists, and so *Polyxenidas* might thereby take his time and good opportunity to execute some notable exploit. Whereupon he went in hand to plant fabrics against *Colophon*, and having raised his rampiers, and cast trenches on both sides alike, even to the very sea, he approached with mantlets and terraces, as well the one part as the other, close unto the walls, and under the roof-works, plaid upon them with the push & force of the ram. The Colophonians much troubled and affrighted with these dangers and distresses, sent their Orators to *Samos* unto *L. Æmilius*, to crave in humble manner the aid and succour of the Prator and people of *Rome*. *Æmilius* was much disconcerted and offended in his heart, that he had made so long abode at *Samos* and performed no service. Nothing less thought he than that *Polyxenidas*, whom twice already in vain he had challenged and bidden battell, would now offer to fight. He repented it also for a disgrace and shameful indignity unto him, that *Eumenes* his fleet assisted the Consul to waite over the regions into *Asia*, and himself was assigned and enjoined to succour and aid the City of *Colophon*, besieged, the issue whereof would be so doubtful and uncertain. *Eudamus* the Rhodian, who was the man that had detained and kept him still at *Samos*, when he was desirous to pass over into *Hellepontus*, yea, & all the rest were instant with him, shewing and declaring how much better it was, either to deliver his allies from siege, or to defeat the fleet again, which had been once vanquished, and so to put the enemy quite besides the possession of the sea: than with the abandoning of his confederates, and betraying *Asia* both sea and land into the hands of *Antiochus*, to depart into *Hellepontus* (where *Eumenes* with his fleet was sufficient to hold him play) and to quit that part of the war which was committed to his charge. Well, they resolved from *Samos* to provide victuals for that all their own provision was spent, & shaped them a voyage unto which all the ships of burden, and the hulks sent out of *Italy*, used to set sail and discharge their course. So they set a compass about, toward the coast of the Island that lay farthest off from the City, opposite to the North-east, in regard of *Chios* and *Erythraea*. And as they were about to pass over the straits, the Prator was certified by letters, that great store of corn was come out of *Halysus* *Chios* and the ships of the *Chians* were charged with wine, were kept back by contrary and contrary winds. *Antiochus* reported it was; that the Teyans had furnished King *Antiochus* with victuals plentifully and liberally, and had promised also unto him five thousand vessels of wine. Whereupon he shifted suddenly in the midst of his direct course, and made head for *Chios*, intending either with their good wills to preserve himself of the provision prepared for the enemy, or else to hold them for his better than enemies. Having directed the prows of their ships toward the Island, they might descry, as it were, fifteen ships near unto *Myonissus*, which the Prator supposing at the first to be of the Kings fleet, resolved to make way after them, before that word was appointed: they were brigantines or pininaces, and certain small barks of rowers and men of war. These having harried and spoiled all the maritime coasts of the *Chians*, were upon their return with great store of prizes and pillage: but when they discovered a fleet

in the deep sea afar off, they made all the sail they could, and fled. Yare of steerage they were and of good of sail, by reason that their vessels were more light, and made of purpose to rid way, and beides nearer they were to land. And therefore they had recovered *Myonesus*, before the fleet could come any thing near unto them. The Prætor thinking verily to force them out of the haven, made after without direction of a skillfull pilot, and knowledge of the place. Now this *Myonesus* is a promontory or cape between *Teios* and *Samos*, a very mountain made in fashion of a steep, broad enough at the foot, but rising narrower till, and runneth up to the top sharp pointed. On the main or land side it hath one passage by a straight and narrow path. From the sea it is founded upon rocks, beaten and eaten with the continual surging waves of the sea, in some places in some places the cliffs that hang over, bear more into the sea than the vessels that lie under the harbor, take up of the sea. The Prætor with his ships durst not approach near unto those crags, for fear of being within the shot of the pirates, who were perched upon the top of those steep rocks, and so they spent that day and lay off. At the last a little before night they gave over that vain enterprise without effect, and the morrow after arrived at *Teios*; and having lodged their ships within the harbor, which themselves call *Geraisticus*, (and it lieth out at the back side of the City) the Prætor let ashore, and sent out his souldiers to forage the territory about the City. The *Teians* seeing how their lands were spoiled even under their very noses, addressed certain Orators to the Roman Admiral, arraigned all in white, after the manner of humble suppliants. And as they would have seemed to excuse their City, for having done or said any thing against the Romans tending to hostility; he both charged them directly, that they had relieved the fleet of the enemies with victuals, and also told them what quantity of wine moreover they had promised to *Polyxenus*. But and if they could be content to do the like by the Roman fleet, he would recall his souldiers from pillage, otherwise he would repute them for his enemies. The Embassadors aforesaid made relation of this heavy answer. Whereupon the Magistrates of the City assembled the people together, for to consult and conclude about this matter what they were best to do. Thither as it happened, was *Polyxenus* arrived with the Kings Armado; who having looted from *Cyphonus*, when he heard that the Romans were departed from *Samos*, that they had chased the Pirates as far as *Myonesus*, and were now waiting and harrying the lands of the *Teians*, also that their ships anchored in the rode *Geraisticus*, himself also cast anchor over against *Myonesus*, hard by an Island which thesels and mariners call *Macris*, in a secret bay hard by, elconting and elpying from this near harbor, what the enemies did and intended. And at the first in good hope he was to discomfit and defeat the Roman fleet, like as he had beforetime the Rhodian Armado near unto *Samos*, by seizing the mouth of the haven, and empeaching their issue forth. For this bay was in all respects like unto the other, lying just between two Capes, which meet so near, and in manner enclose the mouth thereof, that hardly two ships at once can go forth together. And to this purpose *Polyxenus* intended in the night season to take possession, and make himself sure of the said straits, there to place ten galleies under either Cape, which standing there at a vantage, should from both points flank the broad sides of his enemies ships in their going forth; and withall out of his other vessels to disburk and land armed souldiers, like as he had done at *Panormus*, and so at once to assail them both by sea and land, and make an end of them for all. Which designment of his no doubt had taken effect, but that the Romans, after that the *Teians* had promised them to do whatsoever they should command, thought it more commodious for the receiving of their provision of victuals, to pass with their ships unto the other harbor which was before the City, to the open sea. Some say that *Endamius* the Rhodian, shewed the inconvenience and discomfort of the other harbor, by occasion that two galleies fortuned in that strait to be so intangled, that they brake one anothers oars with jussling together. And among other motives the Prætor was induced to change the harbor, because from the land side there he should lie within danger, considering that *Antiochus* himself was encamped not far off. Thus the fleet being brought about close to the City side, the souldiers and mariners (without the knowledge of any commanders) were disbarked, for to dispose & dispense the victuals and wine especially to every ship. But about noon-tide a certain peasant of the country chanced to be brought before the Prætor, who gave intelligence, That there was a fleet of ships which two daies already rode at anchor under the Island *Macris*; and that but a while ago, certain vessels of them were seen to weigh anchor, as if they would hoise up sail and be gone. The Prætor moved at this sudden occurrent, commanded the trumpets to sound the alarm, and to give knowledge and warning, that in case any were straggling abroad in the fields, they should retire. The Colonels he sent into the City to gather the souldiers together and the mariners, that they might repair to ship-board. This alarm caused great a trouble and confusion, as usually is seen in a sudden scarefire, or when a City is surprized by the enemies. Here was scudding into the City to recall their fellows; there was running out of the City to recover their ships; not knowing who commanded, by reason of the dissonant noise of men and sound of trumpet; howbeit, as hap was, at length they ran all toward the ships, but in such a hurly-burly and disorder that they scarcely knew their own vessels, or if they did, they could hardly for the crowd and press, get thither and embark themselves. Neither had this affright passed clear without danger both by sea and land, but that *Æmylius* gave direction to every one what to do, and put out of the haven first himself with the Admiral ship into the open sea, & there received every vessel as they followed one after another in their order, & ranged them all afloat: and if *Endamius* also with the Rhodian fleet had not staid at the shore to see good order, that the souldiers

A souldiers might be let aboard without hurrying in fearfull haste, and every ship go forth as it was fitted and made ready. By this means both the foremost of the vanguard were arranged in the fight of the Prætor, and the Rhodians also kept their order in their vanguard in such sort, as they put themselves into the open sea in as good array, as if they had seen the Kings fleet under sail. But the Kings Armado came forward in long files, two and two in a rank, who displayed and spread themselves also afloat towards the wing in such wise, that they might be able to compels and enclose the right wing of the enemy. Which *Endamius* the rare admiral perceiving, and seeing withal that the Romans could not possibly make head alike and extend themselves as broad as the enemy and were at the point already at the right wing to be environed, made haste with his own vessels (for the Rhodian barks were of all other in the whole fleet swiftest by far) and after he had fronted equally and matched wing for wing, he made head with his own ship against the very admiral of the enemies, wherein *Polyxenus* himself was aboard. By this time the battell began between both the main fleets, all at once from every part. Of the Romans side there fought fourscore and nine, all ships of greatest bulk and making, and had among them three galleaces of six banks of oars on a side, and two of eleven. For goodnes and strength of ships, as also for valour of souldiers, the Romans far surpassed the Rhodians. But for agility and nimbleness of their vessels, for skillfull knowledge of Pilots, and expert cunning and readines of mariners, the Rhodians were much beyond them. And those above all the rest that carried fire before them in their noses help and means of safety, when they were surprized and belet at *Panormus*, was now the thing that their very faces, turned aside, because they would not run afloat with their prow: so as, they neither could themselves smite and hurt the enemies with their brazen pikes in the beak head, nor yet avoid them, but expose their own broad sides open to receive all pusses and violence from them. If any one fortuned to encounter and run upon them, she was sure to be paid and sped with therwise to fight. Howbeit, the resolute valour of the Roman souldiers (which ever in war prevailed most) was it that did the deed. For after the Romans by mere force had broken and cloven the main battailon of the enemy in the very midst, they turned about again, and presented made head against the Rhodians: and thus at once instant the battailon in the midst, and the ships in the left wing that served King *Antiochus*, were beset round about, and sunk to the bottom of the sea. The right wing as yet entire and sound, was beset round about, and sunk to the bottom of the sea. The Admiral her self with *Polyxenus* in her, to abandon her companions and to hoise up sails, they likewise in haste let up all their cloth and small triquet sails (for a good forewind fight: of which thirteen were boarded and taken for the use of the Romans, the rest were either consumed with fire, or devoured of the sea. Two Roman ships were shattered and broken in pieces, and some other hurt, bruised and cracked. One Rhodian ship was shattered and broken in memorable adventure. For having with her piked beak head stricken a Sidonian ship, with the violence of the blow she shook out her own anchor, which by one of the flouks took fast hold as if it had been a grappling hook by the prow of the other ship. The Rhodians much troubled and whilst they were busie thereabout, the cable which the anchor drew which it caught among the oars of her own ship, and swept them clean away, and so left one side of it naked, and tied fast unto her. Much after this manner was the battell fought at sea near *Myonesus*. Where that he should not be able to hold and defend the places farther off: and therefore commanded the garrison to retire from *Lysimachia*, for fear it should be surprized there by the Romans. But this matter not only to defend *Lysimachia* against the first assault of the Romans, but also to hold out the siege all winter: yea, and by drawing out the time on length, to bring the very assailants themselves lying in jeopardy, to extrem necessity and want of all things: during which space they might have taken some occasion and opportunity, to find a mean and make way for peace. Neither did he only quit *Lysimachia* and leave it for the enemies after this unfortunate battell, but he sent into *Cappadocia* to *Ariarates* for aid, and to all other places where he could, to gather more forces: and now was he set upon no design else, but to give battell, and to hazard all upon the fortune of the field.

After this Navall victory, *Regillus Æmylius* sailed directly to *Ephesus*, where he embattelled his ships in array even before the haven, and when by this bravado he had at last wrong again from the enemies a plain and evident confession that they had abandoned the sea unto him, he set sail for *Chios*, unto which he had intended to shape his course from *Samos* before the

late battell upon the sea. There he repaired and calked his ships which were shaken and cracked in the forsaide fight: which done, he sent *L. Emilius Scaurus* with thirty sail toward *Hellepontum* to transport the army. And when he had rewarded the Rhodian ships with part of the pillage, and honoured them with the navall spoils, he gave them the renvoy, and sent them home. But the Rhodians lustily out-failed *Scaurus*; and prevented his ships to let over the forces of the Consul: and after they had performed that service also, then they returned to *Rhodes*.

The Roman Armado sailed from *Chios* to *Phocaea*. This City is seated far within the gulph of the sea, builded so, that it lieth out in length. The wall containeth in compais the space of two miles and an half: and from both sides it groweth narrow till, and meeteth in the midst, resembling the form of a wedg or coin, which the Inhabitants themselves call *Lampter*, in which place the City is a mile broad and a quarter with the vantage. From which canton or corner there is a bank of firm land running a mile on end into the sea like a tongue, which divideth the haven just in the midst, marked out (as it were) just by a certain line. Where it joyneth to the narrow straights it hath two most sure harbors of both sides, and those lying two contrary waies. That which looketh toward the South, is called according as it is indeed, *Nausibimus* (namely, a ship-rode, or harbour) for it is able to receive a great number of ships: the other haven is next unto the very *Lampter* aforesaid. When the Roman fleet was once possessed of both these most sure and safe harbours, the Prator thought good before he set in hand either to scale the walls, or to raise any fabricks and plant engines against the City, to lend certain of purpose to found the minds and affections of the principal Citizens and the Magistrates within. But after he perceived they were obstinately bent, and would not come on, he began to lay battery against it in two several quarters. The one part was not much peopled, and had but few dwelling houses in it: and the Temples of their gods took up a good space thereof: and there began he first to approach with the ram, and therewith to batter the walls, and shake the turrets: and by that time that the multitude ran thither in great numbers, and presented themselves ready to defend, the ram was pushing also at the other part: So as now the walls were laid along in both places: and upon the fall thereof whiles some of the Roman souldiers presently gave the assault at the very breach, mounting and marching upon the ruines of the stones that were fallen: others also assailed to gain the top of the upright walls with scaling ladders. But the townsmen withstood them so stiffly, and with such resolution, that it was well seen they reposed more hope of defence in arms and valour, than in the strength of their walls. Whereupon the Prator seeing in what danger his souldiers stood, and fearing to expose and sacrifice them ere they were aware to the fury of these people, enraged like desperate and mad persons, commanded to found the retreat. And notwithstanding the assault ceased and was given over, yet betook not the townsmen themselves to rest and repose, but ran from all parts every one, to raise countermurres, fill up the breaches, and repair the ruins where the wall was down. As they were wholly employed about this business, *Q. Aemilius* sent from the Prator, came toward them: who, after he had reproved and rebuked their willful obstinacy, and made remonstrance unto them, that the Romans had more care and regard than they themselves of the City, that by continual assaults and batteries it should not utterly be destroyed: and how if they would be reclaimed and forgo their outrageous folly, he would make them this offer, That they should yield under the same conditions and in those very terms, as aforetime they had submitted to *C. Livius* when they came under his protection: At the hearing of that, they demanded and had five daies space to consider of the matter: during which time they made means to receive some aid from *Antiochus*: but after their Embassadors whom they dispatched to the King, had made relation, That there was no succour to be expected from him: they let open their gates, having articulated and capitulated beforehand, that no outrage by way of hostility should be exercised and committed upon them. As the Romans entered into the City with banners displayed, the Prator declared with a loud voice, That his will and pleasure was they should be spared, inasmuch as they had yielded. Whereat the souldiers on all hands set up a great cry. That it was an intollerable shame that the Phocians (who were never true and loyal confederates, but always dogged and malicious enemies) should go away so scorefree, and not suffer for their sins. At which word (as if the Prator had given them a signall of sanacking) they ran into all parts of the City to rifle and spoil. *Emilius* at first staid them what he could, and reclaimed them again, saying, That it was not the manner to sack Cities rendred by composition, but such as were forced and won by assault; and even those also were at the disposition of the Generall and not of the souldiers. But seeing that they in their angry mood of revenge, and covetous desire of goods, were of more power than the respective reverence of his person, his quality and commandment: he sent out beadies and trumpeters throughout the City, charging all persons of free condition whatsoever, to repair before him into the market place, to the end, that no villany and outrage might be done upon their bodies. And so the Prator did his best to perform his word and promise in whatsoever lay in his power: for he restored unto them their City, their lands, and their own laws. And for that the winter approached, he made choice of the two harbours of *Phocaea* to bestow his ships there for the winter time.

Near about that time, the Consul having passed beyond the borders of the *Adrians* and *Maronitis*, received news, that the Kings navy was defeated at *Myonessus*, and *Lysimachia* dismistilled of the garrison: and this latter tidings was more acceptable and pleasing unto him, than the other of the navall victory; and especially, when they came thither: where in very truth the City

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A (plenteously stored with all sorts of victuals, as if they had been provided of purpose against the coming of the army) received them courteously: whereas they made no other account, but to endure extremity of want and painfull travel in besieging thereof. There they abode some few daies as it were in camp, until such time as their carriages and hickly persons of their train might reach unto them: such as they had left behind in all the forts and castles of *Thrace*, wearied with long journey and enfeebled with divers infirmities. When all were come, and well refreshed and recovered, they put themselves again in their journey, and marching through *Chersonesus*, they came to *Hellepont*: where, finding all things in readines for their transporting (such was the industrious care and diligence of King *Eumenes*) they passed over without trouble and molestation into the peaceable coasts of their allies and friends, without impeachment of any person, notwithstanding some ships arrived in one place, and some in another. And this was the thing that much contented the Romans and mightily encouraged them, to see they had so free passage into *Asia*, which they made full reckoning would have been a matter of great difficulty and trouble. After this, they encamped and made their abode a certain time near *Hellepont*, by occasion of those daies which happened then to be, wherein the *Saltis* used to dance with their scutcheons called *Anchilia*; during which time they made scruple of conscience to take any journey (until those *Anchilia* were be apart from the army upon a more strict regard of conscience & religion, which touched him neerer than other, because he was himself one of the *Saltis*), and was the cause that the army staid behind and came not forward to overtake the camp.

C And even then there hapned to come unto the camp from *Antiochus*, one *Heraclides* a Byzantine, having in charge to treat as touching a peace: and good hope he conceived to obtain the same with ease, by reason of the long abode and stay of the Romans in that one place: of whom he had looked for no other, but that as soon as they had set foot in *Asia*, they would have marched apace straightwaies against the Kings camp. Howbeit this counsellor he took not to go directly charge he had from the King himself) in whom he had reposed his greatest hope: for besides his hill, (great inducements unto the King that he would be easily wrought and made most pliable to hearken after peace) all the world knew full well how soberly he had carried himself in his victories, first in *Spain*, and afterwards in *Affrick*: and more than all this, a fon of his was captive in the laid Kings hands. But where, when, and by what chance he was taken prisoner, writers agree not no more than in many things else. Some say, that in the beginning of the war, he was be taken and enclosed round within the Kings ships, at what time as he sailed from *Chalcis* to *Oreum*. Others write, that after the Roman army was passed over into *Asia*, he was sent opt in elfpall with a troop of Fragellan horsemen to view and discover the Kings camp: and when the Kings Cavalry made out to charge upon them, he made haste to retire, and in that hurry his horse fell with him and so he and two other men of arms with him, was surprisid, taken, and brought to the King and the Romans, nay, if there had been familiar acquaintance and hospitality between him and the *Scipios*, this young Gentleman could not possibly have had more friendly entertainment, nor been more kindly intreated, liberally used, yea, and honourably regarded than he was. For these causes the Embassador attended the coming of *Scipio*: and so soon as he was arrived, presented himself unto the Consul, requesting that he might deliver his message and be heard. Whereupon in a frequent assembly he had audience given him, and thus he spake: "Whereas (quoth he) there have been divers and sundry embassages passed to and fro as touching peace, and no good as yet done; I lay this for a ground and assure my self now to speed, because the former embassadors hitherto have effected and obtained nothing: for in all those treaties and negotiations the question was about *Smyrna*, *Lampascus*, *Alexandria*, *Troas*, and *Lysimachia*, which is in *Europe*. Of which Cities, the King my Master hath already quit *Lysimachia*, to the end you should not say, that he hath any one City at all within *Europe*: and as for those other in *Asia*, he is ready to surrender them also: yea, and all the rest whatsoever, which the Romans would recover out of the Kings hands and dominions, in regard they had sometime sided & taken part with him. And for the charges which the Romans have defraied about this war, the King will be willing to disburse and make good the one moiety unto them again. And thus much spake he concerning the articles and conditions of the peace. The rest of his speech behind, was bestowed in advertizing and putting them in mind of the alternative revolution of this world and the affairs thereof: that as they should use their own good fortune and prosperity with measure and moderation, so they ought not to press down others in their adversity: but hold themselves contented within the bounds and limits of *Europe*, and that was a dominion sufficient (as man would think) and exceeding great: considering this, that it is an easier matter to win one thing after another by way of conquest, than to hold and keep them all together when they are won. To conclude, if the Romans were minded to dismember any part from *Asia*, so they would make amend once, and limit out the same within certain precincts without any further doubt and difference, the King for the love of peace and concord, would suffer the Romans in their unmeasurable desire, and appetite, to surmount and outgo his temperance and moderation. But those matters which the Embassador supposed were of great importance and effectual to obtain



obtain peace, the Romans made a pith at it, and lightly regarded: for they judged it but meet and fit reason, that the King should discharge all the expences they had been at in this war, considering through his default it first arose: also that he ought to withdraw his garrisons not only out of *Ionia* and *Æolis*: but also like as all *Greece* hath been made free and delivered, so the Greek Cities likewise in *Asia* ought to be enfranchised and set at liberty: which possibly might not be unless *Antiochus* were disquieted of the possession of all *Asia* on this side the mountain *Taurus*. The Embassadors perceiving well, that there was no reason to be had in the assembly, assaid privately to sound and to win the heart and good will of *Scipio*, according as he had in charge from the King. And first this way he went to work and laid, That the King was minded to send him his son again freely without ransom: then (ignorant as he was both of *Scipio* his nature and the manner of the Romans) he promised him a mighty mass of gold, yea, and to be made equal companion in the government of the whole kingdom (the Kings name and royall style only reserved) in case he would be an instrument and means to effectuate peace. To these motives and offers *Scipio* returned this answer, "That you neither know the Romans all in general, nor my self in particular: unto whom you were sent, I thus marvel, seeing you are altogether ignorant of the state of him who hath sent you hither. For if ye had meant to have sought for peace at our hands, as of men who were in care for the doubtful event and issue of the war, ye should have held and kept *Lyfimachus* still, for to have encompassed our entrance into *Chersonesus*, or else ye should have made head against us in *Hellepontus*, and staid our passage into *Asia*: but now seeing ye have granted passage into *Asia*, and suffered your selves not only to be bridled and curbed, but also to be yoked, and like beasts to bear and draw too; since I say there is no remedy but ye must endure to be under our subjection, what equal and indifferent means of treaty is there left for you? Now, as concerning my son, I will accept it as a great present, and becomming the munificence and liberality of a King, in case he send him to me again. As for the other matters, I pray God I be never driven in regard of mine estate, to have that need: for surely, I carry a mind that will never find the mis and want thereof. And for these great offers that the King maketh unto me, he shall find me thankfull unto him, if it please him for any private benefit unto me done, to require: at my hands a private favour and pleasure again: but as touching the State and publick weal, he shall pardon me: I will neither receive ought from him, nor bestow any thing upon him. And that I can do for him at this present, is to give him good and faithfull counsel. Go your ways: therefore and tell him from me, That his best course is to abstain from war, and not to refuse any condition of peace whatsoever. But all this nothing moved the King, who made reckoning that any hazard and fortune of war would be good and safe for him, since that there were laws imposed upon him already, as if he had been quite vanquished and overcome. Whereupon, without any more part of peace for this time, he bent his whole mind and employed his study about provision and preparation for war.

The Consul having given order for the execution of all his plots and designs, dislodged from thence, and marched hit to *Dardanium*, and after to *Rhetium*: the inhabitants of both which Cities came forth to meet him upon the way in great multitudes. From thence he went forward to *Ilum*, and encamped in a plain under the very walls: then he entered into the town, and ascended up into the Castle, where he offered sacrifice unto *Minerva*, the patroness of that City. The *Lians* entertained them with all shew of honour, as well in deed as in word, acknowledging that the Romans were descended from them, and the Romans again were as joyous and glad to see the place of their first original and beginning. From thence they removed, and the sixth day after arrived at the head or spring of the river *Caicus*. Thither also *Eumenes*, the King (who at first assaid to bring his fleet back from *Hellepontus* to winter before *Elae*, and afterwards, when he could not for certain daies double the point of *Leitos*, by reason of the contrary winds, went a land) because he would not fail but be present at the beginning of these great affairs, made haste the next way with a small power to the camp of the Romans. From the camp he was sent back to *Pergamus*, to give order for purveyance and provision of victuals: and after he had delivered up corn to those whom the Consul had appointed to receive it, he returned again to the same leaguer. The Consul his purpose and intent was to be provided aforehand of victuals sufficient for many daies, and together in one train to go against the enemy, before the winter surprised them.

Now the Kings camp lay about *Thyatira*: where *Antiochus* hearing that *P. Scipio* was carried sick to *Elae*, sent certain Embassadors of purpose to present and deliver his son again unto him. At which present of his, he took not only great contentment in his spirit, as a father might do for receiving his dear son, but much easement also and comfort to his sick body. After he had satisfied himself at length with much embracing of his son, "Ye shall (saith he) recommend me unto the King your Master, and tell him from me, that I thank him most heartily, and that I have no good thing at this time to send to him again, but only this, That I advise him to take heed that he enter not into the field to give battell, before he hath heard for certain, that I myself am returned to the leaguer. Upon relation hereof, *Antiochus* albeit he was in camp severely thousand foot, and twelve thousand horse and above throng (which puissant power otherwise animated, and fed him with the hope of good issue of battell) yet moved with the authority of so great a personage as *Scipio* was in whom he reposed his whole refuge against all doubtful events, and the fortune in war he retired back, and passed over the river *Phrygius*, and pitched his camp about *Mageria* near unto *Sypulum*. And fearing, lest (if he should be minded to make long stay and abide there)

there) the Romans would assay to force his defences, he cast a trench, six cubits in depth, and twelve in in breadth: and this trench he environed with a double bank and course of strong stakes and pales, and upon the inward circuit and enclosure he opposed a mine with main currents, for the more easie encompassment of the enemy, when he should pass over the trench. The Consul supposing the King to be about *Thyatira*, marched continually, and upon the fifth day came down into the plains of *Hircania*. And when he understood, that the King was dislodged and departed thence, he followed him by the tracks, and on this side the river *Phrygius* encamped four miles from the enemy. Where about a thousand horsemen shewed themselves (for the most part Gallians, some Dacians, with certain archers on horseback of other nations intermingled among them) who in great haste having passed over the river, charged upon the corps de guard of the Romans. At the first they put the Romans to some trouble, finding them out of order and array: but as the skirmish grew hotter and continued longer, and the number of the Romans soon increased, (by reason their camp was so near to yield them succours) they of the Kings side being now wearied and not able to make their part good against so many of them, began to retire: and certain of them before they could take the river, were overtaken by those that followed the chace, and killed outright. For two daies after they stirred of no hand, for neither the one nor the other went over the river. The third day after the Romans all at once passed over, and encamped about a mile and a half from the enemies. But as they were pitching their tents, and busied about fortifications and defences, three thousand chosen horsemen and foot together from the Kings Camp, came upon them with a great trouble and affray. The number of them that were in guard, was less a good deal: howbeit, of themselves alone, without calling to help and aid the souldiers from their work about the fortification and defence of the camp, they not only at first received the charge with equall valour, but also afterwards, as the fight increased, put the enemies to flight, when they had killed some hundred of them, and taken prisoners almost as many. For the space of four daies next ensuing, both armies stood embattled on either side before their Camp. And upon the fifth day the Romans advanced forth into the middle of the plain. *Antiochus* came not forward with his ensigns, inasmuch, as the hindmost were not an hundred foot off from the trench. The Consul perceiving that he fell off and would no battell, called a council the next day, to be advised and resolved what he were best to do, in case *Antiochus* would not be fought withall. For considering that the winter approached, the souldiers were either to lie in the field under their tents, or else if they minded for the winter season to retire unto their garrison towns, the war must be put off until the next summer. Now the Romans never made so small reckoning of any enemy as of him. Whereupon, throughout the whole assembly they called upon the Consul with one voice to lead forth to battell out of hand, and take the souldiers whiles they were in this heart ready if the enemies would not come out into the field, to pass over ditch and rampier, and break into the camp amongst them: making account, that they were not to fight with so many thousands of enemies, but rather to make a slaughter and butchery of so many beasts. Whereupon *Cn. Domitius* was sent to discover the way, and to view the place where was best cutting upon the trench and rampier of the enemies. After he had brought certain relation of all things, it was thought good the next morrow to approach near unto their camp: and on the third day the ensigns were displayed forth into the midst of the plain, and they began to range the army in battell array. *Antiochus* likewise supposed it was not expedient to lie off and stay any longer, for fear lest in refusing still to fight, he should either abate the courage of his own men, or increase the hope of his enemies, and therefore came abroad with all his forces, and advanced so far toward from his camp that it appeared well he meant to fight. The Roman army stood embattled in one manner of form, as well for men, as munition and armor: for of Romans there were two legions, and of Latine associates as many, and every legion consisted of five thousand four hundred. The Romans put themselves in the main battell, and the Latines kept both the points. The *Hastati* were placed with their ensigns foremost in the vanguard. After them the *Principes* in the midst, and the *Triarii* in the rearguard. Without this compleat battell, thus marshalled, the Consul led to the right point the auxiliary souldiers of *Eumenes*, mingled together with the targetteers of the Achæans, to the number almost of three thousand, whom he ranged equally a foot, and beyond them more outward he opposed about three thousand men of arms: whereof eight hundred were sent from *Eumenes*, the rest were the Cavalry of the Romans. Without all these in the outmost place, he put the Trallians and Candians, who in all made up the number of five hundred. As for the left wing, it seemed to need no such succours, by reason it was flanked with the river and high steep banks, howbeit, in that side there were planted four troops of horsemen. Thus you see all the forces that the Romans had besides two thousand Thracians and Macedonians mingled and blended together, who followed as voluntaries, and were left for the guard of the Camp, and sixteen Elephants, which they bestowed in the rearguard for the defence of the *Triarii*. For, over and besides that they were not like to hold out against the Kings Elephants, which were in number fifty and four, you must consider that those of *Affrick* are not able to march them of *India*, say they were in number equal: either because in biggness the Indians exceed the other (as in truth they are much greater by odds) or surpass them in courage and stomack. But the Kings army was composed of divers nations, different as well in arms as in souldiers. He had of Macedonians sixteen thousand footmen, heavily armed after their manner, called *Phalangia*: these made the main battell, and in the front stood divided in ten squadrons,

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squadrons, parted and severed one from the other by two Elephants placed between. More inward behind the forefront, the battell was displayed in two and thirty ranks of souldiers. This was the strength of the Kings army, and as in other respects, so especially in regard of the Elephants surmounting aloft over all the souldiers, represented to the eye a fearful and terrible sight. For besides that they were high and lofty of themselves, their crested headstalls with plumes upon them, their turrets upon their backs, and in every turret four men standing in glancing armour, besides the Master and governor himself, made the appearance and shew far greater. On the right wing, he placed close unto the Phalangites, a thousand and five hundred horsemen of the Gallogrecians: unto whom he adjoynd three thousand lances in compleat armour, mounted upon bard horses, and those men of arms they themselves called *Cæphræti*. To these were added another wing of a thousand horsemen, which they named *Ageme*. Medes they were, elect and chosen men, together with more horsemen of the same region, mingled of many nations one with another. Close unto them in the rereguard was set a troop of sixteen Elephants. On which side also in a wing somewhat farther drawn out stood the King his own cohort, bearing the name of *Argaspidæ*, by occasion of the silver shields which they bore. After them followed 1200 *Dacians*, archers on horseback. Then, three thousand footmen lightly armed, and composed partly of Candioti, and partly of Tralleans, in number almost equal, and 2500 *Myrians* attended upon the archers. And the utmost side and tail of that wing was guarded with four thousand *Cyrene* slingers and *Elymean* archers forced together. On the left wing likewise there stood full unto the Phalangites afore said 1500 horsemen *Gallogrecians*: and two thousand *Cappadocians* armed after the same manner, sent from King *Antiochus*. Then the Auxiliaries of all sorts 7000; besides three hundred lances in compleat harness upon bard horses armed at all piques, and 1000 other horsemen. As for the Cornet of the Kings, it was more lightly armed, as well themselves as their horses, but their setting out and furniture otherwise, all one. And these were Syrians for the most part, with Phrygians and Lydians together. Before this cavalry went the chariots of four wheels, and drawn by as many horses, armed with sharp and trenchant hooks like fish-blades, and the camels called by them for their swiftness *Dromedaries*. Upon these were mounted the Arabian archers, who also were armed with keen swords four cubits long, thinking as they did to aloft, they might notwithstanding reach their enemy. Then after these were set another multitude equal to that in the right wing, whereof the foremost were certain footmen called *Tarentins*, and after them 2500 *Gallogrecian* horse. Likewise of *Neocretans* 1 thousand: and of *Carians* and *Cilicians* one with another 1500 armed alike. As many *Trallians* and three thousand targeteers. These were *Pisidians*, *Pamphylians* and *Lycians*: and last of all, the succours in the rereguard of *Circæans* and *Elymeans*, in like number as they that were placed in the right wing, with sixteen Elephants also distant a pretty way aloof. The King himself in person had the conduct of the right point of the battell, and ordained *Selenus* his son and *Antipater* his brothers son to command the left. The main battell in the midst was committed to the leading and governance of three Captains, to wit, *Mitho*, *Zenxis*, and *Philete* the Master of the Elephants. There was a certain mist arofe in the morning, and as it waxed farther day gathered aloft into thick clouds, and made the weather dark: besides, by the South-wind it resolved into a small drizzling rain, which wet and drenched all. This did little harm to the Romans: but contrariwise, was much hurtfull to the Kings side. For, albeit the air was dim and dark, yet by reason that the Roman battallions took up no great compass of ground, they could for all the air was overcast, discern from one end to the other: and the moisture that fell, did but nothing at all (to speak of) either the swords or javelins of them that were heavily armed: whereas the Kings army being embattelled so broad, had much ado, and hardly could see them in the middle of the main battell to the wings of each hand, and much less discern from one skirt and flank of the battallion to the other. Moreover, the dropping weather slugged their bows, soiled their slings and loops of their darts. Their fished chariots also wherewith *Antiochus* made full account to break the ranks of his enemies turned to the disorder and fright of themselves. Now these chariots afore said were in this manner armed for the most part: certain sharp pikes they had about the spire-pole, bearing forward from the spring-tree; ten cubits in length, like unto horns, with which pointed pikes they would pierce through whatsoever they encountered. Also at each end of the said spring-tree there were two blades stood out, the one of just and even height with it, the other lower and bearing downward to the ground: the former was devised to cut through whatsoever came near the side thereof, the other to reach and tear them that were fain to the earth, or came under the chariot. Likewise at both ends of the axle-tree without the nave of the wheel there were two such like hooks fastened and bended divers ways. These chariots thus armed the King had placed in the front of the battell as we said before, because if they had been set either in the middle or the rereguard, they should have been driven through their own battallions. With his *Eumenes* perceiving one that knew well enough the manner of that kind of service, and how dangerous it was in case a man rather frightened the horses than charged them directly by ordinary warlike force: he commanded the Cornet of archers and slingers, with some other horsemen that lanced darts, to run forth not thick in troops, but starting as far aloof as they could, and at once from all parts to discharge their shot upon them. This fore running tempest (as it were) so maddened the horses partly by galling, wounding, and pelting them with darts, arrows, and stones: discharged from all sides at them; and partly with

with the strange and uncouth noise which they made, that suddenly as if they had been unbridled and without their geers, they flung out every way, and ran at random: which violence of theirs the light armed souldiers, the nimble slingers, and swift running Candioti avoided easily with a trice. And the horsemen withall following the chase, redoubled the fright and hurry amongst the horses, yea, and the dromedary camels too; which likewise were unruly and set a madding: and this hurly burly, the manifold cries from the multitude all about, helped well forward. Thus were the chariots chased in the middle of the plain between both armies: and when these vain bugs were once rid out of the way, then the alarm and signal was given on both parts, and they charged one another in battell-wise. But as foolish an occurrence as that was, it caused anon a discomfiture and overthrow indeed. For the auxiliaries and aids behind which were placed next unto them, terrified with the fear and affright of the chariots, fled, and left all naked and disurnished even to the bard horses, in such sort, that when the rereguard was in disarray, The Roman Cavalry entred upon the foresaid horse, and charged them so hotly, that part of them was not able to endure the first shock and encounter: some were put to flight, others were born down with the poise and weight of their harness and weapons. And presently thereupon the whole left wing of the battell began to retreat. And after that those succours were disbanded and in disarray which were between the Cavalry and the heavy armed footmen called Phalangites, the disorder and fear went as far as to the midst of the main battell: where so soon as the ranks and files were broken and shuffled together, by reason of the encounter of their own fellows among them, they had no life at all of their long pikes, which the Macedonians call *Sarissa*. Then the Roman legions advanced their engines, and lanced their darts against those disordered ranks huddled together. The very Elephants that were placed between, nothing troubled and affrighted the Roman souldiers, as who had been used in the African wars, both to avoid the furious rage of those beasts, and also either with their javelins to flank and hurt them overthwart, or else if they could come near unto them, to hew them and cut their hamstrings with their swords. By this time now was the front of the main battell delectated and bearen down: and the rereguard behind environed and cut in peeces: when as the Romans withall, might perceive their own fellows flying from the other part, and hear the cry of those that were affrighted, even almost as far as to their camp. For *Antiochus* keeping the right wing, seeing in the left point of the Romans no other defence (by reason that they trusted upon the river) but only four troops of horsemen, and those also by drawing themselves close to their fellows, to leave the bank-side void and naked, charged that point with his Auxiliaries and lances upon bard horses, and not only made head and pressed them afront, but from thence also set a compass and envolved them: and flanked that wing so long, untill the horsemen were first discomfited, and then the footmen next unto them were put to flight, so as they ran main toward their camp. *M. Æmilius* a Colonel, and son to *M. Lepidus*, who a few years after was created the High-Priest, had the charge of the camp: he with his whole guard came forth, and where as he saw them to flee, there he opposed himself, and first commanded them to stand, and afterwards to return to battell, checking and rebuking them for their beastly fear, and shamefull running away. Moreover, he proceeded to minatory words, saying, That in case they would not be ruled by his direction, they should run headlong like blind beetles upon their own mischief: and in the end, he gave a sign to his own company, for to lay upon the foremost of them that thus fled, and caused the multitude that followed, with dint of sword and drawing blood of them, to turn their face again upon the enemies. Thus the greater fear overcame the less: for seeing danger before and behind, first they staid their flight, and afterwards returned to the battell. *Æmilius* also with his own regiment (which for the guard of the camp had 2000 tall and valiant men in it) withstood the King right stoutly as he followed hot in chase upon those that fled. Moreover, *Antiochus* (brother of King *Eumenes*) in the right point of the battell, who at the first charge had discomfited the left wing of the enemies, perceiving that his fellows fled in their left point, and hearing a great stir about the camp, came to the rescue in good time with 200 horsemen, *Antiochus*, when he saw them turn head again whole backs ere while were toward him; and began to fight afresh, and perceived withall a number coming against him, both out of the camp and also from the battell, turned his horse head and took himself to flight. By this means the Romans obtained the victory of both the wings, and passed directly to the rifling of the camp over the dead bodies, which in the main battell most of all were massacred and lay by heaps: where the strength and flower of the hardiest men ranged close together and the weight besides of their heavy armour, would not give them leave to flee away. The horsemen of *Eumenes* were the first of all others that pursued the enemies: after them, the rest of the Cavalry followed the chase all over the fields, and ever as they overtook any of the hindmost, killed them outright. But that which troubled and plucked them in their flight more than all besides, was their chariots, elephants and camels, intermingled among them as they fled: forasmuch as being once disbanded and put out of their ranks, they tumbled one upon another like blind men; and were bruised and crushed under the beasts feet which came running upon them. Great execution also there was committed in the camp, yea, and more in manner than had been in the battell: for the first that fled, and those that fought in the vanguard, took their way most of them to the camp, and upon assured confidence of this multitude, the garrison within fought more valiantly, and held out

out longer in the defence of the hold. The Romans being thus laid in the gates and kept one of the rampier which they thought verily to have forced and won at their first assault, when they were once at length broken through and got in, made the more bloody slaughter amongst them, for very anger and delight that they had kept them for so long. It is said, that there were slain that day about fifty thousand footmen and 4000 horsemen, 1400 taken prisoners, together with fifteen elephants with their governors. A number of the Romans were hurt and wounded, but there died not in the field above 300 footmen, and 24 horsemen: and of the regiment of King Eumenes not past five and twenty. And for that day verily the conquerors after they had finished only the tents and pavilions of their enemies, returned to their own camp with great plenty of pillage: but the next morning they fell to spoiling the bodies of the dead and gathered their prisoners together. And upon this victory, there came Embassadors from *Thyatira* and *Magnesia*, to *Syphilus*, for to surrender and deliver up their Cities.

*Antiochus*, who fled accompanied with some few, having gathered unto him many more in the way, who rallied themselves unto him, arrived at *Sardis* about midnight with a small power of armed men: and hearing that his son *Seleucus* and some other of his friends were gone before to *Apamea*, himself also at the fourth watch departed thence with his wife and daughter toward *Apamea*; after he had committed the charge of guarding the City *Sardis* unto *Zeno*, and appointed *Timon* governor of *Lydia*. But the inhabitants of the said City and the garrison soldiers within the Castle, despised their governors, and by general consent addressed Embassadors unto the Consul.

Much about the same time also, there arrived Embassadors from *Tralles*, and *Magnesia* (which standeth upon the river *Meander*) and likewise from *Ephesus*, to yield up their Cities. For *Polyxenidas* (advertised of the issue of this battle) had abandoned *Ephesus* and having sailed with the fleet as far as *Patara* in *Lycia*, for fear of the Rhodian ships which did in guard within the harbour of *Megiste*, disembarked and put himself ashore, and with a small company marched by land into *Smyrna*. The Cities of *Asia* were surrendered into the hands and protection of the Consul, and submitted to the people of *Rome*. By this time now was the Consul possessed of *Sardis* and thither repined unto him *Scipio* from *Elaeus*, so soon as ever he could endure the travail of journey.

At the same time there came an herald from *Antiochus* unto the Consul, who by the mediation of *Scipio*, made request and obtained thus much, That the King might send his Queen and Embassadors unto him. And after few daies *Zenxis* (who had been governor of *Lydia*) together with *Antipater* (*Antiochus* his nephew, or brother son) arrived. Who first dealt with King Eumenes and communed with him, whom (by reason of old jars and quarrels) they supposed verily to be the greatest enemy unto peace, and that he would never abide to hear thereof: but when they found more reasonable and inclining to peaceable terms, than either the King their Masters or themselves hoped and looked for. So by the means of *Scipio* and him together, they had access unto the Consul: who at their earnest petition granted them a day of audience in a frequent assembly, there to declare their Commission and what they had in charge. "Then (quoth *Zenxis*) "we are not so much to speak and deliver ought of our own selves, as to ask and be advised of you " (Romans) what course to take, and by what means of satisfaction we might expire and satisfy the trespass of the King our Master, and withall obtain grace and pardon at your hands who are the victors? Your manner alwaies hath been of a magnanimous and haughty spirit, to forgive Kings and nations by you vanquished: How much more then is it decent and becoming you to do the like: yea, and with a greater mind and more generous and bountifull heart, in victory and conquest, which hath made you LL. of the whole world? For now it becometh you to lay down all debate and quarrel with mortal men here upon earth, and rather like the immortal gods in heaven, to provide for the good and safety of mankind, and them to pardon and forgive. Now was it agreed upon before the coming of the Embassadors, what answer to make unto them; and likewise thought good it was that *Africanus* should deliver the same, who spake by report in this wise: "We Romans, of all those things which are in the power of the immortal gods, have that measure which they vouchsafed to give us: as for heart and courage which dependeth upon our own will and mind, we have born (and ever will) the same without change and alteration in all fortunes: neither hath prosperity raised and lift it up aloft, nor adversity debased and put it down. For proof hereof, I might produce your friend *Antibal* as witness, to say nothing of others, but that I can report me to your own selves. For aker we had passed over *Hellepont*, even before we saw the Kings camp and army, when the hazard of war was different, when the issue doubtful and uncertain, look what conditions of peace we then offered on even hand, and whiles we were equal one unto the other, and stood upon terms of advantage the same and no other we present unto you at this time, now that we are conquerors. Forbear to meddle within *Europe* depart wholly out of *Asia*, so much as is on this side *Taurus*. Moreover, in regard of the expences defraied in this war, ye shall pay fifteen thousand talents of silver, according to the computation of *Eumenes* five hundred in hand, two thousand and five hundred at the assurance and making of the peace, by the Senat and people of *Rome*: and a thousand talents yearly for twelve years next ensuing. Also ye shall make payment unto *Eumenes* of four hundred talents, and the remnant behind of the corn and grain which was due unto his father. And when we have contracted and concluded these covenants, to the end that we may rest assured that ye will perform the same, we demand for a gage and sufficient pawn

A "that ye deliver into our hands twenty hostages, such as we shall like well of and chuse. And "for as much as we can never be persuaded that the people of *Rome* shall enjoy long peace there, "where *Antibal* is, we demand above all things to have him in our custody. Also you shall deliver into our hands *Thyatis*, the principal altar and firebrand of that war with the *Etolians*, who caused you to take arms against us, upon whence that he gave you of them: and likewise armed them upon the truth they had in you. Item, together with him you shall deliver *Musmachus* the *Acarnanian*, together with *Pabo* and *Eabhadis* the *Chalcidians*. The K. shall now contract peace in worse estate then he was, by reason he maketh it later then he might have done. But in case he hold off still and delay, know he well thus much that the total majesty and port of Kings is with those difficulty abated & taken down from the high pitch and degree unto the middle: then from that mean estate, cast down headlong to the low level. Now these Embassadors were sent from the King with this charge, to accept of any articles of peace whatsoever. And therefore it was decreed that Embassadors should be directly sent to *Rome*, 1. the Consul divided his army into garrisons for to whither, some in *Magnesia* upon the river *Meander*, others in *Tralles* and *Ephesus*. After few daies the hostages above said, were brought to *Ephesus* from the K. and Embassadors also came who were to go to *Rome* *Eumenes* like wise went to *Rome* at the same time that the Kings Embassadors: and there followed embassies moreover of all the States of *Asia*. Whiles the affairs of *Asia* raised thus in these terms, there were two pro-consuls returned out of their several provinces, both in manner at once, upon hope to obtain triumph, to wit, Q. *Minius* out of *Liguria*, and M. *Acilius* out of *Sybilis*. When the exploits were heard, as well of the one as the other, *Minius* was lately debited triumph, but *Acilius* had it gained with great Content of all men: who rode into the City triumphant over K. *Antiochus* and the *Etolians*. In which triumph there were carried before him 350 ensigns, 3000 pound weight of mastic silver in ballion; of coin in Attick Tetradrachms 130000 in Clippoths 24800. In plate many vessels engraved and chased, of great weight. He carried also in pomp the implemens of the KK. being all of silver, with rich and sumptuous apparel. All crowns of gold &c. presented unto him by Cities associat: besides all sorts of rich spoils, and moreover he led divers noble men prisoners, and last of all 36 captives, as well *Etolians* as those who served under the King. As for *Demochares*, a great commander of the *Etolians*, who some few daies before had broken prison and escaped by night, he was by his keepers that made fresh suit after him, overtaken upon the bank of *Tybris*: but before he could be attached by them, he fell upon his own sword, and ran himself through. Only there wanted those that should have followed after his chariot: otherwise the triumph had been magnificent and stately, both for the pompous shew and also of the honor and renown of exploits achieved. But the joy of this triumph was blemished with heavy tidings out of *Spain*, of a loss and overthrow received of the Portugals, in the countrey of *Valencia*, near the town *Luz*, under the conduct of L. *Emilius*: where 6100 of the Roman army were left dead in the place, and the rest discomfited and beaten back into the camp, which they had much ado to defend and hold, and were forced to retire in matter of flight, and by long journeys recovered the peaceable quarters of their friends. And this was the news out of *Spain*.

From out of *France* the Embassadors of the *Picenians* and *Cremonians*, were brought by the Pretor L. *Aurunculeius* into the Senat: where they made much moan and complaint for default and want of inhabitants; whereof some were devoured by the edge of the sword in wars, others consumed by m. lay and sicknesses, yea, and certain of them departed out of their colonies for want of the Gauls their neer neighbours. Whereupon the Senat ordained C. *Laelius* the Consul to enroll, if he thought to good, six thousand families, for to be distributed among those Colonies afore said: L. *Aurunculeius* the Pretor to create three Commissioners called *Triumvirs*, for the conducting of the coloners and inhabitants afore said. And created there were M. *Acilius Serranus*, L. *Valerius Flaccus* the son of *Publius*, and L. *Valerius Tappus* the son of *Caius*.

Not long after, against the time of the Consuls election which approached neer, C. *Laelius* the Consul returned out of *France* to *Rome*, and he not only by vertue of the act of the Senat made in his absence, enrolled certain Colonies to supply the want in *Placentia* and *Cymonia*, but also proposed a bill, and according to it the LL. of the Senat ordained: that two new Colonies should be conducted into the land that appertained to the *Boians*. And at the very same time were letters brought from L. *Emilius* the Pretor, as touching the matter at last fought here to *Monsopus*, which letters also gave intelligence, that L. *Scipio* the Consul had transported his army into *Asia*. For joy of the said naval victory, there was ordained a solemn procession for one day, and in regard that the Roman army was then full on foot in *Asiatick*, the said procession continued another day with supplication to the gods, that this voyage might turn to the prosperity and joy of the Commonwealth. And the Consul was joyshed at each procession, and supplication, to sacrifices twenty head of greater beasts. After this ensued the solemn assembly for the choosing of Consuls, which was holden with great strife and contention. For M. *Emilius Lepidus* stood to be Consul, a man grown into an ill name, and hardly spoken of among the people, in that he had left his government and charge in *Sicily* for this occasion and business only, without making him unto the Senat and craving leave to go to do. Together with him were competitors in election, M. *Ennius Nobilior*, C. *M. C. Velleius*, and M. *Publius M. P. P. P.* But *Fulvius* was chosen alone, because the said rest not sufficient voices of the Centuries, and he the morning after nominated C.

*Manlius* for his colleague, and gave the republic unto *Lepidus*; for *Maffia* kept silence and held his tongue. Which done, the Pretors were elected, namely, the two *Quintus Fabius*, the one named *Labo*, the other *Pictor* (who had been consecrated that year for the Flamin Quiritial) *M. Sempronius Tuditanus*, *Sp. Postumus Albinus*, *Lucius Manlius Volso* were Consuls, *Valerius Antius* writeth that there was a rife rumour raised at Rome, and held for certain, that *L. Scipio* the Consul, together with *P. Africanus*, were called forth to a parley with King *Antiochus*, touching the enlargement and delivery of young *Scipio* the son of *Africanus*, and by that means were both of them arrested and taken prisoners: also that when these chief commanders were under arrest, the Kings army incontinently advanced against the Roman camp, the same was surprised and forced and the whole power of the Romans utterly defeated. By occasion whereof, it went current also that the *Ætolians* began to look aloft, refused to obey, and shook off their allegiance, also that their Princes and chief States were gone into *Macedony*, *Dardany* and *Thrace*, to levy and wage auxiliary forces: moreover, that *A. Terentius Varro*, and *Marcus Claudius Lepidus* were sent out of *Ætolia*, from *A. Cornelius* the Propretor, for to report these news at Rome.

Last of all, to make up the tale, he addeth and saith that the *Ætolian* Embassadors among other things being examined in the Senat about this matter, and demanded of whom they heard and understood that the Roman Generals were taken prisoners in *Asia* by King *Antiochus*, and the whole army overthrowen? answered directly, that they had advertisement thereof by their own Embassadors, who had been with the Consul. But because I find no other author besides him that maketh mention of this rumor, I dare not for any thing that I can say of my self report it for certain truth, nor yet omit it as a meer fable or loud lie.

The *Ætolian* Embassadors were permitted to come into the Senat house; and being induced (in regard of their own cause and present condition) to confesse a truth, and as humble suppliants to crave pardon and forgiveness either for their fault, or misprision and error, began with abedroll of their favours and good turns done unto the people of Rome, yea and in manner to upbraid the Romans with the valour which they shewed in the war against *Philip*. But with their arrogant and in olent language they offended the ears of the Senators: and by ripping up old matters and past (time out of mind and utterly forgotten) they handled their own cause in, and brought it to this passe, that the LL. of the Senat began to call to mind much more harsh and unchieft contrived and practised by that nation, then kindness and courtesies received at their hands: inasmuch as the *Ætolians* having need of their mercy, incurred their heavy displeasure, and provoked them to anger and hatred. Being asked this question by one of the Senators Whether they would refer and submit themselves to the censure and judgment of the people of Rome and likewise of another, If they could be content to hold them for their friends or enemies whom the Romans so accounted; they answered not a word: and thereupon immediately were commanded out of the Court: and presently all the Senat began to cry out with one voice, that the *Ætolians* were all still for Kings *Antiochus* depending wholly and only upon that hope, and therefore they ought to war against them as undoubted enemies, and to take down and tame the proud and felonious hearts of their own. Over and besides all this, another thing there was that incited and kindled the stomacks of the LL. against them, because at the very same instant when they seemed to require peace at the Romans hands, they warred against *Dolopia* and *Aschamania*, so there passed a decree of the Senat, and the same was moved by *M. Acilius*, who had vanquished and subdued *Antiochus* and the *Ætolians* That they shall void that very day out of the City of Rome; and within fifteen daies next ensuing, out of all Italy. *An. Terentius Varro* was sent to accompany them on the way: and this warning they took with them, that if ever after there came any Embassadors from the *Ætolians*, without the warrant, license, and permission of the chief General who governed the province, or not seconded with a Roman Legat, they should be repented all of them for no better then enemies. In this manner were the *Ætolians* dismissed & sent away.

After this the Consuls propoed unto the Senat, as touching the government of the province. And thought good it was that they themselves should call lots for *Ætolia* & *Asia*. Unto him whole lot it should be to govern *Asia*, was appointed that army which *L. Scipio* had. And for to furnish it fully, and to make up the decayed bands, he was allowed to have four thousand foot men off Romans with two hundred horsemen of allies that were Latins, eight thousand foot and four thousand men of arms, and with these forces he was to make war against *Antiochus*. The other Consul had assigned unto him that army which was *Ætolia*: and liberty he had for supply of broken army to levy the same number of Citizens and allies that his companion in government had enrolled. To the same Consul was granted a commission likewise to set in order, furnish, and take with him those ships which the former year were prepared and rigged, and not only to make war with the *Ætolians*, but also to sail over into the Isle *Cephalonia*. And withall, the said Consul had in charge to return home to Rome for the election of Magistrats, if he might do so conveniently with the good of the Common-weal. For besides the annual Magistrats (who were to be chosen one under another) it was agreed upon, that Censors also should be created. But in case his affairs detained him, that he might not return in person, then he was to give advertisement, and signifie so much to the Senat, that he could not possibly be present at the time of the foresaid Election. So *Ætolia* fell by lot to *M. Fulvius*, and *Asia* to *Cn. Manlius*. Then the Pretors fell to draw lots for their provinces. *Sp. Postumus Albinus* had the jurisdiction over

Cilicium

A citizens and foreigners both: *M. Sempronius Tuditanus* governed *Sicily*: and *Q. Fabius Pictor* the Quiritial Flamin, *Sardinia*: *Q. Fabius Labo* was admiral of the navy at sea: and *L. Plautius Hyppus* was allotted to the rule of high Spain, and *L. Babius Dives* of the lower. For *Sicily* one legion was appointed, together with that fleet which was already in that province. Also there was order given that the new Pretor should impleat two tenths of corn upon the Sicilians, and send the one into *Asia*, and the other into *Ætolia*. The like imposition was laid and exacted upon the Sardinians, and the said corn to be conveyed into the same armies that the Sicilian corn was. A supply was granted unto *L. Babius* for Spain of a thousand Roman footmen and fifty horse besides: besides six thousand Latin foot, and two hundred horimen. Unto *Plautius Hyppus* for the higher Spain were allowed a thousand Roman footmen: with two thousand Latine allies, and two hundred horse. Besides these supplements, both the provinces of Spain were allowed each of them one legion. The Magistrats and governors of the former year continued still in place of command for one other year, to wit, *C. Lelius* with his army, and *P. Iunius* also the Propretor in *Hætruria* with those forces which were in the province *M. Tuccius* likewise in the Brutians country and *Apulia*.

But before the Pretors went into their provinces, there hapned a variance between *P. Licinius*, the Arch-Pontife or chief Prelat, and *Q. Fabius Pictor* the Quiritial Flamin, like unto that which sometime fell out between *L. Metellus* and *Posthumus Albinus*. For at what time as *Posthumus* the Consul was upon his departure and journey to his fleet in *Sicily*, together with *C. Lelius* his colleague, *Metellus* the Archbishop for the time being, kept him back upon occasion of certain sacrifices to be celebrated: temblably, when as *Fabius* the Pretor would have gone into *Sardinia*, *P. Licinius* the high Priest detained him. Much strife and hard hold there was hereabout, as well in the Senat house, as before the people. Inhibitions passed to and fro. Cautions and pledges were distrained: fines they imposed one upon anothers head: the Tribunes were called unto on both sides for to interpole their authority, and they appealed both unto the people. In fine, religion, and the regard of holy rites took place, and carried it clear, and the Flamin was enjoined to obey the chief priest: and by order and expresse commandment from the people, all fines were taken off and forgiven. And when the Pretor for very anger and spite that he was debarred from his province, would have surrendered and resigned up his government, the LL. of the Senat impeached and testified him by their absolute authority, and ordered that he should minister justice, and exercise civil jurisdiction between aliens. After that the masters were ended within few daies (for many fouldiers were not to be levied and enrolled) both Consuls and Pretors took their journey into the provinces. After this, there arose a bruit concerning the occurrences and affairs in *Asia*, blown and spread abroad I wot not how, nor from what author it proceeded: but after few daies there came certain messengers with letters from the Generals of the Roman army, sent of purpose to the City, which caused not to great joy presently ensuing upon the fresh fear aforesaid (for why, they were no more afraid of *Ætolia* by them already conquered) as dashed quite the same and opinion that went on *Antiochus*, whom in the beginning of this war they supposed would have been a dangerous enemy unto them, as well in regard of his own puissance, as for that he had the direction and conduct of *Annibal* in the war: howbeit, they thought good to alter nothing, either as touching the sending of the Consul into *Asia*, or diminishing his forces, for fear they should have war with the French.

Not long after *M. Anrelius Cotta*, a lieutenant of *Scipio*, came to Rome with the Embassadors of King *Antiochus*, and likewise King *Eumenes* and the Rhodians. *Cotta* reported and declared first in the Senat, and afterwards in a full assembly of the people (by order and commandment from the LL. of the Councell) what affairs had passed in Spain. Whereupon ordeined it was, that there should be holden a solemn procession for 3 daies together: and order was given, that 40 head of greater cattell should be killed for sacrifice. This done, the Senat assembled for to give audience to King *Eumenes*: first above all other matter: who briefly in few words having rendered thanks to the LL. of the Senat, for that they had delivered him and his brother from siege, and protected his realm against the wrongs and outrages offered by *Antiochus*: also having testified his joy by way of gratulation for their prosperous and fortunat affairs achieved both by land and sea: namely, in that they had discomfited and put to flight *K. Antiochus*, & driven him out of his camp, that he could not keep the field; and withall diseized and dispossessed him first of Europe and afterwards of all that part of *Asia* which lieth on this side the mountain *Taurus*: he concluded and knit up all with this, That as touching his own demerits and employments about their affairs, he had rather they took knowledge by their own generals, captains and Lieutenants, than from his mouth. They all approved well of this speech of his, and willed him to speak boldly without bashful modesty in that case. What he thought in equity and reason the Senat and people of Rome was to yield unto him by way of justly recompense: assuring him that the Senat would do it more willingly and liberally (if possibly they could) according to the worth of his desert. The King answered thus again, that in case any other had made him that offer, and given him the choice of his own rewards, he would gladly have used the counsell of that honorable court of the Roman Senat (to he might have the means and liberty to aske their advice) to this end that he would not be thought, either to exceed measure in covetous desire, or passe the bounds of modesty in craving a recompense. But now considering they are themselves to give that reward, much more reason it is that their magnificence and bounty to him & his brethren should be re-

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The Oration  
of King Eumenes  
in the Sen-  
at of Rome.

"terred to their own atreimant and dissection. The L.L. of the Senat were nothing moved at this  
language of his, but urged him still to speak himself in his own cause. And after a certain time that  
they had thrived a-vice, the L.L. in courteous and kindnes, the King in modesty and thankfulness,  
yielding one unto the other reciprocally, in such amiable and mutual manner as hardly can be  
expressed, *Eumenes*, departed out of the temple. The Senat persifted nevertheless in their resolution  
saying it was very absurd and undecent that the King should be ignorant upon what hopes he was  
come, and what he purposed to make suit and petition for: and himself must needs of all others  
know best what was meetest and most expedient for his own Kingdom: yea, and was far better  
acquainted with the estate and affairs of *Asia* then the Senat was. And therefore no remedy, but he  
must be called again, and compelled to declare and deliver what his will, desire and mind was to  
have. Hereupon the King was brought back into the temple by the Pretor, and urged to speak. I  
Then at last, my L.L. (quod he) I would have persifted still in silence, but that I knew that some ye  
will call the embassage of the Rhodians in place, and that after audience given unto them, I must  
neither will nor choolse but make some speech of necessity: and verily with so much more  
difficulty shall I speak, because their demands will be such, as if they would seem not only to  
require nothing prejudicial and hurtfull unto me, but also (which more is) matters little or  
nothing pertinent to themselves. For placed they will and major in the cause of the Cities in  
*Greece*, saying, they ought be set free and alibiety: which being once obtained, who can make  
donot but rather they will withdraw from our obediace, not only the Cities which shall be freed,  
but also those which have been homagers and tributaries unto us of old time? yea, and will keep  
them as subjects in very deed and wholly at their devotion, whom being thus bound and obliged  
to them by to great a benefit, they call by the name of Associates, and would make the world be-  
lieve they repute them for no other? Yet forsooth (I wot well) in affecting and aspiring to this so  
great power & puissance, they will carry it so cleanly & make it semblant, as though this in no wise  
touched and concerned them: but it is befitting you alone, correspondent & answerable to other  
former deeds of yours. But be ye well advised, and let not their glowing words deceive you,  
take ye heed, I say, that ye go not with an uneven hand nor bear your selves equally, whilst you  
depreste and abate too much some of your allies, in promoting and advancing others beyond all  
measure: and above all, beware that they who have lifted up their spear and born arms against you,  
be not more kindly intreated & in better condition, then your loving friends and faithful con-  
stants. For mine own part, in all other things I would gladly be thought of every man, rather  
keep within my compasses yea, and yeeld somewhat of my right whatsoever it is, then to thin  
too much in the maintenance and holding thereof: but in the question of your friendship, my  
affection towards you, and to the honour which shall come from you, I cannot endure with  
patience that any one should out-go and surmount my self. This I account the greatest inter-  
tance left unto me by my father the first, (of all those that inhabit in *Greece* and *Asia*) who was  
entertained in your amity and continued in the same alwaies most fast, most constant and sure:  
ever to his dying day: who not only shewed found affection and loyall heart unto you, but also  
was in person employed in all your wars which ye made in *Greece*, as well at land as at sea; dis-  
posed and aided you with all kind of provisions, in such sort, as none of all your allies besides  
any way comparable or came near to him. And finally, as he earnestly exhorted the Romans  
to accept of your society, he sunk down, (wooned in the very assembly & not long after yeelded  
up his spirit and dyed. His footsteps have I trodden, and followed his good example. For affection  
verily and studious desire to honour you, I could not have more then he had (for I suppose it was  
impossible to surpass him therein: ) but in kind pleasures, effectual services, offices, coun-  
sels, and favours, to surmount and go beyond him, the goodness of fortune, the occasion of  
times, King *Antiochus* and the war of *Asia*, have ministered ample and sufficient matter unto me.  
*Antiochus* King of *Asia* and part of *Europe* gave me his daughter in marriage, and with her  
dowd me with the repossellion of those Cities which had revolted from us. He fed me more-  
over with great hopes of encreasing my dominion in time to come, if I would have sided with him  
against you. I will glory and vaunt of this, that I have done nothing to offend and displease you:  
I will rather rehearse those pleasures and services which are becomming the ancient amity  
friendship between our house and you. In forces as well for land as sea, I have friended and  
helped your Generals in such wise, as I forbid all your allies besides to do the like: furnished them  
I have with victuall on the land, with provisions at sea. In all the battels and conflicts by ship,  
(which were many and in sundry places) I was present in person. I underwent all travell, all  
ventured all perils, and no where favoured my self and thought much of my pains: nay, that  
which is the greatest calamity and misery that followeth wars, I was besieged, and endured it:  
enclosed I was and shut up within *Pergamus*, to the utter hazard of my life and of my realm and  
royall dignity. And after I was delivered from that danger and the siege raised, albeit *Antiochus*  
of one side and *Selenus* on another, lay encamped about the principall fortresse of my Kingdom,  
I quire mine own affairs and laid all aside, to come with my whole fleet into *Hellepontus*, and then  
to meet with *L. Scipio* your Consul, and to aid him in transporting and waiting his army into  
*Asia*. And when your forces were passed over, I never afterwards departed from him: there  
was not a Roman souldier more resiant ordinarily in your camp then my self and my brethren, no  
expeditions, no rides, no exploit of horse service was there without me. In battel have I stood on  
foot & guarded that quarter which the Consul appointed me to keep. I will not say, my L.L. with

A "one perion there is that hath done so good service for you in the last war as I my self, and who  
is any way comparable unto me: nay, I dare make comparision with all states and Princes what-  
soever, whom you esteeme and honour so highly? *Masaniassa* before he was your friend, was  
your professed enemy: he came not to you with his aids in the time of his upright fortune, and  
whiles his Kingdom florished in good estate; but when he was banished, driven out of his  
Kingdom, and turned out of all, he fled into your camp, accompanied only with a small troop  
and cornet of horsemen: Yee nevertheless, because he stood fast to you and bare himself in all  
loyalty, and shewed his prowess in your behalf against *Syphax*, and the Carthaginians in *Africa*,  
you not only restored him to his fathers Kingdom, and placed him again in the royal throne,  
but you laid unto his dominion the richest part of the realm of *Syphax*, made him the most puis-  
ant and greatest Prince of all the Kings in *Africa*. What reward then, nay, what honour are we  
worthy to have at your hands; we (I say) who never were enemies, but ever friends? My fa-  
ther, my self, my brethren, have born arms in your quarrell by land, by sea, not only in *Asia* but  
far from our own home and native soil, in *Peloponnesus*, in *Bœtia*, in *Etolia*, during the war with  
*Philip*, with *Antiochus*, with the *Ætolians*. What recompence demand you then? may (some  
man say. Forasmuch (as my L.L.) you will have it so, and it is your pleasure that I should speak  
my mind, good reason it is that I obey. This shall stand for all; if you have disposed *Antiochus*  
of all on this side *Taurus*, with this intent, to hold those lands your own selves; none better then  
you, and whom I would rather wish to be my neighbours and to confine upon me: neither can  
I be think me, of any means in the world more important to the safety and strength of my King-  
dom. But in case your purpose be to depart and retire your forces from thence, I dare be bold  
to say, that of your allies, (and put them all together) there is not one more worthy then my self  
to have and hold that which you have won by conquest. But an honourable deed it is and mag-  
nificent, to set free and deliver Cities out of thraldome and servitude. True and I my self am of  
the same opinion; provided alwaies, that they had attempted nought by way of hostility against  
you. But in case they had taken part and sided with *Antiochus*, how much more fit under it with  
wisdom, nay, with equity and reason, to be respective of your allies who have so well deserved  
at your hands, then to regard your enemies. This Oration of the King much pleased the L.L.  
of the Senat, and soon it was seen by their countenance that they would deal bounteously and libe-  
rally with him, yea, and gratifie him in what they might. Then audience was given to a brief  
embassage of the *Smyrneans*, who by occasion that some of the Rhodians were absent, came he-  
thwart and delivered their message. Highly were these *Smyrneans* commended, in that they chose  
rather to endure all extremities, then to yeeld themselves unto King *Antiochus*. Then the Rhodians  
entered in place: and the chieftain of their embassage, after he had declared the first occasion and  
beginning of the amity which they had with the people of *Rome*, and shewed withall the good  
deeds and services which the Rhodians had performed in the wars first against *Philip* and then a-  
gainst *Antiochus*, went on and spake as followeth. "Right honourable, there is nothing more  
difficult and troublesome unto us in all the business that we have in hand then this one thing,  
that there is some variance and matter to be debated between us and *Eumenes*, the only K. of all  
others, with whom especially every one of us in privat, and (that which toucheth us more) your  
City in publick, doth entertain the bond of friendship and mutual hospitality. Howbeit no re-  
pugnancy is in our affections (my L.L.) but even the course of this world and nature it self (the  
mightiest thing of all) which disjoyneth us and causeth difference: this maketh us (being men  
free born) to defend and maintain the freedom also of others: this is it, that moveth Kings to be  
desirous to have all in servitude and subjection under them, and at their command. But howsoe-  
ver it is, our modesty and the reverent regard we have of the King perion hurteth us more, then  
either the debating of our cause with him is otherwise difficult unto us, or the deciding thereof  
like to be intricate and troublesome unto you. For in case it were so, that you could not honour  
and reward a King, your ally and friend, for his good service done in this war (for recompence  
whereof you sit in consultation) by no other means, unless you deliver free Cities into his  
hands, to serve in bondage; then were it hard for you to resolve: for fear lest either ye should  
send away a prince (your friend and confederat) without guerdon and honour: or (seem to change  
that lausible enterprise of yours which you have begun, to stain and blemish your glory now,  
(which you have acquired by the war against *Philip*), with reducing so many Cities and states  
into servitude. But your happy fortune caseth you right well of this difficulty and necessity,  
that you need not fear either to impair your credit and favour with your friends, or to endamage  
your reputation and honour among men. For (the gods be thanked therefore) you have achiev-  
ed a victory, no lesse rich then glorious, and sufficient (if I may so say) to discharge all your  
debts, and set you clear with all the world. For *Lycania*, *Phrygia* both the great and the lesse,  
whole *Pisidia*, *Ciliciana*, and in brief all the confines of *Europe* are under your dominion. Of  
all which provinces, if you lay but one by (which you will your selves) for K. *Eumenes*, you shall  
mightily enlarge and amplify his Kingdom: but, give him all, you will make him equal to the  
greatest princes and monarchs that are. You see then by this, that you may recompence and en-  
rich your allies out of the conquest gotten by war, and nevertheless hold out your good custom  
that you have begun, remembering alwaies what title you pretended first in your war with *Philip*,  
know lately with *Antiochus* considering withall, what you did then after *Philip* was vanquish'd, &  
what is required and expected at your hands, now: not so much, because you have used it alrea-

The oration of  
the Rhodian  
Embassadors.



dy, as for that it was meet and decent you should so do. Many causes there be (and those colour-  
ably just and lawful) to enter into arms: one pretended this another the glory in right of lands  
and territories, other of villages; some lay claim to towns and Cities, others challenge the pos-  
session of ports and havens, and one tract or other of the sea-coasts. As for you, before you en-  
joyed these things, you desired them not: since then ye have now compassed the whole earth,  
and are LL. of the world, you cannot possibly cover the same any more. Warded you have and  
fought for honour and glory, in the fight of all the nations of the earth, who now this long time  
behold and regard your name and empire, no less than they do the gods immortal. And I wot  
not well, whether those things which we hardly come by, be not with more difficulty holden &  
kept afterwards, then they were purchased. You undertook to deliver & rid out of the servitude  
and oppression of Kings, and to maintain in liberty, a most ancient and noble state, renowned  
for their worthy and famous acts, and right commendable for their singular learning and know-  
ledge in all sciences. For your honour it is, having once received all this nation in your safeguard  
and protection, to defend and preserve the same for ever. And think not, that those Cities only  
are more Greek which are built and seated upon the ancient soil of Greece, then their colonies  
which have been drawn from them, & in times past went from thence into Asia: for the change  
of air and place hath wrought no alteration, either in the nature and complexion, or the manners  
and fashions of the people. As for us, we have done better and better, and each City  
hath entered into in honest contention and religious emulation to out-go and surmount their  
forefathers and first-founders in all good arts and commendable virtues. There be many of you  
who have been in Greece, many have visited the Cities of Asia, and seeing aside this only, that K  
we are farther distant and remote from you, there is no difference and odds between us and  
them. The Massilians, whom if possible it had been, that an imbred temperature might heal-  
tered and overcome with the fire and nature, as it were in the soil) so many wild, barbar-  
ous, and untamed nations, environing them round about, would have made cruel and savage  
long before this day; we hear say and understand to be in that request and estimation (by good  
right, and their desert) among you, as if they dwelt in the very midst and heart of Greece, for  
not only they retain still the very natural language of their own. they keep them to their old  
fashion of apparel and attire, and carry the same sort in their gesture and countenance, but also  
above all things they have kept and observed their customs, their manners, their laws and natural  
disposition pure and entire, notwithstanding the frequent commerce with those, in the midst  
of whom they converse and inhabit. Well, the mountain Taurus at this day is the limit of your  
empire and signory one way: and therefore whatsoever lieth between you and that bound,  
you must not think it remote, but look how far your arms have reached, so far let your laws and  
jurisdiction extend. Let Barbarians, who know no other laws then lords belts, have their Kings,  
since they take such pleasure in them, and much good may they do their hearts: as for the  
Greeks, they must do as we may, and are not (we confess) in so good case as you, howbeit  
they carry with them as brave a mind as your selves: and the day hath been, when they were  
Monarchs, when they conquered by their own sword a mighty dominion, and held the same  
when they had it. Now they are content with that empire where it now is, say, they will it  
may remain and continue there for evermore, where it is settled at this present. They shall be  
well apaid, and think they are well, to maintain their liberty by your force of arms, since they  
have no means of their own to defend the same. But (will some man say) there be certain Cities  
that held a fide and banded with Antiochus and were again, so were some before that took part  
with Philip, so there were that combined with Pyrrhus, as for example, the Tarcentins: and so  
say nothing of other States, which I could name and rehearse, even Carthage it self enjoyed  
freedom and is governed by her own laws. Consider then my LL. what a precedent therein  
have set down to your own selves, and how ye ought to confirm and uphold so good an ex-  
ample. You must resolve to deny that unto the covetous desire of Eumenes, which you would not  
grant to your ownire against the Carthaginians, which they had most justly deserved. And N  
as for us Rhodians, with what valour and loyalty we have served and aided you, as well in  
this war, as in all others which ye have had in those parts and quarters, we report us to our  
own selves, and leave it to your judgment. And now in time of peace, we here present unto you  
that counsel, which if you will accept and approve, all the world will believe and say, That  
you have born your selves more honorably in the usage, then in the achievement of your victory.  
This Oration seemed to fit well the greatness and majesty of the Romans. When the Rhodians  
had done, the Embassadors of Antiochus were called in. Who after the usual and stale manner  
of those that crave pardon, confessed the King was in fault, and humbly besought the LL. of the  
Senat to have more regard of their own accustomed gracious clemency, then remember the Kings  
treachery, who had paid sufficiently for it already: and finally that they would raise and con-  
firm by their authority, the peace granted by L. Scipio the Lord General, according to those  
conditions, which by him were capitulated and set down. So both the Senat thought good  
to admit of that peace, and also within few daies after the people gave their assent and es-  
tablished the same. And this accord was solemnly confirmed in the Capitol, with the Kings  
Procurator or agent, to wit, Antipater, the chief of the embassage, who also was Antiochus his  
brothers son. This done, the other embassadors of Asia had audience, and were all dispatched with  
this one answer, that the Senat would send ten deputies or commissioners, according to the an-  
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Ancient customs of their ancestors, to hear, decide, and compose all their affairs of Asia. But the fi-  
nal conclusion of all should be this, That whatsoever pertained to the dominion of Antiochus on  
this side the mountain Taurus, should be assigned to King Eumenes, excepting the countries of  
Lydia and Caria, so far as the river Maander, all which must lie to the glory of the Rhodians.  
As touching the other Cities of Asia, which had been tributaries to Antiochus, those also were to  
pay tribute to Eumenes: but such as were sometimes homagers to Antiochus, those should be  
enfranchised and remain free. The ten commissioners whom they appointed were these, to wit,  
Q. Minutius Rufus, L. Furius Purpureus, Q. Minutius Thermus, App. Claudius Nero, Cn. Cor-  
nelius Merula, M. Junius Brutus, L. Aureuculeius, L. Emylius Paulus, P. Cornelius Lentulus,  
and P. Atilius Tubero. These men had plenary power and full commission to take order and deter-  
mine as they thought good, in all the occurrences that were presented in these Affairs. But they  
had direction from the Senat, as touching the principal points: Imprimis, That all Lycania and  
Phrygia, both the more and the less, that Asia, with the Kings chales and forests, that the Cities  
of Lydia and Ionia, except those that were free at the day of the battell fought with Antiochus, and  
expressly by name Magnesia near Sipylus, together with Caria, which is called Hydrata, and  
all the territories of Hydrata lying toward Phrygia; moreover Telmessus and the forts of the Tel-  
melians, referring only that territory which belonged to Ptolemaeus the Telmelian; that all these  
countries, I say, and Cities above written, should be given and granted to King Eumenes. Item,  
That the Rhodian should be enfeoffed in Lydia, without the foresaid Telmessus, the forts and terri-  
tory, appertaining sometime to Ptolemaeus Telmessus: which parcels, I say, were referred as well  
from Eumenes, as the Rhodians. Item, to the Rhodians was granted that part of Caria, which  
lieth beyond the river Maander, neer to the isle Rhodes, together with the towns, villages, for-  
tresses, and lands bounding upon Pisidia: except those towns which were free the day before the  
battell with King Antiochus in Asia. The Rhodians, when they had given thanks to the Senat for  
their grannities, were in hand with them for the City Soli in Cilicia: they alleged, that they like-  
wise as well as themselves, were defended from Argor: by occasion of which confraternity and  
neer alliance, they loved together as brethren by nature: in regard whereof, they made petition  
that over and besides other donations, they would do them this extraordinary favour, as to ex-  
empt that City also from the servitude and subjection of K. Antiochus. Then were the Embassadors  
of King Antiochus called for, and treated withall about this matter, but to no effect. For Antipa-  
ter revolved or altered: and that against the tenor of the articles and covenants therein comprised,  
it was not the City Soli, but also Cilicia that the Rhodians demanded: and never would they reit  
till they were gotten over the mountain Taurus. Then were the Rhodians called back again into  
the Senat, unto whom the LL. of the Senat, after they had made relation how earnest the Kings  
Embassador was with them upon the point, added thus much moreover and said, That if the Rhodians  
deemed in very deed that the matter concerned the honour of their City and State, the  
Senat would work all possible means to cause the Kings Embassadors to relent, how stiff and obdurate  
soever they stood. For this courtesy, the Rhodians thanked them much more heartily then  
for all their before, and said withall, that they would yield and give place to the arrogant spirit  
of Antiochus, rather then seem to give any cause or occasion of troubling the peace. And so as touch-  
ing the City Soli, there was no alteration made.

Whiles these matters were thus debated and passed, the Embassadors of the Massilians brought  
intelligence, that L. Babinius the Pretor, being in his journey towards his province of Spain, was  
entrapped and enclosed by the Ligurians, and many of his train killed outright in the place, that  
himself mortally wounded fled without his hectors and sergeants into Massilia, and within three  
daies left this life. The Senat upon the advertisement ordered P. Junius Brutus the Pro-pretor  
in Hetruria to go in person into the farther Spain, and govern the same as his own province: but  
first to leave Hetruria and the army there to one of the Lieutenant whom he pleased to make  
choise of. This decree of the Senat, together with letters from Spurius Posthumus the Pretor of  
the City was sent into Hetruria: and so P. Junius departed as Pro-pretor into Spain. In which  
province L. Emylius Paulus (who afterwards won a right glorious victory of King Perseus) hav-  
ing the former year fought unfortunately, now a little before the arrival of his successor, gave bat-  
telle to the Lusitanians with an army rallied and assembled in hast, in which the enemies were put  
to the sword and driven to flee. One thousand eight hundred of them well armed were left dead  
in the field, 3300 taken prisoners, and their camp forced and ransacked. The bruit that went of  
this victory let all matters in Spain in greater quietness.

The same year upon the third day before the Calends of January, L. Valerius Flaccus, M. Ar-  
tillius Terentius, and L. Paterius Tappo, the three Triumvirs, by order from the Senat, planted a  
Latine Colony at Bolonia; and three thousand people were thither sent to dwell. Every gentleman  
by calling that served on horseback had 70 acres of ground set out unto him, and the rest of the  
colonies fifty acres. The land divided thus among them had been conquered from the Boians in  
Gaul: and those Gauls first had dispossessed the Tulians of the same.

This year there were many men of mark and name that sued to be Censors: and this compe-  
tition as it had not been of sufficient importance it self to move matter of debate, was the occa-  
sion of a contention and variance much greater. The competitors were these, T. Quintinus  
Flamininus, P. Cornel. Scipio, the son of Cn. L. Valerius Flaccus, M. Porcius Cato, M. Claudius  
Marcellus,

Marcellus, and M. Atilius Glabrio, even he who had vanquished Antiochus and the Ætolians at Thermopyla. To this man last reherbed the peoples favour and affection most inclined, by reason of many congiaries and largesses which he had given amongst them in publick, by means whereof many a man was obliged and bound unto him. The rest, being to many and nobly decorated with all, took it to the heart, and could not endure that such a person as he newly risen and come up, and a gentleman of the first head, should be preferred before them; whereupon P. Sempronius Gracchus, and C. Sempronius Rutilius, two Tribunes of the commonalty, commenced action against him to answer at a day, laying to his charge that there remaineth a surplussage of the Kings money and other pillage gotten in the camp of Antiochus, over and above all that he either carried and shewed in triumph, or brought in accompt into the City chamber. Many and sundry depositions there were to prove this indictment, as well of lieutenants as of colonels. But M. Cato above all other witnesses was most noted: whose great authority acquired in the whole course of his life (which he had passed hitherto in all right conversation and constant gravity) was much impaired and discredited now, with his white rober that he bare on his back. He being produced as a witness, deposed and gave evidence, that he had seen certain plate as well gold as silver, among the rest of the pillage found in the Kings camp, which he never could let eye on in all the triumph aforesaid. In the end, Glabrio, because he would bring some displeasure particularly, and most of all upon Cato, said, he would give over his suit for the Centorship, since that there was another competitor as newly come up as himself, (whereat the Nobles indeed took indignation inwardly, although they said nothing) who pursued the cause so against him, even with incredible and inestimable perjury. Well, a fine was set upon his head of a thousand asses. And twice was the matter traveled, whether the mulct should be taken off or paid. But when the third day was come, and the party in trouble (Atilius) had quite forecreated to sue for the dignity, the people would not give their voices as touching the payment of the fine aforesaid, and the Tribunes also themselves let fall their action. So T. Quintus Flaminius, and M. Claudius Marcellus were created Centors.

About the same time the Senat sate within the City in the temple of Apollo, in regard of L. Æmilius Regillus, who had vanquished the Admiral of King Antiochus in battell at sea; where he had audience given, and when he had declared what exploits he had done, namely, against how puissant Armados of the enemies he had fought, and how many ships of theirs he had either sunk or taken; The LL. of the Council with one generall consent and accord, granted unto him the L. vall. triumph. And he triumphed upon the Calends of February. In which triumph there were born in these fifty crowns save one, of beaten gold; but nothing that more of coin as such a triumph required, only there were carried in pomp 33700 Attick tetradrachms, 122300 siliophores. After this (by decree of the Senat) there were processions celebrated in consideration that L. Æmilius Paulus had brought his affairs in Spain to an happy issue.

Not long after L. Scipio came also into the City, who because he would not be inferior to his brother in the honourable addition of his name, caused himself to be surnamed Africanus. He discoursed before the Senat, and in the publick audience of the people, as touching his worthy deeds. Divers there were who continued the thing thus and said, That the war was greater in name than difficult unto him in the managing; for with fighting one only memorable battell the matter was achieved and ended, but the glory indeed of that victory was begun unto him and prepared for his hand at Thermopyla. But if a man should judge thereof aright, and according to truth, the battell of Thermopyla may rather be accounted an exploit against the Ætolians than King Antiochus. For what great forces I pray you had Antiochus there in the field of his own? But in the last battell (mitten in Asia, the whole power and puissance that he had in all Asia, stood there to be seen, yea, and all the aids and succours which he could levy out of the nations as far as to the utmost parts of the East. Great cause therefore they had both to render much praise and thanksgiving to the immortal gods, in as ample manner as possibly they could devise (for vouchsafing unto them) to brave a victory as it was, and the same with such ease and expedition) and also to grant a triumph to the General. He triumphed upon the last of February, even in the very day that maketh the leap year. This triumph of his was much greater than that other of his brothers in regard of the magnificent pomp and shew represented to the eye: but if one call to mind the substance of the things themselves, and compare the dangers, the conflicts and difficulties of the one war with the other; there is no more equality between them, then if a man should in comparison of captain with captain, set Antiochus to match with Annibal. He shewed in triumph two hundred thirty four field engines and standards: he carried before him the portraits of two hundred thirty four towns and Cities: a hundred thirty four teeth of ivory: two hundred thirty four crowns of gold: 237300 pounds weight of silver: 234000 Attick tetradrachms: 331900 siliophores: 1,0000 Philip-pieces of gold: of silver plate, and that was all graven and chased, 40 thousand four hundred twenty four pound weight: of golden plate as much as weighed 1204 pound. Moreover there were led before his chariot 32 great commanders; either governors of provinces under the King, or attendant in his court. Every souldier serving on foot, had given unto him 25 deniers; every centurion had double so much; and the gentlemen or knights triple. After the triumph done, the souldiers had their pay double in money, yea, and the portion of corn likewise was doubled. He had moreover given them already a double proportion in Asia, presently upon the end of the battell. A year it was almost after his Consulship expired ere he triumphed. And

A And much about one and the same time, both Cn. Manlius and the Consul entered into Asia and Q. Fabius Labio the Pretor repaired to the fleet. Moreover the Consul had work enough: and waited not matter of war within France. The seas were quiet after that Antiochus was defeated and subdued: Fabius therefore studied which way to take, and how to employ himself and his forces at sea, because he would not be thought and reputed idle in his province: so he resolved at length to put over with his fleet into Crete. Now they of Cydon warred at that time against the Gortynians and the Gnosians; and the voice went that there was a great number of Romans and Italians, captives, living in slavery and bondage in every quarter of that land. He looked therefore from Ephesus, and set sail for Candia, and so soon as he was arrived and left alone, he sent his messengers about to the Cities, willing them to abandon their armor and increase from war, and to search and seek up throughout all the Cities and territories those captives and prisoners aforesaid, to bring them to him: and moreover, to send their Embassadors or agents, with whom he would treat concerning the affairs that in common touched as well the Candians as the Romans. The leaders made small regard of these messages: and unless it were the Gortynians, there was not one that delivered the captives Valerius Antias hath recorded, That out of the whole land there were rendered to the number of four thousand; because the inhabitants were frighted with threats of war. And that this was the cause why Fabius, although he performed no other exploit, obtained of the Senat a navall triumph. From Crete, Fabius returned to Ephesus; from whence he set forth three ships to the coast of Thracia, and commanded that the garrisons of Antiochus should quit Emissa and Morona, to the end, that those Cities likewise might be set free and enfranchised.

## The eight and thirtieth Book Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the eight and thirtieth Book,

D Marcus Fulvius the Consul besieged the Ambracians in Epirus, and recovered them upon composition of mercy. He subdued Cephalonia, vanquished & brought under his subjection the Ætolians, and made peace with them. The Consul Cn. Manlius his colleague, overcame the Gallogrecs, the Iolissobogians, the Telesages, and the Trocians, who were passed over into Asia under the conduct of Brennus: the only people that within the mountain Taurus yielded not obedience to the Romans. The first beginning and rising is set down: also the time when as they seized first of those places which they hold. Here is recounted also the example of the rare valour and chastity of a woman, who being the wife of a certain King of the Gallogrecs, chanced to be taken prisoner; and when a Centurion had forced and abused her body, she killed him with her own hand. The Consors held a sassing of the City: in which by computation were numbered 258328 patricians and Citizens. E Amiry was contracted with Ariarathes King of Cappadocia. Cn. Manlius triumphed over the Gallogrecs, notwithstanding the contradiction of those ten Commissioners, by whose advice and assistance he had entered and engraffed the accord of alliance: with Antiochus, and pleaded his own cause himself in the Senat against them. Scipio Africanus was indicted as follows: say, by Quintus Petilius Acteus a Tribune of the Commons: as others by Nevius, for that he had defrauded the City Chamber of some part of the Pillage which he got from Antiochus. When the day was come that he should make his answer, he was called up to the publick pulpit and place of audience, and with a loud voice said unto the people: My masters: you that are Citizens of Rome, this very day have I won Carthage: and with that he ascended up into the Capitall, and the people accompanied him thither: and from thence because he would avoid these hard and injurious curses of the Tribunes, and be no more tormented with them, he retired himself to Liternum, as it were into voluntary exile: and whether he ended his daies there, or as Rome: it is not well known: for his tomb and monument was to be seen in both places. L. Scipio Africanus (the brother of Africanus) was accused of the same crime of embezzeling the publick treasure and robbing the common wealth, and thereof condemned: but as he was led to prison, and should have been laid up in bonds and irons, Tib. Sempronius Gracchus Tribune of the Commons (who before-time had been an adversary enemy unto the Scipios) interposed himself and rescued him: and for that pleasure done, he took to wife the daughter of Africanus. When the Pretor sent the treasurers of the City, so far as they were from finding any remnant or token of the King riches and money, that they could not meet with as much as would satisfy the fine wherein he was condemned. And when his himself and friends had contributed and raised an infinite masse of money for him, he would not receive the same: and as much only was redeemed and bought again, as might serve for his necessities to find and maintain him.

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**D**uring the time of the wars in *Asia*, the affairs also in *Ætolia* were in small rest and quietness: which troubles arose first from the *Athamanians*, who after that *Aminander* was dispossessed of his Kingdom, were held in obedience by garrisons under the captains of King *Philip*; and they bare themselves so proud, insolent, and outrageous in their government, that the *Athamanians* found a great misse of *Aminander*, and were desirous of him again. Now remained he at that time as a banished person in *Ætolia*; and upon letters received from his own nation (concerning the state wherein *Athamanians* then stood) he conceived some hope to recover his crown again, whereupon he sent the messengers back to *Argitheia* (the chief City of *Athamania*) unto the principall men of the country, with this credence, That if he might be assured of the affection and love of the people, he would procure the aid of the *Ætoliens* and come into *Athamania*, accompanied with the elect personages (and those are the council of that nation) and *Nicanor* the Prior. When he understood and perceived that they were prest and ready to do him all service, he advertised them oftentimes upon what day he would enter with his army into *Athamania*. At the first there were but few persons that conspired against the Macedonian garrison, and these took every one six more unto them for to be assistant in the execution of their complot. But afterwards trusting but little in this small number of their adherents and complices (who indeed were fitter to keep counsell and conceal a matter secretly, then to perform any action valiantly) they adjoynd unto them the like number unto the other: so as now they were two thousand and fifty in all; and they divided themselves into four companies. One crew of them went to *Heraclea*; another to *Teraphyllia*, where the Kings treasure was usually kept; a third took their way to *Thendoria*; and the fourth to *Argitheia*. But they all agreed upon this conference to hold themselves quiet and peaceable at their first coming, and to converse in the market place of these Cities as if they were come about some particular negotiation of their own: and upon a certain day appointed to set out at once, and to raise the whole multitude for to expell the Macedonian garrisons out of their fortresses. Now when the day was come, and *Aminander* ready upon the frontiers with his forces of a thousand *Ætoliens*, the garrisons of the Macedonians were at one instant chased out of those four Cities aforesaid, like as it was comploted before hand: and letters were dispatched from all parts into other Cities, advising them to deliver and free themselves from the tyranny of *Philip*, and restore *Aminander* into his lawfull kingdom and throne of his father. Thus the Macedonians were expelled in every quarter: only the town *Theium* made resistance and held out some few daies against the siege, by occasion that *Zeno* (captain of the garrison there) had intercepted the letters, and they that sided with *Philip* were possessed of the castle. But in the end he surrendered it was like wife unto *Aminander*, and all *Athamania* reduced unto his obedience excepting only the fort of *Athekum*, situate upon the marches of *Macedony*.

*Philip* advertised of the revolt of *Athamania*, accompanied with a power of six thousand fighting men, set out in his journey, and with exceeding expedition, marched as far as *Gomphi*. Where he before the greater part of his forces, (for they had not been able to endure so long a journey) sent were a thousand came to *Athamania*, the only place held by his garrison to himself. And from thence after he had sounded the next neighbours, and soon found that there was nothing but bad ends among them, he retired to *Gomphi*, and joined withall his forces together returned into *Athamania*. Then he sent *Zeno* before with a thousand footmen, and gave him in charge to seize upon *Ethopia*, a place that directly for his purpose commandeth *Argitheia*; and seeing that his men were possessed thereof, himself sat him down, and pitched his tents about a certain temple dedicated to the name of *Jupiter*. There he was forced by reason of the foul and stormy weather to stay one whole day, and the morrow after he went forward with his army to *Argitheia*. As they marched, behold they discovered the *Athamanians*, running from divers parts to the hill tops, which stood over the way along. They had no sooner espied them, but the foremost ensigns made stay, and all that regiment of the vanguard was surprisid with fear and flight. Every man began for his part to call many doubts, and think with himself what should become of them, in case their companies were entred once into the vallies, so checked by those rocks above said. This tumult and trouble caused the King perforce to call back those in the vanguard, and to retire the same way that he came, notwithstanding he was very desirous (if they would have seconded him) to have made quick speed, and gotten through those freights. The *Athamanians* at first followed after them aloof quietly enough: but when they had once joined with the *Ætoliens*, leaving them behind to come upon the tail of the enemy, they spread themselves all about and flanked them on the sides: some of them also got afore their head by the next waies which they were acquainted with, and beset the passages; inasmuch as the Macedonians were so greatly troubled, that forced they were (more like men that fled in dismay, then marched in good order) to leave much of their armor, and many of their men behind, to passe over the river; and there the chase ended. From thence the Macedonians returned safely to *Gomphi*, and so forth into *Macedony*.

The *Athamanians* and the *Ætoliens* assembled from all parts to *Ethopia* for to surprisid and defeat *Zeno* and that regiment of a thousand Macedonians which was with him. But the Macedonians reposing no great trust in that place, retired from *Ethopia*, to an hill much higher and

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A Reeper on all sides, and therefore lesse acceptable. The *Athamanians* having found out diverse passages unto it, enforced them to forgo that hold also. And when they were dispersed among the blind rocks, and unto them unknown, and could not readily find the way out, some of them were taken prisoners, & others slain. Many for fear tumbled down headlong from the pitch of the cliffs, and brake their necks, and very few escaped with *Zeno* to the King. The next day after they obtained truce, until they had committed their dead to earth.

*Aminander* having thus repossessed his realm, sent Embassadors to *Rome* unto the Senat: likewise unto the *Scipios* in *Asia* (who after the great battell with *Antiochus*, sojourned in *Ephesus*) He craved peace and pardon. He excused himself in that he had recovered his fathers Kingdom by the means and help of the *Ætoliens*, and withall laid great fault and blame upon King *Philip*. As for the *Ætoliens*, they departed out of *Athamania*, and made an expedition against the *Amphilochians*, and by consent of the greater part (reduced the whole nation under their puissance and subjection. Having thus regained *Amphilochia* (for in times past it appertained to their siegenry) upon the same hope they passed over in *Aperantia*, which yielded also for a great part thereof, and came under their obedience. As for the *Dolopians*, they never belonged to the *Ætoliens*, but unto *Philip*. And at the first they attempted to recover her in arms, but understanding once that the *Amphilochians* took part with the *Ætoliens*, that *Philip* was fled out of *Athamania*, and that his garrison was put to the sword, they revoked likewise from *Philip*, and turned to the *Ætoliens*. Who making now full account that they were sure enough on all sides from the Macedonians, by reason of so many nations which environed them about, they took knowledge (by the common consent) of the defeat of *Antiochus* by the Romans in *Asia*, and not long after their own Embassadors returned to *Rome* without hope of peace, relating withall that *Fulvius* the Consul had passed the seas already with an army. Up in these new things they were much troubled and afraid: and in this perplexity, they induced and procured first the *Rhodians* and then the *Armenian* Embassadors, to the end that by the credit and countenance of these two States, their priors already rejected, might have more easie access to the Senat: and with them they sent to *Rome* once again the principall personages of their nation, to trye their last hope of obtaining peace; and never forsook to prevent war, before the enemy was come within their sight. Now had *M. Fulvius* transported his forces to *Apollonia*, and devised with the princes and states of the *Epirots*, where to begin war. The *Epirots* advised him to assail *Ambracia*, which as then was united to the *Ætoliens*. And why? either the *Ætoliens* should come to the defence of the place, they had a goodly large and open plain all about to bid them battell; or if they refused the field, and would not fight, they should find no great difficulty to assault and force the town. For not only there was at hand fire enough of timber and other matter to raise mounts, mantelets, and other fabricks; but *Arestobas* a river navigable, very commodious to transport all necessities unto them, runneth under the walls of the City; and besides, the summer was a fit season for war service. With these reasons they perswaded the Consul to conduct his army through *Epirus*. But when the Consul was come before *Ambracia*, he found it was no easie peece of work to besiege and assault the City. This *Ambracia* is situate under the stony and craggy hill, which the inhabitants call *Perrhaia*. The City itself looketh unto the West, what way as the wall reacheth toward the fields and the fort and castle thereof standeth upon the hill, and regardeth the East. The river *Araxus* running out of *Aetonia*, discharge it self into an arme of the sea, which beareth the name of the City neer adjoining, and is called *Ambracia*. This town, besides that it is well guarded with the river of one side, and defended with hills on the other, is fortified also with a strong wall, in circuit somewhat more then three miles about. *Fulvius* encamped strongly on the fields side, in two holds of a prey diuine slunder, and raised one sconce upon an high ground, opposite against the fort of the town. All these places he determined to enclose within the compalls of a trench and rampier, to the end that they who were shut up within the town, might have no egress; and that from without there should be no ingress, for any aid and succour whatsoever. The *Ætoliens* were also besieged already at *Syracus* by an edict from the Pretor *N. Manlius*, incontinently upon the rumour that ran. The siege of *Ambracia*, intending fully at first to march from thence withall their forces. But afterwards, when they perceived that a greater part of the City was faithfully beleaguered already, and blocked with trench and rampier; and withall, that the *Epirots* were encamped upon a plain on the other side of the river, they were of advice to divide their forces in two parts. *Fulvius* accompanied with a regiment of a thousand men lightly appointed, passed through the fortifications of the enemies, before they were joined and united together, and entred *Ambracia*. *Nicanor* with the rest of the forces purposed at the first by night to assail the camp of the *Epirots*, considering that the Romans could not easily succour them, by reason of the river running between. But afterwards upon better advice, supposing this to be a dangerous enterprise (for fear lest the Romans should discover their march, and so intercept them that they might not retire again in safety) he altered his mind, and retired to the spoiling and wasting of *Aetonia*. Now when the Consul had made an end of all his fabricks devised for to invest and enclose the City, and finishing his engines where with he meant to shake the wall, he approached neer and gave assault in five places at once. Three batteries he planted in equall distance slunder, and where the easiest passage and access was from the plain, full upon that place of the City which they call *Perrhaia*; one other against the temple of *Asenlapidus*; and another opposite to the Castle. With rails and thook the walls with long poles and hooks he fetcht off and plucked down the battell.

battemens of the walls. The oppidans at the first were afraid to see their strange engines, and quaked at hear to terrible noise of their walls battered: but after wards, seeing that the walls stood upright beyond their expectation, they plucked up their hearts again, and with twines weighed either great counterpoises and weights of lead, or huge stones, then with a living they let them fall ag in upon the rams of the enemies, or else tumbled mighty big logs of timber aloft, and so either brake them apieces, or bare them down. And as for their hooks aloft, they caught hold of them with iron shouls like anchors, and so drew them over the walls till the other side with a witness and brake both them & their poles. Moreover, they sallied out in the night upon the watch, that at attended their engines, stilled forth of themselves in the day time, assailed the camp, and put them great fear. As things stood in these terms before *Ambraeia*, the *Ætolians* by this time were returned to *Stratus* from their rodes which they made into *Acarnania*. And then *Nicanor* the Pretor conceiving some hope to levy the siege by some sudevious and hardy adventure, devised that one *Nicomachus* should put himself within the town of *Ambraeia* with five hundred *Ætolians*; and appointed one certain night, and an hour also of the same night, when both they from out of the town should assail the towers and engines of the enemy planted against *Pyrreum* and also himself charge upon the camp of the Romans at the same time, and put them in flight; supposing by this twofold alarm (especially in the night which maketh every thing more fearful) there might be some notable act and memorable exploit done. And *Nicomachus* verily for his part in the dead time of the night, having paused unseen and not detected by some of the sentinels, and by resolute force broken through the rest of the watches, passed over an arm of the river and recovered the City, and in some measure by this means heartened the beheged inhabitants to adventure anything, and put them in better hope to accomplish all. And when the night appointed was come, all on a sudden he let upon the engines, as it was before accorded between them. The adventure of this enterprise was much more then the effect, because there were no forces without to join with him; were it that the Pretor of the *Ætolians* was afraid to be to bold or that he thought it was a better piece of service to aid the *Amphilochians* newly recovered, whom *Perseus* King *Philip* his son, sent from his father to reconquer *Dolopia* and *Amphilochia* assailed with great force and violence. The Romans had planted their ordinance and artillery, as is a novelty in the places against *Pyrreum*, which the *Ætolians* charged all at one time, but not with like preparation means, nor with the same violence. For some came with burning and flaming incendiaries, they carried tow and brands with pitch, and faggots of dry sticks, and other like matter easy to be kindled, in such sort as all their companies shone again with a light fire. Many of the watchmen killed at the first onset, but when the alarm and tumult was heard within the camp, and the signal given by the Conful, they took arms, and ran space out of all the gates for to relieve and defend them. In one quarter the *Ætolians* died their deed, and fought with fire and sword; but in two other two places after they had given their attempt, rather then began any skirmish, they retired and went their waies. The heat of the fight inclined wholly to one quarter, where the two captains *Eupolemus* and *Nicomachus* encouraged their men as they fought from two divers parts, undeterred themselves with an allured hope, that *Nicanor* according to agreement would enter and charge upon the back of the enemies. This for a good while maintained the courage of the soldiers: but perceiving there was no sign appeared of their countrymen, and that they kept no touch with them, and seeing withall how the number of the enemies increased, and themselves disappointed and destitute, they flaked their fight, and were not so eager upon the enemy, and in the end gave over: and being much ado to retire in safety, were chased into the City, at which they had burnt some of the Roman engines, and slain a few more of their enemies then they died of themselves. And surely if the service had been followed in execution according as it was completed and agreed, those deviled engines no doubt might have been destroyed, if not wholly, yet in one part at least wise, and that with great murder and slaughter of the enemies. The *Ambraecians*, together with those *Ætolians* which were within the City, not only gave over that nights enterprise, but ever after shewed more coldness to be hard themselves again, as if they had been betrayed by their own fellows. Not a man would fall forth upon the ward and watch of the enemies, but they all from their walls and turrets stood upon their guard only, and with the vanage of the place defended themselves in safety.

*Perseus* advertised that the *Ætolians* approached *Amphilochia*, quit the siege of the City which he was about to assault: and after he had only harried and waited the territory about threatened from those quarters and returned into *Macedony*. The *Ætolians* likewise were enforced to depart from thence, by reason that their sea-coasts were spoiled and overrun: for *Plinius* the King of the *Illyrians*, was entered into this river of *Corynth* with a fleet of 60 barks, and with the fleet of the *Acchian* ships that lay in the rodet of *Paros* invetted the maritime tract of *Ætolia*. Against whom were sent a thousand *Ætolians*, who waited upon the fleet at every turn as they doubled any reaches, and with the vanage of the shore waies and next passages by the land, were ready to welcome them on the banks and smite the head against them.

The Romans lying still in siege before *Ambraeia*, by dartering and shaking the walls in many places, had dismantled a great part of the City, and laid it open: howbeit, they could not cover with it. For at every breach where the wall was broken down, they were ready to make a new counter-mure, and the soldiers standing upon the very ruins, served in stead of a bulwark. The Conful seeing he could not prevail by open force, determined to undermine and make a secret

way in the ground into the City: but first he covered the place where they wrought with mantles. For a good while the pioneers were not perceived by the enemies, notwithstanding they wrought both night and day, not only digging under the earth, but also casting up the mould as they went. But an huge heap of earth bearing up aloft from the rest, was discovered, and gave them within the town to understand what the enemies were about: and fearing lest they had wrought so far already as under their walls, and that they were at the point to make a way into the town, they within began likewise to strike another trench just against the place covered with mantles aloft: and when they had digged to that depth as the bottom might be of the enemies mine, they made no words within, but in great silence laid their ear too in divers places close to the ear of them; they counted them directly against them. And long they were not about it: for anon they came as far as to the void hollow ground, whereas the foundation of the wall stood upon flares and props, which the enemies had set to bear it up. Now when their works were met together, and that there was a continued passage out of this trench into the Mine, the pioneers first fell to it and kuffed with their spades, shovels, and mattocks, and such other tools that they had used to work withal: but soon after, armed soldiers entered and encountered within the vault, and closely skirmished under ground. But within a while that manner of dealing grew with facks and haircloath, otherwhiles with doors and such trash as they could come by in haste. And the same but a slight matter, and made without any great trouble, and this it was, The workmen took a great tun or dryfat with a hole boared in the bottom, of that capacity, as might receive a pretty pipe like a faucet within it; and withal they made a pipe indeed of iron to fit it, and iron lid likewise to cover the other end or mouth thereof, but the same had many holes in the head forward against the very Mine. From the lid or cover aloft they stood poking out thence they put a pole or spark of fire, and then with a pair of smiths bellows (the hole whereof thence by which means there arose not only a mighty deal of smok, but also it carried with it a flinking vapour, by the reason of the feathers burning within; and so filled all the Mine underneath) that scarce durst any man abide within for fear of being choked.

During these affairs about *Ambraeia*, *Phancas* and *Demetrius* two Embassadors sent from the *Ætolians* by a general decree of the whole nation, came with a full and plenary commission unto the Conful. For their Pretor (seeing of the one side *Ambraeia* besieged, and on the other side the least of them damaged with the enemies ships, and in a third quarter the *Amphilochians* and all themselves and make head at once against three wars in divers parts) had assembled a general Diet for to consult with the chief of the *Ætolians* what was to be done in this case. Their opinions jumped in this one point, "To seek for peace (if it were possible) under easy and indifferent conditions: if not, yet in as tolerable terms as they might. In confidence and assurance (say they) of *Antiochus*, the war began: and now that *Antiochus* is vanquished both by land and sea, yeas, and hunted as it were out of the compass of the world into an angle beyond *Taurus*; what hope remaineth to maintain and wage the war any longer? and therefore *Phancas* and *Demetrius* were to deal as in such a case and time, as they thought best according to their wisdom and fidelity, and the common good of the *Ætolians* for what other counsel remaineth, what course else can they take, or what choice beside hath fortune left them? With this so large and free commission they were these Embassadors sent: who befought the Conful to spare their City, to have mercy and pity of their nation (sometime linked in amity unto them, and forced through into such follies neither have the *Ætolians* in this late war of *Antiochus* deserved to suffer more than when they were worthy to receive good for their service in the former war against *Philip* and when they were not largely rewarded and recompenced then, so they ought not to be punished as in such a time, but sincerely and truly at no time. That the *Ætolians* had cited and drawn *Antiochus* to war, he had hardly followed his example in craving peace. Like as in the former tract not quiet and rendered some few Cities which were in question about their liberties and freedom, but parted with a rich and wealthy kingdom, even all *Asia* between this and the mountains *Taurus*: so unless the *Ætolians* will simply lay all arms aside and come to treat for a peace, that made the would never give them audience. And to be short, if they will peace have, they must deliver up their armour and all their horses first, yeas, and make payment of a thousand talents of silver; and the pecuniary thereof to pay down right upon the nail before hand. Over and besides this branch, I will annex unto the accord and covenant. That they shall hold for their friends and enemies those whom the people of *Rome* reputeth to be theirs, & none other, upon impositions, and also because they knew the natures and minds of their countrymen and neighbours, and how miserable they were and not to be removed if they once took a pitch: whereup-





the foresaid sources of *Maander*, discharged it self therein. And as the common fame goeth, it this *Celene* it was, where *Marfyas* the Musician gave defiance to *Apollo*, and challenged him to play upon the flute. This *Maander* abovenamed, issuing out of an high hill at *Celene*, runneth through the midle of the City and fill keeping his course along the country of the Carians, and afterwards of the Ionians, falleth at the last into an arm of the sea, between *Priene* and *Miletus*.

Whiles the Col. lay encamped about *Antiochia*, *Selenus* the son of *Antiochus*, presented himself unto him with corn for his army, according to the covenant contracted with *Scipio*. Some small variance and difference there was as touching the aid demanded of *Antiochus*; for *Selenus* pleaded that *Antiochus* had capitulated only to find corn for the Roman souldiers. But this debate was soon at an end by reason of the stiff resolution of the Col. who sent a Colonel to warn and charge the souldiers to accept no corn before the aid-souldiers of *Antiochus* were received. From thence he marched to *Gordus nichus* (a City so called) & so toward the third day to *Tala*. This City is seated upon the frontiers of the Pisidians, in that coast which boundeth upon the Pamphylia.

\* The fame that Gordus, come of Julius-pola.

This quarter was able to yield fifty men for war, when it had not been any way endamaged, but remained entire and whole. For proof whereof, even then also there issued out of the City a cornet of horsemen, who charged upon the Romans as they marched, and at the first onlet troubled them not a little. But afterward, seeing themselves neither for number, nor yet for prowess comparable unto them, they were driven back into the town, & craved pardon for their trespass, ready to surrender their City into the Col. his hands. The Col. imposed upon them a payment of 25 talents of silver, and 10000 medimms of wheat, and upon that composition their surrender was accepted. Three daies after the Romans came to *Chamus* the river, & from thence to the City *Erius*, which at the first assault they won. After this the army marched as far as to a Castle called *Therapion* (standing over the river *Indus*, so called of certain Indian, whom an Elephant threw and cast into it). Now they were not far from *Cilicia*, & yet no embassage appeared from the tyrant of that country and state, *Mozgetes*, a disloyal and treacherous man in all his dealings, and besides extremely hard and unreasonable. Whereupon the Col. sent out before, *C. Helvius*, with 4000 foot and 500 horse to find his disposition and mind. As these companies entered into his frontiers, there encountered them his Embassadors, giving them to understand that the tyrant their Master was ready to do whatsoever they would command: only his request was unto *Helvius* to pass peaceably through his country, and to restrain his souldiers from wasting & spoiling the territories, & 15 talents they brought with them for to make a crown of gold. *Helvius* promised to save his lands for being spoiled and wasted, but he willed the embassadors to go to the Col. Now when they had related the same unto him, he made them answer in these terms, We cannot gather by any sign (qd. he) that the tyrant beareth good will and affection to us Romans; & again if he be such one as the world taketh him for we are to think rather of his chastisement, than of admitting him into our army. The embassadors were troubled at this word, requested him for that present no more, but to take the crown of gold, and to permit that the tyrant himself might have access into his presence for to par with him and clear himself. The morrow after, by permission of the Col. came the tyrant into the camp, bearing no port of a Prince. For a private person and man of small wealth would have gone in better apparel, and carried a greater train about him than he neither went he so meanelly, but he spake as lowly, hacking and bawling his words, as if he had not been able to speak them out. He complained of his own bareness and want, & likewise of the poverty of the Cities under his feignory (for besides *Cybara* he held in possession *Syllium*, & that which is called *Alimne*). Yet he promised to see what he could do, if haply by undoing himself & spoiling his subjects he might make up five and twenty talents. Mary he mistrusted greatly that he should never effect so much, Are you thereabout? (qd. the Col.) Now verily I can no longer endure this mockery. Was it not enough that in your absence you basted not to delude and disappoint us by your Embassadors, but you must persist still in the same impudency now that you be here yourself in person? And would you make us believe indeed, that the disbursing of 25 talents will beguile you and your whole kingdom? Come on fir, I say; Bring me hither within three daies, and lay me down in ready money 500 talents, or look for no other favour, but your territory to be wasted, and your City besieged. Greatly affrighted was he at these minatory words, howbeit he continued still obstinately, countering & pretending his neediness and poverty, and afterwards bawling and rising by little and little, one while hasting and wrangling, another while praying and entreating, (and that with whining and putting finger in the eye) he was fetch over at length, and came off to pay 100 talents of silver, and to deliver 10000 medimms of corn besides. And all this was exacted of him to be performed in six daies. From *Cybara* the Col. conducted the army through the country of the Sindenians, and after he had passed over the river *Calauris*, betwixt them down and rested upon the river *Maander*. As they advanced from thence toward *Lagen* the next City the inhabitants fled for fear: whereupon the town void of people, but replenished with abundance of all things was ransacked and rifed. This done, they arrived at the head or spring of the river *Lycus*, and the next day marched toward the river *Cobylus*. The Terminusians at the same time having forced and won the City of the Lyrians, were now upon the point to assault the Castle. They who were within besieged, seeing no other hope of succour sent their Embassadors to the Consul, beseeching his help, and making pitiful moan, how they by their wives and children were shut up within the fortresse, and looked every hour for death, either by famine or the sword.

\* Hitt, Nigro. Dind, Lincoln.

A sword. This fell out as the Col. wished, namely, to have so good an occasion presented unto him, of turning his way into *Pamphylia*. At his first coming he delivered the Lyrians from the siege. To deal by the Apendians and other States of *Pamphylia*. In his return from thence, the first day he encamped fast by a river called *Taurus*, and the next day following, near a town which they call *Xylis-Coma*. From whence he marched and held on his journey continually, until he came to the City *Cormasa*. The next City unto it was *Desis*, which he found abandoned by the Inhabitants for the fear, howbeit full of all kind of goods. As he marched still along the marshes there met him Embassadors from *Lysima*, who came to render their City into his hands. After this he entered into the territory of *Sagalassus*, a fertile & plentiful quarter, full of sorts of corn & fruits. The Pisidians in that habit those parts, who are the best warriors in all that country. In regard whereof, also for that their territory is fruitful and well peopled and their City strongly situate (as few like unto it) they were grown to be hardy and courageous. The Col. seeing no embassage presented unto him in the entrance of the frontiers, sent out foragers to fetch in booties. When they perceived once their goods harried and carried away before their faces, their stomacks came down, and then they sent their embassadors and upon composition to pay 50 talents, 20000 medimms of wheat, and as many of barley, they obtained peace. From thence he passed to the fountains of *Obrina*, until he came to a village which they name *Aporidon-Coma*, and there he encamped. Thither repaired the next day *Selenus* from *Apamea*. And the same day, after he had sent away unto *Apamea* his sick folk and other baggage and peif that he had (good for nothing) he took guides of *Selenus* his flock, and entered into the plains of *Metropolis*, and the next morrow marched as far as *Dindia* in fear and lest desert. With the booty and pillage whereof his army was so heavily charged, that thence he could march five miles a day; and so he came at length to *Bendis*, named, The old. From thence he passed to *Anabura*, and the next day to the source of *Alender*, and the third day pitched down his tents near *Abasur*. There he lay encamped many daies together, because he was now arrived into the country of the Tolistobogians.

The Gauls in times past being a mighty people in number, were induced to take a voyage, either for want of land to inhabit, or for hope of booty and prizes: and supposing withal, that they could not pass through any nation whatsoever, comparable to themselves in feats of arms, entered under the conduct of *Brennus* into the country of the Dardanians. Where, they began to mutine among themselves: by occasion whereof it hapned, that to the number of twenty thousand of them, following two of their Princes *Lomomorus* and *Lutarius*, departed from *Brennus*, and took their way into *Thracia*, where partly by warring with them that made resistance, and partly by imposing inure upon them that craved peace, they came at length as far as to *Bizantium*: and after they had held tributary a goodtime the coast of *Propontis*. They possessed themselves also of the good towns and Cities of that quarter. After this, they had a mind and desire to invade *Asia*; for they heard say, being so near, how fertile and plentiful the soil of that country was. And after they had surprized and won *Lysimachia* by a wile, and by force of arms conquered all *Chersonesus*, they descended to *Hellefont*. Where seeing how they were divided from *Asia* but only by the Straights and that it was but a small cut thinner, their desire was much more inflamed to pass over. And for this purpose they dispatched certain criers to *Asiatick* the governour of that coast, to demand passage. But by reason that they effected not this so soon as they hoped, there arose another new sedition between the Princes themselves. Whereupon *Lomomorus* accompanied with the greater part retired to *Byzantium* from whence he came. But *Lutarius* took from the Macedonians (who under colour of an embassage were sent from *Asiatick* in speciall) two covered ships, transporting them one after another day and night continually. Not long after *Lomomorus* also passed over into *Asia* from *Byzantium*, by the aid of *Nicomede* Kings of *Bithynia*. After this, the Gauls joyined again together in one, and succoured *Nicomede* in his wars against *Zyba*, who held part of *Bithynia*; and by their help and assistance especially, *Zyba* was vanquished, and all *Bithynia* became subject to *Nicomede*. Then they departed out of *Bithynia* into *Asia*. Now of twenty thousand there were above ten thousand armed. Yet to great a terror they struck into all nations on this side the mountain *Taurus*, that both they to whom they approached not near, and also they whom they came unto, as well the farthest as the nearest, submitted themselves, and ranged under their obedience. In the end, being three nations of them, to wit, the Tolistobogians, the Trocmians, and the Teutoages, they divided *Asia* likewise into three parts, and parted them equally among themselves, that each nation of them possessed a severall tract which paid them tribute. The coast of *Hellefontus* was given to the Trocmians: the Tolistobogians had for their share *Asia* and *Ionis*: and unto the Teutoages were allotted the inland parts of the main compass and seated themselves about the river *Halys*. The bruit of their name was so fearful and terrible, and especially after their issue was multiplied and increased in great number, that the all the inhabitants in *Asiatick* denied them homage, was King *Artaban* the father of *Eumenes*: and fortune beyond the expectation of all men, favoured his hardy and courageous enterprise: for he vanquished them in battell. Howbeit, he danted not their hearts so much; but still they upheld

\* Marci Marci.

and maintained their sovereign signory, in such sort, as their puissance continued untill the war between *Antiochus* and the Romans. Yea, and after that *Antiochus* was vanquished and chased out of part of his Realm: they conceived great hope to hold their own still; by reason they were so remote from the sea, and therefore thought that the Roman army would never pierce so far as to them. The Consul now, for as much as he was to war with this nation, so terrible to all their neighbours in those quarters, assembled his souldiers to a publique audience, and in this manner made speech unto them.

"I am not ignorant, my souldiers, that of all the people which inhabit *Asia*, the Gauls are most renowned for valiance in war. And why? this fierce and cruell nation having run over the world in a manner, and warred with all countries, chose them a place of abode, and to settle themselves in the midst of a generation, of all other most mild and tractable. Big and tall they are, of stature; and perforce their hair they wear long in golden crisped and shining locks: they carry bucklers of huge bignes, and handle swords of exceeding length. Besides, when they enter into battell, they use to sing, to hoop, and dance, and with clattering their targets and weapons together, after the guise of their country they make an horrible noise. And all this is done of purpose by them to terrifie their enemies. But such devices as these be, let the Greeks, the Phrygians, and Carians be afraid of, who are not used and accustomed to hear and see such things: as for the Romans, acquainted with the Gauls sudden and tumultuous wars, they can skill well enough of these their toys and vanities also. Once indeed, and but once, at the first encounter they discomfited the Romans at the river *Alia*: but since that time our Ancestors for the space of two hundred years have made havock of them, killed, put to flight, and driven them like sheep before them: and other, I dare well say, have they triumphed of the Gauls, than of all the world besides. Thus much we know of them by experience, that if a man be able to stand out their first shock and violence (which upon a furious heat of their own by nature, and in blind choler and anger they spend all at once) all the parts of their body run to sweat and become faint: their weapons are ready to fall out of their hands: their bodies are so tender, their courages so feeble (after their cholarick anger is once allayed and passed) that the very heat of the sun, the dust and the drought is able without drawing sword, to overthrow them and lay them along. Proof and trial we have had of them not only legions to legions, but man to man. *T. Manlius* and *M. Valerius* have shewed plainly how far Roman vertue and prowess surpasseth the furious rage of Gauls. Whose even *Marcius Manlius*, one man alone, repulled and beat down the Gauls as they climbed up by numbers to the Capitoll cliff. And those ancestors of ours beforenamed, had then to deal with many Gauls: indeed, born and bred in their own country: whereas these here, by this time now are a bastard sort of them, and clean degenerate, mingled they are with others, and in truth as they be called, so are they Gallo-greeks. And it fareth with them as with plants, fruits, and living beasts in which we see that the seed is not of that vertue, & so effectual to keep and retain still the own kind and nature, as the property of the soil and the air where they are nourished is to change the same. Thus the Macedonians who inhabit *Alexandria* in *Egypt*, who dwell in *Seleucia* and *Babylonia*, and other Colonies dispersed over the earth, are grown out of their own kind, and in manners become Syrians, Parthians, and Egyptians. *Massilia* lately among the Gauls, hath drawn somewhat of the nature of the nations adjoining and bordering upon them. And what have the Tarentins left them of that severe, rough, and hard discipline of the Spartans? For, whatsoever is ingendred and bred in the own proper place, is evermore kindly, and retaineth its own nature better; but look what is transplanted into another soil, doth soon degenerate, and grow into a bastard kind: for nature transformeth her self, and chageth into that whereinto she is nourished. Be sure therefore, that like as we have defeated these Phrygians (for no better they be) overcharged and laden with French arms in the battell against *Antiochus*, even so being now conquerors, ye shall subdue and hew them in pieces one already vanquished. And I fear me more that ye shall win too small glory of them, when I doubt by fighting too little with them that ye shall have their hands too full of war against them. Why, even King *Attalus* many a time and often hath discomfited and put them to flight. Neither would I have you to think, that savage beasts only newly taken, and keeping at the first their fell and wild nature, after a time that they have been fed by mans hand, grown to be tame and gentle; but that the fierceness and cruelty of man is likewise of the same nature to be tamed and made tractable. Are ye persuaded that these Gauls resemble their fathers and grandfathers in conditions? Their forefathers long since left their native country for want of ground and land to possess; and being driven to pass through the most rough and difficult country of *Thracia*, first came into *Pannonia* & afterwards travelled all over *Thracia*, fighting ever as they went with most fierce and cruell nations, untill at length they seized upon these parts and settled there. After that they had been hardened and made more fell by so many travels and dangerous adventures, they were received in the end within such a land, as through abundance of all good things, might feed and frank them up. All that the fierceness and savage nature of theirs which they had when they came first thither, is (no doubt) mollified by the goodness of the most fertile soil, by the sweetness & pleasure of a most temperate air, and last of all by the gentle and debonaire nature of the inhabitants their neighbors. And even you also (in good faith) are to look unto it; martiall men although you be, and the very off-spring of *Marcius* himself ye are (say to you) take heed and beware of these delights of *Asia*, and beimes to get you forth from them. So

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forceable are these forraign pleasures and delicate enticements, to quench and corrupt the tiger of your spirits: so powerfull is the comitment and conversing with strangers: so potent is the contagion (as it were) of their manners and discipline of neighbour inhabitants; Yet this one good turn ye shall have, that as against you they have not that courage which in times past they had: so among the Greeks here, they are of as great name as ever they were in ancient time. So that amongst your allies you shall win as great honour by your victory, as if you should have conquered the Gauls, when they were at the height of their valour and prowess. After the assembly dismissed, and Embassadors sent to *Epiphon* (the only Prince in those parts who perished in amity with *Ennius*), and had refused to aid *Antiochus* against the Romans, the Consul marched forward. The fifth day he came to the river *Alander*, and the morrow to a certain village which they call *Tycon*. Thither repaired unto him the Embassadors of the Oroadians, craving to be accepted as friends; but they were enjoined to pay two hundred talents: and when they requested leave to make relation and report hereof at home, they were permitted. From thence the Consul led his army to *Phleumum*; and after that he encamped at *Alavios*. Thither returned they who had been sent to *Epiphon* together with the Embassadors of Prince *Compsus*, requesting the Romans not to war upon the Tectolages; for that both himself and *Epiphon* also, would go in person to them and persuaded the nation to do whatsoever they should be commanded: the Prince obtained his request: and so from thence the army began to march through the land which they call *Axylon*: and well it might be so called, for it hath no wood at all in it; nor beareth it much as thorns; for any thing else to burn and maintain fire: cow-dung is all their burning, for want of Cotherjell. Whiles the Romans lay in camp before *Caballum*, (a fortress of *Gilgracia*) they discovered the Cavalry of the enemies coming toward them with a great hurry and tumult: and they charged so fiercely and suddenly upon the corps de guard of the Romans, that they not only troubled and disordered them, but also killed many of them. The alarm being given within the camp, the Roman horsemen at once issued forth of all the gates, discomfited the Gauls, and slew certain of them in the chase. The Consul perceiving now that he was come into his enemies country, marcht not from thenceforth without sending out his espials before, and kept his army together in battell array with great heed and carefulness. Thus he held on his journey continually until he came to the river *Sangarius*, where he purposed to make a bridge, because there was no passage over at any foord. This *Sangarius* striketh out of the mountain *Adoreus*, and running through *Phrygia*, it joyneth with the river *Thymbra* near unto *Bithynia*, and is growing bigger by receiving a double current. keepeth his course through *Bithynia*, and dischargeth himself into *Propontis*, a river, not so famous and noble for the greatness thereof, as because it yieldeth fish abundantly to all the nations bordering and dwelling thereupon. When the bridge was finished and the army passed over, as they marched along the bank side, the Galli or Priests of *Cybele* (the great mother of the gods) were come from *Pessinus*, and with streamers, insules and other ornaments met them: and in their fantasticall verses (as men distracted of their wits) seemed to prophesie and foretell, that the goddess vouchsafed the Romans a fast way to war and victory, yea, and the conquest and signory of that country. Hereat the Consul said: That he accepted their words for a prelude of good fortune, and thereupon in that very place he pitched his Tents. The next day he went as far as *Gordium*: a town verily it is none of the greatest, but more frequented and resorted unto for traffique and merchandise, then usually such dry towns are that stand far within the land. Three seas there be triangle-wise, of equal distance all from it. On the coast toward *Shops*, it hath *Hellispont* and the shores of the other tract, whereas the Cilicians inhabit by the sea-side. Moreover, it bordereth upon the confines of many great nations, who for their mutual need and commodity, have commerce of negotiation, and meet together in that one place. This town at that time they found altogether dispeopled, by reason that the inhabitants were fled for fear; but well stored, and full of wares and goods of all sorts. Whiles the Romans lay there encamped, there came Embassadors from *Epiphon*, reporting unto them, that he had made a journey to the Princes of the Gauls, but could obtain no reason at their hands: also, that they were dislodged out of the champaign country, had quit their villages and lands in great numbers, and together with their wives and children drave before them and carried with them whatsoever they could: and were retired to the mount *Olympus*, from whence they purposed to defend themselves by force of arms, and the strong situation of the place. The Embassadors likewise of the Oroadians, gave more certain intelligence, to wit, That the whole people in general of the *Toisibogians* had seized the hill *Olympus*; that the Tectolages severally by themselves had taken another mountain called *Magania*; that the Trocmians had committed their wives and children to the guard of the Tectolages, minding with a main army to aid the *Toisibogians*. Now at that time the Princes of those three States were *Orgiagos*, *Combatomarus*, and *Gaulatus*. And the principall reason and means that these had to enterprise war, was this: That being possessed of the highest hills of that country, and having brought thither provision of all things to serve them for a long space, they supposed to weary and wear out their enemies in process of time. For this action they made, that they would never venture to march against them, through so hard, so difficult, and disadvantageous places; and if they assayed to do so, they might be impeached, repulled back and beaten down with a small company: again, if they would sit still in league at the foot of those frozen mountains and do nothing, they were neverable to endure the cold and the scarcity which they should find there.

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And notwithstanding the very altitude and height of the places defended them. yet over and besides they cast a trench, and made other defences round about the tops of the mountains which they held. Also for provision of darts and other shot, it was the least of all their care, supposing that the rough places would furnish them with sufficient store of stones to sling. The Consul forecasting in his mind that he should not deal with these enemies close at hand-fight, but at a far off when he was to assail their holds, had made provision beforehand of great store of darts, light artillery javelins, arrows, bullets of lead, and small stones that might be levelled and sent out of slings. Thus being well appointed and furnished with such kind of shot, he led his army toward the mountain *Olympus*, and about five miles off he encamped. The next day he together with *Attalus* advanced forward with 500 men of arms to view the nature and standing of the mountain together with the situation of the Gauls camp. But the enemies horsemen being double in number to them, issued out of their camp, and put them to flight, slew a few of them in the rout, and hurt many. The third day he set forward with all his forces to discover the places, and by reason that there came not one of them out of their defences and fortifications, he rode round about the mountain in safety at his pleasure, and perceived that on the South-side, there were certain little hills, all of clean earth without stones, and the same rising up an easie ascent to a certain place; but to the North were high rocks, and the same in manner steep upright. And whereas all the rest were inaccessible, three on y waies and adventures he found, the one directly toward the midst of the mountain (where those little mounts of earth stood) the other two were difficult the one lying Southeast, and the other Northwest. After he had considered and viewed these places that day, he pitched his camp at the very root and foot of the hill. The morrow after he sacrificed and flinding by the first beasts which he killed that the gods were pacified and favourable unto him, he divided his army into three battalions, and so advanced against the enemy, and himself in person with the greatest part of his forces, mounted up the hill, whereas it yielded the easiest ascent. He commanded his brother *L. Marcius*, from the Southwest to get up the hill as the place would permit with safety, giving him in charge that if he met with any dangerous places steep and hard of ascent, that he should not wrestle with the difficulties of the ground, nor strive against those things, which to force and overcome were impossible: but rather to traverse the ground, and retire toward him, and to joyn with his battalion. As for *C. Helvius* he willed him with a third part of the forces to wheel about by little and little, and fetch a compass at the hill foot and thence from the Northwest to mount up. Likewise the aids of *Attalus*, he divided into three equal parts, and took order that the young Prince himself in person should keep with him. The Cavalry and the Elephants he left in the next downs beneath the hills, and charged the Captains thereto have a carefull eye and good regard to mark what was done in every place, yea, and to make haste to rescue and succour wherefoe or need should be. The Gauls making full reckoning that on two sides they were sure enough, and the place that way to be inaccessible: because they would stop the other adventure by force of arms on the South-side, sent forth about four thousand armed men to seize upon a certain hill within a mile of their camp, which hill commanded the way, supposing there, as from a house and tortrels to debar them of passage. Which when the Romans perceived they put themselves inreadiness to fight. A pretty space before the ensignes, marched the skirmishers, together with the Candior archers and slingers from *Attalus*; likewise the Tribunes of *Troas*. The ensignes of the footmen followed softly after (as well as they might) against the hill, bearing their targets before them so, as they seemed to cover themselves only to avoid the shot, and meant not to enter into any fight hand to hand. The fight at first was equally performed with shot a good distance off: for as the Gauls got the advantage of the ground, so the Romans had the odds for variety and store of darts. But as the skirmish continued and encreased, there was no more equality seen. For the shields of the Gauls being made long, and not broad enough for their bodies, and withall flat and plain without, hardly covered and defended them: and by this time all their shot was spent: & weapon had they none but their very swords, whereof there was no life at all, considering the enemy came not to close fight. The only help they had was flint stones, and those too big for their handling, and not easie to wield by reason they were not provided before, but such as in that haste came next to their hand without any choice. Moreover being not used and exercised to slinging, they had neither the artificiall sleight, nor yet sufficient strength to help themselves withall: but contrariwise, from all parts were pelted with bullets of lead and galled with arrows & darts at unawares, which they could neither ward nor avoid, and for that with anger & fear together their wits & understandings were blinded, they wist not what to do, seeing themselves intrippled and overtaken in a kind of fight whereunto they were least of all fitted. For as in close conflict hand to hand, where blows are dealt, whereas they are given and taken encreasably, choler kindleth courage even so, when men are wounded aloof with light darts, & from whence they know not they wot nor upon whom to turn, & at whom to make in that blind fit of theirs but they run upon their own fellows without all reason as a venture like wild beasts galled with arrows flinging in their sides, Now, they receive not a wound but it is seen by reason that they fight naked, and their bodies are fair, slick and white, as being never bare but in band: by which means greater store of blood gush out of the wounds in their fleshy bodies, the greases appear greater and their whiteskin much more stained with black blood. But they paid not so much for broad & wide slashes (for otherwhiles when the skin is cut away & the wound rather broad than deep, they take more pain therein, so think they fight with greater honor. Many it is

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A happen at any time, that an arrow head or a bullet sticking within the flesh all hidden, put them to pain and torment, notwithstanding the hurt be small in appearance: yet when they seek to pluck out an arrow, and the head will not follow, then they take on and are stark mad, for shame that so small a prick should plague them so, and be ready to kill them, inasmuch as they cast themselves on the ground, and lie wallowing along every where. Others there be of them that ran full upon their enemy, and those were stuck with arrows and darts from all parts: & when they came near to hand, were by the skirmishers killed and cut in pieces with their swords. These souldiers use to cover themselves with a shield of three foot long, carrying in their right hand certain spears to use aloof, and wear by their side a Spanish sword. Now in case they come to hand fight, they shift their spear out of their right hand into the left, and take them to their swords. By this time there were but few of the Gauls left alive: who perceiving that the light armed skirmishers of the enemies were too good for them & seeing withall the ensignes of the legions to approach near unto them, took them to their heels on all hands, and began to flee again toward the camp: which now was full of fear and trouble, as where women and children and a multitude of feeble folk (not fit to bear arms) were crowded and thronged together. The Romans following the train of their victory, seized the hills abandoned by the enemies that were fled. About the same time *L. Mantius* and *C. Helvius*, having mounted so far as they could find way, traversing the sides of the hill, when they were come to an end, where they could see neither way nor path, they turned to that quarter of the hill which only afforded a way, and both of them began to follow the Consul's battalion a pretty distance asunder, as if they had agreed beforehand to do so: and that which at first had been simply the best thing to be done, they were of necessity forced at last to put in execution. For in such difficulties and places of disadvantage, succours behind in a rereward, have often times served in right good stead: that if those in the vanguard should chance to be beaten back; they in the second place might receive and protect them, and also begin freshly a new fight. As for that the foremost ensignes of the legions were come to those hills: which the light armed before had seized, the Consul commanded the souldiers to rest them awhile and breathe themselves, and shewed them withall where the bodies of the Gauls lay dead along all over the mountains. And if (quod he) the light armed skirmishers have made such a riddance of them, what is to be looked for at the hands of the legionary souldiers, armed all over in complete harness? What will they do that carry the hearts of most noble warriors? Surely they must needs win the camp, into which the enemy is chased and driven by the light armed souldiers. Howbeit he commanded the light armed to go afore, who all the while that the legions rested themselves, spent not the time in vain, but employed it in gathering together the darts and javelins that lay about the hills, to the end that they might have sufficient shot. Now the Romans marched forward and approached the camp. The Gauls likewise for their parts, fearing lest their defences would not be able to defend them, stood armed before their trench and rampier. But afterwards being overcharged with all sorts of darts, they were driven in the turning of an hand within their hold, (for the more they were in number, and the thicker they stood, the less lighted any dart in vain) only they left strong guards about the gates and entrance into the camp. Moreover, among the multitude which was driven into the hold, there was discharged at random a mighty number of darts: and that many of them were hurt thereby, appeared by their cry mingled with the shrieks of women and children. Now against them that warded the gates, and took up the avenues with their guards the legionary souldiers in the forefront let fly their javelins. And albeit these were not wounded in their bodies, yet by reason that their shields & bucklers were pierced through, they were most of them entangled one within another, and stuck fast. Long they could not abide the violence of the Romans, inasmuch as before that the victors could enter into the camp, the Gauls fled forth at all the gates wide open, and ran they wist not whither like blind men, as well through places which had no way, as those that were passable. No rocks to sleep with downs, no cliffs so rough with crags, could stand in their way: and nothing feared they affront: their enemies only at their heels afflicted them. And therefore most of them either fell headlong down a mighty height and brake their necks, or else for very feebleness lost their breath, were windles, and ready to die. The Consul after he had taken their camp, would not suffer it to be ransacked, but commanded the souldiers every one to follow the chase hard: and whilst the enemies were thus affraid, to afflict them thoroughly. Then came the other regiment with *L. Marcius*, but the Consul would not suffer them to enter the camp, but sent them forth with to pursue the enemies. Himself all in person anon afterwards, when he had delivered the charge of keeping the prisoners, unto the military Tribunes of the army: for this reckoning and resolution he made, that the war was at a final end, if in this tumultuous fright of theirs he might either kill or take prisoners a number of them. The Consul was no sooner departed, but *C. Helvius* came with his third regiment, but he could not hold his souldiers from the pillage of the camp, inasmuch as the booty and prizes were most unjustly dealt among them who were at no end of the skirmish. The Cavalry stood all this while still and wist not of the fight, or that their fellows had gotten the victory: but afterwards they also spying the Gauls dispersed about the root of the mountains, made after them as well as their horses would mount against the hills: some they slew, and others they took prisoners. The just number of those that were slain cannot easily be counted, because they fled far and near among the cranks and windings of the mountains, where they were killed in blind corners. Many of them besides, having engaged themselves to the crags and rocks that had no way forward,

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Whiles the camp lay at *Anagra*, the Orators of the *Tectosages* shewed themselves unto the Consul, requesting him not to dislodge and remove from thence before he had parled with their Lords and Princes: saying withall, that they would accept any conditions of peace whatsoever, rather than war. The time was set down, even the next morrow, and a place likewise appointed for the iust in the mid way (as it could be guessed) between the camp and *Anagra*. The *Co*, which came N. at the hour assigned, accompanied with a gu of five hundred horse: but perceiving no *Gauls* at all there, he returned into the camp. And thither repaired the same Orators unto him the second time, exhorting the defendant, and saying that their Princes could not come in person by occasion of some scruple of conscience that arose the while; howbeit, the chief personages besides of the whole nation should appear by whom all matters might be composed as well as with themselves. The Consul made answer, that he likewise would send *Attalus* in his stead. So they came to this emparling from both parts. *Attalus* had three hundred men of arms about him for his guard: and certain conditions of peace were drawn and propounded: but forthwith as they might not grow to any final conclusion in the absence of their chief Commanders, accorded it was that they following the Consul and their Princes aforesaid should meet in that place together. Now by drift of the *Gauls* in making these delays and trifling off the time, was this, that first they might gain some convenient space to transport over the river *Helys* all that ever they had (whith they would not hazard with their own persons, together with their wives and children) and afterwards to lay a train of an ambush for the Consul himself, who took small regard, and was not provided for to prevent their villany intended under the colour of that conference. For that purpose, they chose a thousand horsemen out of all their cavally, of especial valour and approved hardi-

A nels, for the execution of this treacherous design. And surely this their fraud had taken effect, if fortune had not defended and maintained the law of nations, which to break and violate they had completed. Certain souldiers of the Romans lent out to purvey food and fowels, were directed to thole very quarters whereas the party above said should be kept. The Colonels thought it the safer place for them, because they were to have the Conjils guard also opposed for their defence against the enemy: howbeit, they left another *corps de guard* of their own, consisting of 600 horsemen nearer to the camp. Now by reason that *Altalus* assured the Connil to certainly, that their Princes would come, and that the matter might be soon knit up and dispatched, he departed out of the camp with the same guard of horsemen as before, and when he had marched almost five miles forward, and was not far short of the place appointed, he discovered all of a sudden the Gauls riding in full gallop against them in most furious manner as enemies: whereupon he raised the march, and made a stand: commanding the horsemen to make ready their weapons and resolve to fight. The first charge and shock he received inty valiantly; and lepped not back one foot: but afterwards as the multitude pressed fill upon him, he began to give ground and retreat, but so as he brake not the ranks of his troops. But in the end, when they found more danger in longer stay, fled. When they were dilarrained once, the Gauls pursued hard and killed them: and no doubt a great part of them had died for it, but that the foragers guard of 600 horse aforesaid came in to rescue them. For they hearing afar off the fearful cry of their fellows, made ready their armor and hories, and being fresh & in heart, entred upon the fight that was given over by their wearied and discomfited companions: whereupon fortune quickly changed, and the fear turned from the losers to the winners: for at the first encounter the Gauls were put to flight: and withall, the said foragers and jewellers came running out of the fields, and from all parts made head and affronted the Gauls: in so much as they could neither flie readily nor escape surely, because the Romans with their fresh hories followed them in chafe, and they themselves were already tired: few therefore went away with life, and not one was taken prisoner: for the greater part by odds paid dearly by the los of their lives for violating of this their party under the colour of truth and fidelity. The Romans whilst their stomacks were inflamed with anger, the very next day came against them with the pursuance of all their forces. But the Col, employed two whole daies himself in viewing and discovering the situation and nature of the hill, because he would not be ignorant of any thing relevant. Upon the third day, after he had first taken the auspices and prefaces of the birds, and afterwards killed a sacrifice, he led forth his army divided into 4 battallions. Two of them were to mount up the middle of the hill, & the other two he set in the sides to flank the wings of the Gauls, and to march up against them. The Tectages and Trocromians, who were the whole flower and strength of the enemies, made their main battel in the midst, consisting of 50000 men: and because there was no use of horse among those rough & uneven rocks, the cavalry alight on foot to the number of 10000, and thole they put in the right wing. The Cappadocians with *Arivarus*, & the auxiliary Morzians, who arose to the number almost of 40000 men, held the left. The Col, (like as before in the mount *Olympus*) marshalled his light armed for skirmish in the forefront of the vanguard, & gave order to have ready at hand as great force of darts & other shot of all sorts as he had before. When they approached one another, all things answered both of the one side & the other, like as in the former conflict: saving that the courage of the victors increased in regard of their fortuitous success & the hearts of the enemies were much abated and dained. For albeit themselves had not yet been foiled & vanquished, yet they took the overthrow & los of their countreinmen for their own. And therefore as the beginning of the battell was furable, so the issue was likewise. For the Gauls battell was overpread & covered again as it were with a cloud of light shot. And not one to take all that came: and keeping still together as they did, the thicker they stood, the fairer mark they were for the enemies to level at: & the more wounds they received. The Col, perceiving they the engines of the legions, they would immediately all of them flie, received the light armed loose shot, & the rest of the auxiliary souldiers within his own ranks and files, and then advanced his legions. The Gauls affrighted with the fresh remembrance of the late defeat and overthrow of thole Tolitobogians, carrying also about themselves the darts sticking in their bodies, weary besides with long standing foot, and overcharged likewise with many a wound, could not abide so much as the order and thought of the Roman legions. Then began they to take their heels and flie toward their camp, but few of them recovered it, and got within the rampier and other defences. The greater number fled here and there, on both hands, & disperied themselves into all parts as it took them in the head, and as every man in this confused flight caught a way by himself. The Conqnorers followed them still even hard to the very camp, and all the way charged upon their backs and beat them down. Which done, they staid and stuck fill in the camp for desire of pillage, and there was not one that followed one of after. The Gauls in the wings stood to it longer, by reason that it was later ere they were set upon but able they were not to abide the first charge, and shot of the Roman darts. The Connil, who could not possibly pluck thole out of the camp that were in the wings to follow the enemies in chafe still forward. They pursued them a certain space: howbeit in this fight, (for in truth it was no fight at all) there were not above eight thousand

land that left their carcasses behind them; all the rest recovered the other side of the river *Marne*. Many of the Romans remained that night within the enemies' camp; the rest the Consul brought back again to his own. The next day he took account and survey of the prisoners and prizes, which was so great as a man would conceive that a nation of almost too greedy of pilling and spoiling might possibly take and heap together for so many years, as they held all those parts within the mountain *Taurus* by force of arms. The Gauls thus scattered in flight, rallied themselves into one place, as being many of them hurt or disarmed, and tripped clean out of all they had sent their Embassadors unto the Consul to treat for peace. The Consul willed them to give attendance upon him at *Ephesus*: himself made haste to remove out of those cold quarters, by reason that the mountain *Taurus* was so near (for now it was the middle of Autumn) and led back his victorious army to pass the winter near the sea side.

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Whiles the affairs thus passed in *Africa*, all was quiet in the rest of the Provinces, At *Romethe* Censors *T. Quintius Flamininus* and *M. Claudius Marcellus* made a new choice of Senators: and *P. Scipio Africanus* was chosen the President of the Senat now the third time: four only were let out and discarded: but not one of them had borne office of State, and had the honour to sit in the Curule chair. The Censors shewed themselves likewise passing mid in the review of the Cavalry and order of Knighthood. They put out to framing the foundations and ground works upon the *Equilibrium* in the Capitoll: and likewise they bargained for to pave the street with hard flint or pebbles from the gate *Capena* to the Temple of *Mars*. The Campans demanded of the Senat, in what place they should be assised and entoiold: and thereupon a decree passed for their enrolment at *Rome*. The rivers were out, and great delings hapned that year. The *Tyber* overflowed his banks twelve times, and drowned *Mars* field and all the low parts of the City.

After that *Cn. Manlius* the Consul had brought the Gauls war to an end in *Asia*, these Conful *M. Fulvius* having utterly subdued the *Ætoli*ans passed over into *Cephælonia*; and first to all the Cities about the Island certain messengers, to sound them whether they would rather yield themselves unto the Romans, or hazard the fortune of war? And so forcible was fear among them, that altho' there was not one person refused to surrender. And being enjoin'd (according to the ability of the people who were but bare) to give hostages, the *Nesiores*, *Cramenies*, *Pæleutians*, and *Simeans* delivered twenty apiece, This peace no sooner thone upon the *Cephalenians* beyond all their expectation, but suddenly one City of the *Sameans* revolted, and upon what cause it is not known: themselves alledged and said, That so far much as their City was leas'd in a commodious place they feared greatly to be dispossest and turned out of it by the Romans. But whether they only imagined this and put themselves in fright, and so changed their quiet and repose for an idle and foolish fear: or whether there had been question hereof among the Romans; and upon much canvassing in mens mouth the rumour of such a matter, ran unto them it is not certainly known. Only thus much, after they had given their hostages, they shut their City gates upon a sudden; and desist they would not from their enterprize, for all the entreaty and prayers that their own hostages made, whom the Consul had sent (on purpose) even under their walls, to molest their countreinmen and parents to pity and compassion. When as therefore they would make no answer tendering unto peace, the Consul began to assault the City: and all the ordinance of artillery and engines of battery were under his hand, which had been brought from the siege of *Ambracia*. And look what works and fabricks were needfull besides to be made, the soldiers with great diligence and forwardness performed. So in two places at once they planted rans against the City and battered the walls. The *Sameans* on the other side for their part omitted and neglected nothing, that might either annoy the enemy or impeach the works. But two things there were principally wherewith they made resistance and withstood their violence: the one was a counter-mure within the City, which they ever raised new instead of the old & full as strong as it was, due was demolished and broken down: the other was their often undul salties, one while upon the fortifications and fabricks, otherwhiles upon the corps d' guard of the enemies: and for the most part in these skirmishes they had the better hand. But one mean there was devised, and the same of small shew to speak of, to restrain and keep them in from falling forth. The Romans lent to *Ægeum*, *Patra*, and *Dime*, for an hundred slingers. These nations from their childhood used to exercise themselves (after the manner of the country) to discharge out of slings into the open sea certain round stones, which commonly the shore is overpelt with among the sands: by reason of which exercise, they have more skill both to sling farther from them, and also to strike more surely and give a smarter rap and broke than those of the *Balaer* Islands: for their sling is not made with one only cord as the *Balaer* slings are, and choke of other nations; but it hath three leather thongs hardened and made stiff with many incurres and fibres, lest if the leathering were soft and gentle, the bullet and stone within might wag to and fro and roll out in the delivery and hurling of it: but being seild and counterpoised (as it were) it went merrily away, and sent and driven out of the noose of a stone-bow. And so, well practised they were in this feat, that they could a great way off level a bullet through lands, rans, and hoops of small compass, and miss not: nay, they would be sure to hit, not only the head of an enemy, but any part of the face that they aimed at, point blank, and never fail. These slings (*Idry*) made the *Sameans* to place in their heads, that they durst not fly up neither to flee nor to boldly as they did. Inasmuch as from the walls, they requested the *Achaïans* for a while to go aside and repose themselves, and see them how they skirmish'd with the corps d' guard

• *Vissigaz*;  
• *Paiva*, or  
*Baluba-Eva*;  
• *Clarenza*;  
all three towns  
of *Aibga*.

A of the Romans. For months the Semeans endured the siege. Now when of that final number which they had, found or other daily drops away, and were either killed outright or wounded; and they that remained, were boobyed in body, and dazed in courage; the Romans one night passed over the wall, by the fortress which they call *Cyprus* for the City where it boun-  
deth upon the Sea, yeth toward the West; and entered so far as the marker place. After that the Semeans perceived that one part of the City was taken by the enemies, they fled with their wives and children into a greater fortress, and the next day yielded: the Town was ransacked, and they themselves were all fold in open markets; to who would give moit.

The Consul having set the fate of *Cephalenia* in good order, and put a garriſon within *Samothrace* ſent into *Peloponneſus*, having been called and ſent for to come thither a long time, principally by the *Ægiens* and *Lacedæmonians*. Time out of mind, and from the firſt beginning of the Diet of *Achaia*, the whole nation uſed to aſſemble and meet at *Ægium* ordinarily, were it for to gratify and honour the City, or becauſe the place was commodious therefore. This ancient cuſtome *Philopæmen* that year began firſt to infringe, and went about to make a law and ordinance, That if all the Cities of *Achaia*, their Councels and Diets ſhall be holden in counſel and order at their times. And againſt the coming of the Conſul, when the Demurgues of the free Cities and Cities ſummoned the Diet to be kept at *Ægium*, *Philopæmen* (Pretor for that time) came with a counſel-ſummons and proclaimed it to be held at *Argos*. And when it was evident to be ſeen, that they all in manner minded thither to reſort: the Conſul alſo (in affection he favoured the *Ægiens*) came to *Argos*: where, after much debate, ſeeing the matter growing the other way, he deſiſted from his deſign and gave over the cauſe. After this, the *Lacedæmonians* averred him from thence, and drew him away to the deciding of their controverſies and diſſentions. Certain baniſhed perſons they were who moſt of all diſquieted and troubled that ſtate: and many of them had their abiding place in the Caſtles coaſting along the frontiers of the Laconian territory toward the Sea, which was taken wholly from the City. The *Lacedæmonians* much diſcontented and offended hereat, entred one night a certain borough called *Las*, ſurprized it unawares to the inhabitants, and kept it to their uſe: to the end, that if need were at any time to ſend Embaſſadors to *Rome* or elſe whither, they might have ſome free acceſs unto the Sea: and withal, be ſerved of a man-Town for yem, and a place of receit for all forrain merchandize from ſtrangers to their neceſſary uſes. The Townſmen within, as alſo the exiles aforeſaid (there dwelling) were terrified at the firſt with this ſuddain and unexpected occurrence: but afterward (before day-light) when they had once rallied themſelves together, with ſmall ado and ſkirmiſh chaſed forth the *Lacedæmonians*: howbeit, the fear ſpread over all the Sea-coaſt, ſo that in ſome general accord, the Caſtles and Villages every one, yea, and the exiled perſons (as many as there inhabited) diſpatched their Embaſſadors to the *Achaens*. *Philopæmen* their Pretor (who ever from the beginning friended the cauſe of the baniſhed, and had alwaies adviſed and counſelled the *Achaens* to abate and take down the puillance and reputation of the *Lacedæmonians*) granted them at their ſuit and ſeeking a Diet. In which (upon a motion by him made) there paſſed a decree in this form: That whereas *T. Quinſtus* and the *Romans*, had committed and delivered to the ſaſeguard and protection of the *Achaens*, the fortrefſes, burroughs, and villages, ſituate along the Sea-coaſt of the Laconians, and (by vertue of a covenant and accord) the *Lacedæmonians* had nothing to do therein, but ought to forbear them: and yet notwithstanding, the Town *Las* was by them forced, and a great maſſacre there committed: therefore unleſs the principals and accessories both of that outrage, were yeelded to the *Achaens*, they deemed the covenant and accord in that behalf provided, to be broken. Hereupon incontinently were Embaſſadors addreſſed to *Lacedæmon*, to challenge and demand the parties aforeſaid: but the *Lacedæmonians* took this for ſo proud a commandment, and thought it ſuch an indignity, that without all doubt, if they had been in as good eſtate then, as ſometimes they were, they would immediately have taken arms. But nothing troubled and diſquieted their ſpirits ſo much as this, for fear left if once they received the yoke of ſubjection upon their necks, in yeelding obedience to their firſt demand, *Philopæmen* would effect and put in execution that which he long intended and went about: even to deliver the City *Lacedæmon* into the hands of the baniſhed aforeſaid. Enraged therefore with choler and anger, they ſell upon thirty of that ſedition who were comploted in counſel with *Philopæmen* and the traitors, and flew them out-right: and withal made a decree, To renounce and reject all ſociety with the *Achaens*: and forthwith to ſend their Embaſſadors to *Cephalenia*, with commiſſion, to deliver *Lacedæmon* unto *Ant. Fulvius* and the *Romans*: and to beſeech him to take the pains to come into *Peloponneſus*, thereto receive the City *Lacedæmon* under the obedience and protection of the people of *Rome*. When the Embaſſadors had made relation hereof to the *Achaens*, preſently was proclaimed againſt the *Lacedæmonians* by common conſent of all the ſtates of that aſſembly and general council: but the wicker impeached them for entering into any action and ſolemn execution. Howbeit they made ſmall rodes into their frontiers, and waited the ſame not only by Land, but alſo by Sea: after the manner of robbery and piracy, rather than of warlike hoſtility. Theſe troubles drew the *Coſ*, into *Peloponneſus*, and by his commandment a Diet was publiſhed to be holden at *Elis*: and thither were the *Lacedæmonians* ſent for to argue and debate their cauſe. Where there was not only much reaſoning and diſpute, but alſo wrangling and altercation. The Conſul who in other points bare himſelf nicely enough, and answered in doubtful terms, as one willing to entertain both parts, determined and ended the controverſie in one only word,



word, warning them both to put up their swords, and lay arms aside, until they had sent their Embassadors to the Senate of Rome. So there were embassages addressed both from the one and the other to Rome. In likewise the banished Lacedæmonians joined their cause and embassy with the Achæans, *Diophanes* and *Lycuras*, both Megapolitans, were the chief in the embassy of the Achæans, who as they jarred and disagreed in the managing of State-affairs, so they accorded not but varied in the speeches that they delivered. *Diophanes* referred the decision of all matters unto the Senat, as who were best able to compose all controversies between the Achæans and Lacedæmonians. But *Lycuras*, instructed by *Philopemen*, required that the Achæans might do and execute whatsoever they had ordained, according to the covenant, and the conditions therein comprised; and that they would maintain their full liberty without abridging and empaing the same, according as they had received it at their hands. The nation of the Achæans in those daies was in great credit and reputation at Rome, howbeit the Senate thought it not good to make any change and alteration in the State of the Lacedæmonians. In conclusion, they returned such an intricate and doubtful answer, that both the Achæans might confute it, as if they had permission and free liberty to do what they would with Lacedæmon, and the Lacedæmonians again took it as though they had not so large a scope and absolute power allowed them, as to do their pleasure in every thing. But this authority and liberty, whatsoever it was, more or less, the Achæans stretched beyond all measure and compass, and used it too proudly and insolently. *Philopemen* continued still in place of sovereign government, and levied a power to be ready in the beginning of the spring, and so encamped upon the frontiers of the Lacedæmonians. This done, he sent his Embassadors to demand the delivery of them into his hands, who were the authors of the revolt; promising what, that if they would do so, their City should remain in peace without any molestation and they suffer and sustain no harm, before they had answered for themselves in open audience. All the rest for fear kept silence and said not a word, only they whom he had challenged by name, made offer of themselves to go, under false conduct received from the Embassadors, and faithful promise that no violence should be done upon their persons, until they had pleaded their answer. Accompanied they were with divers noble personages of great mark and name, both as advocates unto them in their particular quarrels, and also in regard of the Common-weal, as far as their private cause any way touched and concerned it. Never had the Achæans before time brought the Lacedæmonian exiles with them into the confines of Lacedæmon, because they supposed that nothing might so much alienate and estrange the hearts of the whole City as that. But then the whole head and it were, of the vanguard, were no other but those banished persons. And as the Lacedæmonians be-  
 leaved were coming, who should meet and affront them arranged in order of battle at the very gate of the camp, but they? At the first they welcomed them with chiding and railing; after that they fell to bitter words and brauis, and their blood was up on both sides, inlomuch as those of the banished crew who were of hottest spirit and sharpest metal, made no more ado but ran upon the Lacedæmonians: whereupon they called the Gods to witness, and cried to the Embassadors for protection; who together with the Pretor himself came between, voided the press, and safeguarded the persons of the Lacedæmonians, empaing and slaying some of their hands who were already about to bind them and make them sure. But the tumult still encreased, and the multitude was all up on a fury. The Achæans ran first to see only what the matter was and to be lookers on. But afterwards, when the exiles began with a loud voice to cry out, and report what wrongs and injuries they had sustained, beseeching them of their help, and avouching with all right confidently, that if they let slip this opportunity, they should never have the like again, alledging moreover, that the league first made in the Capitol, after renewed at Olympia, and last of all confirmed by a sacred oath in the Castle of Athens, had been broken and dismantled by them, and therefore the guilty and culpable parties were to be punished accordingly, before they came into any bond of new accord. At these words the multitude was incited, and by occasion of one mans voice, who cried to strike and knock them down, fell to flinging stones at them. And by this means seventeen of them, who during the garboil chanced to be tied in bonds, were flung to death. The rest, to the number of six and thirty, were the next morrow apprehended, whom the Pretor had shielded and protected from violence, not for any desire he had to save their lives, but because he would not have them miscarry and perish before they were heard. These were presented and exposed as a prey to the unruly and angry multitude: and when they had made some small speech unto them, from which they turned away their ears, they were all condemned and delivered over to be led to execution. When the Lacedæmonians were once put in this fear, then they were commanded, *Imprimis*, To demolish and break down their walls. *Item*, That all for-  
 rain auxiliary soldiers, who were waged and ferved for pay under the tyrants, should avoid out of the Lacedæmonian country. *Item*, That all the slaves whom those tyrants had set free (and of such there was a great number) should depart before a certain day: and that it might be lawful for the Achæans to attach the bodies, to sell and carry away as many as staid and remained behind. *Item*, That they should abolish the laws, ordinances and customs of *Lycurus*, and frame themselves to live after the fashions and manners of the Achæans, for so they should be incorporated into one civil body, and better accord and fort together in all things. They consented to none of all these conditions more willingly and sooner, than to the rasing of their walls: and nothing troubled them so much and vexed their hearts, as the restoring of the banished persons. Howbeit there passed an Act at *Togæ* for their restitution in a general Council of all the Achæans there held.

A In which assembly, upon a report and mention made, that the mercenary strangers above specified, and the new enrolled Lacedæmonians called *Ascripi* (for so they termed them, who by the tyrants were enfranchised and endued with freedom) had abandoned the City, and were departedundry waies into the country, it was thought good before the army was dissolved and casted, that the Pretor should go with a company lightly armed and appointed, to lay hold upon all that sort of people, and make sale of them, as of a prize and booty gained from the enemies. Many of them were apprehended and sold. And with the money raised of them, that porch or Gallery at *Megapolis*, which had been ruinated by the Lacedæmonians, was by the permission of the Achæans redified. Likewise the territory of *Elbina*, which the Lacedæmonian tyrants unjustly held in possession, was laid again to that City, according to an old decree of the Achæans, which was made during the reign of King *Philip*, son of *Amyntas*. The City of the Lacedæmonians by this means much enfeebled, continued a long time in subjection and thraldom under the Achæans, but their State received damage by no one thing so much, as by the abolishing of the discipline of *Lycurus*, to which they had been used and accustomed for the space of 700 years.

Presently after the holding of this Diet, wherein the Achæans and Lacedæmonians debated their causes before the Consul, *M. Fulvius* repaired to Rome (for that the year was almost expired) against the solemn election of new Magistrates; wherein he created for Consuls, *M. Valerius Messala*, and *C. Servius Sulpicius*, and gave the repulse to *M. Aemilius Lepidus* his enemy, who that year made suite also to be Consul. This done, there were Pretors also chosen, to wit, *Q. Marcus Philippus*, *M. Claudius Marcellus*, *C. Stertinius*, *C. Catinus*, *P. Claudius Pulcher*, and *L. Manlius Acidinus*. When this election was ended, it was thought expedient that *M. Fulvius* should return into his former Province to the army there: and not only he, but his colleague also *C. Manlius*, had their commission revived, and they continued in government another year. The same year according to the direction of the Decemvirs, there was brought into the Temple of *Herules* the statue of the same God: and within the Capitol were set up by *Cn. Cornelius* six pedestals of gold drawing a chariot with this inscription, That he being Consul gave that present. Also *P. Claudius* and *S. Sulpicius Galba*, Ediles Curule, hung up twelve brazen shields, made of the fines that certain corn-hoorders paid, for hoording up and keeping in their grain. Moreover *Q. Fulvius Flaccus* an Adile of the Commons, erected two golden images raised of the money that one guilty person was condemned in (for they commenced their actions severally by themselves.)

As for *A. Cecilius* his companion, he condemned none. The Roman great games were set forth all throughout; thrice: and the Plebeian plaies exhibited likewise full and whole, five times.

After this, *M. Valerius Messala* and *C. Servius Sulpicius*, entered their Consulship upon the 15 day of March, and propoed before the Senat as concerning the affairs of the State, touching their Provinces also, and the armies. As for *Ætolia* and *Asia*, there was no change at all. The Consul, by a decree of the Senat had the charge, one of *Pisa*, together with the *Ligurians*; and the other of *Gaul*: and they were commanded either to agree between themselves, or to cast lots for their Provinces. They were enjoined also to levy new armies, and each of them to enrol two legions, and either of them to charge the allies of the Latine Nation with 5000 foot, and 1200 horsemen. Unto *Messala* fell the government of *Liguria*; and to *Sulpicius* of *Gaul*. After this, the Pretors likewise cast lots for their Provinces: the jurisdiction within Rome of citizens was allotted to *M. Claudius*, and of forainers to *P. Claudius*. Saity to *Q. Marcus*, *Sardinia* to *C. Stertinius*, high Spain to *L. Manlius*, and the low to *C. Minus*. As for the armies, ordained it was, that the legions under the conduct of *C. Lalius* should be withdrawn out of *Gaul*, and made over to *M. Titinius* the Propetor, not to serve in the Brutian country. *Item*, That the forces which were in *Sicily* should be discharged: and that *M. Sempronius* the Vice-pretor there, should bring from thence the fleet to Rome. Ordained likewise it was, that either of the Provinces of Spain should have one legion, which at that time served there; and that both the Pretors should for supply levy of the allies three thousand foot, and two hundred horsemen apiece, and transport the same over with them. Now before that these new Governors went to their Provinces, by order from the whole college and society of the Decemvirs, there was published a general procession and supplication to be holden for 3 dayes in all the squarefours or cross streets of the City: for that in the day time between the third hour and the fourth, there arose a general darkness which continued almost all that while. Moreover a Novendial sacrifice was published to be celebrated for 9 dayes together, because on the Aventine hill it had rained stones.

The Campans, when as the Censors (by virtue of an Act of Senate which passed the former year) compelled them to be enrolled in Rome, (for aforesome they knew not where to be enrolled) made petition now that they might contract marriages and take Roman citizens to their wives; and that whosoever had wedded any of them before, might keep them still: and what childrensoever they had born before that day, should be reputed legitimate and their rightful heirs. Both suits were granted. As concerning these burgesses of *Formie*, *Fundi*, and *Arpinum*, *C. Pulcher* Triumvir of the Com. preferred a bill, that they might be privileged to give their voices in Rome: for before that time, citizens in deed they were of Rome, (and that was all) for liberty of suffrages they had none. This bill was crossed and nipped by four other Tribunes, because it was propounded without the warrant and approbation of the Senate. But being afterwards better advised and informed, that it appeared to the people and not to the Senate to give their voices whither they pleased them, they gave over their enterprise, and opposed themselves

no more to hinder the proceeding thereof. So it passed; and enacted it was, That the *Fornians* and *Fundans* should give their votes in the tribe *Emilia*; & the *Arpinians* in *Comelialis* in their tribes then first and never before, were they enrolled by an act of the same *Valerius, M. Claudius Marcellus* the Centor took a survey of the City, and by lot obtained the pre-eminence thereof before his colleague *L. Quinctus*. In which there were numbered 25308 polls of Roman citizens. This review being accomplished, the Consuls took their journeys into their several provinces.

During that winter season whilst these things thus passed at *Rome*, there returned Embassadors from all States, Cities and Nations which inhabit on this side *Taurus*, unto *Cn. Manlius* first Consul, and afterwards Pro-consul, whilst he kept his winter in *Asia*. And as the victory achieved over *Antiochus* was more honorable and glorious to the Romans, than that over the Gauls, so the conquest of the Gauls was more joyous and pleasing to the Roman allies, than that of *Antiochus*. For the servitude in which the King held them was more tolerable, than the cruelty of these savage and inhumane barbarians, and the doubtful fear and fright wherein they stood every day; as not knowing how far forth they would proceed, carried so (as it were) in a tempest to wait and spoil them clean, And therefore as nations who by the defeat of *Antiochus* recovered liberty, and by the subduing of the Gauls enjoyed peace, they presented themselves not only to give thanks and shew their contentment in that behalf, but also brought with them certain coronets of gold, every one according to their ability. Likewise there came Embassadors from *Antiochus*, as also from the very Gauls, to have conditions of peace minitred unto them; yea, and from *Ariarates* King of the Cappadocians, who craved pardon, and offered to buy out his troops for money, in that he had given aid unto *Antiochus*; and fined he was to pay 200 talents of silver. The Gauls had this answer returned unto them, That *K. Eumenes* when he came should tender unto them articles of peace. The embassages of the other states and cities were dismissed with gracious answer, and went away better pleased and contented, than they were at their coming. The Embassadors of *Antiochus* were commanded to bring money into *Pamphylia*, and corn likewise according to the covenant made with *L. Scipio*: for thither the Consul purposed himself to come with his army. After this, having taken a review and survey of his forces, he set forward in the beginning of spring, and within 8 daies arrived at *Apamea*. There he sojourned in camp for three daies: from thence he removed, and at the third daies end came to *Pamphylia*, whither he had given order to the Kings Embassadors to convey their money and corn. There he received 1500 talents of silver which were transported unto *Apamea*. The corn was divided in the army. From thence he marched to *Perga*, which was the only country in those parts held with a garrison. When he approached, the Captain of the garrison met him on the way, requesting 30 daies space in which time he might know the pleasure of *K. Antiochus* as touching the rendering of this City. The time was granted and within that day the garrison quit the place and departed, from *Perga* he sent his brother *L. Manlius* with 400 louldiers to *Oroanda*, for to demand the rest of the money which by promise was due: and himself because he was advertised that *K. Eumenes* and the deputies or commissioners were come from *Rome* to *Ephesus*, yet red with his army also to *Ephesus* and commanded the Embassador of *Antiochus* to follow him thither. There, by the advice of the ten commissioners; a final league was concluded, and comprised in these or such like terms: There shall be amity and friendship between King *Antiochus* and the people of *Rome*; under these conditions ensuing. *I. primis*. The King shall not suffer to pass through any part of his realm, or their countries that are under his dominion, any army that intendeth to make war against the people of *Rome* or their associates, nor aid them with victuals or any other succour whatsoever. *Item*. The Romans and their allies shall do the like by *Antiochus*, and all those that are under his subjection. *Item*. It shall not be lawful for *Antiochus* either to make war with those that inhabit the lands, or to pass over into *Europe*. *Item*. He shall quit all Cities, Lands, Villages, and Fortresses on this side the mountain *T. mrs* unto the River *anis*; and moreover from the foot and valley under the said hill, unto that ridge thereof which bendeth toward *Lycania*. *Item*. Out of those Towns, territories, and Cattles which he is to void, he shall carry away no armour: and if he have conveyed from thence any already, he shall duly restore the same to every place accordingly. *Item*. He shall receive neither louldier nor any other person out of the Kingdom of *Eumenes*, nor any citizens belonging to those Cities which are dismen-bred and cut off from his realm, thence remain now with him they shall return all to *Apamea* within a certain day. *Item*. As many as appertain to the Kingdom of *Antiochus* and are now with the Romans or their allies, may depart home or tary still at their pleasure. *Item*. All slaves, whether they be fugitives or taken captive in war; likewise all other persons free of condition before, and afterwards either taken prisoners or revolted, he shall deliver again to the Romans and their allies. *Item*. He shall make delivery of all his Elephants, and shall provide himself of no more hereafter. *Item*. He shall yield up all his Gallies of war, with the tackling to them belonging: neither shall he keep above ten small vessels, and none of them shall have more than thirty oars to guide and row them: nor so much as one \* Galley with a single bank of oars to serve in any war that himself shall first begin. *Item*. He shall not fall within the promontories of *Calycedon* and *Sarpedon*, unless haply there be some ship that bringeth money, Embassadors, or hostages. *Item*. It shall not be lawful for King *Antiochus* to levy and wage any louldiers out of those nations which are subject to the people of *Rome*; nor, nor to entertain so much as volunteers from thence. *Item*. What houses and edifices belonging to the Rhodians and their allies, are now within the precincts of the realm of *Antiochus*, shall return to the

the said Rhodians and their associates, in as good estate and tenor as they were before the war began. And if any money or debts be to them due, they may demand and recover the same. *Item*. If ought have been taken from them, they shall have good law and right to search, own, demand, and challenge it again. *Item*. If any of those Cities which ought to be rendered, be held by those unto whom *Antiochus* hath committed them, he shall withdraw the garrisons from thence, and take order that they be surrendered accordingly. *Item*. He shall pay within twelve years by even portions, 12000 Attick talents of good and lawful silver: provided, that every talent weigh no less than eighty pound avoirdupois of Roman poise; besides 540000 modii of wheat. *Item*. He shall pay unto King *Eumenes* 350 talents within five years; and for corn according to the rate and proportion 127 talents. *Item*. He shall send unto the Romans 20 hostages, and change them for others every three years: provided, that they be not under 18 years of age, nor above 45. *Item*. If any allies of the people of *Rome*, begin of their own motion to make war upon King *Antiochus*, it shall be lawful for him to revenge himself, and use forcible means to withstand their violence; yea, so as he hold no City in right of war, nor receive any into amity: and all controversies which shall arise between them shall be decided by law and justice: or if both parties be so pleased they shall trice the issue by force of arms. *Item*. It was comprised also within the covenants of this accord, That he should deliver into the Romans hands, *Amibol* the Carthaginian, *Thoon* the Etrurian, *Manifmachus* the Acarnanian, *Eubolus* likewise and *Philo* the Chalcidians. Finally, if ought hereafter hapned to be added moreover, or changed otherwise, the same in no case to prejudice any thing contained within the covenants aforesaid. To this accord the Consul swore; and to receive the Kings oath likewise, there went unto him *Q. Minutius Thermus* and *L. Manlius*, he who returned at that time to return from the Oroadians. And the Consul wrote his letters to *Q. Fab. Labeo* Admiral of the fleet, presently to come to *Patara*, and what ships soever of the Kings were there, to hew them in pieces, and make a light fire of them. So he departed from *Ephesus*, and either brake into fitters or burnt, 50 covered ships belonging to the King. In the same voyage and exploit he surprised and won *Telmessus*, by reason that the Townsmen were so affrighted at the suddain coming of the fleet. Thenceforth he departed out of *Luicia*, and having given order to those that were left behind at *Ephesus* to follow after, he crossed the Seas (between the Ilands) over into *Greece*. After he had sojourned some few daies at *Athens*, until the ships from *Ephesus* were entered into the harbor of *Pyraeus*: from thence he brought back his whole armada to *Italy*. *Cn. Manlius* having received (among other things which were to be yielded up of *Antiochus*) the Elephants also, and bestowed them all freely upon *Eumenes*, gave audience to the controversies of many Cities and States, amongst whom (during these changes and alterations) there arose sundry troubles and much variance. And *Ariarates* the King, who by the means and mediation of *Eumenes* (unto whom about that time he had affianced his daughter in marriage) was discharged and had acquittance for the one moiety of the money imposed upon him, entered into amity with the people of *Rome*. When the differences of the Cities aforesaid were debated and known, the ten Commissioners set down an order between them, respectively to their condition. To as many as had been tributaries to King *Antiochus*, and yet sided with the people of *Rome*: in affection, they granted franchise and immunity: but as many as took part with *Antiochus*, or were tributaries unto King *Antiochus*, those were commanded to pay their customs and duties to King *Eumenes*. Moreover, they freed and exempted from all task and tallage (expressly by name) the Colophonians inhabiting *Notium*, together with the Cymeans and the Mileians. Unto the Clazomenians (over and besides the same freedom) they gave the Iland *Drynusa*. To the Mileians also the territory called *Sacer*: to the Ilians, they annexed *Rhaecum* and *Gergis*, not so much for his fresh and late deserts, as in memorial of their ancient beginning and foundation: which was the cause also that they let *Dardanius* free. Semblably the Chians, Smyrneans, and Erythraeans, for their singular loyalty and devoir which they shewed in that war they not only indowed with fair lands and territories, but also graced with all kind of honor and reputation above the rest. Moreover, the Phocceans had both their own lands restored unto them which they enjoyed before the war, and also liberty to live under their ancient laws. As for the Rhodians, they had those things now confirmed and established unto them, which by a former decree were granted: and to better their estate, *Luicia* and *Caria* were bestowed upon them, as far as the River *Meander*, all save the City *Telmessus*. Unto the dominion of King *Eumenes*, they laid *Cherfoneus* in *Europe*; and *Lysimachia*, with all the Castles, Villages, and Lands thereto belonging, in as large terms and ample manner as *Antiochus* held the same: also within *Asia*, the one and the other *Phrygia*, as well that which confineth upon *Hellepontus*, as the other which they call the Greater. Moreover, they restored unto him *Mysia*, which King *Prusias* had taken from him: over and besides, *Lycania*, *Mysia*, and *Lydia*; together with these Cities by special name, *Trallis*, *Ephesus*, and *Telmessus*. As touching *Pamphylia*, some debate there was between the Agents of *Eumenes* and the Embassadors for *Antiochus*, because one part thereof is situate on this side the mount *Taurus*, and the other lyeth beyond. The decision of this controversy was wholly referred to the arbitrement of the Senat. *Manlius* having let down these covenants and decrees, departed with the ten Legates and all his army toward *Hellepontus*: and when he had caused the Princes of the Gauls thither to repair before him: he declared unto them in what terms and under what conditions they should entertain peace with *Eumenes*; & therewith he gave them warning, to leave their manner of roding and roving in hostile wife by force of arms, and to contain themselves within the precincts and bounds

bounds of their own territories. After this, having gathered into one place all the vessels from the sea coasts, together with the entire flore of King *Eumenes*, which by his brother *Athenus* was brought from *Elea*, he transported all his forces into *Europe*. From whence he marched through *Chersonesus* by short & easy journeys, because his army was heavily charged with prizes and booties of all sorts; and encamped at *Lysimachia*, purposing there to rest a while, till the end that his travelling beasts of draught and carriage, might be fresh and in good heart to pass through *Thracia*, which was a voyage and journey commonly feared and abhorred. The same day that he dislodged from *Lysimachia*, he came to the River which they call *Melas*, and from thence the next day to *Cyrtela*. When they were past *Cyrtela*, they had for ten miles almost no other way, but through wild woods, narrow freights, and those rough withal and uneven underfoot. For the difficulty of which passage, the army was divided into two parts. The one he commanded to march before, the other to come behind in the rearward a great distance after, and in the midst between, he bestowed the carriages with bag and baggage, and amongst them were waggons and wains, laden with the publick treasure, and other pillage of great price. As he thus marched through the straight pass, there were about 10000 and not above, sailed out of four nations of *Asia*, to wit, the *Carians*, *Maduarenes*, and *Cœtæes*, who beset the freights to debar them of passage. It was supposed that King *Philip* of *Macedony* his hand was herein, and that they entred not into this action without his privy and fraudulent practise: who as he knew that the Romans could return no other way but by *Thracia*, so he was aware and with well enough what a mass of money they carried with them. The Roman General himself was in the vanguard, careful only and troubled about the difficulty of the way. All this while the *Thracians* sat still and fired not, until the armed souldiers were passed by. But when they perceived once, that the vanguard was gotten out of the freights, and that the rearward was far enough behind, they fell in hand with the packs and coffers of the carriages; and after they had killed the guards, some of them ranfacked and rifled that which was in the waggons, others led away the pack horses and other sumpter beasts with their load and burden on their backs. Hereupon arose a cry and alarm, and was first heard of those that followed; but afterwards of them also in the forehead, & so from both ends they ran to the midst, and at one time in diverse places, skirmished without all order confusedly. The *Thracians* heavily charged and encumbered with pillage, and most of them without any weapon at all, because they might have the use of their hands more nimble and agile to snatch and catch unto them their prizes, were by this means more exposed to receive hurt, and soon killed. The Romans again were much distressed and annoyed through the disadvantage of the ground and the waies, which the barbarous people were well enough acquainted with, and out of them would issue forth encounter, and otherwhiles lurk within hollow blind caves, and not be seen. The very packs likewise and the waggons, standing and lying unto wardly in the way, sometime of one, and sometime of other (as it happened) troubled and hindered them much in their fight. So as here in one place lay the richest dead, there in another the true man that pursued him. And according as the plot of ground was good or bad, as well for the one sort as the other, as their hearts and courages lifted or failed them, and as the number was more or less, so the skirmish and fight was variable; and in one word of both sides many a man lay in the dust and lost his life. By which time the night approached, and the *Thracians* departed out of the conflict, not so much to avoid wounds and the fear of death, as for that they hadaped themselves sufficiently of prizes. The Roman vanguard encamped without the fortress in the open ground about the Temple of *Bendis*. The rearward remained still behind in the midst of the woods to guard their carriage, fortified within a double pallisado of strong stakes. The morrow after, when they had well discovered by their espials the way before them, they joined themselves with the vanguard. In this battel (over and besides a great part of their pillage lost, and a number of camp-followers and lackies slain, with some souldiers also, for that there was skirmishing every where throughout the chafe) there died *Q. Minutius Thermus*; and a right great loss there was of him for he was a man of much valour and execution. That day the army marched as far as to the River *Hebrus*. From whence they passed through the confines of the *Ænians*, near unto the Temple of *Apollo*, whom the inhabitants name *Zerynthius*. And there they met with another straight passage about a place called *Tempyra*, as rough and cumbersome underfoot as the former. But forasmuch as there were no woods about it, it yielded no good place for ambushes. Howbeit the *Thracians* (a people likewise of *Thrace*) assembled together, hoping also to light upon the like booty. But by reason that the vallies lay naked and open, so as it any be at the narrow waies they might be discovered a far off, the Romans were less afraid and troubled. For, say that they were to fight in some place of disadvantage, yet they might arrange themselves in battel array in open field, and join in close fight hand to hand. Being therefore embattled in Squadrons thick and strong they charged the enemy with a great shout and cry, and at the first shock forced them to retreat and lose ground, and afterwards to turn back and flee. And in the rout they were beaten down and killed; for even their own freights which they seized for their vantage, empached and hindered themselves. The Romans having gotten the victory, encamped near a village of the *Maronites*, called *Sare*. The next day they marched through the champaign open country *Priaticus*, where they sojourned three daies to take in camp, partly from out of the fields of the *Maronites*, which willingly of themselves they conferred upon them, and partly out of their own ships, which followed after, well furnished with all kind of provision. From this place they made but one daies journey to *Apollonia*, and so passing through the territory

\* Diana.

A of the *Abderites*, they came to *N. ples*. All this way they journeyed peaceably through the Colonies of the Greeks. But the rest behind, if it were not dangerous unto them for any hostility, yet suspected still it was, all the whiles that they passed night and day through the midst of the *Thracians*, until at length they came into *Macedony*. The same army conducted sometime before by *Scipio* that very way, found the *Thracians* more gentle and tractable, for no other cause, but that they had less store of pillage and booty with them to let their teeth on water, and fingers on itching. And yet even then also (as *Glandius* writeth) there were fifteen thousand *Thracians* that encountered *Mutines* the Numidian, as he marched before the vanguard to discover the coasts; and he saith, that he had in his company four hundred Numidian horsemen, and some few Elephants: also that his son, with an ensie wing of a hundred and fifty horse, brake through the midst of the enemies, who also within a while after, (when his father *Mutiner* having placed the Elephants in the midst, and the Horsemen in the flanks, joined in battel with his enemies, charged them upon their backs, and put them in great fear) by means of which storm and tempest (as it were) of the Cavalry, they never came so far, as to deal with the battel of the footmen. *Cn. Manlius* led his army through *Macedony* into *Thessaly*, and marching on by the way of *Epirus*, arrived at *Apollonia*, where he abode all winter. For he made not to fight a matter of winter failing, that he durst take the Sea, and hazard the passage at that time of the year.

They next almost expired, *M. Valerius* the Consul returned out of *Liguria* to *Rome*, for the creation of new Magistrats, having achieved no such memorable exploit in his Province during the time of his government, as might have yielded any colourable reason of his long stay, in that he came more tardy (than the usual manner was) to the assembly for an election of Consuls: (for holden it was upon the 12 calends of *March*) wherein were created, *M. Emilius Lepidus* and *C. Flamininus*. The next day after, these Pretors were elected: namely, *Ap. Claudius Pulcher*, *Ser. Sulpicius Galba*, *Q. Terentius Cullo*, *L. Terentius M. Sallustia*, *Q. Fulvius Flaccus*, and *M. Furius Crassipes*. After the election of Magistrats the Consul propoed to the Senat as touching the Province; and governments of the Pretors. And the LL. decreed that two of them should remain at *Rome*, to minister laws and execute justice: other two should be employed out of *Italy*, in *Sicily* and *Sardinia*: two in *Italy* to wit, at *Tarentum* and in *Gaul*. Immediately before they entred into office they were enjoined to cast lots: and *Ser. Sulpicius* had the jurisdiction of the citizens, and *Q. Terentius* of strangers and aliens: *L. Terentius* took the charge of *Sicily*, *Q. Fulvius* of *Sardinia*, *Ap. Claudius* was to govern *Tarentum*, and *M. Furius* to rule *Gallia*. It fortuned the same year that *L. Minutius Mytilus* and *L. Manlius* were delivered to the *Carthaginian* Embassadors, by the hands of the *Fœdial* heralds at the commandment of *M. Claudius* Pretor of the City for the time being, and transported over to *Carthage*, for that the voice and speech went. That they had beaten the said Embassadors. A bruit and rumour there was of a great war begun in *Liguria*, & which increased every day more than other. Whereupon the Senat ordained to both the new Consuls the Province of *Liguria* that day on which they propounded unto the Senat to consult about the Provinces and the affairs of the Common-weal. But *Lepidus* the Consul opposed himself against this their act and ordinance alleging, "That it was a shameful indignity, that both the Consuls should be shut up and enclosed within the vallies of *Liguria*: whereas for two years already *M. Fulvius* and *Cn. Manlius* had reigned like Kings, the one in *Europe*, the other in *Asia*, in stead of *Philip* and *Antiochus*. And if (qd. he) it be the pleasure of the Senat that there should be armies maintained in those parts, more meet. I wot, it were, that Consuls should have the command & conduct thereof than those privat persons. As for them, they range about those nations, terrifying them with threats of war against whom there hath been none proclaimed: making merchandise and selling peace among them for sums of money. Now if it be requirit and needful to keep two armies for the government and defence of those Provinces, like as *M. Fulvius* and *Cn. Manlius* Consuls, succeeded *M. Acilius* and *L. Scipio* Consuls: so *C. Livius* and *M. Valerius* the Consuls ought to have entred in place of *Fulvius* and *Manlius*. At leastwise now, when the *Ætolian* war is finished and brought to an end, *Asia* recovered and conquered from *Antiochus*, and the *Gauls* vanquished and subdued, either ought Consuls to be sent unto their armies, or else the legions to be brought back from thence, and at length delivered to the Common-weal. The Senat notwithstanding they gave him the hearing, persisted still in their resolution that both Consuls should be employed in the Province of *Liguria*. Yet thought good it was, that *Manlius* and *Fulvius* should leave their Provinces, withdraw their forces from thence, and return to *Rome*. An old grudge there was and a cankred enmity between the said *M. Fulvius*, and *M. Emilius* the Consul: and among other matters of discontentment, *Emilius* gave out, that by the means of *Fulvius*, himself was created Consul two years later than otherwise he should have been. And therefore to work him despite and make him odious to the World, he caused the Embassadors of *Ambracia* (whom he had suborned and set on for to lay matters to his charge) to enter into the Senat-house. These being in place, complained that *M. Fulvius* had waited upon them at what time as they were in peace, performed all that other Consuls before had imposed upon them and were also ready in ill duty and allegiance to do the same unto him. "First our lands and territories lay that they were piteously spoiled and wasted: then were we terrified with the sacking of our City, and threatened with the killing of our people, that for very fear we were forced to shut our gates, and afterwards we were beleaguered and assaulted, and against us all kinds of hostility practised, by word, by fire, by ruining and ranfacking our City. Our wives, our children, have been led

\* 18 of Febur.

"and haled into captivity and bondage; our goods violently taken from us (and that which we  
 "bove all went nearest to our hearts) our Temples throughout the whole City despoiled and  
 "robbed of their goodly ornaments: the images of our Gods, and finally our Gods themselves  
 "plucked out of their shrines and places, and so carried away; yea, the very walls and pillars left  
 "bare and naked, so as the Ambracians have no Gods remaining amongst them to adore; and to  
 "whom they might make their prayers and supplications. As they poured out their complaints,  
 "the Consul of a mind to aggravate and heap more matter upon his adversary, ceased not to propose  
 "unto them many interrogatories (as it was completed between them before) and drew them  
 "on to speak many things, as if with their good will they would not have uttered them. When the  
 "rest of the LL. were moved herewith, then the other Consul C. Flaminius undertook the apologetic  
 "and defence of M. Fulvius, saying, "That the Ambracians (rod in an old beaten way, and did not)  
 "otherwise than (some before them had done. For even so was M. Marcellus accused by the Sy-  
 "cufians; so was Q. Fulvius charged by the Capuans. And why by the same means suffered they  
 "not I. Quintus to be charged by King Philip, M. Atilius and L. Scipio by Antiochus Cn. Manlius  
 "by the Gauls, and the same Fulvius himself by the Etolians and people of Cephallenia? That  
 "Ambracia was assaulted, battered, and forced in the end; that images and ornaments were  
 "taken from thence; that other acts were done and committed, which usually follow upon the  
 "winning of Towns, think ye my LL. that either in the behalf of Fulvius will deny; or Fulvius  
 "himself will disavow? who, in regard of these worthy exploits and noble acts, is minded to de-  
 "mand at your hands the honor of a Triumph, who purpoeth to carry before his triumph  
 "chariot the portraiture of Ambracia as it was taken, the images which they accuse him to have  
 "carried away and other spoils of that City? yea, and to set them upon the posts of his house for a  
 "memorial to posterity? No reason there is that the Ambracians should sever themselves from  
 "the Etolians, and do more than they, for their safe and condition is all one. And therefore let  
 "my colleague shew his rancor and malice, and bewray a fettered enmity in some other cause: or  
 "if he will needs follow and pursue this forward, let him intertain and keep still his Ambracians  
 "unto the coming of M. Fulvius. And for mine own part, I will suffer no act to pass either of the  
 "Ambracians or the Etolians, so long as M. Fulvius is absent. Emilius accused his enemy for be-  
 "traying a crafty head of his own, and for his subtle fetches, as being notorious and well known to all  
 "men for no better saying, that full cunningly he would trifle out the time, and make delays all the  
 "year long, that he might not come to Rome so long as his adversary was Consul. Thus in this de-  
 "bate between the two Consuls two days were spent and nothing else done. And it appeared evi-  
 "dently, that so long as Flaminius was in place and presence, nothing could be concluded and de-  
 "termined. Whereupon a time was spied out when Flaminius chanced to be sick, and by that oc-  
 "casion was away. Then upon a motion made by Emilius there passed an act of the Senat, That  
 "the Ambracians should have all their goods restored unto them again; that they should enjoy  
 "their freedom and franchises, and live under their own Laws: and finally might take what cu-  
 "stoms, toll and imposts they would for portage, as well by Land as Sea: provided always that  
 "the Romans, and their allies the Latins, should be exempted and free there from. As for the  
 "images and other ornaments which they complained were taken out of their sacred Temples, the  
 "Senat ordained that when M. Fulvius was returned to Rome, the college of the Pontifics should  
 "have the hearing and deciding thereof, and look what they awarded and set down, it should stand  
 "and be performed accordingly. And the Consul not content with all this, took the vantage when  
 "there were but few Senators in the house, and procured an other act of Senat in this form, That  
 "they judged Ambracia not to be reputed a City forced by assault. This done, there was by virtue  
 "of an order from the Decemvirs a solemn supplication holden three days for the health of the  
 "people, in regard of a grievous pestilence that dispeopled both City and Countrey. After the  
 "Latine feasts and holy-days were celebrated. When the Consuls had accomplished these devo-  
 "tions, and rid their consciences of scruple, and withal made a full and compleat levy to furnish  
 "legions (for both of them were desirous to have new souldiers) they departed into their Pro-  
 "vinces, and called all the old.

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 After the Consuls were set forward on their journey, the Pro-consul Cn. Manlius returned home  
 to Rome. For whose sake the Pretor Servius Sulpicius assembled the Senat in the Temple of Bel-  
 lom. Where after relation made of his deeds achieved, he demanded that in consideration  
 thereof, due honor and thanksgiving should be rendered to the immortal Gods, and withal, that  
 himself might ride triumphant into the City. The most part of the Legats and Commissioners, who  
 had been with him gainful and denied the same, and above all the rest L. Furius Purpurio, and  
 L. Emilius Paulus, who stepped forth, and informed against him in these terms: "That they had  
 "been sent in commission to assist Cn. Manlius, for the making of a peace with Antiochus, and fi-  
 "nishing of that accord and those covenants and conditions, which were commended and begun  
 "between him and L. Scipio. Yet Cn. Manlius, say they, endeavored all that ever he could to trou-  
 "ble that peace yea, and to have surprized and intrapped Antiochus by trains of ambush if he had  
 "ever come in his way, or within his reach. But the King being a ware of the Consul his fraud and  
 "deceit, albeit there was made great means many a time to have caught him by colour of party  
 "and conference; yet avoided evermore not only to have speech and communication with him,  
 "but also to come within his sight. And when Manlius would needs have passed over Taurus,  
 "hardly and with much ado could he be kept back, notwithstanding all the commissioners prayed  
 "and

A "and befought him to stay, and not to hazard himself and incur the danger of a notable loss and  
 "overthrow, fore-told by the verses and prophecies of Sibylla to light upon them that would pass  
 "beyond the bounds limited by the fatal destinies. All this notwithstanding he advanced forward  
 "and approached with his army, yea, and encamped near the very pitch and top of the mountain,  
 "where all the water that falleth from above, runneth contrary wayes into divers Seas. And  
 "when he could find no quarrel there for which he might make war (because the Kings people  
 "and subjects were still and quiet) he turned the army about to the Gallagrees, against which  
 "nation there was no war intended either by warrant and authority from Senat, or by grant and  
 "commission from the people. And what man was ever so hardy and bold, as to war upon his  
 "own head? The wars against Antiochus, Philip, Annibal, and the Carthaginians, are most treffi-  
 "ng in each mans remembrance: and of all these, the Senat was consulted with, and the people gran-  
 "ted their ordinance, Embassadors many a time and often were addressed before: restitution and  
 "amends were by order demanded: and last of all, heralds were sent, solemnly to denounce and  
 "proclaim war. Now tell me, Cn. Manlius, Which of all these things were done: that we may call  
 "this by the name of a publick war, allowed by the State of the people of Rome, and not rather a  
 "privat brigandage and robbery of your own? But contented you your self with this, and did you  
 "no more? marched you directly forward, and took you nothing but that which was in your  
 "way; leading your army against thole only whom you took to be your enemies? or rather at  
 "all turnings and windings, nay, at every forked high way leading on both hands, when you  
 "were at a stand, followed not you like a mercenary and waged Consul unto Attalus (King Eu-  
 "menes his brother) with the Roman army, what hand soever he turned and marched? There  
 "was not a crank and nook but you visited; there was not a corner that you left unsearched, in all  
 "Pisidia, Lycania, and Phrygia. There was not a tyrant, Prince nor Potentate there was not a Lord  
 "or any borough or castle, how far soever out of the way, but you had a saying to them to pill and  
 "poll them, and to pick pence out of their purses. For what business had you with the Oroan-  
 "dians? What had you to do with other nations, as innocent and guiltless as they? Now as con-  
 "cerning the war, (in regard whereof you demand a triumph) in what fort managed you it?  
 "Fought you a battail either in place commodious, or time convenient? Surely, I must needs say,  
 "great reason you have and good cause, to require that honor and praise be given to the immor-  
 "tal Gods: first for that their gracious will and pleasure was that the army should not smart  
 "for the temerity and rashness of their chief leader, warring as he did against the law of nations:  
 "then in that they presented unto us, not men indeed for enemies, but very beasts and no better.  
 "For ye must not think, that it is the name only of the Gallagrees, which is mingled and com-  
 "pounded: for long time before, both their bodies and minds have been mixed and corrupted,  
 "and the men themselves baltard and degenerate from their first nature. Had they been the same  
 "Gauls with whom we have fought a thousand times in Italy, and with doubtful issue, and lost as  
 "much as we won, and every foot received as good as we brought, think ye there would have re-  
 "turned ode messenger from thence, to bring us news, for any good at least, wile that our Gene-  
 "ral there did? Twice he came to conflict with them; twice he encountered them in place of dis-  
 "advantage: mounting with his army against the hill, and ranged in the botome of the valley,  
 "even under the enemies feet: in such sort, that if they had lacked no darts against us from the  
 "higher ground, but only come upon us with their naked and disarmed bodies, they had been able  
 "to have overcome us and gone over our bellies. And what hapned hereupon? God-amercy the  
 "good fortune of the people of Rome: we may thank (I say) the great and terrible name of the  
 "Romans. The fresh renown of the late ruins and overthrows of Annibal, Philip, and Antiochus,  
 "amazed and astonished (as one would say) these men with their so corpulent and mighty bo-  
 "dies; with slings and arrow-shot only were they discomfited and put to flight, so affrighted  
 "were they. There was not a sword once bloudied in all this Gauls war: at the first twang of the  
 "bow and finging of the arrow, they fled away like swarms of bees with ringing of balcons. And  
 "yet believe me, even we the same and no other (as if fortune would admonish and shew what  
 "had become of us if we had affronted an enemy indeed) in our return, when we returned  
 "light upon certain petty robbers and thieves of Thrace, were soundly beaten, killed, and put to  
 "flight, and spoiled and well stript of our bag and baggage. Q. Minutius Thermus by whole death  
 "we have sustained a far greater loss, than if Cn. Manlius had miscarried. whole rashness was the  
 "cause of all this calamity and misfortune) with many a tall and valiant man besides, lost his life in  
 "this skirmish. Our host, bringing away with them the spoil and pillage of K. Antiochus, was dis-  
 "embarked and parted into three troops: the vanguard in one place the rearguard in another, and  
 "the carriages in a third, were fain to take up their lodging one whole night amongst bushes, bri-  
 "ars, and brambles, and lurk within the caves and dens of wild beasts. Are these the brave and  
 "worthy exploits for which you demand a triumph? But say; that you had received in Thrace,  
 "neither damage nor dishonor: which be the enemies over whom you would needs triumph in  
 "all the halfe! I tro they be thole, whom the Senat & people of Rome destined & assigned to be your  
 "enemies: for lo, was triumph granted to L. Scipio here in place: so likewise to that M. Atilius  
 "before him; over K. Antiochus: so also ere while to T. Quintinius for the victory of Philip: and so to  
 "conclude unto P. Africanus for subduing Annibal the Carthaginians: and K. Sophax. And when  
 "the Senat had ordained war, yet before they enterprised and began their high and haughty affairs,  
 "they made some doubt and pause in such petty circumstances as these, to wit, unto whom they  
 "should

"should send defiance and denounce the said war: whereas to the Kings themselves in their own person or it were sufficient to give intimation to one Garrison or other within their fortresses. And would ye now (my matters) that all their observations and ceremonies should be polluted and confounded, that the rights and laws of the Feciales and heralds should be abolished, & that there shall be no more Fecial at all. But let religion and divine service (God forgive me if it seem to blaspheme) be trodden under foot: suppose the Gods were utterly forgotten of you, and their remembrance quite exiled out of your hearts: lay your pleasure also, and think ye it meet, that the Senat be consulted no more for their advice in question of war? or that a bill be not propounded to the people, in this wise: Pleaseth it you or no, to ordain that we be declared against the Gauls? The other day, and no longer since, the Consuls were desirous and earnest to govern *Greece* and *Asia*, yet when they perceived you to be resolute and perfid still in assigning unto them both, the Province of *Liguria*, they were content and obeyed. Great reason shall they have therefore to demand a triumph at your hands, after they have achieved an happy victory and finished that war, which they first enterprised under your warrant and authority. After this manner as ye have heard, spake *Furins* and *Emilius*. And *Manlius* again as we find in record, answered thus, or much to this effect, as followeth: "Right honorable & my very good LL, the Tribuns of the Commons were ever wont afore-time, to repugn and cros them that demanded triumph: and I take my self much beholden unto them for this favour, that either in their love to myself, or in regard of my great and notable exploits, they have not only by their silence given their consent for my honor, but also seem ready and preit to propound the same unto the people, if need had been. But now forsooth, when have I (and God will) for mine adventures, but even some of my ten adjacents or suffragans, whom our ancestors thought good to give unto their Generals in the wars as a counsel both to assist and aid them, and also to countenance and grace them in their victory? *L. Furins* and *L. Emilius* are the men and none but they, who inhibit and debar me for mounting up into the triumphant chariot: they are ready to pluck from my head the glorious and honorable crown that I should wear: even those (I say) whom (if the Tribuns had hindred and impeached my triumph) I would have reported myself unto as witnesses of my worthy acts. Certainly, (my LL,) far be it from me, that I should envy and repine at the honour of any man: but I remember well, that of late daies when certain Tribuns of the Common state (men of great courage and action) went about to stay and forbid the triumph of *Q. Fabius Labeo*, ye by your authority diverted and cared them from that intended enterprise: and he triumphed in the end, notwithstanding his adversaries gave out and said, loud, not that he had fought a war unjustly, but in reprochful manner charged him, That he had not so much as set eye upon the enemy. And I, who have so often in ranged battel fought with an 100000 most fierce and war like enemies, slain or taken prisoners more than 40000 of them, forced and won two of their camps: and left all places on this side the ridge of the mountain *Taurus*, more peaceable and quiet than is the Land of *Italy*, am not only frustrate and put beside my triumph, but also stand here before your honors to defend my self against the challenge of mine own Council and Suffragans. Which accusation of theirs, consisteth (as ye have heard my LL,) of two principal points: for objected they have, first, that I ought not at all to have made war with the Gauls: and secondly, that I conducted and managed the same, rashly and without discretion. The Gauls (say they) were no enemies of ours: but being quiet in peace, and ready to do whatsoever they were charged, were by you abused and wronged. I will not requite (my LL,) that ye should have the same hard conceit of the Gauls which inhabit in *Asia* as touching their cruelty and mortal hatred against the Roman name, which ye know generally to be the people of the Gauls: Do but consider and judge of these Gauls as they be in themselves simply without respect of the infamous name and odious opinion that goeth of the whole generation: O that King *Eumenes* were here. Would to God that all the States of *Asia* were present in place, that ye might hear them rather what complaints they would make, than my self accusing of them. Send but your Embassadors to all the Cities of *Asia*, and enquire whether servitude were greater and more grievous, that which they were delivered from by the chiding of *Antiochus* beyond the mountain *Taurus*, or this whereof they are now eased by the subduing of the Gauls? Let them relate unto you, and make report how often their territories have been wasted by them, how many booties have been driven, and prizes carried away out of them, and how they were brought to so low a pass, that they hardly could find means and make any shift to redeem their prisoners by ransom. Let them tell you what they heard there besides, how they killed men, yea, and their children, to sacrifice, unto their Gods. But know ye now from me, that your allies yielded tribute to the Gauls, yea, and should have paid still at this day, notwithstanding they were by you delivered from their subjection under King *Antiochus*, if I had not bestirred my self the better. For the farther that *Antiochus* was removed from them the more proudly and outrageously would these Gauls have ruled like LL, over all *Asia*, and whatsoever lands had lienv on this side the top of the mount *Taurus*, you should have laid to the leignory of the Gauls and not annexed to your own Empire & dominion. All this is true will some one say, and what of all that? These Gauls likewise once spoiled the temple at *Delphos*, reported in times past the common Oracle of the whole world and situate in the very heart and midst of the earth, & yet the people of *Rome* neither denounced nor made war for all that. Certainly, I always would have thought there had been some difference to be made between those daies, when as neither

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A "Greece nor *Asia* was under your jurisdiction and obedience (that you should need to take care and regard of what was done in those parts) & this present time, in which ye have let the mountain *Taurus* to be the bound & limit, wherunto your Empire extendeth, wherein you give freedom and immunity to Cities in which ye enlarge the confines of same, and take in the precincts of others, lining these cities with fortiture & loss of their territories, punishing those with taxes and tributs: in which I say, you augment and diminish realms, give and take away Kingdoms at your good pleasure, and in one word, in which ye judge it a matter that concerneth you, to provide that there may be a general peace both on land and sea. Were you of opinion indeed, that *Asia* might not be counted free, while *Antiochus* had withdrawn his garissons which kept quiet within their fortresses and castles, and stirred not forth, and thought you withal, that your gifts granted unto King *Eumenes*, might be assured unto him, and the freedom likewise of the Cities, established unto them, if whole armies of Gauls might range all about to and fro in those countries? But why stand I so much arguing and reasoning in this manner, as if I had not found the Gauls enemies, but rather caused them to be our enemies? O *L. Scipio*, I call you here to witness, into whose charge and government I succeeded, whole virtue and felicity withal, I brought the immortal Gods to vouchsafe unto me (and my prayer was not in vain,) and you likewise, O *P. Scipio*, who with the Col, your brother and in the whole army, had the room & place indeed of an adjoint Lieutenant and no more, but carried the Majesty of a Colleague & joint companion: I speak frankly both of you upon your knowledge, whether whole legions of Gauls served not in the army of *Antiochus*? Tell us, whether you saw them not in the field, marshalled in both the points and flanks of the main battel, as the very flower and strength of the whole puissance of *Antiochus*? Say directly, fought ye not with them, flew you them not, & carried away their spoils, as undoubted and lawful enemies? And yet both Senat decreed and people ordained war with *Antiochus* by name, and not with the Gauls. But I tro (or else I am much deceived) within this decree and ordinance, they included all those besides that came to aid and assist him, Of whom (excepting *Antiochus* himself, with whom *Scipio* had articulated peace and alliance, and ye also had expressly given order therefore) they all were our enemies no doubt, who had born arms against us in the quarrel and behalf of the said *Antiochus*. Now albeit the Gauls above all others were, comprised in this number, together with some petty Kings and Tyrants besides: yet I contracted accord and peace with others, (after I had forced them to suffer due punishment according to their trespass) as far forth as I thought it expedient for the honour of your Empire: yea, and I assured also to gain and win the hearts of the Gauls, if happily it had been possible to have dulced and reclaimed them from their inbred fierceness and natural cruelty. But when I perceived that they were untractable, untamed, and implacable, then and not before I resolved, that it was high time to bridle and bring them into order by violence and force of arms. Now that I have cleared the former point of my accusation, as touching the enterprise of the war, it remaineth that I yield you an account of the conduct thereof. Wherein verily I would make no doubt to approve mine innocence, and justify the goodness of my cause, if I were to plead, I say not in the Senat of *Rome*, but even at the counsel table of *Carthage*; where (as men say) they make no more ado, but trust up hands, and crucify their Generals if they proceed to execution of any service in war with bad advice and counsel, although the issue and event be never to good. But in that City, which therefore useth the name of the Gods both before they begin, and also when they proceed to the managing of all their affairs, (because no person should come to detract or deprave their maliciously, which the Gods have once approved) and which City in the grant & ordination either of procession or triumph, useth this solemn form of words: *For that he hath well and happily administered and managed the most publick*: In this City, I say, if I were unwilling, nay, if I reputed it an odious matter, and favouring too much of pride and arrogance to vaunt my self, and boast of mine own prowess; yet if in regard of the happy success and felicity of my self and mine army, in that without any loss of soldiers, we vanquished and subdued to great and mighty a nation, I demanded first that due honour and thanksgiving should be repaid unto the immortal Gods, and then, that I might my self ascend and mount up the Capitol in triumph, from whence I descended to take my voyage, after I had conceived and pronounced my vows, and made my prayers after the solemn and religious order, I would ye deny both me and the immortal Gods also? Yes, I marry would you, and why? Forsooth I fought in a place of disadvantage, But tell me then, I pray you, in what ground I might have fought with better vantage? considering the enemies were seized of the hill, and kept themselves within their strength and fort. I should have gone unto them, if I had been willing to have vanquished and overcome them, what? how if they had been there within a strong City? how if they had kept within the walls, and would not have issued forth? You must then have laid siege unto them and given the assault. Must I to indeed? And how I pray? Fought I, *Acilius* (I beseech you) at *Thermopylae* in a place of advantage? Why? did not *T. Quintius* after this manner dispossess *Philip* of the high Mountains, which he held over the River *Aous*? In faith, I cannot yet devise what kind of enemies they either imagined to themselves they were; or if would have you to take and esteem them to be. If degenerate, if effeminate, if enervate with the delights and pleasures of *Asia*, what wonder was it to march up the hill against them with all disadvantage? If redoubted and terrible for fierce courage and bodily strength, deny ye triumph for so noble a victory? Envy (my good LL,) is blind, and can skill of nothing but to detract and defame virtues, to falsifie and



"and corrupt the honors and rewards due thereto. Pardon me I beseech your Hon. And hold me  
 "excused, if I have been over long and tedious. It is not I assure you, any delight and pleasure that  
 "I take to put forth and glorify my self, but a necessity imposed upon me (in mine own defence,  
 "to confute these crimes objected against me) which hath driven mine Oration on in length. To  
 "proceed, was it possible also that in *Thrace* I could make the passes within the forests large and  
 "wide, which naturally were straight and narrow? the ground plain and smooth, which by na-  
 "ture was uneven and rugged? Could I make level downs of steep mountains? open champion  
 "fair fields of woodland overgrown, and rough wylds. Lay it in me, to prevent those Thracian  
 "thieves that they should not hide themselves within their lurking holes and ordinary covert  
 "thickets? Was it in my power, to impeach them that they might snatch and carry nothing of  
 "our baggage? Was it able to warrant that none of our laboring beasts out of so great a number,  
 "should be driven and led away from their company: that no person should be hurt; and finally,  
 "that *Q. Minutius* a brave and hardy knight, should not die of his wound? My adversaries press  
 "hard and much upon this misfortune, that it was our unlucky hap to lose to worthy a Gentle-  
 "man: but they never think that if they would lay nothing but suppress and conceal all, yet you  
 "should know (since the whole army is here present to testify that which I say) That although  
 "the enemy assailed us in a narrow straight, in an inconvenient place of great disadvantage, yet  
 "both of our battallions at once, as well the vanguard as reterward, compassed the army of the  
 "Barbarians busy and occupied in rifling of our carriage, few many thousands of them that very  
 "day, and within few daies after either killed or took prisoners a greater number of them by far.  
 "Well, if I had not drawn a sword in *Asia*, if I had not seen an enemy there, yet I Pro-confess that  
 "I deserved a triumph well enough for those two battells in *Asia*. But enough hath been said  
 "of these matters, and I am to request you rather (my Lords all) to forgive me for my boldness, if I  
 "have held you longer than my will and desire was.

The accusation that day had prevailed more than his own defence, but that they continued  
 arguing and debating in the Council-house until it was late in the evening. Then the Senat arose  
 with this mind (as it should seem) to deny him a triumph. The next morning, the kinfolks and  
 friends of *Cn. Manlius*, laboured all that ever they could. Likewise the authority of the ancients  
 stood him in great stead: who said plainly that the precedent could not be found in any histories,  
 That a General who had vanquished his enemies, accomplished the full time of government in  
 his Province, and brought his army back, returned into the City as a private person, without  
 honor of the triumphal chariot and the laurel garland. The very indignity and shame of this  
 example, shounted the malice of his adversaries, in so much as the Senators in a frequent as-  
 sembly granted his triumph.

The remembrance and memory of this debate, was afterwards drowned in a greater contenti-  
 on that arose with a far mightier and more noble personage. For as *Valerius Antias* hath recorded,  
 the two *QQ. Petilii*, called *P. Scipio Africanus* into question, and set him down a day previous-  
 ly to make his appearance, and answer for himself. This action divers men construed diversly,  
 according to their several disposition and affection. Some blamed not so much the Tribunes of the  
 Commons, as the whole City in general, for suffering such an abuse: discommending in this wise: That  
 the two chiefest States and Common-wealths in the World were become at one time unbecom-  
 ing, but *Rome* more ungrateful of the twain. For *Carthage* being subdued, had banished *Annibal* like  
 wife vanquished: but *Rome* a victress was about to expulse *Africanus* a conqueror. Others again  
 reasoned thus: that in no State there ought to be a citizen so pre-eminent and high above the rest,  
 that he might not be under law, and brought to answer unto interrogatories accordingly. And  
 nothing preserveth liberty in a City, and maintaineth equal liberty more, than to have the  
 mightiest man to hold up his hand at the bar. For what may be safely committed to any man  
 (and surely the sovereignty of the state least of all other things) if he be not to yeeld an account  
 of the managing of his affairs? And verily, he that can abide to be equal unto others, to pro-  
 ceed against such a one by rigor and force, is no injustice at all. Thus men commonly talked pro  
 contra, until the judicial day came of his personal appearance, and answer to be made. Never was  
 there man known before that day (no, not *Scipio* himself when he was at the highest, either Consul  
 or Censor) accompanied with a greater train of men of all degrees and qualities, than he that day  
 was conducted unto the common place and court of Pleas as an accused person, there to plead his  
 cause. Being commanded to speak in his own defence, he began his oration without any mention  
 at all of the imputations and matters with which he was charged, and entered into a discourse  
 of the acts by him achieved: and that with such a Majesty and magnificence as it was well known  
 and confessed, that never man was praised either better or more truly than he. For with what  
 courage and mind he achieved those his brave exploits indeed, with the same spirit he delivered  
 them in words. And no man thought him tedious and was weary to hear his speech, because all  
 that he related was for his own defence in this his danger, and not upon vain glory and ostenta-  
 tion. The Tribunes of the Commons his adversaries, when they had laid open certain supposed  
 crimes committed of old, as touching his wastfull excesses while he wintered in *Syracusa*: as also the  
 riot and outrage of *Plinius* which happened at *Locri*: they proceeded to charge him by pretensions  
 and suspitions, rather than by direct evidences and proofs, for embezzling and averting to his  
 proper use certain treasure gotten from King *Antiochus*: and namely, that his son being taken pri-  
 soner, was rendered unto him without ransom: and that in all other things, *Scipio* was respected and  
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A alone had carried the Roman peace and war under his girdle. Also that he bare a strong hand over  
 the Consul, more like, I wot, a Dictator and absolute commander, than a Lieutenant and as-  
 sistant unto him, all the while he was in the province. Neither aimed he and shot at any other  
 mark, when he went that journey, but that the same, which long before was notoriously known  
 to *Spain*, *Gaul*, *Sicily*, and *Africa* might as evidently appear to *Greece*, to *Asia*, and all to the Kings  
 and nations of the East parts, to wit, that he was the only man, he was the chief, the head and  
 pillar of the Roman Empire, that under the shadow of *Scipio* his wing, that City which is the  
 lady of the world, was covert and protected: that a beek and nod of his head, was as good as  
 all arrefts of Senat. and helts of people. Thus when they could not touch him in like, nor fa-  
 sten upon him any note of infamy, they charged him all that ever they could with matter to kindle  
 envy. Thus with orations they spent the time until night came, and the business was put over  
 to another day: which being come, the Tribunes, only in the times in the morning were: set in  
 their pews within the *Rostra* [or common place ding place] the defendant was called, who gar-  
 ded with a great company of his friends and followers, passed through the midst of the assembly,  
 approached the *Rostra*, and stood just under it. Then after an *oyes*; and silence made: "My  
 "Masters (quoth he) you that are Tribunes of the commons, and likewise Quirites, my neigh-  
 "bors and citizens of *Rome*, upon this very day of the month it was that I fought a pight bat-  
 "telle against *Annibal* and the Carthaginians, with right fortunate and happy successe; meet there-  
 "fore and good reason since it is, that to day all pleas and actions faucre: I will go directly  
 "and immediately from hence to the Capitol and present my self before *Imp. Opt. Max.* before  
 "*Juno* and *Minerva*, with all the rest of other gods and goddesses, presidents and patrons of that  
 "temple and torrefice, to perform my humble duty unto them to salute and thank them, for that  
 "they have vouchsafed me that rejoice in affection and powerful means with all, both on such a  
 "day as this; and also many times besides, to perform my duty well and truly unto the Com-  
 "mon-wealth. As many of you (revere *Quirites*) as well may, go ye with me, and pray the  
 "gods to send to you like governors to my self, and no worse. If I say (and not else) as you ever  
 "since I was seventeen years of age, even to this mine old daies, you alwayes advanced me to  
 "honors before the ordinary time of mine age, to I again advanced and prevented the said honors  
 "with good service and noble deeds. This said he departed from the *Rostra* and ascended up to  
 the Capitol, whereto the whole audience there assembled turned at once and followed *Scipio*:  
 in so much as at last the scribes and notaries, ye, and the very sergeants left the Tribunes there a-  
 lone, without any to bear them company but their own bondservants and the common cryer,  
 who still from the *Rostra* called and cited the defendant. *Scipio* not only visited the temples upon  
 the Capitoll hill, but also made a perambulation with the people of *Rome* throughout the whole  
 city to all the churches and chapells of their gods and goddesses. This was in manner a more  
 solemn day unto him in regard of the affectional favour of men, and the elevation of his true  
 grandeur indeed, then on which he rode into the City in triumph over King *Syphax* and the Car-  
 thaginians. But it was the last fair day that ever he saw: and never shone the sun again in pleasanti-  
 ly upon *P. Scipio*. For after this, foreseeing envy growing toward him, and what a life and how  
 full of debates he should have with those Tribunes, upon a longer day granted for the proceefe of  
 law against him, he retired himself apart to *Laternum*, of set purpose to make default and not ap-  
 pear: so plead his cause any more. He carried a greater spirit with him, his heart was too big, & used  
 he had been to an higher degree of port & honor, then to take knowledge what it was to be accused:  
 he could not skill to vale bonet and stoop so low, and to abate himself to the abject condition of  
 those that plead for themselves at the bar. Now when the day was come, and that in his absence  
 his name began to be called, *L. Scipio* answered for him, and alleged sickness to be the cause why  
 he was away. But the Tribunes his accusers, would not admit of that excuse, replying and say-  
 ing: "That upon the same pride of heart, in which he avoided once before, his judicial trial, and  
 "left the Tribunes and the whole assembly, he now also would not appear to make his answer.  
 "Even so triumphed he then over the people of *Rome*, when accompanied with those whom he  
 "led after him as prisoners (after he had once taken from them their power and liberty to give  
 "their censure and doom of him) he sequestred himself that day, by way of an insurrection from  
 "the Tribunes of the Commons into the Capitol. Well are ye now served therefore (say they) and  
 "justly punished for that daies folly and rashness. For lo how he himself now abscondeth you,  
 "who was your motive and leader then, to forsake us. See how every day more then our other  
 "courage is fallen and heart abated: and dare not we now send folk to fetch him (a private per-  
 "son and no more) out out of his farm and house in the country, and make him to appear and  
 "plead his answer: unto whom not past 17 years ago, at what time as he was General of an ar-  
 "my on land, & Admirall of the Armado by sea, we were so bold as to send Tribunes of the Com-  
 "mons and an Adile, to arrest and bring him away with them to *Rome*? In the end, the rest of the Tri-  
 "bunes of the Com. being called earnestly unto by *L. Scipio* for their lawful favour, set down his or-  
 "der & conclusion, that if sickness were alledged for his excuse, and that there were nothing else  
 "but that that occasioned his absence, it should be received for good & lawful, and their colleagues  
 "should adjourn his trial to a farther day. It fortuned at that time that *Tib. Sempronius Gracchus* was  
 "one of the Tribunes between whom & *P. Scipio* there was some quarrel. He forbade expressly that  
 "his own name should be subscribed to the instrument of the aforesaid decree of his colleagues. And  
 "when every man looked to hear some heavier sentence denounced against *Scipio*, he awarded

in this manner. "For as much as *L. Scipio* excuseth the absence of his brother by sickness, it is good and sufficient in my opinion. And more than that I will say for my part suffer *P. Scipio* be censured before he return again to *Rome*. Yes, and then also, if he call for my helping, and I will give him assistance, and keep the count of pieces against him. And as to the main point of the excuse, this is my resolution, that *P. Scipio* being advanced to highly as he is to that pitch of honor, by his noble and famous exploits, and by the dignities received at the hands of the people of *Rome*, as it both gods and men had condescended to let him aloft, for him to come down now and stand pleading below at the bar beneath the *Rostra*, and there to have his eyes glow and ring again with the checks and taunts of certain green heads and buffe youths, were a greater shame and disgrace to the people of *Rome*, than to himself. Nay, he should not thus with this bare sword, but scaled and let it on surely with words of indignation, testifying his discontent for this course and manner of proceeding. And shall *Scipio* (quoth he, my master *Tib. Gracchus*) that renowned conqueror of *Africk*, stand under your feet at your devotion? Dejected and he put to flight in *Spain* a most brave and noble General of the Carthaginians; with their entire armies? Took he *Syrax* prisoner, vanquished he *Annibal*, subdued he *Carthage* and made it tributary unto us? Heard he *Antiochus* beyond the mountain *Taurus*, (for it must be confessed, that in this glorious conquest *L. Scipio* b. d. his brother copartner with him) and all for this, to be trodden under foot of two *Petili*? And that ye should seek to triumph over *P. Africanus*? Will it never be better? Shall great personages with all the good deserts of their own for all the dignities and honors by you upon them conferred) never reach and attain to a stronger and sure place of defence, wherein they may make account to be safe and put all danger, and wherein their old age may rest and repose, if not with worship and honour, yet at least with security, exempt from abuse and violent outrage? The sentence it self of *Gracchus* (enforced with such a speech especially) moved not others only, but also the very accusers themselves, who made no other rejoinder again but thus, That they would consider better what they might by their place and what they ought of duty to do. When the assembly of the people was broken up, the L.L. of the Senat began to sit in council; where, the whole order of the Senators (but principally the ancients and as many as had been Consuls) highly commended and thanked *Tib. Gracchus*, for that he had preferred the weal-publick, before privat grudges and particular quarrels. But the *Petili* were well pleased and bated with reproachfull checks and bitter rebukes, in that they would seem to rise by the fall of another, and so grace themselves with the disgrace of *Africanus*, and seek to triumph over him and be enriched with his spoils. Well that, there was no more words of *Scipio Africanus*. The rest of his life he passed at *Literum* and never had mind to come to the City: there ended he his daies in a country village; and (as they say) he charged his executors upon his death-bed, to inter him in that very place. And there his tomb or monument was built, because he would not that so much as his funeral obsequies should be performed at *Rome*, (his native country) so unthankfull as it was. A rare man he was and worthy to be recommended to the memory of all posterity: howbeit the former part of his life was more singular and memorable, as well for the conduct of martiall exploits in war, as the governance of civil affairs in peace, then in his latter daies. For in his youth, he followed the wars continually; whereas in his old age, as his body decayed and faded, so whatsoever he lost much of the wonted beauty and lustre. Besides, there was no matter presented, to employ that wit and spirit of his. What odds was there between his former Consulship and the second, although ye put his Consulship to it in the balance? What comparison was there, and what sensible thing in that licentiousness of his in *Asia*? of so little or no employment was it by reason of his own fickleness; and blemished withal, by the occasion of the misfortune of his son. And afterward, his return home again was no lesse unfortunate, for the hard choice whereunto he was driven, forced of necessity to abide the trial of a doubtfull issue in judgment, to quit withal his native City for ever. Howbeit he alone went away with the honor above all other, of finishing the punick war, as great and dangerous to the Romans as any that ever they made.

When *Africanus* was once dead and his bed laid, his adversaries and enemies were aloft: of whom, *M. Porcius Cato* was the chief and principal: a man who was wont to bark (as it were) and rail against him during his life in regard of his greatness. And it is thought, that the *Petili* were set on by him, and procured through his perswasion, both in the life of *Africanus* to have drawn out, and after his death to have preferred a bill in this form and manner following: May it please you to grant and ordain, that true search and diligent enquiry be made, what sums of money were taken in prize, carried away, and levied away of King *Antiochus* and those which were under his obedience and dominion; and that of as much thereof as came not into the publick treasury and chamber of the City, *Ser. Sulpicius* (the Pretor of the City) may propound unto the Senat, to know their advice and pleasure touching it: that whomsoever of all the Pretors for the time now being, it shall please the Senat to appoint, he may sit in commission and jurisdiction thereof. This bill was first erected by *Q. and Lucius Mummius*, who thought it meet and reason, that the Senat alone (as at all times heretofore) should make due enquiry of the monies so purloined and embezzled: as is more than once not brought into the common chest of the City. The *Petili* charged the *Scipios* for being over great and mighty, and as it were *K.K.* in the Senat, to say all before them. *L. Furius Purpureus* (a man that had been Consul, and one of the ten commissioners in *Asia*, was of opinion, that the foresaid enquiry should be granted in more large & ample terms,

namely, as touching the mony not only taken from *Antiochus*, but also from other Kings and nations: covertly taxing herein *Cn. Manlius* his old enemy. *L. Scipio* on the other side stepped forth to dissuade this matter: albeit it was thought he would rather speak in defence of himself, than against the thing. He complained much and shewed his grievance, that such a bill as this should come forth now, and be set on foot after the death of his brother *Africanus*, the most valiant knight and noblest personage that ever was: As if it were not sufficient, that *P. Africanus* wanted the solemn Panegyrick oration at the *Rostra* after his death, but he must be accused also. Why? the very Carthaginians are contented with the exile of *Annibal*, and seek no more; but the people of *Rome* is not satisfied even with the death of *Scipio*, unless both his own good name after he is buried be wounded and mangled, and his brother also (to fill up the measure of mens malice and hatred) be killed and sacrificed upon his tomb. *M. Cato* spake in the behalf of the bill, and perswaded that it might passe. His oration as touching the treasure of King *Antiochus*, it extant to be seen: and by the majesty of his authority, he diverted the two *Admiral Tribunes* of the Commons, clean away, from interposing themselves any more. When they once had renounced and given over their negative, all the tribes in general passed their voices affirmatively, *Petili* regast. After this, *Ser. Sulpicius* propounded unto the Senat, Whom they would appoint for this enquiry according to the act *Petili*? and the L.L. of the Senat deputed *Q. Terentius Calpo*. This Pretor was so great a friend to the house of the *Cornelii*, that some authors, namely those, who report how *P. Scipio* both died and also was carried forth to be entered at *Rome* (for that bruttillo runneth currant) have written, How he went at his funerals before the bier and the mourners, with a cap of liberty on his head, like as he had done before in his triumph, and gave sweet wine or mede to all those that attended the convey, as far as to the gate *Capena*. This honour he did *Scipio* at his death, for that among other prisoners in *Africk*, he was by his means recovered out of the enemies hand. But it should seem rather, that he was such an enemy to that family, that for the cankered rancour and malice which he carried against that name, he was by the adverse faction of the *Scipios*, chosen especially of purpose to fit upon & execute that inquiry. But certain it is, before this Pretor (all in his extremities, who either in love & friendship, or in hatred and enmity, kept no mean information) was given immediately against *L. Scipio*. Presentments were made likewise, and the names received of his lieutenants *A. Hostilius* and *L. Hostilius* both *Catos*; and of his treasurer besides, *C. Furius Aculeo*. And to the end that it should appear to the world, that they were all attaint of this crime of purloining and robbing the publick treasure of the common-weal in one complot, there were two secretaries also and one of his sergeants called into question. But these three last mentioned, and *L. Hostilius* before-named, were found unguilty and acquit; before *Scipio* had his judicial trial: howbeit *Scipio* and *A. Hostilius* his lieutenant, together with *C. Furius* were condemned. *Scipio*, for that he (as *Valerius Antias* writeth) to make a more easie peace to the contentment of *Antiochus*, received 6000 pound weight of gold, and 480 pound weight of silver more than he brought into the City chamber. *A. Hostilius*, for that he likewise detained eighty pound weight of gold, and 483 pound of silver; and *Furius* the Questor for keeping back to his own use 130 pound of gold, and two hundred of silver. Their sums I set down of gold and silver, as I find them gathered and registred by *Valerius Antias* in his Chronicle. As for the sum of gold and silver, which *L. Scipio* should embezzle, I would rather think that the clerk or secretary faulded with his pen in writing the copies, than the author lied to loud with his tongue in the first inditing of the Original. For it is more likely of the twain, that the weight of the silver was more than of gold. As also for the fine wherein he was condemned, should amount but to forty thousand \* *Sesterces*, then arise to two hundred and forty thousand. And I am rather induced thus to calculate, because it is said, that *P. Scipio* himself was required in the Senat to give his account but of such a sum; and when he had bidden his brother *L.* to fetch him that book of accounts, he took it of him, and there before the Senat, tare and rent it with his own hands, with indignation, that having brought into the Treasury two millions of *Sesterces*, he was called to his account for forty thousand. In which confident boldness of spirit and courage, when the Questors durst not (against the order of law) take forth money out of the Treasury, he called for the keys, and said he would be so bold as to open the chests of the Treasury since he was the cause that they were locked. Many things besides are diversely reported of *Scipio*, especially as touching the latter end of his life, his trouble and accusation, his death, his funerals, and last of all, of his sepulchre and tomb, which distract us so, that I wot not what report to cleave unto, nor which records to believe. For they accord not as concerning his accuser. Some write it was *M. Nevius*, others again say that they were the *Petilians* that called him to his answer. Neither agree they in the time when he was troubled, nor in the year, nor the place, wherein he died, nor yet where he was entered. Some affirm he ended his daies and was buried at *Rome*, others at *Literum*. And in both places there are monuments and Statues of his to be seen. [For of *Literum* there stood a tomb, and over the same tomb an image of his personage erected, which of late time we our selves saw overtrown in a tempest. At *Rome* likewise without the gate *Capena*, there be three statues upon the monument of the *Scipios*, whereof two are said to be of *Pub.* and *L. Scipio*, and the third of *Q. Ennius* the Poet. And this difference among authors is not touching his acts and affairs only, but also about the very Orations (it is to be they were the orations indiged of *P. Scipio* & *Tiberius Gracchus*, which are commonly to taken and carried about, which disagree so much as they do. For the title of the oration that goeth for *P. Scipio*, hath the name of *M. Nevius*, a Tribune of the Commons: but through the whole

Oration it self there is no mention at all of that accusers. He termeth him one while *Nihilus* [Knave] and another while *Nugator* [Counfinner.] In like sort the oration of *Gracchus* toucheth no mention at all either of the *Patilis*, the accusers of *Africanus*, or of the day assigned unto him for his answer. And we must devise to tell the whole tale otherwise, it would have it to agree with the oration of *Gracchus*; and follow we must those authors; who write, that when *L. Scipio* was accused and condemned for taking bribes of King *Antiochus*, his brother *Africanus* was Embassador in Tuscany; and upon the news of his brothers misfortune, left his embassy and made hast to *Rome*. Where he took his way directly from the gate to the common place (for that it was told him how his brother was going to prison) and thrust the fergeant from his body, yea, and when the Tribunes themselves would have restrained him, he used violence against them, and carried himself in this action so, as he shewed more kindnes and love to his brother, then manners and civility otherwise. For thus complaineth *Gracchus* in his oration, that the Tribunes authority and power was infringed and broken by a privat person. And in the latter end, when he promised to assit *L. Scipio*, he knit up his speech with these words, that it was a thing more tolerable that both the Tribunian puissance and the Common-weal should seem overcome and forsworned by Tribunes themselves, then by a privat man. But he aggravated and enforced this one violence and excessive outrage against him, and made it odious in such sort, that in blaming him for so much overshooting himself and degenerating as it were from his own nature, he reheated the commendable parts of his moderation and temperat carriage of himself aforetime, and that in so good terms and ample manner, that thereby he made him some part of amends for the sharp reprehension he used for the present. For he said, that in times past he had rebuked and reproved the people, when they would have made him a perpetuall Consul and Dictator; that he had forbidden expressly, that any of his Statues in triumphant habit, should be set up and erected in the publick places of assemblies, as in the *Comitium* and *Curia*, in the Capitoll and chappell of *Jupiter Opt. Max.* These commendable reports of him, if they were uttered in an oration penned of purpose for his praise, must needs tellife and shew a wonderful magnanimity of his, in the moderate use of high honours according to a civil port; which an enemy by way of reproach and upbraiding him, acknowledgeth and confesseth. But all writers accord, that *Gracchus*, took to wife the younger of his two daughters (for the elder without all question was affianced and given in marriage by his father to *P. Cornelius Nasica*. But it is not so certainly agreed upon, whether she was both betrothed and wedded afoonto him, afters her fathers death or no. As also, whether it be true (as it is reported) that when *L. Scipio* was a leading to prison, *Gracchus*, seeing moved his own fellow Tribunes to succour and rescue him, swore a great oath and protested that he was an enemy till to the *Scipios* as much as ever he was; and would not do any thing to curry favour with them, nor to come into their graces; yet could he never endure that he should be carried to the prison, into which he had seen his brother *Africanus* lead Kings, great generals and commanders of enemies, captive. Moreover, that the same day the Senat fortified to be at supper together in the Capitoll, and arose up all at once, and requested *Africanus* to affiance his daughter to *Gracchus*, before the supper and banquet was ended. Which espousals being performed with all due complements accordingly, during the time of that solemn feast, *Scipio*, when he was returned home to his house, said unto his wife *Emilia*, that he had fianced and betrothed his daughter upon what band. She then falling into a fit of choleric like a woman, and chafing that he had not made her acquainted with the matter, and taken her advice touching the maiden, who was as much her child as his, brake out into these words withall, that if he had given her in marriage to *Tiberius Gracchus*, yet good reason it was that the mother should have been at the making of the bargain. Whereupon *Scipio* took great contentment and joy at this conformity of judgment in the chiefe, and inferred streight waies, that he was the man to whom she was espoused. Thus much I thought good to relate of this worthy and noble person, albeit there is great variety of opinions, and diversity of writings in that behalf.

After the Pretor *Q. Terentius*, had finished the inquisition and whole process thereof, *Hofilius* and *Furius*, who were attaint and condemned, that very day put in sufficient letters to be bound in recognizance to the treasurers of the City, for the payment of their fines. But *Scipio*, debating the matter still, & pleading that all the money which he had received was in the City chamber; & that he had purloined none of the publick treasure, was laid hold on to be had away and committed to prison. *P. Scipio Nasica* called unto the Tribunes for their help, and made a speech full of true praises and commendations, not in generall only of the whole name and family of the *Cornelii*, but in particular also of his own blood. And namely he alledged and said, That himself and *P. Africanus*, together with *L. Scipio* (who now was going to prison) had to their fathers *Cn. Scipio* and *P. Scipio*, most noble and famous personages; those who for certain yeers in the land of *Spain*, advanced the renown and glory of the Roman name, maugre the heads of many captains & armies, as well of Carthaginians as Spaniards; not only in martiall feats of war, but also in this especially, that they had given testimony and proof unto those nations, of the temperate government, & faithful dealing of the Romans; and in the end both of them spent their blood and lost their lives in the quarrel of the people of *Rome*. And albeit it had been sufficient for all their posterity to maintain only & uphold the glory from them received, yet *P. Africanus* so far surpassed the praise worthy acts of his father, that it was verily believed he was not born of human blood, but descended from some divine and heavenly race of the gods. As for *L. Scipio*, who now is in trouble, to say nothing of his worthy acts which he achieved in *Spain* and in *Africk*, when he

A "was lieutenant there to his brother Consul) he was both reputed by the Senat sufficient, without any casting of lots, to undertake the province of *Asia* and the war against King *Antiochus*, and also esteemed by his brother *Africanus* so worthy a person, that himself who had been Consul twice, Conqueror, and had ridden in triumph, thought not farr to accompany him unto *Asia* in quality of his lieutenant. In which province (to the end that the greatest & resplendent glory of the lieutenant should not dim the brightness of the Consul, and to drown his vertues and good parts) it so fell out, that the very same day, on which *L. Scipio* vanquished *Antiochus* neer *Magnesia*, *P. Scipio* lay sick at *Eleea*, a City distant certain daies journey. He defeated I say an army there, nothing inferior to that of *Antiochus*, with whom his brother had encountered before in *Africk*. In which battell among other great commanders and captains under the King, *Antiochus* was himself imploied in person, even he who had been the grand-General in the *Punic* war. Which service was so well conducted and managed, that a man possibly could not find fault so much as with fortune, or any accident that hapned there. And now when the war is unblamable, there is picked matter of crimination in the peace; and it (they say) was bought and sold for money. In which challenge the ten deputies and assistance in council, are also touched and noted with corruption, by whose advice the said peace was granted and concluded. Well, of those ten, there were some that stepped forth and accused *Cn. Marcius*; yet to far off was that accusation of theirs from being credited that it did not lo much as hinder and delay the retyme of his triumph. But (beleeve me) in *Scipio* his case, the very conditions of peace favour (strongly of bribery and indirect dealing, for that they are advantageous, respective & favorable on part of *Antiochus*. For his kingdom is left entire and whole unto him; now that he is vanquished, he possesseth as much as before the war began; and *Scipio* having received from him a mighty masse of gold and silver, hath brought nothing into the common treasury, but averted all from thence, and converted it to his proper use. Why? was there not carried in pomp at the triumph of *L. Scipio* (in the very sight of all men) as much gold and silver, as in ten triumphs before? And put them all together) could not be shewed. For what should I speak of the confines and frontiers of his realm? Namely, that *Antiochus* before-time held under his dominion all *Asia*, and the marches also of *Europe* adjoining; & great a part of the world that is, which extendeth from the hill *Taurus*, and lyeth out so far as the *Egean* sea; how many not Cities only, but spacious countries and populous nations it containeth, all men know right well: as also that this country, bearing out in length more then 30 daies journey, and in breadth between two seas ten daies journey, even as far as to the top of the mountain *Taurus*, is taken from *Antiochus*; & he driven into the utmost angle and corner of the globe of the earth? What could he have been deified of more in caule his peace had cost him never a penny of money? When *Philip* was conquered, he had *Maccdony* left unto him; when *Nabis* was subdued, he enjoined still *Lacedamon*; and no man ever went about to call *Quintus* in question for it. And why? may he had not to his brother *Scipio Africanus*, for whose sake the envy and malice of men hath defaced and hurt *L. Scipio*, whereas his brothers glory ought to have graced and helped him. Would any man of sense and reason judge, that so much gold and silver was brought into the house of *L. Scipio*, as may not not possibly be raised, if all the goods he hath were sold to the worth? What should become of all that gold of the Kings? Where be those great purchases of lordships and inheritances that he hath made therewith? Certainly it cannot be, but in that house that hath not exceeded in superfluous expence, there should be seen some heap and mount of this new treasure. But what care his enemies for this? That which cannot be made of the substance and goods of *L. Scipio* they will make good on his body and back; which they mean to torture (belike) & expole to contumely & villany, to the end that a man of the best mark and quality that ever was, should be shut up in a dungeon among robbers by the high-way side, amongst night thieves and cut-purses, and there in the hard (locks and balefull darkness render his last breath; and when he is dead, to have his body cast out naked at the prison door. But be it whensoever it shall, this will be no greater Blot to the house *Cornelia*, then a shamefull reproach for ever to the City of *Rome*. Against all these remonstrances, the Pretor *Terentius* opposed and read the law *Perilia*, the decree of the Senat, and the sentence given of *L. Scipio*, and he for his own part said, he could not do withall, but if the sum wherein he was condemned, were not brought into the common Treasurehouse, he knew no other remedy, nor what else to do, but to command him (a condemned person) to be apprehended again, and had away to prison. Then the Tribunes went apart to consult and lay their heads together. And within a while after *C. Flaminius* pronounced aloud, according to his own advice and the opinion of all his Colleagues (excepting only *Gracchus*) that the Tribunes would not interpose themselves, but that the Pretor might do and execute his office and his authority to the full. But *Tib. Gracchus* set down his own decree in this form, That as touching the sum wherein *L. Scipio* was condemned, he would not be against it, nor impeach the Pretor, but that he might use his power according to his place, and take it out of his goods, as far as they would extend. But that *L. Scipio* who hath subdued the mightiest and most puissant monarch in all the world, who hath drawn out and extended the bounds of the Roman empire, as far as the farthest frontiers of the earth, who hath obliged and bound King *Eumenes*, the *Rodians* & so many Cities and States besides of *Asia*, and made them beholding to the people of *Rome* for favours and benefits bestowed upon them; finally, who hath himself laid up fast in prison, any a General captain over the enemies, after he led them in triumph: that he I say, should lie in prison & irons

among the enemies of the people of Rome he would never suffer: and therefore he commanded him to be released and set at large. This decree was heard with so great applause, and all men were so joious to see L. Scipio delivered, that hardly a man would have believed (unless he had seen it) that there had been such a judgement passed in the same City. Then the Pretors sent the Questors or Treasurers to enter and seize upon all the goods of L. Scipio, in the name and to the use of the City: whereof there was not to be said, so much as any one token or mention of the Kings money, no, nor to great a sum could be raised, as the fire came to wherein he was condemned. The friends, kinsfolk, followers and well-willers of L. Scipio, made such a contribution of money for him, that if he would have accepted of it, he had been a richer man by eds, therefore this cross and calamitie fell upon him. But he took never a denier. His nearest kinsmen in blood bought again and redeemed as much of his own goods, as served for his necessary maintenance and no more. And the envy and hatred of men intended against the Scipios, turned upon the heads of the Pretor and his council, together with the accusers themselves.

### The nine and thirtieth Book

## Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the nine and thirtieth Book.

Marcus Emilius the Consul after he had subdued the Ligurians, made the street or highway from Plautia to Ariminum, until it met with the way Flaminiæ. In this book are recounted the beginnings of Africa and dissolute life brought in by the Asian army. All the Ligurians on this side Apennine are tamed and brought under. The Bacchanales (a Greekish feast and celebrated in the night season, the very seminary and nurse-garden of all wickedness) being grown to this enormity, therein was contrived a conspiracy and complot of a mighty multitude were now visited and seized into by the Consul, and put down with the punishments of many persons. L. Quintius Flaminius, the brother of T. Quintius, was deprived of his Senators dignity by the Censors, to wit, L. Valerius Flaccus, and Mar. Porcius Cato, a right excellent man, as well for feats of arms as peace. The Consul was shot, for that while he was Consul and governor in Gaul, at the request of one Philippus Pann, a notorious woman Ganymede whom he loved, he flew a certain Gaul with his own hand; or, as some have written, because at the entreaty of a barbarian, upon whom he was enamoured, he beheaded one of them that were condemned. The invidious oration of L. Cato against him is extant. Scipio departed this life at Linternum, and as fortune would have his funeral accompanied with the death the same time of two most renowned and great persons: Annibal poisoned himself, by occasion this Prusias King of Bithynia (unto whom he was fled for succour after the defeat of King Antiochus) would have yielded him into the hands of the Romans, who had sent of purpose T. Quintius Flaminius to demand him. Likewise Philippomen the General of the Achæans, an excellent man, was prisoner by the Messenians, who took him prisoner in war. Colonies were sent to Pollentia, Pisaurum, Mutina, and Parma. Over and besides, this book containeth the prosperous affairs against the Celtiberians also the beginning and cause of the Macedonian war, whereof the original spring arose from Philip, much discontented, that his Kingdom was embayed by the Romans, in regard that he was forcedly them to withdraw his garison: out of Thrace and other parts.

### The nine and thirtieth Book of T. Livius.

During the time that these affairs passed at Rome (if this were the year wherein they happened), both Consuls made war against the Ligurians, a nation born as it were to maintain the military discipline of the Romans, and to find them occupied in all times of rest and rest from greater wars; neither was there any other province that gave a sharper edge to the valour of the soldiers. For Asia with the beauty of their Cities, the abundance of all commodities as well by sea as land, the effeminate tenderness of the enemies, and the roba of the Kings riches, had made their armies more wealthy then valiant: and especially under the government of Cneus Manlius, ruled they were in much looseness and negligence. And therefore it was, that finding the way in Thrace a little more rough and difficult then ordinary to travel in, and an enemy better practiced and exercised to deal withall, they received a great toil and loss among them. Now in Liguria, they met with all things that might trouble and awake sleepy soldiers: the country rough and full of mountains, that much ado they had themselves to seize the same, and as great a labour they found to dislodge the enemies, that were before possessed of them: the waies, steep up-hill, narrow, and dangerous for ambushes: the enemy, light, swift, nimble, and suddenly setting upon them, giving no time of rest, no place of repose and security. Driven they were of necessity to assault strong and fortific Castles, with great difficulty and danger both: the country poor and needy, which caused the soldiers to spare and live hardly, and afforded them no opportunity of preys and prizes: and therefore no victuals, icollions, soldiers boyes and lackies, followed the camps neither the labouring beasts for carriage, took up a length in their march: nothing there, but armour and men, reposing all hope in their

their arms, and nothing else. And never wanted they some matter of quarrell, and some occasion or other to make war: for by occasion of their bareness and penury, they made roads into the lands of their neighbours; but so, as they never ventured all at once, nor put the main chace in hazard.

C. Flaminius the Consul having fought sundry times with the Frinians Ligurians, and in many battels gotten the better hand over them, even at home in their own country, brought the whole nation by composition under the obedience, and disarmed them: but because in the delivery of their armor, they dealt not boundly and faithfully, and should have been chastised therefore, they abandoned their villages, & fled to the mountain *Agænes*; whither the Consul pursued them hard at heels: howbeit, being disbanded and scattered again, and most of them disarmed, they fled into the valley through places where no wayes led, and over broken and cragged steep rocks, whereas the enemies could not possibly follow after, and to passed the other side of *Apennine*. But as many as kept still within their hold, were beset round about and overthrown. Then were the legions led to the further side of *Apennine*, where the enemies for a time while, defended themselves by the height of the place, but soon they yielded. Then was their armor sought for with more care and diligence then before, and they were disarmed and stripped of all. After this, was the war diverted and before turned wholly upon the Apuan Ligurians, who had to overrun the territories of *Pise* and *Bolonia*, that they could not be manured and tilled. The Consul having subdued them also, granted peace unto the borderers: and now that he had brought the province into quietness and rest, to the end that his soldiers should not be idle and do nothing, he made a cauley or street-way from *Bononia* to *Arretium*.

The other Consul M. Emilius, set on fire the villages, and wasted the lands of the Ligurians, as well in the campaign fields as the valleys, when the inhabitants themselves were retired into the two mountains *Alfisa* & *Suifmontium* which they held. Afterwards he assailed them also who had taken the hills afore said, and first wearied them with light skirmishes; afterwards, he forced them to descend into the plain, and there in a set battell vanquished them: in which conflict he vowed a temple to *Diana*. Thus having subdued all on this side *Apennine*, he then set upon those that dwelt beyond the mountain; among whom were the Frinians Ligurians, (so far as to whom C. Flaminius went not): all those, Emilius, subdued despoiled them of their armour, he forced the multitude of them to forsake the mountains and come down into the plains. After he had quieted the Ligurians, he led his army into the country of the Gauls, and made an high way from *Plautia* to *Ariminum*, so as it met with the cauley *Flaminiæ*: and in the last battell, wherein he fought with banners displayed against the Ligurians, he vowed a temple to *Queen Iuno*. And these were the exploits for that year, in Liguria.

M. Prius the Pretor in Gaul, seeking in time of peace for some pretence and colour of war, had taken from the Cenomans their armour notwithstanding they were innocent and did no harm. The Cenomans made complaint hereof at Rome to the Senat, and were put unto the Consul Emilius, unto whom the Senat had directed a commission of oier and determiner. After great debate with the Pretor, they overthrew him in the action, and had their armour delivered unto them again: and so the Pretor was commanded to give over his government and depart out of the province.

After this, the Embassadors of the Latin nation, who assembled and resorted in great number out of all parts of Latium, had audience given them in the Senat. These complained, that the great multitude of their own natural citizens, were removed and gone to inhabit in Rome, and there were enrolled: whereupon a commission was granted to Q. Terentius Calles the Pretor, to make search for such: and look how many of them those Latins allies could prove to have been enrolled (either themselves or their fathers) in any City or corporation of theirs, either at the time that C. Claudius and M. Livius were Censors, or after their Censorship, to force those to return thither again, where they had been entred or matriculated. By vertue of this inquisition, to the number of 13000 Latins returned home again into their own country: for now the City of Rome was overcharged and pestered with a multitude of strangers and forreiners.

Before that the Consuls repaired to Rome, M. Fulvius the Proconul returned out of *Etolia* who, after he had discomfited his exploits performed in *Etolia* and *Cephalonia*, before the Senat assembled in the temple of *Apollo*, requested of the LL. to judge it meet and requirer, and accordingly to grant and ordain, that praise and thanksgiving might be rendered unto the immortal gods, and himself allowed to triumph, for that he had so well and happily managed the affairs of the common-weal. Then stepped forth M. Aburius a Tribune of the Commons, and declared openly. That in case they went about to passe any decree in that behalf, before the coming of M. Emilius the Consul, he would cross it: for that the Consul himself was minded to contradict that proceeding, and had given strict charge unto him, at what time as he took his journey to the province, that the consultation of this matter should be reserved wholly until his return home. And Fulvius (quoth he) shal lose so much time: and when the Consul himself is present in place to assent, then might the Senat move what decree it pleased them. Then answered M. Fulvius and said, If then were ignorant either of the grudge and quarrell between me and M. Emilius, or with what outrageous spirit and Kinglike choler and indignation he pursued the said enemy and variance, yet it were not a tolerable thing and to be endured, that the absence of the Consul should both impeach the honour due unto the immortal gods, and also hinder and stay the triumph

"triumph which I have so justly deserved: that a General (I say) who had so worthily achiev'd his service, and an army so victorious, should stay and give attendance without the City gates, until it pleased the Consul to return home: who no doubt of very purpose and on let purpose, upon this occasion would make show ball and take his leisure. But now considering that the enemy and heart-burning that the Consul beareth me is so noxious as it is, What could the clemency and reasonable dealing may a man look for at his hands? who taking the advantage of the time when a small number of Senators were assembled, caused an act of the Senat to passe by stealth, and entered it in the treasure house, containing thus much in effect, that *Ambra* should not be reputed as a town forced by assault, notwithstanding it were assailed with manilets and platforms: where we were driven to erect new fabrics, and plant other engines and ordnance of war after the former were consumed with fire: where we maintained fight about the walls, as well under the ground as above, for the space of 15 daies together: where after that the souldiers had scaled and gained the walls, the conflict endured not withstanding a long time doubtfull, from morning to night: and where were slain above 3000 enemies. Now as touching the sacrilege committed after the City was forced) in spoiling the churches of the immortal gods what a slander think ye, hath he raised of me? what a matter hath he made thereof, and how he hath informed the Pontifics and Bishops? unless a man would say, that lawfull it was not for the City of *Rome* to be garnished & beautified with the ornaments of *Syracusa* & other Cities won by force: but the law of war extended it to this only City of *Ambra*? I beseech you therefore the LL of the Senat, yea, and I request the Tribuns, not to suffer me to be mocked and abused by a most insolent and proud adversary. Then at all hands they dealt with the Tribune, some intreated him, other rebuked and blamed him: but the speech of *Tib. Gracchus* (one of his colleagues) moved him most of all others: who shewed, that it was no good precedent and example, that men should maintain and follow their own privat quarrels in time of magistracy and publick government, but a shamefull matter and a foul indignity it was, and much becoming the Tribuns of the Commons and their sacred laws, that a Tribune should be Proßer to other men and prosecute their actions and enemies. Men ought (qd. he) according to their own discretion and judgment, either to love or hate the persons, to like or dislike the cause: not to depend and hang upon the countenance and beck of others, not to be carried to and fro with the wills, pleasure, and appetites of other men. As for the Tribune of the Commons here, he accordseth and taketh part with a choleric and tefty Consul, and remembereth well what *M. Emilius* left with him in privat charge: but forgetteth altogether that the Tribuneship was committed unto him by the people of *Rome*: committed I say, and put into his hands for to assit privat persons, and to maintain their liberties, and not to uphold the Kinglike rule and a royalty of a Consul. Never seeth he thus much before him, that it will be, written another day in the Annals and yearly Chronicles, that of two Commoner Tribuns in the same fellowship and society, one for the love of the Common-wealth renounced and gave over his own privat displeasure and enmity to a particular person, and the other to rage as it were by way of Commission, to pursue the quarrell of another man. The Tribune should endure no longer these rebukes and checks, and therefore departed out of the temple: then the Pretor *Ser. Sulpitius* propounded the bill the second time; and so a triumph was granted to *M. Fulvius*. Who after he had rendered great thanks to the LL of the Senat, added moreover and said, that the very day wherein he forced the City *Ambra*, he had by vow promised, to the honor of *Jupiter Opt. Max.* for to exhibit the great and solemne Rom. games. And to that effect the Cities of *Greece* had contributed towards the charges, a hundred pound weight in gold: his petition was therefore, that the Senat would ordain that out of that mass of money which he was to carry and shew in triumph, and meant to bestow and lay up in the City Treasury, the said sum of gold might be sequestered and reserved apart for the proper use abovevamed. The Senat commanded, that the Colledge of the Prelats and Priests in this cause should be consulted with, and their advice demanded, whether they thought it necessary that so much gold should be spent and consumed in the charges of the said games? The Prelats made answer again, that it was not materiall to relegion and to the service of the gods, to how great a great reckoning soever the charges of the games should arise. Whereupon the Senat permitted *Fulvius* to defray what he would himself, so as it exceeded not the sum of 80000 [Ales]. He had propoled to triumph in the month of *January*, but hearing that *Emilius* the Consul (who was advertised by letters, that *Ambra* the Tribune of the Commons had renounced and let fall his opposition which he commended) was coming in proper person to *Rome*, only for to hinder the triumph, and it laid by the way sick; he prevented the day, for fear he should have had more anger and trouble in his triumph, then during his war. So upon the 22 day of *December* he triumphed over the *Ætolians* and *Cephalens*. Before his chariot there were born 100 crowns of gold, weighing 12 pound apiece: of silver 83000 pound weight: of gold 243 pound weight: of Attick Tetradrachms 118000: of Philip peeces of gold coin 1242: images of brass 85: of marble 230. Likewise of armor, as well defensive as offensive, and other spoil of the enemies, an huge deal besides Catapults, Balists, and other engines and peeces of battery. Moreover, there went before him 27 captives either *Ætolians* and *Cephalens*, or else under King *Antiochus*, left by him in those parts. The same day before that he entered into the City, he bestowed in the cirque *Flaminium* many military gifts upon many colonels, captains, horlemen and centurions, as well Romans as allies. Generally to all the footmen he gave out of the pillage 25 Denarii apiece: twice as much to the centurions, and threefold to horlemen.

Now

Now approached the time of the solemne assembly for the election of Consuls, and because *M. Emilius* long lot it was to be president thereof, could not be present at the day, *C. Flaminius* was come of purpose to *Rome*. By whom were created Consuls *Sp. Posthumius Albinus*, and *Q. Marcius Philippus*. After that were Pretors elected, to wit, *T. Manius*, *P. Cornelius Sulla*, *C. Calpurnius Piso*, *M. Licinius Lucullus*, *C. Aurelius Scævus*, and *L. Quinctius Crispinus*. In the end of the said year, after the magistrats were thus created, *Cn. Manlius Vulsus*, the third day before the Nones of *March*, triumphed over the Gauls who inhabit *Asia*. The cause why he triumphed so late, was for that he would avoid making his answer (according to the act of *Pesinus*) whyles *Q. Terentius Culleo* was Pretor, fearing he should burn in the flame of the same sentence and judgment whereby *L. Scipio* had been condemned, or lest the flame of another mans judgment, I mean the sentence whereby *L. Scipio* had been condemned, would have been too hot for him, and caught hold of him likewise: considering that the jury and enquest were more incensed and provoked against him then *Scipio*; for that he succeeding after him, had spoiled and marred with all kind of licentious looseness, the military discipline, which *Scipio* had observed most precisely and severely. Neither was he noted and touched in name for those things only which by bare hearsay were reported to have been done in the province, far remote from the view of men, but also those particular instances to be seen daily in the demeanor of his souldiers. For verily the forein excess and strange superfluities took beginning from the Asian army, who brought all with them into the City. They were the first with in *Rome* that took up the use of brazen tables of rich counterpoints, carpets, cupboord-cloths, hangings and curtains of sundry kinds of tyflue. Likewise of one footed standing tables, buffers and cupboords, which in those daies were counted magnificent and stately moveables. Then came up the manner of having at bankers fingering miniken jettlers, and such as could play upon the dulcimers or other instruments of musick, with dancers, jettlers and other pastimes and delightful pleasures and fits of mirth at the table. Then began the board to be furnished and set out with more exquisite & deinty viands, and of greater expence. Then Cooks, who in old time were reputed the most contemptible slaves, as well for calling as estimation, as for the use they were put unto, came to be in great request: and that which before time was a mechanical kind of manual service, grew now to be accounted a science of deep skill and understanding. And yet all these things that then bare so great a shew, were scarce so much as small seeds and slips, to the excessive superfluities that were to ensue.

Well, *Cn. Manlius* carried in triumph two hundred crowns of masie beaten gold, weighing twelve pound a peece: of silver 220000 pound weight: of gold 2103 pound weight: of Attick Tetradrachms 127000: of Cistophors 250000: of Philip golden peeces 16320. Also much armor there was and spoils of Gauls carried in shew upon wagons: and 52 captains of enemies were led before his own chariot. Amongst the souldiers he gave a donative of 4 denarii apiece, he doubled the fame to every centurion. Also to every footman he gave double pay, and to every horleman triple. Many there were of all States and degrees, whom he rewarded with military presents for especial service, and those followed next after the chariot. The souldiers chanted such songs and sonnets, as a man might easily see they were compoled to feed the humor of a General desirous of glory, and one that made much of his souldiers especially; whereby his triumph was more honored with the affectionate favour of them, then otherwise recommended and celebrated with the hearty love of the people. Howbeit the friends of *Manlius* served him in good stead to win the good will of them also through whole solliciting & earnest endeavour, there passed an act of the Senat, that out of that money which had been shewed in triumph, there should be repaid unto the people that subsidy which had been levied among them for souldiers pay, and not yet contented back again. So the Treasurers of the City made true and faithfull payment with all diligence of 25 asses and d. in every thousand [for the loan.]

About the same time two Colonels came out of both provinces of *Spain*, with letters from *C. Catinus* and *L. Manlius* the governors there: by which letters intelligence was given, that the *Celiberians* and *Lusitans* were in arms, wasting and spoiling the lands of the Rom. confederats. The Senat referred the entire consultation of this matter to the new Magistrates. During the time of the Roman games that year which *P. Cornelius Cethegus*, and *Anulus Posthumius Albinus* represented, a certain mast or high pole which stood not fast in the shew place called *Circus maximus*, fell down upon the image of *Pollentia*, and overthrow it to the ground. The LL hereupon made some scruple in conscience, and ordeined, that the solemnity of those games should continue one day longer, and caused two images to be let up for that one, and that the new should be all gilt. Likewise the Plebeian plaies were renewed one day more, by the Ediles, *C. Sempronius Blasus* & *M. Furius Lælius*. The year following averted the Consuls *Sp. Posthumius Albinus*, & *M. Marcius Philippus* from the army, from the regard I say of wars and government of provinces abroad, to the punishment of a certain intestine conspiracy at home. The Pretors last costs for their provinces, *T. Manius* had the jurisdiction of the citizens, and *M. Licinius Lucullus* between citizens & strangers. Unto *C. Aurelius Scævus* fell the governance of *Sardinia*, and to *P. Cornelius Sulla* of *Sicily*: *L. Quinctius Crispinus* was assigned to the latter *Spain*, and *P. Calpurnius Piso* to the former. Both Consuls were enjoined to make inquisition into secret conspiracies within the City.

There was a certain Grecian of base degree and condition, who came first in *Hetturia*: a man not endued with any of those arts, whereof the nation (of all others most learned) hath brought many unto us, as well for the erudition of our minds, as the trimming of our bodies: but a scri-  
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"had it been, if they could have rested so, and become only effeminate by their own unchaste impiety (for that had redounded most to their proper shame and dishonour) and not have abused their hands to practice mischief, and busied their brains to contrive fraud and deceit. But never was there in Commonwealth either so great and dangerous a malady, as touching more persons, or reaching to farther matters of greater consequence. For worst yet well this, that all the sinful parts committed for these late years, were it filthy lust, crafty cozening, or any wickedness whatsoever, proceeded & sprung out of this one ungracious chappel and place of counterfeit holiness, and no other. Yet have they not put in practice all their mischiefs, which they have most curiously completed and iorn to execute. Hitherto their impious & detestable conspiracy hath broken out, and passed no further than to invade and oppress the Commonwealth. Howbeit the evil increased, and the malady spreadeth further daily, and by this time is grown so much, as it will not contain within the private fortune and condition of particular persons, but threatneth the very main State of the Commonwealth. And unless (Quirites) ye take order to prevent it, these night-congregations may soon be as frequent and great as this present assembly, summoned by order of Law and commandment of the Consul in the open day time. Now are they (singled by themselves apart) afraid of you, when they see you thus all assembled together, but so loon as you are retired either to your houses within the City, or farms in the country, & by that means severed asunder, they will surely meet together; devile they will and consult both to save themselves, and also to ruin and destroy you at once. Then take heed to your selves; then shall you (singled one from another) be in dread and danger of them all in general. It behoveth therefore every one of you to desire and wish that all they who belong any way unto your charge be well and well given. Then, if either fleshly lust or furious rage, have drawn & haled any one of them headlong into that gulph and sink of sin, to hold such a person to be of their crew, with whom he hath thus sworn and devoted himself to all sin and abominable wickedness, and not reckon him of your own retinue and train any more. Moreover, careless I am not of your own persons in this behalf, that none of you should be seduced and led away with error. For nothing is there in the world, that deceiveth more under fair semblance, than false religion. For when the name of Majesty of the gods is pretended to cover and colour naughtiness, suddenly there entereth into our mind a scrupulous awe, which doth captivate and possess our conscience, for fear lest in chastising and punishing human trespasses, we violate and offend some divine right and power. therewith. But of this scrupulosity discharged ye are, by an infinite number of Pontifical decrees, & acts of the Senate, yea, and answers of divine Sages and Soothsayers. For how many a time and often in the daies of our fathers and grandfathers, hath commission been granted to the Magistrates, To restrain and forbid expressly all forrain sacrifices and strange liturgies? To chase & banish all odd hedges, Priests, Tellers of Fortune, and Magicians out of the common place, out of the show place and theatre, yea, and quite out of the City? To search out all their books of Magic and Prophecies, and to let a fire on them? Lastly, to abolish all other order and manner of sacrificing, but according to the Canon, form, and order of Rome? For they judged (wise men as they were, and deeply seen in all divine and humane laws) nothing so forcible to ruin and overthrow religion, as when divine service is celebrated after some strange and forrain fashion, and not according to the ancient custome of the place. Thus much I thought good by way of caveat to foretell you of to the end that no superstitious opinion should trouble your spirits when you shall see us to demolish and overthrow the Bacchanals, and scatter their unlawful assemblies. For all this will we do with the good leave, favour, and grace of the gods. Who being highly offended to see their divinity and godhead thus polluted with wicked and abominable filchiness, have discovered the same lying hid in darkness, and brought it to light: neither in their wisdom and providence, was it their will and pleasure, that such enormities thus detected should remain unpunished, but be suppressed and extinguished for ever. Now hath the Senate directed out unto me and my Colleague an extraordinary commission and warrant to make due inquisition hereinto: by virtue whereof, for our parts will accomplish our charge accordingly with all diligence and expedition. As for the night-watch throughout the City, we have given order already to the inferior Magistrats to look unto it. Likewise, meet and reason it is, that every one of you according to his place and calling, quit himself well in whatsoever shall be imposed and laid upon him: and especially to endeavour and prevent that no danger or mutiny arise by the maliciousness of those that are culpable and offenders. Then the Consuls commanded the acts of the Senate in this behalf to be read openly: they propounded and promised also rewards to all informers, that either convicted and brought before them any such persons, or presented their names, if they were absent and out of the way. And look whosoever were thus nominated and fled upon it, they would assign him a certain day to make his appearance: upon which day, if he answered not to his name when he was called, he should be condemned notwithstanding his absence. And if any of their names were presented, who hapned at the time of the information to be without the land of Italy, he should have a longer term let down to come in and make his answer. After this, they published an Edict, forbidding (left any one should be desirous to sell or buy ought tending to flight and departure) to receive, conceal, aid, or maintain by any means those that were about to flee. After the assembly of the people dismissed, great fear there was over all the City: neither was it contained within the walls, liberties, and territory only

of Rome; but in all parts of Italy, they began to quake and tremble for fear; and namely, after that letters came from their friends, acquaintances, touching the ordinance of the Senate, the solemn assembly of the people, and the Edict of the Consuls aforesaid. The next night following that day (wherein this matter was thus declared openly in audience before the people) many would gladly have started aside and been gone, but apprehended they were and brought back again by the Tribunirs, who had set a good watch at every gate. Many prebents were made, and certain persons thus presented, as well men as women, killed them selves. It is reported that there were found in this conspiracy of both sexes one with another above eleven thousand, the principal heads were known for certain to be *M. and L. Calpurnius*, Romans both, and by calling not so good as Senators: *L. Opiterius* of *Falerii*, and *Minus Cerrinius* a Campane. These were the ring-leaders of the rest, from them arose all mischief and villany whatsoever: these were the chief Priests (forsooth) and the founders of this religion. To apprehend their persons with all speed, no possible means were neglected. And when they were brought before the Consuls, they confessed all, and for any less in them, they might presently have been condemned. But such a number there was of them who fled out of the City, that because the actions and goods of many men hereby were in danger to be lost and perished, the Prators *T. Manius* and *M. Lucinius* were constrained by the Senate to give thirty daies respite and delay for the pleas, until such time as the Consuls went through with their inquisition. By occasion of the same infrequency (for that they whose names were prebent, neither made answer nor could be found) the Consuls were enforced to hide their circuit about market towns and places of resort, and there to hold Assises and Sessions for to make inquisitions; and justicially to proceed in sentence against the offenders. As many as they found to be only enticed, and to have taken orders, namely, such as according to a certain form of words ended and prompted by the Priests, had made their prayers saying after him (in which was contained a detestable sacrilegious oath that they took to commit all wicked acts and heathly filchiness, and yet notwithstanding had offered and done no such act either in their own persons, or in others, to which they were obliged by oath) those I say they let still in prison and durance. But such as were defiled with filchiness, of sin polluted with bloody murders, such as were attaint and stained with hearing false witnesses, with forging and spoiling of wills and testaments, with counterfeiting of seals, and other such cozening calls, those they executed with loss of life, and the number of them that thus were put to death surmounted those other that suffered only imprisonment. But a wondrous multitude there was of both sorts the one and the other, and thence as well women as men. As many of the women as were condemned they committed over to their next kinsfolk, or to those guardians, under whole tuition and subjection they were, that they might themselves privately at home punish them accordingly. But if there were none to be found meet to do this execution, then they suffered publicly abroad in the face of the world. After this, a commission was granted to the Consuls, for to overthrow and pull down first at Rome, and then throughout Italy, all the images of these Bacchanals, unless in any of them there stood some old altar or image consecrated. And for the time to come, by an act of the Senate a prohibition went out, that there should be no Bacchanals any more either in Rome or in Italy. Moreover, if any person made some confession of this religion, and held it for a devout, solemn, and necessary institution, and protested before the Prator of the City, that he could not lay away the same without prick, remorse, and clog of conscience: then the said Prator was to put the cause in question before the Senate, and if the Senate (assembled in no less frequency than one hundred) would allow and permit the same, then might the party solemnize that devotion and divine service: provided always, that there were not above five persons present thereat, to assist him nor any common silver to be used in the ministry. Nor Offer-master nor Priest. Over and besides, another act of the Senate there was joynt unto this, and the same moved by the Consul *Q. Manius*. That as touching those persons whom the Consul had for the informers and revealers of this matter, the full authority in disposing of them, should be wholly referred to the Senate, so soon as *Sp. Posthumius* had finished his inquisition, and was returned to Rome. As for *Cerrinius* the Campane, they ordained that he should be sent to *Ardea* there to lie in prison, and that the Magistrats of *Ardea* should have a charge given them beforehand to look to their prisoner more straightly, that neither he brake prison and made escape, nor yet might have means and opportunity to make himself away. After a certain time *Sp. Posthumius* came to Rome again, and when he put to question before the Senate, concerning the reward of *P. Ebutius*, and *Hippala Fessenia*, for that by their means the Bacchanals were disclosed, there passed an act and decree, That the Treasurers of the City should deliver unto them out of the City Chamber 100000 asces apiece. Also that the Consuls should deal with the Tribunes of the Commons for to prefer a bill unto the people, as soon as possibly they might, that *P. Ebutius* for ever might be exempt from soldiery, and have his pension and fee, as if he had accomplished his term of service by law required, so as he neither were compelled to go to war against his will, nor the Censors should assign unto him a publicke horse for service. Moreover, that *Fessenia Hippala* might have the liberty and power to make a deed of gift or alienation of her goods unto whom she pleased, yea, and spend the same, and do therewith what she thought good. Item, That she might be wedded out of her own family into what house she would her self, and make choice of her tutor and patron to her own liking and contentment, as if her husband by his will and testament had so ordained and set down. Item, That she might be wedded to one of frank condition or freeborn, and that he who had espoused and married her,

should not thereby sustain discredit, or receive damage. Finally, that not only the Coss. and Prætors should now in place, but also those hereafter to come, should provide and take order that no wrong be done to that woman, but secure her from all harm. This the Senat. judged meet and requir. to be done. All these things were likewise propounded unto the Com. and executed according to the ordinance of the Senat. Finally as touching both the impunity and also the recompence of order the Informers, it was referred to the discretion of the Cossuls.

By this time *Q. Martius* also having finished the inquisition in his circuit and quarter, made preparation to go into his Province of *Liguria*, after he had received for to supply and make up his legions 3000 foot, and 150 horsemen Romans, besides 5000 footmen and 200 horse of Laus. The same Province with the like number as well of horse as foot, was decreed likewise unto his companion in government. Those armies they took charge of which the former year *C. Flaminius* and *M. Emilius* the Coss. had: moreover, by an act of the Senat. enjoyed they were to enroll two new legions besides: and withall they levied of the Latine allies 3000 foot, and 300 horse: 3000 footmen also and 200 horsemen Romans. All these forces (setting aside the legions) it was thought good to be led to furnish out the army in *Spain*. And therefore the Coss. while they were thoughts good to be led to furnish out the army in *Spain*. And therefore the Coss. while they were themselves in person occupied about the foreland inquisitions, gave commission to *T. Manius* for to take the matters. And when those enquests were performed and done as is before said *Q. Martius* took his journey first of the twin towards the Aprians in *Liguria*. But while in eager pursuit of them he engaged himself into the sea and blind pines, wherein at all times they had their lurking retreats and places of late retreat: within those streights and passages which the enemies had seized before, he was environed by them in a place of great disadvantage: where he lost 4000 soldiers, with three ensignes of the se. and legion, and eleven banners of the L. time allies with all taken by the enemies. Also much armour and many weapons were thrown away there and there, by reason that they were unembred therewith as they fled through the woodypaths of the forest: neither did the Ligurians give over their chase, before that the Romans ended their flight. The Consul for so soon as he was escaped out of the enemies territory sent his army away to divers parts of the peaceable country to the end, that it might not be seen, how much his loss were enquired. yet could not he for all that suppress and smother the bruit that was blown abroad of his unfortunat journey, nor cancel the remembrance of the overthrow: for ever first, the forest out of which the Ligurians hunted him was called, The streights of *Martius*. Alittle before the news of the affairs in *Liguria*, the letters out of *Spain* were read, containing follow. That *C. Cæcilius* (who two years before went as Prætor into that Province) fought a field with the Lusitan in the territory of *Alba*, where 6000 enemies fell upon the sword: and the rest were discomfited put to flight and driven out of their camp. Afterwards, he conducted his legions to the flank of the town *Alba*, which he forced and won, with no greater ado than before he gained their camp. But as he approached near the walls and took no good heed to himself, he was wounded, and of his hurt within few daies died. Upon the reading of these letters (importing the death of the Pro-Prætor) the Senat. was of advice to dispatch a messenger (to overtake the Prætor *C. Calpurnius*) as far as the port of *Luna*, and give him to understand from the Senat. that their advice was he should make all the haste he could in his journey, to the end, that the Province might not be without a governor there to command. The courier which was sent, within four daies arrived at *Luna*: and but few daies before, *Calpurnius* was departed and had put himself in his journey.

Moreover, *L. Manlius Acidnus* (who was gone into his Province at the same time that *C. Cæcilius* went) struck a battell likewise with the Celtiberians in the higher Province of *Spain*, which they departed on both sides out of the field with doubtful victory (save only that the Celtiberians the next night following dislodged and removed from thence: whereby the Romans had liberty and time both to inter their dead, and to gather up the spoils of their enemies. And within few daies after the same Celtiberians having raised a more puissant army, of themselves gave the Romans battell near the City *Calagurris*. It is not set down in the history, what should be the cause why they were the weaker, considering their number was re-enforced: but foiled they were in fight and had the overthrow. Of the enemies there died upon 12000: and not so few as 2000 taken prisoners: and the Romans likewise were Masters of the camp. And had not *Manlius* been enmeshed and restrained in this train of victory (which he hotly followed by the coming of *Calpurnius* his successor in government, the Celtiberians had been utterly subdued, The new Prætors withdrew both armiesto their winning harbors.

At the same time that these news came out of *Spain*, the plaies called *Taurilia* were exhibited two daies together, in honour of the gods. And after them, *M. Fulvius* set out (with great furniture in sumptuous manner for the space of ten daies) his plaies which he had vowed in the Ætolian war. And for to do him honour, and grace this solemnity, many cunning actors and players came out of *Greece*. This was the first time that there was represented at *Rome* the shew of champions and wrestlers for the best game: then also was exhibited the pastime of hunting and baiting Lions and Panthers: and in one word, these sports were celebrated with as great magnificence and variety almost as the modern pastimes and games in these daies. After all this, was holden a Novendiall feast: during which, there was much sacrificing, and all by occasion that for three daies it rained stones in the Picene country: and because it was reported, that the lightning in divers places, and in sundry sorts, had blasted and lightly singed the garments especially of many folk.

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A To the said feast, there was adjoined a supplication of one day, ordained by a decree of the Pontifices, for that the Chappel of the goddess *Ops* (standing in the Capitol) was smitten with a thunderbolt. In regard of these prodiges, the Coss. procured expiation by sacrificing greater beasts, and so they purged and hallowed the City. At the same time word was brought out of *Æthiopia*, that there was an Hemaphrodite or Scat found almost twelve years old. This was held for a detestable monster: and therefore order was given, that it should be kept out of the territory of *Rome*, and killed out of hand.

The same year, certain Gauls from beyond the *Alps* passed into the territory of *Venice*, without foraging, spoiling, and using any hostility: and not far from the place where as now *Aquileia* standeth, they seized upon a plot of ground to build a City in. Certain Roman Embassadors were sent about this matter beyond the *Alps*: where they received this intelligence and answer from the inhabitants of the country, That neither those Gauls took that voyage and expedition by authority and warrant from the whole nation, neither knew they what they did in *Italy*.

*Scipio* likewise about the same time, set out his plaies for ten daies together: for which he said, that he had made a vow during the time of the war against *Antiochus*: & he desired the charges thereof with the money contributed unto him by divers KK. and States for that purpose. *Valerius Antius* writeth, that after he was condemned, and his goods confiscated and sold, he was sent in Embassage unto *Asia*, for to take up certain controversies and differences between the two KK. *Antiochus* and *Eumenes*: and then it was (saith he) that the said contribution was made, and many skillful artificers and plaies gathered unto him out of all *Asia*: and in the end, after this Embassage, he moved the Senat. for these games, because he had made no mention nor words at all of them after the said war: by occasion whereof (by *Valerius* his saying) he vowed them.

The year being now at an end, *Q. Martius* in his absence was to leave his Magistracy: & *Q. Posthumus* having late upon the inquisition afore said, and with all fidelity and carefull diligence that might be brought it to an end, held the solemn assembly for election of Magistrats: wherein were chosen Coss. *Ap. Claudius Pulcher* & *M. Sempronius Tuditanus*. And the morrow after were elected for Prætors, *P. Cornelius Cethegus*, *A. Posthumus Albinus*, *C. fructus Stello*, *C. Atillius Serranus*, *L. Posthumus Tempellanus*, & *M. Claudius Marcellus*. At the yeirs end upon the relation of *Sp. Posthumus* the Coss. that in his visitation about the enquests afore said, as he rode along the sea coasts of *Italy* on both sides, he found certain Colonies dispeopled and delolate, to wit, *Sipontum* upon the Adriatick sea, and *Buxentum* upon the *Tuscan*. *T. Manius* the City Prætor (by virtue of an act of the Senat. in that behalf) created three Commissaries, called *Trimvirs*, for to enroll and plant new inhabitants there, namely, *L. Scribonius Libo*, *M. Tullius*, and *Co. Babius Tamphilus*.

The war against King *Perseus* and the Macedonians, which now was a breeding, arose not upon that cause & occasion which most men imagine, nor yet from *Perseus* himself: for the first ground-work thereof was laid by *Philip*, who if he had lived longer, would have been seen in open action. One thing there was above the rest which stung him, at what time as the Romans imposed conditions upon him after he was vanquished, to wit, That the Senat. laid a bar for to be revenged of those Macedonians who had revolted from him: which he despaird not but it had been possible to have obtained at their hands, considering that *Quintus* in the capitulations of peace, reserved that point entire and excepted not against it. Now afterwards, when *Antiochus* was defeated in the battell of *Thermopyle*, and that both *Philip* & the Coss. entered upon the severall exploits: *Antiochus* went in hand to assault *Heraclea*, and *Philip* at the same time the City of *Lania*. *Heraclea* was no sooner forced, but *Philip* had commandment to levy his siege before *Lamia*, and the town was yielded to the Romans: and this he took to the heart. Howbeit the Coss. appeared his challenger to the time, in that making haste in person to *Naupactum* (unto which town the Ætolians after their rout were retired) he suffered *Philip* to war upon *Athamania* and *Aminander*: to adjoin also and lay unto his kingdom those Cities which the Ætolians had taken from the Thessalians. Now had *Philip* chased *Aminander* out of *Athamania*, and won certain Cities without any great ado, *Demetria* also (a strong City of great importance, and very commodious for all things) together with the nation of the Magnes he brought under his obedience. After this, he forced certain towns in *Asia*, which were troubled with the seditious variance of their principal and great personages, by reason that they knew not how to use their new liberty, wherewith they had not been acquainted: he won those Cities (I say) by taking part with those, who in this civil diffention were the weaker, and otherwise would have gone to the walls. By these means the wrath of the King against the Romans was well allied for the present: nevertheless, he ceased not all the time of peace to bethink how he might gather more strength, and be able to war again, whensoever any good occasion should be presented unto him. He encreased therefore the revenues of the Crown, not only by raising taxes out of all the fruits of the earth, and setting impoft and customs upon all merchandise brought into his Realm by sea from forraign parts: but also revived the rents & issues of the old mines which had discontinued, yea, & in many places ordained new. Moreover, to replenish his country, which by many calamities following wa, was dispeopled, he not only took order that his subjects should multiply by forcing them to breed, and bring up children, but also translated a great multitude of Thracians into *Macedony*: and for a good time wherein he was in repose and rest from the war, he bent his whole mind, and employed all his study how to make himself great, and augment the puissance of his kingdom. Then old matters and quarrels were renewed, which might whear his Romack, and kindle his anger against

the Romans. For the complaints which the Theſſalians and the Perrethians made for that their Cities were by him poſſeſſed, likewise thoſe grievances which the Embaſſadors of King Eumenes laid abroad touching the Thracian Towns, which he ſeized and held by force, were heard by the Romans; ſo as it evidently appeared, that they neglected them not. But that which moved the Senat moſt, was this, That they had intelligence how he intended to be Lord of *Ænus* and *Maronea*: as for the Theſſalians, they took leſs regard of them. Moreover, there came the Embaſſadors of *Atthania*, who complained not for the loſs of ſome part of their territory, nor that the emperor croached upon their frontiers, but that all *Atthania* full and whole, was reduced under the ſubjection and jurisdiction of the King. The baniſhed perſons alſo of *Maronea*, who had been chaced out of the City by the Kings garriſon (for that they ſtood in defence and maintenance of liberty) made relation, that not only *Maronea* was in the hands of Philip, but the City of *Ænus* alſo. Like wiſe there came Embaſſadors from Philip, to purge him of all theſe matters laid to their charge, who averred, That their King and Maſter had done nothing but by commiſſion and warrant from the Roman General. They pleaded and alleged, that the caſe of the Theſſalian, Perrethian, and Magnesian Cities yea, and the whole nation of *Atthania* together with *Aminander*, was all one with the *Etolians*: namely, That after *Antiochus* the King was chaced and expelled, the Col, himſelf being employed and occupied in beſieging the City of *Etolia*, ſent Philip to recover the States aboveſaid, which being vanquiſhed in war, were now ſubject unto him. Hereupon the Senat, becauſe they would not determine and ſet down any thing in the abſence of the King, ſent three Delegates or Commiſſioners, to decide theſe controversies, to wit, *Q. Acilius Metellus*, *M. Babius Tampilus*, and *T. Sempronius*. Upon whole arrival, there was publiſhed a general Diete of all thoſe States that were at difference with the King to be holden at *Tempe* in *Theſſaly*. When they were all ſet there in council, the Roman Legats, as umpires and judges, the Theſſalians, Perrethians, and Athamans as plaintiffs and accuſers, and Philip as defendant to hear and receive the challenges and accuſations againſt him; the chief Embaſſadors from the ſaid Cities, pleaded againſt Philip bitterly or mildly, more or leſs, according to the ſeveral diſpoſition of their natures, and the proportion either of affectionate favour or malicious hatred which they bare to him. Now all the queſtion and debate touching *Philippopolis*, *Tricca*, *Phaloria*, *Eurymena*, and other towns about them was this: Whether thoſe pieces, conſidering the *Etolians* won and held them by force (& well known it was, that Philip had taken them from the *Etolians*) belonged in right to the Theſſians, or appertained of old time to the *Etolians*? for *Acilius* had granted them unto the K, upon theſe conditions, namely, if they were any of the appurtenances of the *Etolians*, and if they combined and took part with the *Etolians* willingly of their own accord, and not by conſtraint and force of arms. Upon like terms ſtood the controverſie of the Perrethian and Magnesian towns. For the *Etolians* had brought a confuſion in all their tenures, by reaſon that they held and poſſeſſed thoſe Cities, by taking their vantage upon divers occaſions. Beſides theſe ſubſtantial points properly to be decided, the Theſſalians came in with their complaints alſo: For that thoſe towns (in caſe they were out of hand delivered unto them, yet) he ſhould render them ſpoiled, naked, and deſolate. For over and beſides thoſe who miſcarried by caſualty of war, Philip had carried away into *Macedony* 500, even the principall flower of their youth, and abuſed them like ſlaves, in putting them to baſe miniſteries & ſervile drudgeries, and look what ſervice by compulſion he redelivered to the Theſſalians, he had taken order afore that they ſhould be good for nothing. As for example (ſay they) *Thebes* in *Phthia*, the only maritime City for much traffick and merchandiſe, was in times paſt gainful and commodious to the Theſſalians, and brought them great revenues and profits. But Philip had turned the ſtaple and all the trade and negotiation by ſea from thence to *Demetrias*, and having got hulks and hoys, cauſed them to baulk and paſs by *Thebes*, and direct their courſe for *Demetrias*. Nay, he could not ſo much as hold his hands from evil entreating their Embaſſadors, who by law of nations are inviolable. For he forelaid them in ambuſh, as they were in their journey to *T. Q. Minus*, by which means the Theſſalians all in general were ſo over-awed by him, and put in ſuch fear, that there is not a man amongst them dare open his mouth, either in their own Cities, or in any of the Dietes and Councils of the whole nation. For why? their patrons of whom they hold their liberty are far off, but an impetuous Lord they have that ſitteth ever on their ſkirts, and pricketh them continually in the ſides, and will not ſuffer them to uſe and enjoy the benefits granted them by the people of *Rome*. For take away from them the liberty of ſpeech once, what freedom have they left? And even at this preſent for all the aſſurance and confidence they have in the privilege of Embaſſadors, they rather ſigh and groan out their words, than ſpeak frankly, and parley with liberty. And unleſs the Romans provide better in ſome good ſort, that both the Greeks remain ſtill in *Macedony*, may be void of fear, and Philip alſo curbed and kept ſhort for being ſo bold, it will be to no purpoſe at all, that either he was vanquiſhed, or they enfranchiſed. He is therefore to be held in with a rougher and harder bit in his mouth, like an headſtrong and unſuly horſe, that that will not be ruled with a gentle ſnaſſe. In this ſharp and eager manner dealt the laſt, where- as the former had uſed fair language to appeale and mollifie his anger, beſeeching his grace to pardon them in caſe they ſpoke their minds for their liberty, to lay down the rigor of a Lord and Maſter to bear himſelf like a kind ally and loving friend, & to take example of the Romans, and them to imitate, who choſe rather to gain alliots by love, than conſtrain them by fear. After audience given to the Theſſalians, the Perrethians came in place, and alleged, that *Gommedon*

“*Isa* (a City which Philip named *Olympias*) belonged in right to Perrethia; & earneſt they were, that it might be reſtored unto them. They demanded alſo to have *Amila*, and *Erinchum* again, Then the Athamans put in, and ſpoke for their liberty, and to have the ports of *Atthania* and *Pentum* reſtored unto them. Philip becauſe he would ſeem more like a plaintiff than a defendant, & to accuſe rather than to be accuſed, began himſelf alſo with complaints. He found himſelf griev'd, that the Theſſalians had won by force of arms the City *Mendae* in *Delopis*, part of the appurtenances belonging to his kingdom. Item, That the ſame Theſſalians and the Perrethians together had forced *Petra* in *Pieria*. As for *Xynia* (an *Etolian* town without all queſtion) they had indeed laid it unto his ſeignory, but *Paracelus*, which ſhould be under *Atthania*, as by no right in the world was annexed to the Theſſalians, & comprized within their charter. For as touching the matters (quoeth he) charged upon me ſo odiouſly, namely, of laying away for the Embaſſadors of frequenting thoſe port-towns or abandoning thoſe: the one is a meer mockery and ridiculous thing: namely, for me to give account what havens, merchants and mariners ſail unto or arrive at: the other is clean advetiſe & contrary to my nature & that which I never could abide to practice. For theſe many years (qd, he) Embaſſadors have never ceaſed and given over, to inform grievous matters againſt me to the Roman Generals, and to the Senat at *Rome*: and which of them ever to this day hath had ſo much as a foul word given again unto him from me? Suppoſed & objected it is that once they were torialed by the way as they were going to *Quin-* *ins*, but it is not ſaid withall what hapned unto them. This manner of dealing & accuſation is a vourth of quarrellers that ſain would have ſomewhat to lay, & it never ſo ſoſe, when they can find no matter of truth to charge a man withal. Theſe Theſſians beyond all meaſure abuſe the kindneſs & indulgence of the people of *Rome*, & taring as men who had endured a long drought, they drink over-greedily, pouring in their liberty & nothing elſe to it, and know not when to make an end, and to break their draught: Like, for all the world to bondſlaves ſuddenly let at freedom beyond their hope and expectation whole manner is to break out into broad terms and licentious language, and cannot contain but revile and rail at their very Maſters. And at laſt, in a furious fit of choier he buſt forth into theſe words, That the ſun was not ſet and gone to bed for ever, but would one day riſe again. This minatory ſpeech of his not only the Theſſians took to themſelves but the Romans alſo conſtrued as a glance at them. Upon theſe words aroſe ſome bruit and murmuring in the aſſembly, but being in the end appeaſed & ſtilled, he answered the agents for the Perrethians and Athamans in this wiſe, “That the caſe and condition of thoſe Cities for which they ſtood, was one and the ſame, namely, that the Col, *Acilius* and the Romans paſſed them unto him by a deed of gift, as having aforetime belonged to their enemies. Now if they who have given, will alſo take away the ſame, then (qd, he) I muſt needs quit my hold, & loſe them: but in ſo doing they ſhall to graſſie their ſickle, in ſonant and vain allies, men of no regard, and good for nothing, do more and manieſt wrong to a far better and more faithful friend. For nothing is there in the world more thankleſs and leſs while accepted than liberty, eſpecially with them who know nothow to uſe it, & by abuſe thereof will ſoon ſpill the grace of ſuch a benefit. Then the Roman Delegates, having heard the reaſons and allegations of both parties pronounced ſentence, That the *Macedonian* garriſons ſhould quit the Cities aboveſaid and the Realm of *Macedony* be confined within the ancient bounds and limits. As touching the injuries which they complained to have been reciprocally offered from one to another, there was a form and courſe of law to be ſet down which ſhould contain a proceſs and manner, how the matters between the *Macedonians* and the other nations might be reformed and compoſed. Hereat the King was highly offended and diſpleaſed, but the Delegates went their waies toward *Thellonia*, to viſit likewise the Cities of *Thrace*, and to hear their cauſes; where the Embaſſadors of King Eumenes made a ſpeech to this effect. “If the pleaſure of the Romans be, that the two Cities *Ænus* and *Maronea* ſhall be free, it is not for us in modeſty to ſay any more, but advertiſe & admoniſh them to leave the ſame in reall and not in verbal liberty, and not ſuffer a gift by them granted to be impeached or intercepted by another. But if they have leſs care and conſideration of the Cities and States planted in *Thrace*, yet more meet and reaſon it is, that thoſe places which ſometimes were ſubject unto *Antiochus*, ſhould fall to Eumenes rather than to Philip; by way of recompence for war-service, in regard as well of the merits of his father *Attalus* during the war againſt Philip, as of his own deſerts, who during the war with *Antiochus*, was perſonally preſent in all travels & dangers both by ſea and land. And to this effect, he hath beſides an award of the ten Delegates paſſed already before-hand, who in the grant and donation of *Cherſonneſus* & *Lyſimachia*, have no doubt given *Maronea* & *Ænus* likewise to be as dependants of a greater gift, conſidering the near vicinity and neighborhood of thoſe other Cities. For, as concerning Philip, what hath he deſerved at the hands of the people of *Rome*? What right of ſeignory can he pretend, why he ſhould plant garriſons in theſe Cities ſo far remote & diſtant as they be from the frontiers of *Macedony*? I wiſh we would call for the Maronites, and hear what they can ſay, who are able to inform you more fully and certainly in all reſpects of the whole ſtate of theſe Cities. Then were the Embaſſadors of the Maronites called in: who affirmed, “That the King had a garriſon not in one place only of their City (as he had in other Cities beſides) but in many quarters thereof at one time; ſo as *Maronea* was peſtered full with *Macedonians*. And therefore (ſay they) the Kings favorites and flatterers are they, that rule all and bear the ſway: they and none but they, may be allowed to ſpeak



"speak both in Senat at the Council-table, and in general assemblies before the people: they go H  
 away with all honours & dignities, & either are invested therein themselves, or else confer them  
 upon whom they please. The best men, who stand either for defence of freedom, or in mainte-  
 nance of the laws, either are driven thence and banished, or sit a cold & blow their nails,  
 for any advancement they come unto; & being subject & thrall to persons of no worth, stand  
 like cyphers and hold their peace. Somewhat they said moreover as touching the right of their  
 limits, to wit, that *Q. Fabius Labeo*, at what time as he was in those parts, confined *Philip* within  
 the bounds of the old Kings-street or high way, which directly leadeth to *Pavoreia* in *Thrace*, and  
 in no place declineth toward the sea: but *Philip* afterwards had made a new cauley, and drawn it  
 with a compais about, within which he empaled and took in the Cities & territories also of the  
 Maronites. To these challenges *Philip* began far otherwise, than he did of late against the *Thessali-  
 ans* and *Perrhæbians*, and in this wise he spake: "I have, quoth he, no matter to debate either  
 with the Maronites or *Eumenes*; but now at this present I am to confert even with you (my Ma-  
 sters of *Rome*) at whose hands I have seen thus long that I can obtain no reason and equity. I  
 thought it meet and right, that the Macedonian Cities, which had revolted from me during the  
 time of truce, should be rendred again unto me: not for any great encrease of feignery that  
 thereby should have accrued unto my kingdom (for small towns they are god wor, and situat-  
 on the utmost frontiers) but because their precedent and example might have imported much,  
 to retain the rest of the Macedonians in their duty and allegiance. In no wile it would be gran-  
 ted. During the *Ætolian* war, I was enjoyed by the Consul *Acilius* to besiege and assault the  
 City *Lamia*: and after I had been toiled out and wearied with maintaining skirmishes, raising  
 fabricks, planting ordinance and engines against it, even when I was at the very point to scale  
 the walls and force the City, the Consul *Acilius* called me away, yea, and compelled me to  
 levy the siege, and withdraw my forces from thence. And for to make me some part of amends  
 for this wrong done, permitted I was to win again and conquer certain small piles and forts,  
 rather than Cities of *Thessaly*, *Perrhabia*, and *Athamania*. And even those also, I may say unto  
 you *Q. Acilius*, ye have taken from me within these few daies. And now forthwith of late, the  
 Embassadors of *Eumenes* also (and God will) have presumed upon this as a thing granted and  
 without all question, That more reason it is for *Eumenes* to have & enjoy that which belonged  
 to *Antiochus*, than for me, But my judgment is far otherwise. And why? *Eumenes* could never  
 have continued in his Realm, unless the Romans, I will not say, had vanquished *K. Antiochus*, *L*  
 but surely if they had not waged war against him. And therefore is he ended unto you, and  
 you no waies beholden unto him. As for my kingdom, so far was it off that any part or quarter  
 of it should be in hazard and jeopardy; that when *Antiochus* of his own meer motion offered  
 to buy my Society with three thousand talents, and fifty covered ships of war, together with  
 all those Cities in *Greece* which I held in possession aforesaid; I refused all, and disdained his  
 alliance, yea, and I professed openly, even before that *M. Acilius* came over with his army into  
*Greece*, that I was his enemy, and together with that Consul, was employed in what part soe-  
 ver of the war, which he charged and laid upon me. Also when *L. Scipio* the Consul his suc-  
 cessor, determined to lead his army by land to *Hellestus*, I not only gave him leave to pass  
 peaceably through my Realm, but also caused the high waies to be paved and gravelled, bridges  
 to be made against his coming, yea, and furnished him with provision of victuals. And this did  
 I, not in *Macedony* alone, but also throughout all *Thrace*, where among other matters, this  
 was not of least importance and consequence, to restrain those barbarous nations there, from  
 running upon them, and to keep them in peace and quietness. In consideration now of this  
 kind affection of mine (If I may not call it a good desert) unto you, whether ought ye Romans  
 in reason to give me somewhat to that I have, to augment and encrease my dominion by your  
 larges and munificence or, to take from me (as you do) that which I have either in mine own  
 right, or by gift from you? The Macedonian Cities, which you confests to have been parcels of  
 my kingdom are not restored unto me. *Eumenes* on the other side, he comes to make spoil of  
 me, as if I were *Antiochus*, and (mark I pray you the device of it) he pretendeth a decree of the  
 Senate to colour his most shameless, impudent & cautious falsehood; even that by which  
 himself may be most refuted and convicted. For in very exprets and plain terms it is thus writ-  
 ten, That *Cheroneus* & *Lyfismachia* are given to *Eumenes*. Where I pray you, and in what cor-  
 ner of the instrument and patent stand *Enus*, *Maronea*, and the Cities of *Thrace*? Shall he ob-  
 tain that at your hands, and by your means, as given and granted from those ten Delegates, which  
 he never durst so much as once demand and requite of them? Tell me (if the thing be worth so  
 much) in what place ye would range and reckon me? If your purpose be to persecute me as an  
 enemy and mortal foe, spare not, but go on still as ye have begun: but if you respect me as a  
 King, as your ally and friend, I beseech you, repute me not worthy of so notorious and mani-  
 fest a wrong. This Oration of the King in some measure moved the Commissioners, and there-  
 fore by framing a mean and indifferent answer, they held the matter still in suspense undecided.  
 "If (say they) the Cities in question were given to *Eumenes*. But in case *Philip* acqui-  
 red them by the ten Delegates, we will not change nor alter any thing therein. But in case *Philip* acqui-  
 red them by Conquest and force of arms, he should have held them as the gerdon of his  
 victory. If neither, we are of opinion, That the hearing and decision of this difference shall  
 be referred over to the Senat: and to the end, that all may remain entire, the garnisons in those

"those Cities shall be withdrawn and depart. These, I say, were the causes that principally kindled  
 the affection of *Philip* toward the Romans, and wrought discontentment in his heart; inso-  
 much, as evidence it is, that the war was not enterprised by his son *Perseus* upon any new quarrels  
 and fresh occasion, but upon these motives let unto him by his father to be pursued.

No suspicion was there at *Rome* of a Macedonian war, *L. Marius* the Pro-Consul was returned  
 out of *Spain*: and when he demanded a triumph of the Senat assembled in the Temple of *Bellona*,  
 the same in regard of his noble and worthy exploits might have been obtained, but for example  
 sake it was not granted. For an order it was in *Rome*, by an ancient custom of their forefathers,  
 that no man might triumph, who brought not his army back with him unless he let unto his suc-  
 cessor the Province fully subdued and settled in peace. Howbeit, *Marius* was allowed an indiffer-  
 ent honour, namely, to enter into the City by way of Ovation. In which solemnity he had borne  
 before him a pompous pageant two and fifty coronets of gold. Moreover, in gold a hundred  
 thirty two pound weight, and in silver six thousand three hundred. Also, he pronounced aloud in  
 the Senat, that *Q. Fabius* the Quæstor was coming, and brought with him ten thousand pound  
 weight more of silver, and eighty of gold, which he meant likewise to bring into the Chamber of  
 the City.

That year a great commotion and insurrection there was of bondslaves in *Apulia*. *L. Posthu-  
 mius* the Prætor had the government of *Tarentum*, and he sat in inquisition upon a damned crew  
 of certain herdmen and grailers, who had conspired together, and used to rob by the high-way  
 side, and in the common pastures belonging to the City: which Commission he followed with  
 such severity and rigour, that he condemned 7000 of them. Many escaped and fled, but many were  
 executed and suffered death. As for the Cell, long were they kept in the City of *Rome*, about the levy  
 of soldiers, but at length they went into their Provinces.

The time year, *C. Calpurnius* and *L. Q. Titius* the Prætors in *Spain*, having in the beginning of  
 the Spring led forth their armies out of their wintering holds, and joynted their forces together in  
*Bætica*, advanced forward into *Carthago*, (where the enemies were encamped) with a resolute  
 intent to manage and conduct the war with one joint mind and common council together. Not far  
 from the Cities *Hippus* and *Telamon*, there began a skirmish between the foragers of both parties,  
 that were gone forth to make provision: seconded they were from the one camp and the other,  
 by means whereof, the whole armies of both sides by little and little, came forth into the field to  
 fight a full battell. In this complimentary skirmish the enemies had the vantage, as well of the ground  
 wherein they were embattled, as of the manner of fight and service. By reason whereof, both  
 the Roman armies were discomfited and driven back into their camp: but the enemies pressed  
 not upon them; notwithstanding they were put in great fright and much disorder. The Roman  
 Prætors doubting lest their camp the morrow after should be assailed, dislodged in the night be-  
 tween great secret and silence, without any sound of trumpet, and departed. In the morning by  
 break of day the Spaniards in ordinance of battell approached the trench and rampier: and be-  
 ing entered within the camp (which they found void and empty beyond their hope and expecta-  
 tion) they rifled and rancked all that the Romans left behind them, whilst they made haste away  
 in the night season: from whence the enemies returned to their own camp, and there for certain  
 daies abode in standing leaguer and stilled not. In that battell and in the chase together, there  
 were slain of Romans and allies 5000: and with the spoiles of their bodies, the enemies armed  
 themselves: from thence they marched to the river *Tagus*. The Roman Prætors in the month *Se-  
 ptember* employed all that time to levy and assemble new forces out of the Confederate Cities of *Spain*,  
 and in comforting and encouraging the hearts of their own soldiers after their fright, upon this  
 adverse conflict and unlucky foil. Now when they had gathered (as they thought) a sufficient  
 power, and took themselves strong enough, and that the soldiers also desired to be doing with  
 the enemy, for to rote out and cancel the former ignomy and disgrace, they encamped twelve  
 miles from the river *Tagus* aforesaid: and about the third watch of the night advanced their  
 standards, and marching in a four square battell, by day light they were come to the bank of the  
 river (now were the enemies lodged upon a little mount beyond the water: and incontinently  
 in two places (where the river shewed a foord) they waded through with their arms, *Calpurnius*  
 on the right hand, and *Quintius* on the left. All this while the enemies continued quiet and mo-  
 ved not: but in the mean time, while as they wondered at their sudden coming, and devised how  
 to trouble and disorder the soldiers as they should make haste to pass the river, the Romans  
 had transported over themselves, and their bag and baggage also, yea, and brought all together  
 into one place. And because they perceived by this time the enemy to stir and remove, and  
 had no time to fortifie their camp, they put themselves in battell array. In the midst stood the  
 fifth legion of *Calpurnius*, and the eighth of *Quintius*, which was the very flower and strength  
 of the whole army. Now they had a fair open plain all the way between them and the enemies  
 camp, so as there was no caule to fear any ambush. The Spaniards so soon as they espied two ar-  
 mies of their enemies upon that side of the bank which was next to them: all at once stirred out  
 of their camp, and ran to battell: to the end that they might surpris and empeach them be-  
 fore they could joyne and range themselves together. The fight was sharp and hot in the begin-  
 ning: for the Spaniards of the one side were puffed up with the conceit and pride of their late  
 victory: and the Romans of the other, were galled and incensed for anger of a dishonour re-  
 ceived, which they were not used unto. The battell in the midst (consisting of two most valiant  
 and

and badly legions) fought right courageously: which the enemies, seeing that they could not otherwise forth to retreat and give ground, began to charge upon them with a battalion in confusion close together: and still they pressed hard upon them in the midst more & more in number, and ever this ker ranged. *Calpurnius* the Praetor seeing this battle distressed and in danger, sent with all speed *L. Quintilius Varus*, and *L. Juvencius Tullus*, two Legions, to either of the legions severally, to encourage and exhort them to stick to it like men, and so make remountance and relation. That in them alone consisted all the hope of conquering and keeping Spain: if they never so little yielded back & lost their ground, there was not one of the whole army that should ever see Italy again, nor so much as the farther bank of a river, as for himself he took with him the Cavalry of two Legions, and when he had wheeled a little about and set a compass with them, he charged hotly upon the flank of the forelaid strong battalion of the enemies, which he assailed and urged still the main battell. *Quintilius* also with his Cavalry danked the enemies on the other side: but the horsemen of *Calpurnius* fought more fiercely by odds than the other, and the Praetor himself in person was foremost of them all: for he was the first that drew blood of an enemy, & so far engaged himself within them that hardly a man could be seen of who had he thought by his singular valour, the horsemen were mightily animated: and by the valour of the Cavalry on horseback, the Infantry also were enkindled to fight on foot. The principal Centurions were abashed and ashamed to see the Praetor in person among the pikes and swords of his enemies: and therefore every man for his part did his best, to pass forward the post-engines, willing them to advance their banners to the end that the souldiers might follow hard after. Then began they on althands to let up a fresh and lusty shout: they took their bier and charged upon them from the ravage of an higher ground: by reason whereof they disarrayed themselves, and the right like stream they bare them down before them, so as they could not stand upon their feet, and sustain this violence of theirs, but fell one upon another. As many as fled toward the camp, the horsemen pursued, and so intermingled themselves among the rout of the enemies, that they cured pell-mell with them into their hold: where they that were left for the guard thereof, renewed the fight, so that the Roman horsemen were forced to fight from their horses: and while they maintained the conflict, the first Legion came to second them, and consequently more and more succours: as they possibly could ran to them: down went the Spaniards and were massacred in all parts of the camp; and not above 4000 of them all, fled away and saved themselves: of which number, about 3000 (who still kept their armour) leaped upon a hill near adjoining: the other thousand being for the most part armed by the halves, were scattered all over the fields. The enemies were at first above 35,000, but after this battle, few of them were left: and from them were won 123 ensigns. Of Romans and Allies there died few above six hundred: of auxiliary souldiers from out of the Province, about 1500. Five martial Tribunes were lost, and certain Roman Gentlemen, whole dead especially, made it seem a bloody victory. After which the army abode within the enemies camp, for that themselves had no time to fortifie their own. The next morning *Calpurnius* in an open audience, highly praised the horsemen, and rewarded them with rich harness and trappings, declaring aloud, that by means of their good service principally the enemies were discomfited, and their camp forced. As for *Quintius* the other Praetor, he bestowed upon his men of arms, small chains and buttons of gold. The Centurions likewise of both armies received gifts at their hands, and namely, those who fought in the main battell.

The Consuls having finished the levy of souldiers, and accomplished all things requisite to be done in Rome, led the army into their Province of *Liguria*. *Sempronius* departed from Pisa, and made a journey against the Apuan Ligurians: whereby walling their territories and burning their towns and fortresses, he made way into the forest and opened the passages as far as to the river *Macra* and the port of *Luna*. The enemies took a certain mount (an ancient hold) where their ancestors sometimes had feared themselves: but from thence they were by force dispossessed, by reason that the Romans overcame the difficulties of the avenues thereto. *Ap. Claudius* likewise for his part, was equal in valour and good fortune to his Colleague, as having fought certain prosperous battell, with the Ligurian Inguines. He forced besides six towns of theirs, and took many thousands of prisoners within them. Of the chief authors of that rebellion, he caused three and forty to lose their heads.

Now approached the time of the solemn assembly for election of Magistrates at Rome: and albeit *Sempronius* his lot it was to hold the said assembly, yet *Claudius* returned first to Rome, because *P. Claudius* his brother made suit to be Consul. He had for his competitors, *L. Aemilius Q. Fabius Labeo*, and *Servius Sulpicius G. Iba* all four of the Nobility. Old suitors they were all, and because they had suffered the repulse aforesaid, they renewed the suit for this dignity, as being to the most the rather due, because it had been once denied them. And this was the cause that they four followed & pressed the harder for to obtain the same, because it was not lawful for any more than one of the *Patricii* at once to be created Col. There were also of the Commoners certain persons well beloved and of good reputation that stood in election for the place. to wit, *L. Porcius Q. Terentius Culeto*, and *Cn. Babius Tampilus*: they also had taken repulse beforetime, and were put off still in hope one day to obtain that honourable dignity. *Claudius* of them all was only the new Competitor. Now men thought verily without any doubt & question, yea, and defined in their conceits, *Q. Fabius Labeo*, and *L. Porcius Licinius* to be Consuls. But *Claudius* the Consul together

together with his brother bestirred himself, and without his lishers attending upon him, travelled and laboured hard in all parts of the common place: notwithstanding the adversaries yea, and rather that he was the Col. of the people of Rome, than brother to *P. Claudius*: why then far he not still in the Tribunal either as president and judge of the court assembled, or else as a beholder and spectator only, without saying any word himself? Howbeit, he could not possibly be reclaimed from this disordinate affection of his, which he shewed in labouring for his brother. This election was divers times also troubled with the great debates and contentions raised by the Tribunes of the Commons: while some of them spake against the Col. others again maintained his suit, and took part with him. But in the end, *P. Claudius* took the foil, and *Appius* went away with the games for his brother. So *P. Claudius Pulcher* was created Col. beyond his own hope, and more than others looked for. *L. Porcius Licinius* held his own, and obtained the second place in his course; for that the Commoners went moderately to work, & shewed not so much affection and forcible means as *Claudius* did. After this was holden the election of Praetors. And chosen there were, *C. Decimius Flavius*, *P. Sempronius Longus*, *P. Cornelius Cethegus*, *Q. Naevius Ma. ba*, *C. Sempronius Blaesus*, and *A. Terentius Varro*. Thus much concerning the acts achieved both at home in the City, and abroad in the war, that year wherein *App. Claudius* and *M. Sempronius* were Consuls.

In the beginning of the next year, in which *P. Claudius* and *L. Porcius* bare the Consulship, when as *Q. Caecilius M. Babius* and *T. Sempronius* who had been sent to hear and decide the controversies between the two Kings: *Philip* and *Enmenes*, and the States of *Thessaly* had made request of their embassages: they permitted likewise the Embassadors of the said Princes and Cities, to enter into the Senat. Who related the self-same things again, which had been alleged before in the presence of the forelaid Legats in Greece. After this, the LL. of the Senat addressed another new embassage into *Macedony* and *Greece*, whereof *App. Claudius* was the chief, for to visit and see, whether the Cities adjudged and assigned to the Rhodians, Thessalians, and Perthebians were delivered unto them accordingly. They also had in charge to cause the garrisons to quit *Enus* and *Maronea*, and to look that all the sea-coast of *Thracia*, were freed from the subjection of *Philip* and the Macedonians. They were enjoined moreover to go into *Peloponnesus*, from whence the former embassage was departed in more doubtful terms than if they had never gone thither. For over and besides other things they were sent away without any answer for their dispatch: and altho they requested the Achazans for to assemble their general Diet, they might not obtain it. For which, when as *Q. Caecilius* found himself discontented and grievously complained, and the Lacedaemonians withall made piteous moan, that the walls of their City were demolished and rased, their common people lead away in captivity into *Achaia*, and there sold, and the laws of *Lycurgus* taken from them, under which their City and Common-weal until that day had been maintained and governed: the Achazans excused themselves most of all for the imputation of refusing to hold a Council: and to that purpose they rehearsed a Law and Ordinance, whereby they were forbidden expressly to call and publish a Diet, unless it were in the case of levying war and contracting of peace, upon occasion that any embassadors came directly unto them from the Senat of Rome with letters, or commission in writing. But for that this manner of excuse should not serve their turn again afterwards, the Senat gave them plainly to understand, that they ought to take care and order that the Roman Embassadors might at all times have means of free access to their Councils, like as they also reciprocally should have a Senat held for their sakes, as often as they would themselves.

After these embassages were departed, *Philip* was advertised by his Embassadors, that there was no remedy but he must abandon those Cities, and withdraw his garrisons: and herewith being mightily offended & angered against all, yet he discharged his choler only upon the Maronites. Unto *Onomastus*, warden of the ports and sea-coasts, he gave commandment to kill the chief of the adverse part. And he by the means of *Cassander*, one of the Kings lipposits and favorites who a long time had dwelt in *Maronea*, procured certain Thracians to be let into the town by night, & there he committed murder and massacre, as if it had been a City won by force of arms. And when the Roman embassadors made complaint to him, namely of such outrages committed so cruelly against the guiltless Maronites, and so proudly and insolently against the people of Rome: in that they should be killed and cut in peeces as enemies, unto whom the Senat had ordained restitution of their freedom, he made answer and said, that neither himself, nor any of those who belonged unto him, could do withall: but it was long of themselves and their variance one with another: while some of the Citizens drew to him, and others inclined to King *Enmenes*. Which ye may (yet he) soon know to be a truth, if ye will but ask the Maronites themselves: for this account he made, that while they were all terrified with so late and fresh a massacre, there durst not one of them open his mouth against him. *Appius* replied again, and said, That they were not to make an enquiry in this so evident and notorious fact, as if it were in any respect doubtful: but if he would discharge and clear himself as innocent of the action, he should send to Rome *Onomastus* and *Cassander*, who were named to have committed the outrage, that the Senat might examine them upon interrogatories. This word at the first he troubled and dashed the King that his colour went and came in his face, & he knew not how to keep his countenance. But after he was come again to himself, he made answer, That (if they needs would) he cared not much to send *Cassander*, for that he had dwelt & continued in *Maronea*: but as for *Onomastus*, who neither was at *Maronea*, nor

nor so much as in any quarter near unto it, how possibly could he be charged or touched with the matter? Now as he spared *Onomastus* the rather of the twain, and was loath to have him come in question, as being his more dear and honourable friend: so he feared him much more than the other, lest he should bewray and disclose the thing; for that himself had conferred with him thereabout; and besides, he had served his turn divers times as a Minister to execute, and been privy unto him as a complice to plot such like designs. *Cassander* also, as it is verily thought, was poisoned and made away, by certain that were sent of purpose to accompany him through *Epirus* to the sea side: and all because the villany should not be detected and come to light. Thus the Legats departed from the parley and conference with *Philip*, as shewing in their condescendance, that they were nothing well pleased: and *Philip* on the other side, went his waies as toolute to levy war again: but forasmuch as his forces as yet were not sufficient to do any exploit, and because he would delay the time between, he determined to send his younger son *Demetrius* to *Rome*, both to purge his father of those matters wherewith he was charged, and also by humble request to appeale the anger of the Senat; supposing, that this young gentleman, who had been left as an hostage at *Rome*, and there had shewed a good testimony of a Princely nature and royall disposition, might much avail in the cause. In the mean while himself under colour of aiding the Bizantines, but in very truth to strike some terrour into the Princes of *Thrace*, made an expedition against them: and when he had in one battell discomfited them, and taken prisoner their chief Captain *Amadorus*, he returned into *Macedony*, having sent certain messengers to sollicite the barbarous nations inhabiting near the river *Ister*, for to enter and invade *Italy*. *Peloponnesus* also the coming of the Roman Legats was expected, who by this commission were enjoyned to pa's out of *Macedony* into *Achaia*: against whom because the Achazans would not be to seek what to say, *Lycortas* their Prator summoned a publike Councill aforesaid, In which there was parly as touching the Lacedæmonians, namely, how that of enemies they were become informers and accusers, and danger it was, lest when they were conquered they would be more to be feared, than all the time that they waged war. For during the wars, the Achazans found the Romans to be their good associats, but now the same Romans are more friendly to the Lacedæmonians, than to the Achazans, seeing that *Arenus* and *Alciades* (banished persons both out of *Lacedæmon*, and by the means of the Achazans restored again to their place) had undertaken to go in embassage to *Rome*, against the Achazan nation, which had so well deserved at their hands: and there gave to hard language against them, as if they had been chased and driven out of their country, and not restored thereunto by them. Hereupon arose a great outcry from all parts of the assembly, for to put to question, what should be determined expressly of them by name; and in this fit, where all went by choler, and nothing by counsel, condemned they were to die. Some few daies after came the Roman Embassadors, for whose sake a Councill was holden at *Chironia* City in *Acadia*. But before any matter was treated on the Achazans were surprised with exceeding fear, considering and thinking how this deciding of matters was not like to be managed and carried with any indifferency for their behoof; forasmuch as they saw *Arenus* & *Alciades* (condemned by them in the last Councill) to be in the company of the said Embassadors, and no man durst open his lips and speak a word. *Appius* declared, that the Senat was much displeased at those matters whereof the Lacedæmonians had made complaint, namely, That first in a tumultuary fray and conflict, they were murdered, who had been called forth by *Philopamen*, and came to plead and speak in their own cause: Then, after they had exercised their cruelty thus against their perions, to the end, that in no part their inhumanity should be wanting, they had rased the walls of a right noble and famous City, abolished their most ancient laws, and put down the discipline and government of *Lycorgus*, so renowned throughout all nations. When *Appius* had made an end of his speech then *Lycortas*, both in regard that he was Prator, and also because he took part with the faction of *Philopamen* (who was the author of all that had been done at *Lacedæmon*) made answer in this wise: "More hard it is for us now, O *Appius*, to speak before you, than of late it was in the presence of the Senat. For then we were to answer the Lacedæmonians, who accused us: but at this present we have you to be our accusers, before whom, as competent judges we should plead in our own defence. Howbeit, we have submitted our selves, and undergone this unequal and hard condition, presuming upon this hope, that you will lay aside that accusatory heat which not long since you used, and put upon you the person of a Judge to hear with indifference and equity. For mine own part, considering that you erewhile have but related those matters which the Lacedæmonians both here in place before *Q. Cæcilius* of late, and also at *Rome* afterwards complained of, I would think that I am to answer therefore not unto you, but unto them in your hearing. You charge us with the murdering of them who being called out by the Prator *Philopamen* to plead their cause were killed. This crime I hold that it ought not to be objected against us by you Romans, no, nor so much by any other in your audience. And why so? because it was expressly specified in your own treaty and accord of covenants, that the Lacedæmonians should have nothing to do with the maritime Cities. At what time as the Lacedæmonians took arms, and seized by force in the night those Cities, which they were precisely forbidden to meddle withall, *T. Quintius*, if the Roman army had been in \* *Peloponnesus*, as aforesaid no doubt we must needs think, that being thus surprised and evil entreated, they would have had recourse thither for succour. But since ye were so far off, whither else should they flee and retire themselves, but to us your allies, whom they had seen before to help and succour *Gythium* when

A "whom upon the like cause they knew to have assailed *Lacedæmon* together with you? It was in your quarrel therefore that we enterprised a just and lawfull war. Which being an act of ours, by others commended, and which ought not by the very Lacedæmonians to be condemned, and considering that even the Gods themselves have approved thereof in that they gave us victory, how cometh it then to pass, that you bring those matters into question which are by right of law warranted? And yet a great part thereof in no respect toucheth and concerneth you. That we called them to come forth to answer their cause, who had raised a commotion of the multitude, who had forced the maritime Cities, who had ransacked them, who also had massacred the principal citizens, we are to answer therefore, and to us that properly appertaineth. But that they were murdered in the way as they came into our camp, was nothing to us, but your deed O *Arenus* and *Alciades*, who now (forsooth) are become our accusers. The banished Lacedæmonians (of which number those two also are, and who at that time were with us, for that they chose the coast Towns to retire into for their habitations) supposing that their own death was fought, and that there would have been outrage committed upon them, they ran upon those, by whose means they were driven out of their country: even upon an indignation, that they might not so much as pass their old age in banishment with safety. They were the Lacedæmonians then and not the Achazans that flew the Lacedæmonians: whether justly or unjustly, that is not the question, neither sketh it. But what say ye to this O *Achazans*, how can ye deny but that ye are culpable, in that ye have abolished the Laws and the most ancient discipline of *Lycorgus*? and withal rased the walls of *Lacedæmon*? And how is it possible that both these points should be objected unto us by the same men? considering that those walls were never built by *Lycorgus* but contrary-wise (and not many years past) for to overthrow and annul the discipline instituted by *Lycorgus*? For the tyrants of late daies built them to serve as a fortress and bulwark for themselves, and not for a defence unto the City. And if *Lycorgus* at this day should rise again from death to life, he would take joy in their ruins, and say that he acknowledged now his own native country and ancient *Sparta* indeed. You Lacedæmonians should not have expected *Philopamen* nor the Achazans but yourselves ought with your own hands to have pulled down and destroyed, all the tokens and memorials of tyranny. Those walls were the every marks and as a man would say, the uncleanly and deformed scars of your thraldom and servitude. And you who without walls for the space almost of 800 years had lived in freedom, ye and for a certain time also had been masters of *Greece*, came slaves during a hundred years, enclosed and restrained within walls, as if ye had been fettered by the feet. Now as touching the laws, which ye pretend to have been taken away by us, I suppose verily that the tyrants they were, who deprived the Lacedæmonians of their ancient laws: and that we have not taken from them theirs (for none they had of their own) but rather have given them ours: neither have we done otherwise than well by them, but regarded much the good of their City and Commonwealth, in that we have united them in our solemn court of Parliament, and incorporated them into us to the end, that in all *Peloponnesus*, there should be but one body, one State, and one Council. Then (I wot well) they might have justly complained to have been wronged, then they might have grieved and said they had not been well used, in case we our selves had lived under one kind of laws, and put them to be ruled by others. I know full well, O *Appius*, that all my speech hitherto is neither becoming allies to use unto their allies, nor decent and meet for a nation that is free: but rather (to speak more truly) fit for slaves debating before their masters. For if that found of the trumpet, if that voice of the publick crier were not in vain, whereby ye ordained and declared, That we Achazans before all others should be free; if the confederation stand firm and stable; if our alliance and amity be entertained and observed equally and indifferently; why demand not I of you Romans what you did after the winning of *Capua*? Seeing you will have us Achazans to make account unto you, what we did to the Lacedæmonians whom we conquered by war? Set case that we caused some of them to be killed, What of that? Comanded not you (I pray) that the Senators of *Capua* should lose their heads? We have demolished the walls indeed, but ye have not only ruined their walls, but wholly turned them out of City and territory. But (you will say) the confederation in behalf of the Achazans is equal and indifferent in outward appearance, and in truth and effect their liberty dependeth upon the good will and pleasure of the Romans, who indeed have the pre-eminence of the seignory and dominion besides; I know it *Appius*, as well as you can tell me, ye and (although it behoveth me not so to be) I am not overmuch offended and discontented therewith. But this I beseech you, let there be as great odds and difference as ye will between us Achazans and you Romans: provide this only, that your enemies and ours be not with you in as good regard and account, say, that they be not in a better degree and condition than we your allies and associats. For, that they should be equal to us, we have been the cause in that we granted them our own laws, in that we admitted them to be incorporate in the general Diet of the Achazan State and commonalty. But will ye have the truth? the conquered have not sufficient to content and satisfy the conquerors: enemies demand more than allies have and enjoy; and those things which are confirmed by oath, ratified and consecrated by monuments and instruments of writings, cut and engraven in stone, for a perpetual memory to all posterity, they would force and wrest from us even with our person. True it is, O Romans, we honour and reverence you: ye and if you will needs have it so, we dread and fear you also: but yet so, as we both honour and also fear the im-

"mortal Gods more than you. Audience he had with the accord and consent of the greater part: H and all men judged, that he had spoken like a Magistrat indeed, and for the dignity and Majesty of his place: in such sort, as it was easily seen, that they were never able to hold their dignity and maintain their authority with the Romans, in case they went coldly to work and proceeded in mild terms with them. Then *Appius* answered and said, "That he would gladly advise and permit terms with them, all that he possibly could, to be reconciled unto the Lacedæmonians, whilst they "might do it with full contentment; for fear lest soon after they should be contrained and forced "to seek unto them against their wills and maugre their hearts. At this word they all fighed and groined again: but afraid they were and durst not refuse to do that which they were commanded. This petition only they made unto the Romans: that as touching the Lacedæmonians they would change & alter what they thought good, and not force the Achæans to sin against their conscience, I in dissanulling those things which they had established and ratified with a solemn oath. So the sentence of condemnation only (lately passed against *Arcus* and *Alcibiades*) was reversed.

In the beginning of this year (when at *Rome* they had sitted in consultation about the Provinces of Consuls and Pretors) *Liguria* was assigned unto the Consuls for their charge and government, because there was no war in any other place. Then the Pretors cast lots for theirs. To *C. Decimus Flaccus* fell the jurisdiction of the City: and to *P. Cornelius Cethegus* that other between citizens and forrainers: *C. Sempronius* had the government of *Sicily*, and *Q. Naevius* Master of *Sardinia* with commission also to sit upon the inquisition in case of poisoning. *A. Terentius Varro* was deputed *L. Governor of high Spain*, and *P. Sempronius Longus* of the low. Out of those 2 Provinces it fell out so, that there came much about the same time two Lieutenants, *L. Juventius Tullus* and *T. Quintilius Varus*; who having related before the Senat how great a war was now dispatched and finished in *Spain*, required withal, that there should be rendered praise and thanks to the immortal Gods for the happy success in the wars, and likewise that the Pretors might be permitted to bring away their armies. So there was a solemn procession ordained to be holden two dayes: but as touching the reducing of the armies, they gave order to refer it wholly to be debated at what time as there should be question about the armies of Consuls and Pretors together. Some few dayes after, it was ordained, that the Consuls should have with them into *Liguria* two legions apiece, which *Ap. Claudius* and *M. Sempronius* had the conduct of. As touching the Spanish forces, great contention there was between the new Pretors and the friends of *Calpurnius* and *Q. Intius* in their absence. Both sides had Tribuns and both had Consuls to take part with them. The Tribuns threatened to cross the act of the Senat, if they ordained that the armies should be brought home. The Consuls again protested, that if the Tribuns thus opposed their negative, they would not suffer any other decree and ordinance to pass. In conclusion, the respect of those that were absent, was of less importance: and an act of the Senat was entered, That the Pretors should enrol 4000 footmen of Romans and 400 horsemen: likewise 5000 foot and as many horse of Latine allies, to conduct with them into *Spain*. And when they had thus enrolled these four full legions, look what surplusage there remained over and above 5000 foot and 300 horse in a legion, they should give them their congie and dismiss them of soldiery: first, as many as had served out their full time, and then those who had born themselves most valiantly in the war under *Calpurnius* and *Quintilius*.

After this debate and variance was appeased, there arose another in the neck of it, occasioned by the death of *P. Decimus* the Pretor. *Cn. Licinius* and *L. Pappius* (who had been *Ediles* the last year before) likewise *C. Valerius* the Flamin of *Jupiter*, and *Q. Fulvius Flaccus*, laboured to be in his room late deceased. As for the last of these rehearsed (because he was *Edile Curule*) he shewed not himself in his white robe: but he made more means and laboured above all the rest, having to his adversary and concurrent the Flamin above said. At the first he seemed equal only unto him in the suit, but afterwards when he began to have the better of him, certain Tribuns of the Commons stood upon this point, and alleged, That his name was not to be accepted as eligible: for that one and the self-same person might neither take nor exercise at one time, the function of two Magistracies; and namely, both *Curule* or of State. Others again said, that it was meet and reason that he were dispensed with and exempt from the Laws in that behalf, to the end, that the people might be at liberty to elect whom they would for Pretor. *L. Porcius* the Consul was first of this resolution, not to admit his name: and afterwards, because he would seem to do by warrant and authority of the Senat, he assembled the LL. together and said that he proposed and put to question before them, That for as much as an *Edile* elected, sued to be Pretor without all right, or any precedent tolerable in a free-state; for his own part he was minded (unless they were of a contrary opinion) to hold the general assembly for the election according to law. Then the LL. gave their advice, that *L. Porcius* the Consul, should commune and treat with *Q. Fulvius*, that he would be no hindrance, but that the assembly for the substitution of a Pretor in the room of *C. Decimus* departed, might be holden by order of law. As the Consul was thus in hand with him according to the act of the Senat *Flaccus* made answer, That he would do nothing unbecoming his own person. By this doubtful and indifferent answer of his, he put those in good hope (who expounded and confirmed as they would have it) that he would accommodate and apply himself to the authority of the LL. of the Senat: but at the time of the election he sued more earnestly than before; complaining of the Consul and Senat, That they wrong and wrested out of his hands the benefit of the people of *Rome* intended unto him: and so bring him into ill will and obloquy

A obloquy of the people, they made much ado about two offices and a double dignity: as if all the world saw not, that after he were declared and pronounced Pretor, he would incontinently resign up the *Edilship*. The Consul perceiving both him fully resolute and let upon a pitch in the suit, and also the favor and affection of the people inclined more and more toward him, brake up the assembly aforesaid, and called a Senat: where, in a frequent session of Senators it was ordained, That for as much as *Flaccus* was little or nothing moved with the authority of the LL. of that honorable court, he was to be dealt withal in a general assembly before the body of the people. When the people were met together at the summons of the Consul, he proposed the matter unto him before them. *Flaccus* relented never a jot, but persisted still in his opinion, and gave the people of *Rome* thanks for their favour, in that they shewed themselves willing to elect him Pretor; so often as they had time and place wherein they might testify and declare their love to him: which affectionate kindness of his fellow citizens, he never meant to reject and abandon. This constant and resolute speech of his, kindled and enflamed to great love and affection in them toward him, that past all peradventure he had been chosen Pretor out of hand, in case the Consul would have received his name. Much strife and debate there was amongst the Tribuns, one against another, and between them and the Consul, until at length the Consul held a Senat, and there a decree passed in this wise: That forasmuch as the willful stubbornness of *Q. Flaccus* of one side, and the inordinat affection of men on another side, was such, as the solemn assembly for subelecting of a Pretor in the place of the deceased, could not be holden according to the laws, the Senat agreed and resolved, that there were already Pretors enough, and *P. Cornelius* should administer and execute both jurisdictions in the City, and exhibit the playes and games in the honour of *Apollo*.

After this troublesome debate about the election, was by the sage wildome and valorous courage of the Senat suppressed, there arose another far greater, by how much the thing was of weightier importance, and the persons agents therein more in number and for quality and place mightier. There stood in election to be *Censors* (and that with earnest endeavour and exceeding heat of contention) *L. Valerius Flaccus*, *P. And* *L. both Scripius Cn. Marcus Volso*, and *L. Furius Purpureo*, all *Patritii*, And of commoners, *M. Porcius Cato*, *M. Fulvius Nobilior*, *T. and Marcus both Sempronius*, the one furnished *Longus*, the other *Induvius*. But *M. Porcius* over-went them all by many degrees, as well those of the *Patritians* as also of the commoners, notwithstanding they were come of most noble families. This man carried with him so vigorous a spirit and pregnant wit, that however he were born and defended, it seemed he was able to make way of himself to advancement and honour. He wanted no Art and skill meet and requisite for the managing either of private business of his own, or publick affairs of state: cunning he was in country husbandry, as well as in civil policy. Some are advanced to the highest dignities and most honourable places, by their deep knowledge in the law: others attain to promotion by eloquence: and there be again, who have risen and become great through martial prowels and feats of arms. But this man was by nature so trainable and pliant to all alike, that whatsoever he addicted and gave himself unto, a man would have said, he had been born and framed even from his mothers womb to it and to nothing else. In war a most hardy and valiant soldier: and in many foughten fields highly renowned. Being mounted once to high places of honorable calling, a right excellent commander he proved, and General of an army. In peace again for sound counsel in the civil law, passing well learned: for pleading at the bar and making orations, most eloquent. Neither carried he himself so, that his tongue flourished only whilst he lived, as leaving no monument behind him of his singular eloquence; but it liveth, nay, it flourisheth still, immortalized as it were and recommended to posterity in all kind of writing. Orations of his there be extant many, which he penned and pronounced as well in his own cause as for the defence of his friends, yea, and invectives also against others: for able he was to put down and weary his adversaries, not only by declaiming and accusing them, but also by pleading his own cause. Factious quarrels and enmities there were exceeding many, that tormented him; and he plagued others with as many: and hard it is to say or set down, whether he were urged and pressed upon by the nobility, or himself counted and baited them more. Doubtless, by nature he was austere and rigorous, his speech was sharp biting, and beyond measure plain and free: but he carried a mind with him that stooped to no desires and lusts whatsoever: his life so severe and precise, as it was untouched and without all spot of blame: despising all fawning favours, and contemning earthly riches. In thift and frugality, in sobriety, in patience, in sufferance of travail and danger, his body was steel to the very back. And as for his mind and courage, it was such, as very age and time (which abateh and consumeth all things else) was not able to break and daunt: when he was fourscore years old and six, he pleaded at the bar for others: he made orations for his own defence, and wrote books: and in the ninth year of his age, he converted *Servius Galba* before the people to receive his judgment by them. As all his life time before, the nobility was set against him, so when he stood now to be *Censor*, they pressed hard upon him: in so much as all his competitors (excepting *L. Flaccus*, who had been his colleague in the Consulship) conspired together, how they might give him the repulse and put him besides the Consulship: not only for that their own teeth watered, and they were desirous themselves rather of that honor: nor because they repined to see a new risen Gentleman, and one of the first head to be a *Censor*: but also because they looked for no other but that his *Censorship* would be rigorous and prejudicial to the name and reputation of divers men: considering how he had been

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crossed and hurt by very many, and was desirous himself to wait them a shrewd turn, and be meet with them again. For even then, while he laboured and sued for the place, he used minatory speeches, and gave out, that they only were opposed against him, who feared they should have a Cenſorſhip ſharply exerciſed without partiality and reſpect of perſons. And herewith he maintained and upheld the ſuit of *L. Valerius* him, ſaying, that if he had but him of all others to be his colleague, he ſhould be able to reſtrain the wicked enormities newly come up and riſe in the City, and to bring in reſpect again the ancient manners and faſhions of the old world. Men were much moved in theſe reſpects and conſiderations; and ſo mangle the heads of the nobility, they not only created him Cenſor, but alſo adjoynd unto him *L. Valerius* for his companion in that government.

After the election of Cenſors was ended, the Conſuls and Pretors took their journeys into ſeveral Provinces, allayed *Q. Naſus*; who before that he could go into *Sardinia*, was ſtaid be hind no leis than four months, about certain inquisitions of poisoning: whereof, he ſate upon many without the City of *Rome*, in corporate boroughs, market Towns and places of great reſort, for that he thought that manner of proceeding more convenient. And if we liſt to believe *P. Antius*, he condemned two thoſand perſons.

Semblably, *L. Poſthumius* the Pretor, (unto whom the government of *Tarentum* by lot fell) did good juſtice upon great conſpiracies made by certain graſiers: and with great care and diligence followed the enquiry of the *Bacchanals*, and diſpatched the reliques thereof quite and clean. Many of them who were adjoynd and made not appearance, but gave the ſlip and left in the lurch their ſureties bound body and goods for them, and lurked in that quarter of *Italy*: he either judged and condemned as guilty and convicted, or cauſed them to be apprehended and ſent to *Rome* unto the Senat; who were all caſt in priſon by *P. Cornelius*.

In the further part of *Spain* all was quiet, by reaſon that the *Lufitans* were in the laſt war ſubdued: but in the hither part, *A. Terentius* took *Corbie* a Town of the *Sueſtians*, which he aſſaulted with mantlets and other ſubſticks of war, and ſold all the priſoners: which done, he paſſed the winter peaceably in that higher part of *Spain* alſo.

The old Pretors, *C. Calpurnius* *Pis* and *L. Quintius* returned to *Rome*; and both of them were with great accord and content of the LL. of the Senat allowed to triumph. And firſt *C. Calpurnius* triumphed over the *Portugals* and *Celiberians*. In which triumph, he carried in ſhew 83 coroneſs of gold, and 10000 pound of ſilver. Within few dayes after, *L. Quintius* triumphed over the ſame *Portugals* and *Celiberians*. In which ſolemnity, there was repreſented in ſhew, as much gold and ſilver as in the former.

The Cenſors, *M. Porcius* and *L. Valerius*, while men hung in ſuſpence between fear and hope what they would do, he d a review and a new choice of the Senate. Seven Senators they diſpatched and depoſed from that dignity: amongſt whom, there was one of mark, for his nobility of birth and honorable offices which he had born, namely, *L. Quintius Flaminius* who had been Conſul. An ancient order (they ſay) it was in time of our fore-fathers, That when the Cenſors had put any out of the Senat, they ſhould note them directly for thoſe faults which they had committed: and at this day, extant there be divers ſharp orations of *Caio*, againſt them whom either he caſt and diſplaced out of Senat, or from whom he took away honours of ſervice: but of all others the foureſt and bitterſt is that of his, againſt this *L. Quintius*; which if he had pronounced as an accuſer before he had noted him with that diſgrace, and not as Cenſor after the ſaid note, his very own brother *T. Quintius* (if he had been then Cenſor) could not poſſibly have kept *L. Quintius* in the ſtate of a Senator. Among other grievous matters he articulated againſt him, That he had trained with him from *Rome* into his Province of *France* (in hope of many great rewards) one *Philippus Pœnna* a notorious and coſtly Canymede. This boyſas he was fooling and playing the wacon with the ſaid *Quintius* then Conſul, ſued to upbraid him with this, That he was had away from *Rome*, againſt the very time that the ſhew of ſword-players at utterance was to be exhibited: and this he ſaid, to ſhew how ready he was to ſatisfy the pleaſure of him his lover. Now it is handed as they were making good cheer together, and having taken their wine liberally were well heat theiſwith, rews camp and reported it was in the banquet time, That a certain noble man of the Boians was arrived, with his children, as a renegat from the adverſe part: and was deſirous to ſpeak with the Conſul, for to have aſſurance from his mouth of ſafe-conduct: who being brought into the pavilion began to parly with the Conſul by a truchman or interpreter. And in the mid: of his ſpeech, How ſaith thou (quoth *Quintius* to that wanton deſtiny, his Catamite) becauſe thou haſt miſſed and loſt the ſight of thoſe ſword-players at *Rome*, wilt thou ſee preſently here this Frenchman die in the place before? He made not any great ſemblance unto him in good earneſt of his deſire that way: but the Conſul at the firſt beck of that beaſtly filth and baggage, caught the naked ſword which hung over his head, and firſt gave the poor Gaul a wound in his ſconce as he was ſpeaking unto him, and afterwards as he made ſhift to ſlie from him, and called upon the protection of the people of *Rome*, and the aſſiſtance of thoſe that were preſent, *Quintius* ran him quite through the ſides. *Valerius Antius*, who never had read the oration of *Caio*, but gave credit to a flying fable only, without any head or author, telleth the tale with ſome other circumſtance howbeit much like in ſubſtance of matter, as touching his lecherous luſt and bloody cruelty. He writeth, that *Quintius* while he abode at *Plauſance*, ſent for a famous courteſan (upon whom he was enamored) to a banquet: and as he courted and made love to this ſtrumpet, vanting himſelf

\* This *Philippus* I take to be no Carthaginian. The name ſoundeth not like others of that nation: but both *Philippus* and *Pœnna* are Roman proper names.

unto her, among other diſcoursies he recoumed with that rigor he had followed certain inquisitions; what a number of priſoners he had in irons condemned to death: and how many of their heads he minded to chop off. Then this harſhory ſitting next beneath him, ſaid, That he had never in all her life ſeen any man to cut ones head off, and it was a ſight that of all other the world ſhould ſee. Whereupon, this kind amorous knight, to gratify the queen, cauſed one of thoſe poor ſouls condemned to die, to be ſet out of priſon into the banquetting room, and preſently to be beheaded before her face. A cruel fact it was & inhuman, whether it were committed as *Caio* hath objected in his Oration, or as *Valerius* hath written in his ſtory, that any human creature ſhould be thus maſſacred like a ſacrifice, and the table beſprinkled with his blood, amid the cups ſtanding full of wine and the diſhes furniſhed with viands, where and when the manner at a dultome was to riſe and take the firſt diſſay in the honor of the Gods, and that devoutly with grace and good prayers; and all to content and feed the eye of a wanton and ſhameleſs Harlot, lying in the boſome of the Conſul. In the end of *Caio* his Oration, this condition was offered unto *Quintius*. That if he would plead unguilty, and deny this fact and others which he charged him with, then he ſhould put in a real caution, and ſtand to his defence and trial: but if he confeſſed himſelf guilty, then he would pleaſe him to conſider whether he thought any man would grieve and be ſorry at the ignominy which he was to receive, who being tranſported before his underſtanding with wine and women, made but a ſport and paſstime to ſhed mens blood at a very banquet. In taking a review of the Cavalry or Gentlemen of *Rome*, *L. Scipio Africanus* had his great horſe of ſervice taken from him. This Cenſorſhip was likewiſe exercuſed with ſeverity and rigor to all ſorts and degrees, and ſtately, in the priſing and valuation of their goods. For *Caio* commanded the Sergeants to take a note of all the ornaments, jewels, and apparel of women, alſo of their chariots and coaches if they amounted to the ſum of 15000 aſſes, and to enrol the ſame in the Cenſors book. Item all bondſlaves under twenty years of age, ſold after the laſt tax or aſſeſment for 10000 aſſes or upward, that they ſhould be valued at an higher price by ten fold than they were eſteemed worth: and that for all theſe things they ſhould pay and contribute to the City chamber after three in the thouſand. Theſe Cenſors cut off all water either running out of any common ſtream into a privat houſe, or derived into particular fields and grounds. And all houſes either built by private perſons upon common ground, or any wayes encroaching and leaning to publick places they cauſed to be demolished and pulled down within thirty dayes. After this, they let out divers peeces of work to be wrought at a price, of that money which was ordained to that purpoſe; namely, to pave certain pools with ſtone, to ſcure the draughts and ſinks where need was: and in the mount *Avventina* and other parts where none were already to make new. And particularly of themſelves *Flaccus* cauſed the cauſey or whatſoever made againſt the waters called *Alphonsius*, that the people might paſs to and fro that way: and alſo a ſtreet-way through *Formianus*, and *Caio* for his part built two galleries, *Manium* and *Titium*, in the Mineries: and bought four ſhops for the City: he built there alſo the ſtately Hall or Palace called *Porcia*. As for the City revenues, they did ſet and let them forth to farmers, at an exceeding racked rent: but all the City works they put out to undertakers by the great, at as low a reckoning as they could. Theſe leaſes and bargains aforeſaid being once cancelled by order from the Senat, and new made at the important ſuit and that with countries and rears of the Publicans, as well farmers as undertakers: then the Cenſors by proclamation commanded thoſe to avoid far from the ſubſtation, who had diſannulled the former leaſes and bargains, and with ſome little abatement and eaſing of the former rents, they demied the ſame profits and revenues again to others. This was a cenſorſhip of great note, full of rapine, ill wills and heart-burning, which troubled and moleſted *M. Porcius* as long as he had a day to live, ſo that he was reputed and held to be the author of that ſeverity and rigor exerciſed therein.

The ſame year two Colonies were erected and inhabitants ſent from *Rome*, to wit, *Pollentia* into the Picene territory, and *Pſaurum* into the Gauls country. Six acres of land were aſſigned to every one of the coloners. And the ſame Triumvirs, namely, *Q. Fabius Labeo*, *M. Fulvius Flaccus*, and *Q. Fabius Nobilior*, were they that both parted the ſaid lands, and alſo had the leading and planting of the ſoreſaid Colonies.

The Conſuls that year achieved no memorable exploit at all, neither at home in City, nor abroad in war. Againſt the year following they created Conſuls *M. Claudius Marcellus* and *Q. Fabius*, who upon the fifteenth of March, on which day they entered into their government, put to question as concerning the Provinces, as well their own as the Pretors. For there had been choſen Pretors *C. Valerius* the Flamin of *Jupiter* (who alſo the year before was in election for the place) *Sp. Poſthumius Albinus* and *P. Cornelius Sifenna*, alſo *L. Pappus*, *L. Julius*, and *Cn. Scipio*. Unto the Conſuls was aſſigned the province *Liguria*, together with the charge of the ſame armies which *P. Claudius* and *M. Porcius* had conducted. As for both the Provinces in *Spain* (as we be yond as on this ſide *Iberus*) they were referred with their ordinary forces, for the Pretors of the former year by ſpecial commiſſion without caſting any lots at all thereto. The new Pretors were employed ſo to diſpoſe and part their governments, that *C. Valerius* the Flamin of *Jupiter* might ſerſe one of the jurisdictions of *Rome*, ſo he was *L. chief juſtice* for the ſorinners, and *Sifenna* ſerſe over the citizens. Unto *Sp. Poſthumius* fell *Sicily*, to *L. Pappus* *Apulia*, to *L. Julius* *Gallia*, and to *Cn. Scipio* *Sardinia*. As for *L. Julius* he was enjoined to make haſt and let forward on his journey, for the *Transalpin Gauls* (beyond the mountains) had paſſed over by the ſtreights of the *Pirets* and waies unknown beforetime, into *Italy*, as hath been beforeſaid, and were building them



a Town in that territory which at this day is called *Aquilensis*. This Pretor had in charge to impeach them in that enterprise, so far forth as he might possibly without war and force of arms: and if there were no other remedy but that they must of necessity use violence, then to certify the Consuls thereof: for agreed it was that one of them should lead the Legions against the Gauls. In the end of the former year there was a general assembly holden for the choosing of an Augur: wherein *Sp. Posthumus Albinus* was created in the room of *Cn. Cornelius Lentulus* late deceased. But in the beginning of this present year *P. Licinius Crassus* the arch-Pontiff departed out of this world, in whose place *M. Sempronius Tullianus* was invited for the Bishop. But *C. Servilius Geminus* was created the arch-priest or high-priest aforesaid. In the honor of *P. Licinius* at his funerals, there was given a dole of flesh: and a shew exhibited of 120 sword-fencers fighting at sharp: likewise there were represented funeral plaies and games, which continued three dayes: and after that solemnity, a feast was holden during which, when the tables were set & spread accordingly all over the grand-place of the City, suddenly there arose a tempest with great storms, which forced most men to erect tents and booths there: but after a while when the weather was fair again, they were taken down and had away: and men commonly gave out and said, That whereas the Prophets & wizards had foretold among other their fatal prelates, that they should be forced to quarter & pitch tents in the market place of *Rome*: now that prophesie was fulfilled, and they were freed and exulted from farther danger. And no sooner were they eased and delivered of that trouble, but they were troubled with another: for that it had rained blood two dayes in the court-yard of *Vulcan*: and the Decemvirs published a solemn supplication for the expiation of that prodigious sign.

Before that the Consuls departed into their provinces, they brought into the Senat for to have audience, the embassages come from beyond Sea. And never before that day were so many men of those foreign parts seen at *Rome*. For from the time that the bruit was blown abroad among the nations bordering upon *Macedony*, that the Romans gave no deaf ear to the complaints and accusations commened against *Philip*, and that many had sped well by complaining; every City and State in their own behalf, yea, and many privat persons in particular (for an ill neighbour he was to them all) repaired to *Rome*, in hope either to be righted and eased of their wrongs, or to discharge their stomacks and be moned and comforted for their miseries. Likewise from King *Eumenes* there arrived an embassy accompanied with his own brother *Athenus* to make complaint, as finding themselves grieved that the garillons were not withdrawn out of *Thrace*: as also to inform that *Philip* had sent certain aids into *Bithynia* to *Prusias* who made war upon *Eumenes*. Now *Demetrius* (*Philip* his son) at that time a very young Gentleman, was to answer forth these challenges: and an easy peece of work it was not, either to bear in mind all the matters objected: or to think upon the points of every answer accordingly. For over and besides, that the articles were many in number, most of them were of very small consequence and importance: namely, strife about limits and land-marks, about carrying away men and ravishing women: of driving of cattle, of mingling justice partially and with affection, or else of none mingled at all: of sentences given and judgments passed in causes either by force or for favour. The Senat perceiving that neither *Demetrius* could speak to these points and give them good evidence, nor themselves be well informed and clearly instructed by him: being moved also and grieved to see the youth follow a holer in the affairs, and therewith much troubled in spirit, gave order to enquire and demand of him. Whether he had received any notes in writing from his father as touching the premises? And when he answered and said, Yea, they thought the first and principal thing for them to do was, to see and hear what were the answers of the King to every specialty and particular. And thereupon they presently called for that book of his fathers, and then permitted him to read the contents thereof. Now therein were set down certain brief abstracts of pleas and defenses to each several point shewing, *In primis*, that some things he had done according to the decrees & awards of the Roman Delegates and commissioners. *Item*, Whereas he had left some way undone, the default was not in him but in the very parties that accused him. He had interlaced between certain grievances and complaints, as touching the iniquity and hard penning of those decrees: and how matters were not scanned and debated before *Caelicus* with that indifferency and equity as was meet and requisite: and namely that without desert of fault, all men were set against him and insulted over him. The Senat collected hereby good arguments, how the heart of *Philip* was wounded and galled against the Romans. But when the young Prince excused some of these matters, and for the rest promised and undertook, that all should be done to the uttermost as it pleased the Senat to order and set down: then it was thought good to deliver this answer unto him. That his father had in nothing done better nor more to the contentment of the Senat than that he seemed willing (howsoever matters were passed already) to make satisfaction to the Romans by the means of his son *Demetrius*. As for the Senat, they could dissemble, forget, put up and endure many things done and past: yea, and were persuaded verily in their hearts, that they might believe and trust *Demetrius*: as knowing assuredly, that although they set his body again to his father *Philip*, yet they had his heart and affection with them still, as a sure pledge and hostage: and that he was a friend to the people of *Rome*, so far forth as his reverent duty to his father would permit and give him leaverting him wial to understand, that so to do him honor, they would send Embassadors into *Macedony* to the end that if ought had not been so fully entertained as it should have been, it might be done yet in good time, without imputation of fault and blame, or penal satisfaction to be made for any thing hitherto omitted: yea, and desirous they were, that *Philip* should understand, that by

A the mediation of *Demetrius* and for his sake, he stood yet in good terms of peace and friendship with the people of *Rome*. These things intended and done for the increace of credit and reputation, presently turned to the displeasure of the young Gentleman, and in the end to his utter ruin and overthrow.

Then were the Lacedæmonians admitted to audience in the Senat. They moved many petty matters and trifling controversies: but those that principally touched the main point were these to wit, Whether they should be restored again whom the Achæans had condemned, or no? *Item*, Whether they were justly or unjustly killed, whom they murdered? Moreover they put to question, Whether the Lacedæmonians were to be complied within the general assembly and Council of *Achaia*: or, that this State (as before-time) should have their rights and franchises apart by themselves from all others in *Peloponnesus*? The Senat ordained and awarded: *In primis*, That they should be restored. *Item*, That the sentences pronounced against them, should be reversed. *Item*, That *Lacedæmon* should do service to that high court and public Diet of *Achaia*: and finally, that this accord and award should be engrossed, subscribed, and signed as well by the Lacedæmonians as Achæans.

*Q. Martius* was sent Embassador into *Macedony*: who also had direction and order given him by the same commission, to visit the state of the allies in *Peloponnesus*: for there also remained some troubles after the old quarrels and variance: yea, and the Messenians refused to appear at the general council of *Achaia*. Now if I would set in hand to record the causes and circumstances of that war, I should forget my purpose in the beginning of my work, wherein I resolved not to touch at all any discourse of foreign histories, no farther than they were linked to the Roman affairs. Howbeit one memorable occurrence there happened, which I cannot pass by, namely, that albeit the Achæans had the better hand in war, yet it chanced that *Philopamen* their Pretor was taken prisoner by the Messenians, as he made an expedition to seize upon *Corone* by prevention, which the enemies were masters of. Surprised he was in a valley of great disadvantage, and some few horsemen with him. It is reported, that by the help of the Thracians and Candioti, he might have fled and escaped: but for very shame to abandon those men of arms, which were the noblest Gentlemen of that nation, & whom he lately had made choice of, he had not the power to do otherwise, but stay to see the lift. For whilst he came himself behind in the reeward, because he was desirous to make means for their evasion through the frights of that pass, and to that purpose valiantly received the charge of the enemies, his horse fell and cast him at once: so as with his own fall and his horse lying upon him, he had like to have gone away in a swoon: a man now three score years old and ten: and withal, newly crept abroad and recovered of a long and lingering disease, which had mightily wasted and consumed the strength of his body. Well, thus lay he along, and the enemies ran over him: and so soon as they knew who he was, they reared him upon his feet from under his horse, no less respective than if he had been their own General in regard of a reverence they bare unto the man, and in remembrance of his noble exploits: they brought him again to himself, and forth of that by-valley standing out of the pass, they carried him into the high way: and were so far possessed and overcome with joy & unexpected, that they could not well believe their own eyes that they had gotten him. Some dispatched van-couriers to *Messene* with the news hereof: namely, that the war was brought to an end, considering that *Philopamen* was taken and was their prisoner. At first the tidings seemed so incredible, that the foremost messenger was held not only for a vain liar, but also for one not well in his wits: but after that there came one after another, and all with one voice verified and affirmed the same, at length it was believed. And then, as what they did before they knew for certain that he approached near unto the City: they all ran forth of the gates by heaps to see the man: all (I say) bond as well as free. Women and children one with another. In so much, as the gates were choaked up with the thrift and throng of the press: for no man could believe assuredly it was true, the thing was so strange, unless he might see him with his own eyes. They that had the charge of bringing him, found much ado to put by the multitude whom they encountered, and to enter in at the gate: and so thick they stood in the press, that they took up all the wayes besides, so as he could not be brought forth to be seen. Now, because the most part of the people might not possibly have a sight of him, they gat up all at once into the Theatre, which stood near unto the way, and pelted it full, and with one voice they cried aloud, That he might be brought thither and presented unto the view of the whole people. The Magistrats and principal citizens, fearing lest the compassion that might arise in mens hearts upon the beholding of so worthy a personage, would raise some trouble and commotion: whilst some comparing the reverence of his former authority and Majesty, with his present condition and calamity: and others calling to remembrance his manifold deserts and passing good turns, might haply be touched with pity: set him a far off in the open sight of them all, and then at once took him hastily out of their view: for their Pretor *Demetrius* gave out openly and said, That the Magistrats were to enquire and demand certain points of him as touching the main sum of the civil war. Then he was brought into their Council-Chamber, where their Senate assembled and began to consult about him. It was now well toward evening: and so far off they were from resolving in other matters, that they could not but think themselves and agree, in what place they might keep him that one night in safeguard. Afternoon they were and amazed, to consider and think upon the greatness of his estate past, and of his noble virtue and valour: and no man durst receive the charge and custody of him in his own house, nor trust any one besides, which

his keeping. At length some there were, that put them in mind of the publick treasury of the City, vaulted under the ground like a dungeon, and walked all about with strong square stone, into it was he let down bound as he was, and a mighty huge stone (being the cover of the vault) as by an engine laid over, to enclose him sure. Thus reposing more trust for his safe custody in that place than in any person, they waited and attended the next morning. When the morrow day was come, the whole entire multitude in general, recommending the benefits and good turns done of old by him to their City, were of mind to pardon and spare him, and by his means and mediation, to seek for remedies and redress of their present distresses and calamities. But those persons by whose motive and inducement the Messenians had revolted (and such were they as ruled all the common-weal) consulted apart in secret, and concluded with one consent to put him to death: only the doubt and question was, whether they should do the thing with speed, or by delay. But those prevailed in the end, who were more greedy of present revenge, and so they sent one unto him with a draught of poison. When he had taken the cup in his hand (by report) he gave not a word, but only asked, whether *Lycortas* (the other General of the Achæans) were likewise alive, and the foresaid horsemen safe? When answer was made, that they were in safety: That is happy, (quoth he) and therewith drunk off every drop in the cup right heartily, and a while after yielded up his vital breath. But long joyed they not of his death who were the bloody authors of this cruelty: for the City of *Messene* being conquered by force of arms, among other captivities, delivered these malefactors into the hands of the Achæans, who demanded presently to have them. The bones and reliques of *Philopemen* were likewise rendered unto them, and interred he was by the general Council of all *Achæans*, in such solemn wise, that in heaping upon him all honours that could be devised for an earthly man, they forbore not also to adore him as a God immortal. The Historiographers, as well Greek as Latine, attribute so much unto this man, that some of them have recommended to posterity (as a memorable thing of all others that hapned this year:) to wit, that in this one year there died three renowned Captains, *Philopemen*, *Annibal*, and *P. Scipio*. See how they have matched him in equality with the greatest warriors and noblest Generals of the two most puissant nations in the whole world!

Then came *T. Quintius Flaminius* in embassy to King *Prusias*, whom the Romans had in suspicion and jealousy, both for that he had received *Annibal* after the flight of *Antiochus*, and also because he made war upon *Eumenes*. Now, were it that among other matters *Flaminius* charged *Prusias*, that he entertained in his court the most spitefull enemy of all men living, unto the people of *Rome*: who first solicited his own native country to take arms against the Romans, and after the force and power thereof was abated and defeated, persuaded King *Antiochus* to do the like: or rather that *Prusias* of his own accord to gratify *Flaminius* there present, and to do the Romans a pleasure, had a meaning and intent either to kill *Annibal*, or to deliver him alive into their hands. I wot not how it came about, but upon the fifth communication and conference between them, there were soldiers sent incontinently to beset and guard his house. *Annibal* evermore forsook in mind some such issue and end of his life, seeing the deadly and inexorable hatred that the Romans bare unto him: reposing besides no confidence at all in the fidelity of these Kings, and having with some experience already of the inconsistency and levity of King *Prusias*. Moreover, he had in horror this coming of *Flaminius*, as fatal unto him, and a mean to M work his final destruction. To the end therefore he might be ever provided aforehand against those inconveniences and dangers, wherewith on all sides he was encumbered, and have a ready way of evasion to save himself, he had devised and caused to be made seven dotes for egress out of his house, wherof some were very privy and secret vaults, because they should not be environed with guards. But Kings commandments are of that force, that whatsoever they would have to be searched out and discovered, cannot lie long hidden. For the guards so compassed and enclosed the whole circuit of the house, that it was impossible for any to get forth and make an escape. *Annibal* being advertised that the Kings soldiers were at the gate, assailed to steal away at a postern, which stood furthest out of the way, and wherof the conveyance was most secret, but perceiving that the soldiers had beset it too, and lay for to encounter and receive him that way. N and that every place was invested with a set guard, he called for the poison which he had of long time before ready prepared for all such occurrent occasions, and uttered these words withal, "Let us rid these Romans of this their continual fear and pain wherein they have been all this while, "since that they think it so long to stay for the death of one old man, *Flaminius* shall obtain no great nor memorable victory of me, dislamed thus as I am, and betrayed into his hands. But this "very day shall prove and testify, how far the people of *Rome* are degenerate and changed from "their ancient manners. Their forefathers (quod he) advertised King *Pyrrhus* their enemy armed "in field, and lying with an host of men against them in *Italy*, they gave him warning I say to take "heed of poison: but these living at this day, have sent their Embassador, even one that hath "born the dignity of a Consul, to advise and counsel *Prusias* wickedly to take the life away of his "own guest. Then after he had cursed the person of *Prusias* and his whole realm, and called upon "the Gods, protectors of the law of hospitality, to bear witness how he had violated his faith "and broken promise with him, he set the cup of poison to his mouth, and drank it off. This was the end of *Annibal*. *Polibius* and *Rutilius* write, that *Scipio* also died this year. But *Jacquot* neither with them nor with *Valerius*. From them I square, because I find that when *M. Porcius* and *L. Valerius* were Censors, the same *L. Valerius* being Censor, was elected President of the Senat, whereas

The end of  
*Annibal*.

As *Africanus* had been President for ten years space together, during the time of two reviews by Censors next before. And so long as the said *Africanus* lived, there would have been no other chosen President in his room, unless himself were to have been called and deprived of the Senators dignity, of which disgrace and note of infamy, there is not one that maketh any mention. And as for *Valerius Antias*, he is insufficiently reituted by *M. Nevius* a Tribune of the Commons, against whom there is an Oration extant, and the same penned by *P. Africanus*, and bearing his name. This *Nevius* is recorded in the rolls and registers of Magistrats, by the title of Tribune of the Commons, in that year when *P. Claudius* and *L. Porcius* were Consuls, but he entered into his office during the Consulship of *App. Claudius* and *M. Scaevola*, the tenth of Decem'ber. From which time to the fifteenth of March are three months, upon which day *Pub. Claudius* and *L. Porcius* began their Consulship. So, it seemeth that he was living during the Tribuneship of *Nevius*, and that he might well commend an action against him, and call him to his answer, but he departed this life before that *L. Cato* and *M. Porcius* were Censors. But in my conceit the death of these three (the most renowned personages each one of their own nation) are not to be compared one with the other in this regard, that they hapned all just at one time, more than for this, that none of them all had an end correspondent and answerable to the perty state and glorious lustre of his life. For first and foremost in this they all jumped together, that they neither died nor were entered in their native country. Again, *Annibal* and *Philopemen* were both poisoned: *Annibal* was banished and betrayed by his own friend and host, *Philopemen* was taken prisoner, and left his life in prison and irons. As for *Scipio*, although he was neither exiled nor condemned, yet making default of appearance at the day assigned unto him, and being cited to his answer in his absence, willingly banished himself only for his life time, but his corps and funerals also after his death.

Whiles those affairs passed in *P. Lysimachus* (from whence our pen hath a little diverted and digressed) the return of *Demetrius* and the Embassadors into *Macedon*, diversly wrought in mens minds, and amused them some in one thing, and some in another. The common people of *Macedon*, who were mightily afraid that the Romans would make war upon them, highly affected *Demetrius*, and cast a favourable aspect upon him as the author of peace, and withal they detested him without all doubt to the Kingdom, after the decease of his father. For albeit he were younger than his brother *Perseus*, yet men thought and spake, that he was begotten in matrimony by *Philip* his lawful wife, whereas he had *Perseus* by a concubine, who carried no token and mark of a certain father, as having to his mother a woman that was nought of her body and common. Whereas *Demetrius* resembled his father *Philip*, and was as like him as might be. Moreover, men said, that the Romans would place and establish *Demetrius* in the Royal throne of his father, but *Perseus* was in no credit and reputation among them. Thus folk flocked not to give out abroad in their common talk. Whereupon not only *Perseus* was in care and doubt, that the preeminence of age only would little boot and advantage him, considering in all respects else he was inferior to his brother, but *Philip* also himself, supposing verily that it would hardly lie in his power to leave the inheritance of the crown to whom he pleased, thought that his younger son was a more in his eye, and troubled him more than was for his ease. Offended otherwhiles he was, that the Macedonians resorted unto him so much as they did, and highly displeased that there should be any more royal courts than one in his realm, during his life. And to speak a truth, the young Prince himself returned from *Rome* more puffed up, no doubt with pride, than was befitting: as who presumed and grounded much upon the opinion that the Senat had of him, perceiving that they had granted those things to him which had been denied unto his father before: but look how much favour and honor (in respect of the Romans) he won among the rest of the Macedonians, so much envy and ill will he procured himself thereby not only with his brother, but with his father also: and especially after that other Roman Embassadors were arrived, and that *Philip* was forced to part with *Thracia* and withdraw his garrisons, and to do other things either by virtue of the old award of the first commissioners, or by a new ordinance of the Senat. Well he perceived all, but with an heavy heart and many a deep sigh and groan, and so much the rather, because he observed and saw how his son *Demetrius* conversed more with the Embassadors, and frequented their company other than his. Howbeit he obeyed, and did whatsoever was enjoined him by the Romans, because he would minister unto them no occasion of levying war against him out of hand. And supposing it was good policy to avert their minds from all suspicion that he minded any such designs tending that way, he led his army into the midst of *Thracia* against the *Odryans*, *Dantheles*, and *Bessians*. He won the City *Philippopolis* abandoned by the inhabitants who were fled, and had retired themselves with their whole families to the high mountains next adjoining: and after he had wasted the Lands and territories of the Barbarians that inhabited the champaign country, he received them under his subjection by composition. Afterwards, having left a garrison at *Philippopolis*, which soon after was chased and expelled by the *Odryans*, he determined to build a Town in *Descriopus*, a region of *Paonia* near the river *Erigonius*, which issueth out of *Thracia*, and keeping his course through *Paonia* chieftly through it self, and sleeth into the river *Asius*. Nor far from *Strabo* the old City, he built a new, and caused it to be called *Perseus*, thereby to do honour to his eldest son *Perseus*.

During the train of these affairs in *Macedon*, the Consuls took their journey into their several Provinces. *Marcellus* sent a messenger before him to *L. Porcius* the Pro-consul, to give him to understand that he should present his legions before the new Town of the Gauls. But at the first approach



\* 19 of April :  
for the least  
unto the god-  
des Pales was  
solemnized an.  
x. calend. Mai.  
which was. Na-  
salis dies urbi  
Romæ ; the  
birth day (as it  
were) of Romæ.  
\* Luna.

The spring season that year was very stormy and tempestuous. On the \* even of the least, *Palatia* about noon-tide, suddenly there arose a mighty blustering wind, which overthrew many edifices as well sacred as profane. It cast down the brazen statues and images in the Capitol : it caught up the wicket of the dore belonging to the Temple of the \* *Moon*, (which is in the Aventine) carried it away and let it fall to the back wall of the Temple of *Ceres*. It overthrew and laid along other statues in the great cirque or show-place called *Circus Maximus*, together with the pillars upon which they stood. The lanterns and pinnacles it rent and tare after a strange sort. from the roof and top of certain Churches, and carried them clean away. And therefore this tempest was held for a prodigious token, and the Antipices gave order for the expiation and satisfaction thereof. Likewise the same provision was made in regard of a report from *Reate*, that a mule was foiled with three feet : and from *Formia*, that the Chappel of *Apollo* (and namely at *C. j. ra*) was stricken with lightning. For these prodigies, there were twenty greater beasts killed for sacrifice : and a supplication holden one whole day. And about the same time, intelligence was given by letters from *A. Terentius* the Pretor, that *P. Sempronius* having continued above a year in *Spain* was departed this life. in the farther Province of *Spain* : which was the cause that the Pretors were wiled to make more halt, and so much the sooner to pass into *Spain*.

After this the embassages from beyond the Sea had audience given them in the Senat. The first was that of the two *KK. Eumenes* and *Pharnaces*, and also of the Rhodians, who complained for the great loss and overthrow by the Sinopians received. And about the same instant arrived also Embassadors from *Philip* from the Achæans and *Lacedæmonians*, who had their answer and dispatch, after a speech made by *Martius*, who had been sent to visit the estate and affairs of *Greece* and *Macedonia*. But as touching the foresaid Kings of *Asia*, and the Rhodians this stood for their answer : namely That the Senat would send their Embassadors and Commissioners to take knowledge and see to all things there in place. But as concerning *Philip*, *Martius* had to told his tale, that he put the LL. of the Senat in more fear and perplexity : for in his declaration he confessed, that *Philip* indeed had accomplished the will and pleasure of the Senat, but in such sort, as it was evident to be seen, that he would do so no longer than he were held thereto and compelled of necessity : for apparent it was, that he minded to make war again, considering that what ever he either did or laid, tended to no other end. For first and foremost he caused all the multitude to be removed and translated (with their whole families) out of the Cities by the Sea-coast, into that quarter which now is called \* *Emathia*, and in times past was named *Pannonia* : and gave those Cities aforesaid to the Thracians and other barbarous nations to inhabit : supposing that this kind of people would be more fast and faithful unto him in his wars against the Romans. And verily this deed of his bred a great discontentment and murmuring throughout all *Macedonia* : inasmuch, as few there were of them, who thus left their native habitations together with their wives and child, and could bite in and contain their fear, grief and heart-burning, and say nothing : but being provoked and nettled more to anger than curbed and bridled with fear, they brake out, and were heard to curse and cry out upon the King as they went along the way in troops and companies. Hereupon his fell (remack by nature was logical) that he had all men in jealousy, and no time nor place there was, but he suspected, in the end he began to give it out openly, that he could not make account to be in safety and security unless he apprehended and kept in prison the children of those persons whom he had before-time killed, for to dispatch and make away them also (in time) one after another. This cruelty in itself hainous enough and enormous, the calamity and woful misery of one house made more odious and detestable. Murdered he had many years before *Herodotus*, a noble man and a Prince of the Theffalians : and some time after, he slew also his sons in law, who had married his daughters. These Gentlemen women being left Widows, had each of them by their Husbands a little Son : and the names of these women were *Theoxena* and *Archo*. As for *Theoxena* she would in no wise marry again : albeit she had many suiters that wooed her : but *Archo* was wedded to one *Poris*, the very principal and noblest personage of the *Enean* Nation : and when she had born him many children, she died, and left them all very young. Then afterwards *Theoxena* likewise was married to the foresaid *Poris*, to the end, that the might have the bringing up of those her sisters children with her own hands : and in truth she was not more kind to her own pretty son than to those her sisters children : but so tenderly regarded them all alike, as if she had born them of her own body. Now when she heard one of the Kings edict and proclamation which was gone forth, for the apprehension of all those infants whose fathers before had been put to death : supposing that these children should be exposed not only to the abuse and scornful mockery of the King but also to the lust and villany of his guard, she conceived in her mind an horrible designment : yea, and she stuck not to say, That with her own hand she would rid them of their lives, rather than they should come within the clutches of *Philip*. But *Poris* her husband (who abhorred the very naming of so abominable a fact) said, that he would convey them out of the way as far as *Athens*, to certain trusty friends of his there, and would himself in proper person accompany them all the way thither, and take part with them of that exile and banishment. So they put themselves in their journey all together (he and his wife and children) from *Theffalonia* toward *Eubœa*, into a solemn sacrifice and feast yearly they use to celebrate with much ceremonious pomp, in the honor of *Eneas* their first founder. Now when they had spent that day in feasting full solemnly, about the third watch of the night (when all others were found asleep) they were embarked in a ship prepared aforesh and by

A making semblance, as if they would return to *Theffalonia* : but indeed purposing to cut over to *Eubœa*. But when they had laboured and wrought to no purpose upon the wind, which was full against them, they were overtaken and prevented by the day-light before they were far from the Land, and past sight. And being discovered by the Kings officers, who had the charge and keeping of the haven, there was a pinnace or foist (well appointed with armed men) let out to fetch in that vessel, with express commandment (as they would answer to the contrary at their utter peril) not to come again without it. Now as they approached neerer, *Poris* verily for his part was very earnest with the rowers, mariners, and sailors, to plie their business and make way from them : otherwhiles stretching out his hands up to heaven, calling and praying unto the Gods to help them in this hard distress. But the courageous lady his wife, all the while (turning again to execute that designment of hers long before purposed) tempered and mixed a potion of poison, and brought forth certain swords withal. Now when she had set the poisoned cup before the children in their very eye, and drawn the swords naked : Death (quoth she) is the only means we have to save our liberty : lo here the ways that lead to death : now as every ones heart standeth to this or that, take thereto, and avoid the cruelty and pride of the King. Come on lads and jolly striplings, lead you the way that are the bigger and elder : take [word in hand, fall thereupon and work the feat at once : or if ye list rather to be long a dying, drink here of this cup]. What should they do ? the enemies were fast upon them ready to board their vessel, their mother on the other side, encouraging them instantly to take their death. In such wile, that to conclude, some dying the one way and some the other, were all cast headlong over shipboard, when they were but half dead. Then she for her part embracing her husband about the middle (because she would dye with him for company) threw her self and him both together into the Sea. Thus the Kings men seized upon the ship, when the matters thereof were gone.

The horrible example of this fact kindled more coals, and set the malice and hatred kindled against the King as it were on a light and flaming fire anew, inasmuch as now commonly in all places they fell to open cursing of him and his children. Which maledictions and execrations it was not long but all the Gods listened and gave ear unto, and caused that he likewise exercised cruelty even upon his own flesh and blood. For *Perseus* seeing his brother *Demetrius* to arise every day more than other in favour, greatness, and reputation with the whole *Macedonian* people, and to grow also in credit and grace among the Romans, supposing with himself how he had no other hope left him of attaining to the crown, but by the means of some wicked practice bent all his thoughts and studies that way, and aimed only at that mark. But believing verily that he was not strong enough and sufficient alone, to execute and bring forth so much only, as within that unmanly and womanish mind of his he had devised and conceived, he practised with his fathers friends, and estoons founded their hearts one by one apart, casting out ambiguous and doubtful speeches. And at the first verily some of them shewed countenance, as if they could not abide to hear of any such thing, because they reposed more hope in *Demetrius*. But afterwards, as the hatred of *Philip* grew daily greater against the Romans, which *Perseus* still fostered and maintained, whereas *Demetrius* with all his might laboured against it : they fore-seeing in their mind the unhappy end of *Demetrius*, who lay too open and was not heedful enough to guard himself against the fraudulent and mischievous plots of his brother, sided with *Perseus* : making this account in policy, to set that agoing and help it forward, which in the end would take effect, and namely to entertain and advance the hope of the mightier. For the execution of the rest they reserved every thing to a meet and convenient time therefore. As for the present, the best course they thought upon was this, to incense the King all that ever possibly they could against the Romans, to induce and put him forward still to think of nothing but war, whereto of his own accord his mind stood well enough and was inclined. And withal (to the end that *Demetrius* might be from day to day more and more suspected) they entered of purpose (as before they were agreed) into speech, as touching the hope and great port of the Romans : wherat when some of them would come again in scornful wile to debate their manners and fashions, others to deprave their deeds and acts, some scoffing in general at the very form and making of their City, how it was not yet embellished & beautified either with stately edifices in publick places, or with fair houses of private men : others mocking and having in derision the principal and chief performances of the City in particular : the inconsiderate young Gentlemen, carried away as well with an affectionate love to the Romans, as with a desire to cross his brother, would answer to all those points in the defence and maintenance of the Romans : by which means he brought himself both into more jealousy with his father, and also to be subject & exposed to slanderous imputations. Whereupon his father acquainted him no more with any counsel as touching the Roman affairs, but wholly relied upon *Perseus*, and with him conferred thereabout, imparting unto him both day and night all his projects and designs whatsoever. By this time were they returned, whom he chanced to send to the Basters for to levy succours and aid-soldiers, and brought they had with them from thence certain noble young Gentlemen, and some among of royal blood. One of them promised to give his sister in marriage to one of *Philip*'s sons, inasmuch as the affection by way of affinity with that nation, for the Kings heart also, aforesaid. But *Perseus* brake out into these words : " What serves all this for (quoth he) since we have not so much help and safety by aids from abroad, as harm and danger by a mischief and malady at home. We keep here and foster in our bosom, I dare not say a traitor, but I assure you, a very dangerous spie and no better : whose body verily the Romans have

"have sent us again, but his heart and soul they are possessed of, ever since he was an hostage at Rome. All the Macedonians in a manner have their eyes upon him, let him they court, and give out in plain terms, that they will no other King than whom the Romans shall set up. Old Philip was of himself badly enough affected in his mind, but upon these suggestions buzzed into his head, he was the worse, and more disquieted and set out of frame: he entertained these furies, and set them nearer to his heart than he made fair in outward shew and countenance. Now it fortune that the time was come of the ordinary review of his army, the solemnity whereof was usually performed in this manner. They cut a dog overthwart the middle in two halves, the head and foreparts together with the entrails were set on the right hand of the high way: the hind parts on the left. Between this sacrifice thus divided, the companies in their armour passed in a shew. Before the front of the vanguard were carried the coats of arms and royal ensigns of all the Macedonian Kings that ever had been from the beginning. Then followed the King himself in person with his children. Next marched the Kings guard and cohort, with the squires of his body. And last of all, in the rearward behind came the rest of the multitude and commons of the Macedonians. Of either side the King went his sons, two lusty Gentlemen. *Perseus* was about 30 years old, and *Demetrius* five years younger: the one in the mids and best of his age and strength, and the other in the very prime and flower thereof. An happy father had he been for so fair issue, seeing this maturity and perfection of theirs, if the grace of God had gone withal, and that they had been well disposed and affected in mind. The manner and custom of this review and solemn fight was (after the sacrifice duly accomplished) for the whole army to joust and tourney in this wise, that being divided into two battalions, they should one charge the other, and represent the shew of a very conflict and set field. And who should be the chief leaders and captains in this brave pastime, but the Kings two sons? But believe me they jested never a whit, nor made a vain shew for sport, but went to it roundly in good earnest, as if they would determine now who should be King another day. Foul work they made with their wooden walters and headless pikes; many were wounded, and nothing wanted there but the iron tip of a very bloody battle indeed. That regiment which *Demetrius* commanded, had the upper hand by odds. *Perseus* shewed himself highly displeased and angry thereat; but contrary-wise his friends and favourites of the wiser sort rejoiced at it, and made remonstrance. That this was the only thing to minister just occasion unto him for to challenge and accuse his younger brother. Now the same day, the one as well as the other called their companions, who had thus performed the jousts and tournaments of either side with them. *Perseus* was invited by his brother to supper, but he refused and denied to come. Howbeit such was the good fellowship amongst them, that to merriment were the young gallants and lusty Cavaliers, that they passed the festival day in all joy and mirth, either part with their Captain and plied the wine full liberally. Then in their cups they fell to discouraging freely of their running and pastime, and began to cast out merry conceits and broad jests at their adversaries of the contrary side, in so much as they forbore not to glance at the very Captains themselves. Now had *Perseus* sent a privy spie, one of his guests, to listen what good talk there was at his brothers board, but he deceived himself & walking not so circumspectly as he should, was encountered by certain youths, that chanced to come forth of the hall or parlor where they sat at supper, and was evil entreated and well beaten for his labour. *Demetrius* nothing aware thereof, among other table talk, Why go we not (qd, he) and banquet with my brother? and if there remain any anger and displeasure behind after our jousting in jest, appease and mitigate the same in simplicity of heart and mirth-making? Mary, no better, cried they all again with one voice, save only those that feared to be met withal presently and served alike for misusing & knocking the said spie. *Demetrius* would needs draw even them also with him; whereupon they carried weapons hidden under their apparel, for fear of the work that they might defend themselves, if any violence were offered. But what can be carried so secret, but one it will, where there is intestine discord in one family? All was full of spies and false knaves, as well in the one house as the other. For there ran a pick-thank and tale carrier before unto *Perseus*, and declared unto him that there were coming with *Demetrius* four young men with privy knives by their sides. And albeit he wist well enough what was the cause thereof (for he had heard that one of his guests was by them beaten) yet to aggravate the matter and make it more odious, he commanded the door to be fast locked, and from the upper rooms and lofts of the house and out of the windows to the street side, he kept off and repelled those (that came to banquet and be merry with him) from approaching the door, as if their coming were for no other purpose but to murder him. *Demetrius* after he had for a time cried out in the street and taken up for this disgrace and indignity, saying it was long of the wine and nothing else that he was thus excluded, returned again to his own house to make an end of the banquet there: and all this while knew nothing what the matter was. The morrow after, *Perseus*, so soon as ever he thought he might have access to the speech of his father, came to the court and in the sight of the King, stood afar off with a troubled countenance and heavy cheer, and not a word with him. How now (qd, he) his father what is amiss with you is not all well? Ah, my good lord and father (qd, he) I would you knew that it is the fair gift & grace of God that I am a liveman at this hour. That brother of mine, goeth not about us any more by way of secret practices and hidden ambushes: for the night that was, he came with armed men to set upon me in mine own house, and to take away my life, I was driven (father) to shut the doors against him, and to save my self from his furious rage, within the defence of the walls thereof. When he had thus possessed his father with fear

and astonishment together: Nay (qd, he) I will prove all plainly before your face, that you shall know it is a truth that I say, if your grace can be content to give me audience. Audient, e? (qd, he) yes mary will I and that with patience: and immediately he commanded *Demetrius* to be called before him. And withal, he sent for two of his old friends to assist him, and to take their advice, to wit, *Lysimachus* and *Oenamasus*, who with nothing of the quarrel and variance between the two brethren, for that they had been strangers a long time at the court. In the mean while, he walked up and down alone, attending their coming, courting and discouraging many matters in his head, and his son *Perseus* stood still aloof. After word was brought that the parties were come, he retired aside with those two friends, and as many of his guard into an inner room, and permitted his sons to bring with them into the place, three friends a piece unarmed. And when he was set, thus began he to speak.

Here sit I a most wretched father to be a judge between my two sons the one plaintiff, the other defendant in the case of parricide: and to stand among the one of mine own house and blood, the foul stain of that felonious crime, either falsely forged or in deed committed. Certainly long ago I feared such a storm and tempest toward and I saw it rising afar off, when I perceived your unbrotherly looks one toward another, when I overheard some unhappy words to pass between you. Yet other whiles I was in good hope that the heat of your anger might evaporate and flake, and the suspicions and jealousies be cleared and pass away: considering that even professed and mortal enemies, have laid down arms, concluded peace, and become friends at last; yea, and great quarrels and enmities between private persons have had their end. I hoped that one time or other, ye would remember how ye were natural brethren, that ye would call to mind, how ye were little children together and had concried with all simplicity & singleness of heart familiarly in your infancy: and final y, that ye would think upon my good lessons and precepts, unto you which now I fear me much that I have sounded to your dears in vain. How often have I blamed and deterred in your presence and hearing the examples of brethren at discord and variance, recounting unto you the stories of the fearful and horrible issue thereof: namely, how they have thereby undone themselves and their race, overthrown their own houses, yea, & utterly subverted whole Kingdoms? On the other side, I laid before you better patterns and precedents to follow, and namely of the concord agreement and unity between the Lacedæmonian Kings, that reigned two by two together to their own good and the publick weal of their country for many hundred years: but the same City fell soon to decay and ruin, when the fashion once was taken up, to usurp the tyranny and sovereign rule every man for himself alone. Moreover, I set before your eyes these two brethren hereby *Enmenes* and *Antachus*, who at the first began with so little that they were in manner abashed and ashamed to take upon them the title and style of Kings: and at this day are equal in grandeur of dominion to my self to *Antachus*, and to any Kings of this age living: and that by no other means in the world, more than by brotherly love and mutual concord. Nay, I laid not so but discoursed unto you and recited sundry examples of certain Romans which either I had learned by hear-say, or observed by mine own eye-sight and experience: and namely, the two *Quintii*, *T.* and *L.* who warred both against me. The *Scipios*, *Flavii*, *P.* and *L.* who vanquished and subdued *Antiochus*: their fathers also and uncles, who were brethren, and whose concord and unity all their life long was such, as it was not disjoynd in their very death. But neither the wickedness of those first recited, and a seemable end correspondent to their ungracious life, was able to scare you from outrageous discord: nor yet the good heart & meaning of the later sort, together with their happy fortune draw & induce you to be wise. During my natural life, whiles my breath is within my body, both twain of you, seduced by foolish hope & disordinate desire, are ready to take possession of my Kingdom over my head, and to long only would ye have me to live, until that I surviving the one of you, might presently by my death put all out of question, and make the other (as sole heir apparent) undoubted King. Sick ye are I fee well of father and brother, ye can abide neither the one nor the other, there is no goodness in you at all: nothing is there that ye hold dear, nothing that you count holy and inviolable: but in lieu and stead of all, there is crept and entered into you an unsatisfiable desire to reign; and that hath wholly possessed your hearts. Come on therefore now grieve and wound your fathers ears with your ungracious tales and wicked words: debate and dispute the matter with reciprocal accusations, you that shortly will decide and determine it by dint of sword: say on and spare not speak out all that either you can alledge truly, or list to devise & invent falsely. Mine ears are now wide open, but shall hereafter for ever be closed shut, against all secret flanders that ye shall whisper and report one against the other. When he had breathed out these words with great indignation, the assistants that he began all to weep much and shed tears, and for a good time there was sad cheer and not a word until at length *Perseus* began and said: I should like have opened the door in the night that I should, and received into my house armed guests to banquet with me, yea, and held out my throat unto them for to be cut: since that nothing is better unless the deed be done and dispatched: since that the same is laid unto me (who have been laid and whose life hath been sought) which were more becoming to speak unto a weak-kneed and robbier by the high way side: It is not for me to fight I feel well that here, I give out abroad and say, That you have no more sons but *Demetrius*, and call me a bastard and a supposed son of yours, as begotten of a concubine. For if you held I and avowed me legitimate, if you vouchsafed me the place, the degree and love of a son, you would never fang and storm at

The speech of Philip to his two sons.

Philip's speech to his two sons.

The accusation of Perseus against his brother Demetrius.



gaint me so as you do, for discovering the ambush set for me, and complaining thereof; but a. H  
gaint him rather that laid in wait to surprize me: neither would you let so light and make lo  
small account of my life, as to be moved neither for the danger past wherein I was, nor at the  
peril to come, if such wait-laiers may escape unpunished. Now if there be no remedy, but that we  
must die and say nothing, let us hold our tongue and be mute: let us only pray to the Gods be-  
fore that this intended mischief begun in me may also take an end in me alone, and that you be  
not he, who is to be wounded and pierced through my body. But in case (like as by the very in-  
flict and suggestion of nature, they that are assailed and set upon in a desart wilderness, be  
taught to implore and call for mens help and succour, although they neither saw nor knew of  
any before) in case (I say) it be lawful for me likewise to open my mouth and speak, when I lie  
the naked sword drawn upon me: then I beseech you for your own love, even for the love of I  
your good self, and the name of a father (which whether of us twain have more esteemed and  
regarded, you have full well known long ago) to give me audience, and to hear me, as if you had  
been awakened at my cry and pittifull lamentation in the last nights riot, and came in the way  
where I was forced to call. Help, Help: and as if you had taken *Demetrius* in the manner, with-  
in my gate, in the very entry of my door, accompanied with armed men, at an unexpect and un-  
due hour of this night past. Those plaints and moans which then I would have uttered by way  
of disordered and confus'd cries in that suddain affright of mine upon the deed doing the same  
I now make the morrow after. Ah brother, we have lived now a good while, not (I wot) as  
brethren that should banquet and make merry one with another. It is the crown that you look  
after, that is certain and past peradventure: but your hope to attain unto it, is rolled down K  
waies. My blit bright and mine eldership is a block in your way, between you and its law of  
nations is against it; the ancient custome of the Macedonians check it; and finally, the will,  
pleasure and judgment of our father is opposite unto it. Mourn you cannot possibly to high, but  
by the effusion of my heart blood. You go to work, you assay all means, you leave no force un-  
rolled, and nothing unattempted to effect that: but to this day, either mine own way diligence  
or happy fortune hath guarded me and withstood your wicked parricide. Even yesterday, dur-  
ing the time of the solemn review and purging of the army, during the time of running at til-  
king a bloody battail of it and a deadly conflict indeed: and nothing else saved me from death,  
but this, that I inferred my self and my men to go by the worse and be overcome. From this mar-  
tiall combat, as if it had been no more but a game and sport among brethren, you would needs  
have trained and drawn me to a supper. Why? think you father, that I should have supped a-  
mong those guests unarmed, who came in arms to banquet with me? Do you believe, that I should  
have been in no danger of their naked swords of steel at night: who in the day time and within  
your sight, laid on such load with me? wooden iwords and bastons, that they had like to have kil-  
led me? To what end else came you, brother at that time of the night? why came you as an ene-  
my, considering I was in choler and my blood was uprour, wherefore came you accompanied with  
tall fellows privily armed and with short iwords under their garments? I durst not venture to sit  
at supper with you: should I have received you then, coming as you did with armed men to ban-  
quet with me? Father, if the door had been opened; whereas you hear me now to make my com-  
plaints, you should have been by in this time busied about my winding-sheet, here, and funerals.  
I lay not forth and urge matters in slender manner, alter the fashion of these accusers at the  
bar: neither collect I bare conjectural presumptions to enforce & conclude any doubtful points:  
for what need I to do? Denieth he that he approached my door with a troop of men? or that  
he had in his train a company, such as wore weapons covertly under their apparell? Do but send  
for them whom I shall name. But in faith, what will not they dare to do, that can do this in the  
secret I trow, they will never be so hardy and shameless as to deny it. If I had taken them in the  
manner with their weapons about them within mine entry, and so brought them before you,  
then you would say it were a plain case and out of all doubt. If then, they consels as much with  
their mouth, hold them as culpable as if they had been surprized in the act doing. Now curse  
(and spare not) the greedy appetite and thirst after a Kingdom: now fall to raile and call up the  
furies out of hell to set brethren together by the ears: but, good father, let not your curses and  
execrations thus flie at blind random: make some distinction yet and difference, between him  
that lyeth in await, and the party who is forelaid. Let him be holden guilty that sought to kill  
his brother, let him feel withal the gods of his father to be his enemies and angry against him.  
But as for him who was in danger to lose his life through his brothers mischievous practise, let  
him have his reluge and recourse to the mercy and justice of his father. For alas, whether else  
should I flie for succour? seeing that neither the solemn review and purging of your army, nor the  
running and jousting of the men at arms, neither mine own house nor my table, nor yet the very  
night season (which nature hath given to mankind for covert & repose) affordeth me safety and  
security? If I go to my brother (being bidden to supper) die I shall: if I receive my brother with-  
in my dores (coming to banquet) die I must. So that whether I go or stay all is one: I cannot a-  
void but fall into trains and ambushes, laid for to take away my life. To what place shall I retire  
and betake my self? None have I regarded, nothing have I relied upon, but the gods & your good  
self, father. As for the Romans, I stand in no such terms with them of grace and favour as to trust  
upon their succour: nay they all with me hanged, because I take the wrongs done unto you by  
them,

\* *Sadibus*. The  
town I sup-  
pose that  
*pauculus*  
*Euklarius*, Ro-  
manus. Like as  
in the end of  
the 26 book,  
where, *Preli-  
tis* will be  
jocular, I take  
to be all one  
with *leque-  
ratus*.  
The same is  
mentioned in  
the 27 book, in  
either time  
round ball of  
wood is cast-  
ed to the end  
of the dart or  
javelin, after  
the manner of  
talis or else it  
is turned  
round in the  
head like a  
ball-hole. For  
to *Emptio*  
mentioned in his  
book of *Hof-  
manship*.  
is *Emptio*  
the word a-  
dvertis: even  
as *Preliatus* of  
P. 12. abili

A "then to the heart became I then my self discontented and touched with the indignity, that lo  
many Cities, so many nations are plucked from you, and namely, that of late they have deposed  
and bereaved you of the maritime parts and sea coast of *Thrace*: and so long as either you or  
I live, they never look to enjoy *Macedonia*. But if by the mischievous practise of my brother, I  
might once be rid out of the way, and my old age had made an end of you, yea, and perad-  
venture before that day came, by which they would never lay so long for then they know well  
and make full account, that both the King and Kingdom of *Macedonia*, will be theirs ere long.  
Indert if the Romans had spared any piece at all without *Macedonia*, I should have thought and  
made reckoning that I had been a slave of fear and revenge left for me. But what need that, so  
long as I have strength enough among the very *Macedonians*. You saw your self yesterday how  
boldly the soldiers charged upon me: what waited they but the sharp sword and edged  
weapon, with which they killed and smited of in the day time my brothers banqueters mer-  
ciful and built all their hopes of dignity, promotion, and advancement, in the Romans, and na-  
mely in him whom we can deale with them and is of great reputation. And finally, to  
speake truth, him they never not only before me, his elder brother, but also they go within a  
very little to let him before your self his leges King and natural father, for this is he, for whoe  
love and in favour of whom the Senate hath remitted and pardoned you that penalty, which you  
had incurred: This is he, who now protects you from the force of Roman armies, who de-  
scrieth it meet and reason, that your old age should be obliged and beholden to his youth, for him  
stand all the Romans, with him take part all those Cities which are delivered and freed from your  
subjection of him hold the *Macedonians* that wish for peace with the Romans, and take con-  
sentment therein. Now for me father, what hope or help can I have else where, but in you alone?  
Wherefore think you send those letters of *Quintinius* lately unto you: wherein he writeth, That  
you did passing well for your own estate, intending *Demetrius* to *Rome*, and exhorteth you with-  
all to send him again the second time accompanied with more Embassadors, and chole the very  
principal and best of all the *Macedonians*: This *T. Quintinius* (if you will needs know the reason)  
is the man, who leadeth, induceth and directeth him at this present, in all things he is his coun-  
sellor and chief-mover. And *Demetrius* hath rejected and cast you off his own father, & hath  
put him in your stead. Where it is, where all these privy plots have heretofore been first contrived  
and set a hatching: and at this present, in willing you to send more in ambassage, and chole the  
chief performances of the *Macedonians* with him, he seeketh nought else but helpers and assistants  
to set those designs in execution. As many as go from hence to *Rome*, be they never so found &  
unsurprized at their coming out, be they loyal subjects and acknowledge no other but *Philip* for  
their King, return from thence tainted and infected with the alluring enticements of the Ro-  
mans: *Demetrius* alone is altogether in their books. They are all for him, and pails for none else.  
Him they call their King, during the life of his own father. Now, if I seem to be touched, offen-  
ded and grieved therewith, by and by, I am sure to have it charged reproachfully on both sides of  
mine ears, not only from others, but also from your mouth father, that I aspire and seek to be  
King, for mine own parts, I would both they and you knew, that if the diadem and crown were  
here in between us both, I would none of it. For who is he, that I should need to undermine &  
supplant, for to step into his place and succeed? None there is at all but my father before me, and  
long may he so be to pray God, and I wish to survive him no otherwise, but if I be worthy and  
deserve that he should likewise desire the same. If my father will make me his heir and inheritor  
of the Kingdom, I will accept thereof. He indeed coveteth to be a King, yea, and ungraciously con-  
vetteth is, who is bidden to make pace forward, and to step before the course of nature, the order  
of age, the custome of the *Macedonians*, and the law of nations. But what imagineth *Demetrius*,  
supperthence the Kingdom by right and by my fathers will: Let us rid him out of the World,  
What I am, not the first that sought to be a King by murder of a brother, As for my father, he is  
aged, he is desolat and bereaved of a son, he will have more care to look to his own person, than  
mind to revenge the death of his son. The Romans, they will rejoice, they will approve and  
maintain my fact. These be nice points, and these be ticklish and doubtful hopes, but believe me  
that they are not altogether vain and frivolous. For thus stands the case, and this is the sum of  
all: Well may you perceive me out of danger, now while I am alive, by inflicting punishment  
upon those who take weapon in hand to kill me: but let their enterprise speed once, and take ef-  
fect, you shall never be able to pursue them to the purpose and revenge my death.  
When *Perseus* had made an end of his speech, they that were present in place cast their eyes with-  
ly upon *Demetrius*, as if he would have made answer immediately, and so were all silent a long time,  
and said not a word for they perceived evidently that he could not for weeping open his mouth:  
but in the end he was urged by them to speak, and then after that necessity had overcome his  
grief, thus he began: My father, all those means of help which were ever wont to serve the defen-  
ce in good heed, I am prevented and disappointed of by the plaintiff my accuser. By those false  
and fained fears of his, wrong out and shed to work the ruin and undoing of another, he hath  
made my true tears suspected, which gushing out of mine eyes, proceed from a melting & wound-  
ed heart within: And whereas himself hath not ceased (ever since that I returned from *Rome*)  
to practise secretly with his consorts and complices both night and day to lay wait for my life,

The Oration  
of *Demetrius*  
in his own de-  
fence, before  
his father.

<sup>A</sup> "pared aforehand against the banquet, to perform a parricide? that afterwards I might wish some other sacrifices expier and cleanse my conscience thus stained & defiled with all kind of wickedness! A likely matter surely. But a spirit corrupt & blinded with the humour of slandering another, upon a desire to gather matter and make all suspicious, careth not to huddle one thing upon another confidently. For if I meant to have poisoned you at supper, what was there more unfit to set forward that designment, than to provoke you to anger, by running so eagerly upon you & fighting with you so roughly, that thereby you might take good and just occasion to refuse being requested, for to come to supper? And when in your choler you had once denied to sup with me, was it not the next way for me then, to endeavour how to appease you, and seek some other opportunity, since I had prepared the poison for that present only? But I must leap from that designment to another, even to the killing of you by the sword, and that upon the very same day, under a pretence of banqueting with you? If I thought that for fear of death you forbore my table at supper time, how comes it that I imagined not feebly, that for the laid rear you would avoid my company at banquet after supper? There is no cause why I should be ashamed, Father, if upon such a festival day as it was I drank wine liberally, and took perhaps a cup too much among my companions, Nay, I would it might please your majesty to enquire with what mirth, and merriment I feasted yesterday at home in my house, and this joy for us the farther out, because in that warlike pastime of lusty youths, our side went not by the worse. But this misery & unhappy fear upon that our mirth, hath well belaid and cooled the wine; I spent it hath the strength thereof fuming up into our heads: which if it had not come between, we as great ladies await as we were, had to this hour lien sound asleep in our beds. Well, if I had minded to assail and force your house, and that done, so murder you the master thereof, would I not think you, have for born for my part one day to bib and quaff wine so freely, and likewise kept my soldiers from drinking drunk? But because I should not alone plead my simplicity and make my excuse thereby, this my good brother also, who God wot is none of these naughty and suspicious creatures, comes in with his vie and faith, I know nothing, I charge nobody, neither wot I what to saylelle, but that they came armed to banquet with me. If I might be so bold as to ask how you came to that knowledge, you cannot chuse but confesse that either my house was full of your spies, or those armed men of my train took their weapons so openly, that every one saw them. And because he would have you believe, that neither himself made any enquiry before, nor at this time persueeth the matter with any accusatory spirit, he willed you to demand of them whom he named, whether they had not their swords about them? to the end that after you had sought into it as a matter doubtful, and found them to confesse it, they might thereby be held convicted, But why rather will you not, that examination should be taken in this manner: whether they took their swords with them to kill you or no? And whether they did so by my warrant, directed on, and privily? For this it is that you (brother) would make the world believe, this is it which you would have to appear, and not that which my men confesse. But the case is plain, ye, & they will be known no other, than that they were armed in their own defence. Whether it were well or ill done, they are of age to make account and render a reason of their doings. Do not you mingle my cause with that action of theirs, which interesteth it nothing at all. But rather declare, whether we meant to assail you openly or secretly? If openly, why were we not all armed? why was there none of us besides those persons that did bear your pipe? If secretly, what was the train and order of the execution of that design? After the banquet ended, and I the fether of the banquet retired from thence, should those four have staid behind to fall upon you when you were asleep? How could they have carried it off so close as not to be spied, for that a little before, they had been seen in a brawl? And say, they had killed you: by what means could they escape themselves? Was it possible that your house should be forced and kept with four swords? Fie, fie *Parsus* speak no more for shame of this night, but come again to that rather which galleth you at the heart, which kindly thou envy, and fetterst you on fire, How comest it to pass, O *Demetrius*, that men speak abroad that you shall be King? why should you be deemed of some more worthy than myself, to succeed the royal estate of my father? How is it that I am in doubt of my hope, which but for you, were sure & certain? These are the secret thoughts of *Parsus*, although he saith nothing: these make him of a brother to become an enemy: these cause him to be mine accuser: these conceits they that fill your palace, your court, and your realm, with surmises, slanders, and insinuations. But for mine own part, father, like as I ought neither to hope for your royal crown, nor at any time peradventure, to nake words and dispute about it: because I am the younger, and because it is your will and pleasure, that I should give place unto mine elder brother, so, it became me not heretofore, neither doth it become me yet, so demean my self in any action, that I should seem unworthy to have you for my father, but to be capable of all dignities whatsoever. The one point I should attain unto by indirect courses and wicked vices, in not yielding unto him, as right and reason would: but the other, by my good carriage and sober behaviour. You approach me with the Romans, brothers, and those things which in right ought to turn to my praise and glory, you blame and reprove me for. It was no seeking of mine, that I was delivered to the Romans as an hostage, or sent to Rome as Ambassador: but when I was appointed by you, father, I refused not to go. At both times, such was my demeanor, that I had an eye still and good regard, not to discredit either your highness, or your Kingdom, or the Macedonian nation. And therefore you were the cause, father, of that friendship which I have with the  
"Romans,

"Romans, As long as you and they are at peace, I shall be well affected to them : begin war once  
 "I that was an hostage and Embassador among them, and (though I say it) not unprofitable for  
 "you my father, even I, will become a most spiteful and mortal enemy unto them. Neither do I at  
 "this day require, that the favour I have among the Romans might head me any way: only I be-  
 "seech you, that it may not prejudice and harm me, It began not by occasion of war, neither is it  
 "reserved for the time of war. For assurance of peace, I was a pledge and hostage: for maintenance  
 "of peace, I was employed in embassy. Content will I be, by the one and the other, in case I nei-  
 "ther purchase fame nor incur blame. If I have committed any impiety against you father, if I have  
 "done or designed any wicked part against my brother, I refuse no punishment, I crave no pardon  
 "or favor. If I be innocent, I desire only and humbly beseech your grace, that I be not over-  
 "weighed with the heavy load of envy and ill will, since I can be overthrowen by no crime justly,  
 "accused unto me. This is not the first day, that my brother hath accused me ; but this is the  
 "first day, that he is seen to be my accuser : and full little have I deserved it at his hands. If my fa-  
 "ther had been displeased and angry with me, I would have thought that you of all others being  
 "the elder brother, should have been a mediator and intercessor for me (the younger) to my father,  
 "and to means to purchase a pardon for my folly and the error of tender youth: but see! where my  
 "succour and refuge should have been, there contrary-wile is my ruin and overthrow. From my  
 "seating and banqueting, from my mirth and good cheer, by his means have I been hailed hither  
 "not half-waked, but with mine eyes full of sleep, to answer in the case of parricide; and forced I  
 "am to plead mine own cause without my council, without my proctor or advocate. If I had  
 "been to speak in the defence of another, I would have taken time to study, premeditate and frame  
 "an oration. And yet, what was I to hazard there, but the reputation of wit and learning. Instead  
 "thereof I, not knowing for what cause I was sent for, heard your Majesty first (wroth and angry  
 "as you were) to command us to plead our causes: and then my brother, who hath stood up to ac-  
 "cuse me. As for him, he hath pronounced an Oration studied for, and devised long before hand:  
 "but I was allowed no longer time (than whiles I heard my self accused) to be think me what to  
 "plead or to examine and take knowledge of the matter that he hath laid forth against me. In that  
 "present moment of time, could I, think you (so suddenly taken as I was) either give ear to my  
 "accuser, or consider and think duly of mine own plea? I should for that sudden trouble  
 "and unexpected occurrence, that much ado I had to understand what I was charged with: so far  
 "was I from devising what to speak in mine own defence, What hope should I have now; and in I  
 "what case were I, if I had not my father for my judge; at whose hands (albeit I am not so well be-  
 "loved as mine elder brother is, yet since I am the verry defendant, I ought at leastwise to find as  
 "much pity and compassion, as for him. Yet I beseech you (O father) to save me, in regard of my self and  
 "you: but he requireth you to take away my life, only for his own assurance and better security.  
 "And what will he do against me think you, after you have made over the crown and scepter  
 "into his hands; who now already thinketh it meet and reason, to dispose of my blood at his good  
 "pleasure? In uttering of these words the tears gushed forth so abundantly, that they stopped his  
 "mouth so, that he could neither speak or draw his breath. Then *Philp* after he had commanded  
 "them to go apart, and communed a while with his friends, spake and said, That he would not de-  
 "cide their cause upon these words of theirs, nor upon one hours debating, but by enquiry into  
 "both their lives, and observing their behaviour in deed and word, as well in great matters as in  
 "small. Hereby they all saw well enough, that the accusation of the precedent nights act, was suffi-  
 "ciently refused and evicted & the only thing in *Demetrius* to be suspected, was the over-great fa-  
 "vour that the Romans bare toward him. This was the very deed of the Macedonian war, loved as  
 "one would say, during the life of *Philp* but the war was after to be waged most of all against *Per-  
 sens*.

Thetwo Consuls took their journey into *Liguria* the sole consular Province of them both; and because they had achieved their exploits fortunately there, ordained there was a solemn procession for one day. It fortune'd that there came two thousand *Ligurians* or thereabout, to the utmost from the Province of *Gaul*, where *Marcellus* lay in league, requesting to be received under his protection. *Marcellus* after he had commanded the said *Ligurians* to give attendance upon him in the same place, requir'd by his letters the advice of the Senat. The Senat gave order to *M. Ogulnius* the Lord chief justice of the City, to write back again unto *Marcellus* to this effect, That it was more meet that the Consuls, unto whom that government appertain'd, should give order and determine (as touching the *Ligurians* who yielded and submitted) what was expedient for the common-weal in that behalf, than the Senat. As for them, if they were to give their opinion, they thought it not good to accept of the *Ligurians* (further: and being once received, then to be dismisd: but they were of this mind and advice, that it was requisite they should be sent and referred over to the Consuls.

The Pretors at the same time arrived in their Provinces, to wit *P. Manlius* in bafe *Spain*, where he had been Governor before during his former Pretorship; and *Q. Fulvius Flaccus* in the highest *Italy*, where he received the army of *Terentius*; for that other side of *Spain* beyond *Iberia*, had been left without a Lord Deputy, by occasion of the death of *P. Sempronius* the Pro-pretor. Whiles *Fulvius Flaccus* assailed a Town in *Spain* named *M. bictula*, the Celtiberians made head and came upon him; where many and sundry hor skirmishes passed, and wherein many Roman foldiers were both hurt and slain. Howbeit *Fulvius* held still his resolution, and by no force

A cable means whatsoever, could be brought to levy the siege. The Celtiberians roiled out of heart with divers combats, retired and departed. The City then leeing their furious dilfodge and gone, within few daies was forced and ranfacked; and the Pretor gave the pillage thereof to his iouldiers. Thus *Fulvius* after he had gained this Town, and *P. Manlius*, when he had retired and rallied his forces into one place, which had been dispersed: without any other memorable ad performed, brought their armies within the wintering harbours. And there were the exploits in Spain, during that summer season. *Terentius* who was departed out of that Province before, entred the City of Rome in a petty triumph by way of ovation. He carried before him in shew, eight thousand three hundred and twenty pound weight of silver, and fourscore of gold: besides two golden coronets weighing 67 pound.

B The same year the Romans were choſen Arbitrators between the people of *Carthage* and King *Maffiniffa* as touching their territories : and came perſonally to fee the place in controverſy. And thus flood the caſe : *Gala* the father of this *Maffiniffa*, had won the ground in queſtion from the *Carthaginians*. *Syphax* afterward diſſeized *Gala* thereof : and conſequently to gratify *Adrabalus* his wives father, freely gave the fame to the *Carthaginians*, and let them in poſſeſſion again. Now laſt of all, even this very year, *Maffiniffa* had diſpoſſeſſed the *Carthaginians* of the ſame. This matter was debated by the parties of both ſides in the preſence of the Romans, with no leſs courage and fervency of ſpirit, than at other times when they tried the iſſue by dint of ſword in open field. The *Carthaginians* laid claim and put in their plea. For that firſt it appertained to their ancetors in right of inheritance, and afterwards was conveyed to them by the free gift and donation of *Syphax*. *Maffiniffa* counterpleaded again and alleged, that he had both recovered the ſaid territory, as parcel of his fathers realm, and alſo held it by the law of nations : and that the caſe was clear on his ſide, in regard as well of the juſt title as alſo of the preſent poſſeſſion wherein he was : ſaying, that in his cauſe he doubted nothing elſe but that the modeſty of the Romans ſhould prejudice him, for fear left they might be thought to be partial in the cauſe and reſpective to him. King their ally and good friend, and in favour of him to give up their award againſt the common enemies both to him and them. The Commiſſioners and arbitrators would not inſiſt and alienate the right of poſſeſſion, but left all as they found it, and referred the entire deciſion of the matter to the *Senat of Rome*.

Nothing was there done after this in *Liguria*: for first, the enemies were retired for safety into their wilds and forests out of the way: and afterwards they called their army; and slip away every man to their own villages and cattle. The Consuls likewise were willing to break up and dismiss their forces; and thereupon lent to the LL. of the Senat to know their pleasure in that point: who advised the one of them to discharge his own regiments, and repair to *Rome* for the election of Magistrates the next year: and the other, with his legions, to winter at *Pisa*. Armour there ran, that the Transalpine French put their youth and servicable men in arms: but it was not known what quarter of *Italy* this multitude thus levied would invade. But the Consuls thus agreed together, that *Cn. Babius* should be present at the general assembly at *Rome*, for the election aforesaid, because *M. Baebius* his brother sued to be Consul. Then was the assembly holden for the creation of Consuls, and elected there were, *P. Cornelius Lentulus*, and *M. Baebius Tampilus*. This done, the Pretors also were chosen, namely, the two *Quintus Fabii*, the one *Maximus*, and the other *Butes*; *T. Claudius Nero*, *Q. Petilius Sproinus*, *M. Pinarius Popsa* and *L. Dronius*. When these were entered into their magistracy, the Provinces were by lot after this manner disposed. The *Ligurians* fell to the Consuls: as for the Pretors, *Q. Petilius* was Lord chief Justice for the citizens pleas, and *Q. Fabius Maximus* for the strangers: *Q. Fabius Butes* had the government of *Gaul*, *T. Claudius Nero* of *Sicilia*, *M. Pinarius* of *Sardinia*, *L. Dronius* of *Apulia* together with the Istrians: for that the Tarentines and Brundisins had given intelligence, that the sea-coasts were much troubled and annoyed by the robberies of pirates and men of war from beyond Sea: and the like complaints were made by the Massilians of the *Ligurian* navy. For these causes order was given, and warrants went out for levying armies: that the Consuls should have four legions between them, containing in every one 5200 Roman footmen and 300 horse: also to enrol 15000 footmen and 800 horsemen of Latine allies. In the Provinces of *Spain* (both the one and the other) the old Pretors continued still in their government, with the charge of those armies which they had already: and for a supplement to reinforce and make up their broken companies, there were appointed 3000 foot and 200 horse of Roman citizens together with 6000 of the one and 300 of the other, from out of the Latine nation. All this while they forgot not their navy at Sea: And the Consuls had in charge to chuse for that purpose, two wardens called Duumvirs, who after they had out of the Ardenal (tho into the Sea twenty ships, and let them afloat: should furnish them with mariners, and those Roman citizens, such as had been slaves and were enfranchised: and that natural Romans free-born should only be Captains and have the conduct of the said vessels. These two Duumvirs so paired and ordered betwixt them the defence of the maritime coasts: with ten ships apiece; that the Cape of *Minerva* should be as it were the middle point and mark between them: so as the one should guard that part on the right hand as far as to *Messilia*; and the other the left side, even to *Barium*.

This year were seen at *Rome* and reported from forrain parts many uncouth and strange prodigies. In the Church-yards belonging to *Vulcan* and *Concordia*, it rained their blood: and the Bishops made relation, that the Spears [of *Mars*] shook and moved of their own accord.

him by in his imputations and informations especially.  
*Philip* because he would provide that his soldiers and men of action should not degenerate  
 and wax worse through idleness and dissipation and that upon one he might avert from himself  
 all suspicion that he intended any war against the Romans, appointed the City *Stratona* the Rendez-  
 vous of his army and marched into the quarters of *Adradica*, a great desire he had to mount up the  
 Crest & top of the hill \* *Remus* because there was an opinion commonly received & which he had  
 given credit unto that from thence a man might discover within one prospect the \* Port-  
 of *Adriatick* seas, the river \* *Istria* also and the *Alps* himself he thought that the view of these places  
 would stand him in no small feed in projecting & plotting the war against the Romans. When  
 he did digest inquiry of them that knew those quarters well, as touching the all end of that moun-  
 tain, he had learned and found it clear and certain, that there was no way at all for to conduct an  
 army thither and that a few men *Scholastic* nimble and lightly appointed should find enough to do  
 and exceeding much difficulty to pass he took his younger son *paraz* whom he was resolved not to  
 have with him in that expedition; and because he would seem to be a man of a liberal and disinter-  
 ested mind with some familiar and private speech, first he demanded of him considering so great dif-  
 ficulties of the journey presented, unto them, whether he were better to hold on the way till he  
 follow his design, or give over? But his should go forward (qd. he) I cannot forget that which  
 he said

A befall to *Antigonus* in the like case, who being upon a time tossed at Sea in a boisterous tempest, and having with him in the same ship all those that were of his blood, is reported to have given this good advertisement and lesson to his children, that they should always remember; and also give their posterity warning, never to venture all their goods in one bottom, nor to engage themselves together with their whole race and off-spring in any peril and danger. Remembering therefore (qd. he) this good precept and counsel of his, I will not hazard both my sons at once in this present jeopardy which I see before mine eyes: but for as much as I propose to take mine elder son with me, I will send my younger back into *Macedony*, for to uphold and maintain the hope of my posterity, and for the defence of my Kingdom in the mean while. *Demetrius* found him straight, and witt well enough that he was sent away for no other intent but that he should not be present in council, when upon the view of those places above said, he was to devise and consult in what coast lay the nearest and shortest way to the Adriatick Sea and to *Italy*, and what course they should plot for the management of the war. But there was no remedy, he must not only then obey his father, but also loath him up and seem to approve and like well of that which he said, for fear lest it might be thought, that it went against his stomach to yield obedience unto him, and so be held in more jealousy and suspicion than before. Howbeit, to the end that he might pass into *Macedony* with safety, *Didas* one of the Kings Deputies and L. Governor under him of *Peonia*, was commanded to accompany and conduct him with a mean guard and convoy. Now was this *Didas* one of those conspirators that had sworn the death of *Demetrius*, whom *Perseus* had made sure to his part; like as he had many other of his fathers friends, even since that men began to make no doubt, unto whom *Philip* in affection was inclined, and whom he meant to make the heir apparent of the crown. And at this very instant *Perseus* had charged him and given him instructions, by all obsequious services to ingratiate and wind himself into most familiar talk, and to come to neer within him, that he might draw from him all his secrets, & discover every inward and hidden thoughts of his heart. Thus departed *Demetrius* attended with a train about him more dangerous to his person, than if he had travelled alone without any company. *Philip* first passed through *Medica* and then forward over the defarts lying between *Medica* and *Aemus*, and at the seventh daies march was come as far as to the foot of the mountain, Where after he had rested and staid one day, to make choice of those whom he minded to take up with him: the morrow after he set forth & put himself in his way. At the first, the labour was not great, nor the pains much to overcome the nethermost hills; but the farther they went and the higher that they advanced, the more wild and woody still they found every place; yea, and they met with many that had no passage at all. At length they were mounted to a pass or way so shadowed and dark, that for the trees standing so thick together, and their boughs plaited and interlaced one within another, can eily or hardly could a man see the skie through them. But when they approached once to the pitch and crest of the mountain, behold (a thing not lightly seen in other parts) they light upon so gross and thick a mist, which overpread and covered all, that they had as much ado to march forward, as it they had travelled in the dark & mid-night. At last by the third daies end, they gained the very top of the mountain. Now when they were come down from thence again, they made no less report thereof than the common opinion was that went of it: which I believe very they did of purpose, because they would not be mocked and scorned for their foolish and vain voyage, rather than for that they could indeed within the same prospect and from one place, view fies, mountains, and rivers, situate and distant far asunder. Much moiled they were all, and fore toiled in this untoward way; but the King above the rest, by reason that he was far steeper in age, and unwieldy of body. Well, after he had done sacrifice there upon two altars consecrated to *Jupiter* and the Sun, he descended in two daies, whereas he had made three of it in ascending: and that which he feared most, was the cold nights, which there in the beginning of the dog-daies were like to those of midwinter in other places. Many difficulties he wrestled and strove withal during those daies, and being returned into his camp, he found no better. Nothing was there but cold want & penury, as being pitched in a place compassed about on every side with defarts and wildernesses. And therefore when he had staid there but one only day to rest and repose his men, whom he had taken with him in that journey, he halted away, and in a running march, as if he had fled in rout, entered the countrey of the Denehetes, Thie Denehetes were his own confederate allies, but the Macedonians (such was their need and necessity) pillled and spoiled their confines, no less than if they had been professed enemies. For first they waited & destroyed their hols, granges and farm houses, after wards certain wicks and villages also, robbing and sifting as they went, to the great dishonor of the Kings, who could not chuse but hear the piteous complaints & mores of his afficiats crying to the Gods, Patrons of alliances, and calling upon his name for help, but could have no redress and remedy. When he was purveyed of corn from thence, and returned into the countrey *Medica*, he began to assail a City which they call *Petra*. Himself in person lay encamped in the avenue and ready way upon the plains, but he sent his son *Perseus* with a small company to fetch a compass and give the assault from the higher places that commanded the Town. The Townfmen thus hard bested with terror on every side for the present yielded upon composition, and gave hostages; but after the army was retired, they forgetting their pledges, abandoned the City and fled for refuge into certain forts, fenced places, and high mountains. *Philip* having wearied his souldiers with all manner of travel to no effect, and withal entertained more jealousy and suspicion of his son *Demetrius*, by the lewd practise and false suggestions of *Didas* (the Governor

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**Demetrius  
murdered.**

Philip himself taking his journey from *Thessalonica* to come to *Demetrias*, sent *Demetrius* his son to *Æstremum*, a City in *Pæonia*, and the same *Didas* still to accompany him: but *Porcius* he addressed to *Amphipolis*, for to receive the hostages of the Thracians. Now it is reported, that when *Didas* took his leave of him and departed, the King gave him in charge to kill his son *Demetrius*. *Didas* then, either purposing indeed or making semblance to sacrifice, invited *Demetrius* to the celebration and feast thereof, whereupon he came from *Æstremum* to *Heraclea*. And (as men say) at this supper he met with a cup of poison. He had no sooner drunk it, but immediately he felt that he was lapped; for within a while it began to work extremely, and for very dolor and pain, he was forced to rise from the Table and retire into his bed-chamber: where he piteously complained of the hard heart and cruelty of his father, of the murderous mind of the parricide his brother, and of the treacherous villany of *Didas*: and all this while endured deadly wrings and torments in his belly. But afterwards there were sent into the chamber, one *Thyrsis* a Suburban, and *Alexander* of *Berythea*, who enwrapped his head and throat with the bed-cloaths, carpets and counterpoints of tapistry, and held them so hard, that they throtdled and smothered him and in the end stopped his breath that he died. Thus was this poor innocent young man piteously martyred: whose enemies one single kind of death could not content and satisfy, but needs they must kill and murder them twice.

While these things happened in Macedonia, *L. Emilius Paulus*, who continued still in government after his Consulship expired, marched with his army against the Ligurians Ingaunes in the beginning of the spring. So soon as he was entered into the confines of his enemies country, and there encamped, there came Embassadors unto him under colour of seeking peace, but indeed only to elcoute and spie. *Paulus* made them answer, That he could not so accord with them, unless they yielded first: which they feared not so much to refuse, but said, That they needed some time to perwade their nation unto it, being a rude and uncivil kind of people. And when they had ten daies trespce allowed to effect this, they requested moreover, that the Roman soldiers might not pass over the next hills adjoyning, either for fewel or forage, for almuch as those lands were the only tilled and well manured grounds of their appurtenances and territory. Whenthey had obtained so much, they assembled all their forces on that side of the hills, from whence they

A had averted the enemies, and suddenly with a mighty multitude charged upon the Roman camp, and assaulted all the avenues and gates thereof at once. With all forcible means they continued the assault in such sort, as the Romans had not so much as either time enough to let forth aid, display their engines, or room sufficient to put their army in order of battle; but were compelled to defend their camp more by flanking thick thronged together against the enemies in the very gates than otherwise by hardy fighting. But about the going down of the sun, when the enemies were retired, *Paulus* dispatched two light horsemen with letters to *M. Babius* the Consul, as far as *Pisa*, that he should come away with all speed to succour him, being in time of truce besieged. But *Babius* had delivered up his army before to *M. Finarius*, the Pretor, as he went into *Sardinia*. Howbeit he both certified the Senat by his letters, that *L. Aemilius* was inveilled by the Ligurians, and he wrote also to *M. Cl. Marcellus* whose province was next adjoining, to bring over his forces (if he thought) to go out of *Gaul* into *Liguria*; and deliver *L. Aemilius* from siege. But alas, these succours should have come all too late; for the Ligurians the very next day returned and advanced against the camp *Aemilius*, albeit he not only knew that they would come, but also might have brought his power forth into the field and ranged them in array, yet he kept himself to close within the strength of his rampier, minding to hold off and not to fight, until *Babius* might with his army come from *Pisa*. Now the letters of *Babius* caused great fear at *Rome*; so and to move the more, for that *Marcellus* being returned to the City, some few daies after he had made over his army unto *Fabius*, put them out of all hope, that the army which was in *France* could not possibly passe into *Liguria*, by reason of the war with the Ithrians, whom he reached the planting of the colony at *Aquilea*; against whom *Fabius* was gone, and might not possibly retire from thence, now that the war was once begun. The only hope they had therefore of aiding *Aemilius* was this, (and yet the same seemed to be with the least, considering the urgent necessity of the time) in case the Consuls made halt to go into their provinces; which to do all the LL. of the Senat called aloud and earnestly unto them. But the Consuls denied flatly to stir one foot before the levy of soldiers was fully finished; alleging that it was not their slackness, but the violence of the plague, which caused it to be late ere it were performed. Yet for all this, such was the general accord and content of the Senat, that they could neither will nor chuse but go forth of the City in their rich coats of arms, and by proclamation to assigne a certain day, upon which all the soldiers whom they had enrolled should shew at *Pisa*; and commission they had to take up subsidiary soldiers, all the country over as they went, to press them forth presently and have them away. Moreover, the Pretors, *Q. Petilius* and *Q. Fabius* were both of them commanded, the one, namely, *Petilius*, to enrol in half two tumultuary legions of Roman citizens, and tender the military oath to all that were not above fiftie years old; and *Fabius*, to levy of the Latine allies fifteen thousand foot, and eight hundred horsemen. The two Duumvirs or Wardens for the navy and the ports were created, namely, *C. Matienus* and *C. Lucretius*, who were soon provided of ships ready rigged, trimmed and furnished to their hands. And *Matienus*, who had the charge of the conspious gulf of *Gaul*, was commanded to bring his fleet with all speed possible along, to to the tract of the Ligurians, if haply he might any way lead *L. Aemilius* and his army. *Aemilius* after he perceived that no aid appeared from any place, supposing verily that the two horse men above-said, were intercepted and slayed by the way, thought good to put off no longer, but alone with his own forces to trie the fortune of a fight. And thereupon before the enemies came (who now already began more coldly and heavily to assail them then before) he put his men in battell array at the four gates of the camp, to the end that upon the signal given, they should at once from all parts fall forth. To the four extraordinary cohorts, he adjoined two other, under the conduct of *M. Valerius* a Lieutenant, and commanded them to break forth at the alle postern gate called *Extraordinaria*: within the gate *Principalis* on the right hand, he embattelled the Hastator Iaveliners of the first legion, and the principles of the same legion in the rearward to second them, commanded both by *M. Servilius* and *L. Sulpicius*, his marshals, or Tribunes military. The third legion he marshalled full against the other gate *Principalis* on the left hand. This change only was here, for that the Principles were let in the front, and the Hastati behind in the tail of them. Sex, *Julius Caesar* and *L. Aurelius Cotta*, two military Tribunes had the leading of this legion. *Q. Fulvius Flaccus* a Lieutenant, having the conduct of the right wing, was placed at the gate *Questoria*. Two cohorts and the Triarii of two legions had commandment to stay behind for the defence of the camp. The General himself in person rode all about from gate to gate, exhorting and encouraging his men: using all the forcible means he possibly could devise, to provoke and move the stoutness of his soldiers, and to give a point and edge to their courage and choler: one while reproaching his enemies for their falsehood and treachery, who having craved peace and obtained truce; during the time of the said truce, against all law of nations were come to assail the camp: another while shewing and declaring unto them what shame and indignity it was for the Roman army to be besieged by the Ligurians, who more truly may be accounted thieves and robbers, then good for warlike enemies. If (quoth he) you should escape from hence, not by your own vertue and valour, but through the help and succour of others, with what face shall any of you be able to meet, I say, not those soldiers who have vanquished *Ambab*, *Aetacated Philip*, and subdued *Amietus*, the mightiest King, and greatest commanders of our age: but even them who many a time have hunted and chased the very same Ligurians like brute beasts, over the wilds and forests as they fled, and hewed them in peeces in the end





doubtfull what to do : but afterwards, perceiving they had no place of safe retreat, it upon their discomfiture they should fall to running away, they saw no other hope but in fighting it out, and so they began to renew the skirmish afresh, with more resolution then before, Fiercely they were encountered and charged in the midst of their battel by the fifth legion : but against the left flank and wing, where they saw the souldiers of their own nation ranged (who came to aid the Romans) they made head. and advanced their engines with more boldnesse and confidence. And verily that left wing of the Romans was at the point to have retreated, but that the seventh legion followed and succoured them : and withall they that were left within *Eburac* in garrison, came from the town in the very midst and hottest of the conflict ; and *Asinius* from another part plied on their backs, Down went the Celtiberians along time, and were cut in peeces between, As many as remained, made shift to flee and escape on all hands into every quarter. The Cavalry was sent out after them two waies in severall bands : who also committed great slaughter and execution. That day were slain of the enemies about 23000, 4800 taken prisoners, with five hundred horse and above ; besides 88 military ensignes gotten from them and carried away. A great victory this was, but not without bloudshed of the Romans part : for of two legions there died somewhat more than two hundred, but of Latine allies 830, of forreign aids, much about 2400 lost their lives in the field. The Pretor then retired with his victorious army into his own camp. *Asinius* was commanded to abide still in that of their enemies, which he had forced and won. The next morning they fell to gather up the spoils of their enemies : and those who had born themselves valiantly in that service among the rest, were rewarded with gifts in a full and frequent assembly of the whole army. After this, when the hurt and maimed were brought back into the town *Eburac*, the legions were led through the country *Carpentania*, towards *Contrebia*. This City when it was once besieged sent to the Celtiberians for succour ; but they came not in time : not for any sickness of their part, but because after they were departed from home, & had entered on their journey, the foul waies hindered and staid them, which they were not able to pass for the continuall rain that fell ; over and besides, the waters were out and the rivers swelled so high, that possibly they could not come forward : whereupon the besieged inhabitants being in dispair of help, from their friends, rendered the town. *Flaccus* likewise was forced by the storm and tempestuous weather to put his army into the same City. Now the Celtiberians, who were on foot in their journey, and not aware that their friends had surrendered, at length having passed over the rivers (which the rain gave over and the weather took up) came to *Contrebia*, but seeing no camp without the walls, and supposing that it was either removed to the other side, or the enemies dilogged and gone, they approached the town, and marched loosely and retchlessly forward in disarray. The Romans sallied out upon them at two gates, fell upon them (disbanded as they were) and put them to the rout. But see what hapned : that thing which hindered them that they could not make head, resist, and (ettle themselves to begin fight (namely, because they came not together in one band, nor yet by great companies about their colours) the same stood them in good stead to save many of their lives that fled. For they ran lo scattering, and were so spread all over the plaines, that in no place could the enemy meet with them in any number thick together, to compass them about on every side. Howbeit 10000 of them were killed, & above 5000 taken prisoners, besides 400 horse, 60 ensignes of war won from them. Those who after their flagging flight retired homeward, met with another troop of Celtiberians coming forward, unto whom they counted the yielding up of *Contrebia* and their own misfortune : by which means they caused them to turn and goe back againe, who immediately slipped away in their villages and forts. Then *Flaccus* departed from *Contrebia*, and conducted his legions through *Celtiberia* wasting and spoiling as he went : where he forced many castles until the greater part of that country was reduced under his obedience. These affairs passed in high Spain that year. As for the lower province, *Manlius* the Pretor fought fortunately in certain battells against the Portugals.

The same year a Colony of Latins was planted in *Aquileia*, within the territory of the Gauls, and thither were conducted three thousand footmen, and every one of them were endowed with fifty acres of land. The Centurions besides had a hundred, and the horsemen a hundred and forty acres apiece given unto them. And the Commissioners for this conduct and distribution were *P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica*, *C. Flaminius*, and *L. Manlius Acidinus*. In which year also two Temples were dedicated, the one to *Venus Erycina* near the gate *Colina* (which *L. Porcius Licinius* the son of *Lucius* dedicated, being a Duumvir deputed for that purpose, and had been vowed before by *L. Porcius* the Consul in the Ligurian war) the other to the goddess *Pny*, in the herb market : and of this chappell *M. Acilius Glabrio* the other Duumvir, had the dedication ; where, he erected and set up in the honor of his father *Glabrio*, a gilt statue, which was the first gilded image that ever was made in Italy. This *Glabrio* the father was he, who had vowed to edifie the said Temple that very day on which he fought the battell against *K. Antiochus* at *Thermopylae*, and by warrant from the Senat, had bargained for the building thereof at a price. In those daies wherein these holy houses were consecrated, *L. Emilius Paulus* the Proconul, triumphed over the Ligurians ingaunces. He had born before him in shew five and twenty golden Coronets, and besides them there was no gold or silver else carried in that triumph. But many principal Ligurians, men of mark, whom he took captive, were led before his chair. He dealt among his souldiers, 300 Acres apiece. The fame of this triumph of his, was much more renowned by

this occasion, that the Ligurian Embassadors craved to have a perpetual peace with the Romans saying, That their whole nation were resolved, never to take arms again, but by commandment and licence of the people of Rome. *Q. Fabius* the Pretor, returned this answer unto them by the advice of the Senat, That it was no news to hear this language from the Ligurians ; but it stood them upon and was becoming rather, to carry a new mind, and the same agreeable to their speech : and therefore they should go to the Consuls, and do by them which they were enjoined : forasmuch as the Senat would believe none but the word only of the Consuls in the behalf of the Ligurians, as touching their true and sincere meaning to observe peace. Thus was peace concluded with the Ligurians : but there was a battel fought in *Corfica* with the Islanders there ; in which *M. Titinius* the Pretor slew 2000 of them in the field : which defeat compelled them to give hostages, and besides 100000 pound weight of wax. From thence the army was conducted to *Sardinia*, where passed some fortunate battels against the Ilrians, a nation at this day not fully quietted & appeased. In this very year also were the hundred hostages rendered back again to the Carthaginians ; with whom the people of Rome made and maintained peace, as well for their own part, as in the behalf of *K. Masinissa*, who at that time with an armed garison, held the possession of that territory which had been in question. The Consuls in their province fat still and had nothing to do. *M. Baebius* was sent for to Rome, against the general assembly for the election of magistrates : who created Consuls, *A. Posthumus Albinus* Consul, and *C. Calpurnius Piso*. After this, were elected Pretors *Tib. Sempronius Gracchus*, *A. Posthumus Albinus*, *P. Cornel. Mancinus*, *T. Manlius Molliculus*, *A. Hostilius Mancinus*, and *C. Manius* ; and they all entered into their magistracy upon the 15 day of March.

In the beginning of that year wherein *A. Posthumus Albinus*, and *C. Calpurnius Piso* were Consuls : *A. Posthumus* the Consul brought into the Senat those persons who were come from *Q. Fulvius Flaccus* out of the hither province of Spain : to wit *L. Minutius* his Lieutenant general, and the two colonels, *T. Manius* and *L. Massilius*. These men after they had made report of two field : fortunately fought against the Celtiberians, of their country yielded and brought under their subjection ; and that the term of government in that province was expired, and no more left to be done there ; so as there was no need either of the ordinary money which was wont to be sent for souldiers pay, or of corn to be carried unto the army for that year : requested of the Senat first, in regard of their happy successe, to yield honor and praise to the immortal gods : and then, that *Q. Fulvius* might depart and come his waies out of the province, and bring with him that army of his from thence, whose valiant service, both himself and also many Pretors before him had used : which (say they) was not only meet and convenient, but also requisite and needfull in a manner to be done : forasmuch as the souldiers were so stiffnecked and obstinate, that it seemed impossible to hold them any longer in that province, but that they would be gone and depart without licence, if they were not dimitted : or else break out into some dangerous fire of a mutiny, if a man should go about to keep and hold them back by strong hand. The Senat gave order that *Liguria* should be the province for both Consuls : which done, the Pretors also cast lots for theirs. To *A. Hostilius* fell the civill jurisdiction over the citizens : and to *Minutius* over the forrainers ; *P. Cornelius* had the government of *Sicily* : *C. Manius* of *Sardinia*. Unto *L. Posthumus* was allotted the farther part of Spain, and to *Tib. Sempronius* the hither. This *Sempronius* (because he was to succede *Q. Fulvius*) fearing his province should be left naked and disarmed of the old souldiers, I demand (qd. he) of you, O *L. Minutius*, since you bring word that there is no more trouble behind of that province, whether you think that the Celtiberians will continue fast in their allegiance for ever, so as that province may be protected and held in obedience without any army at all ? And if you cannot undertake to a sure us of the faith and loyalty of these Barbarians & do advise us in any hand to maintain an army in those parts, wase they you will give counsell to the Senat, for to send supply into Spain, that they only should be called and discharged, who have served out their full years : required by law, and so that new and raw souldiers be mingled with the rest of the old : or that the old legions should fall and whole be removed out of the province, and new legions enroled, and sent thither in their stead ? considering that the small account that usually is made of such fresh and untrained souldiers, were enough to induce and move even the more quiet and peaceable sort of Barbarians to rebel and make war again ? Soon said it is, but not so easily done, to have made an end of all troubles in such a province, especially where the people are naturally inclined to war, and prone ever and anon to make insurrections. Some few Cities, as far as I can hear, and namely, those which be long near unto the souldiers lying in winter garrison, were by them held in awe and kept down, have yielded and are become subject : but they that were farther off, be in arms still and have weapon in hand. Which being so, I tell you (my LL) even now before hand, that I will perform my service to the Commonweal, with the help of that army which is there already at this present : but in case *Flaccus* bring away those legions with him, I will chuse those quarters which are in peace to winter in, and not hazard my young and new souldiers among them, to be prevented to the devotion and mercy of most fierce and warlike enemies. The Lieutenant answered to these demands in this manner, That neither himself nor any man else was able for his life, to divine and foredecree what was in the heart of the Celtiberians now, and what they would mind and intend to do hereafter : and therefore he could not deny, but the better policy it was to send an army among these Barbarians (peaceable though they seemed to be at this present) because

"cause as yet they are inured to government, and cannot well skill of being subjects. But whether it be more expedient to employ new forces, as the old, it is for him to speak and set down, who upon his knowledge can say, how loyally the Celtiberians will carry themselves in time of peace, and is withal assured, that the souldiers will hold them content and quiet, if they be detained any longer in the province. But if a man may conjecture and give a guess what they think in their heart, either by their grumbling words secretly one to another; or their speeches uttered in the presence and hearing of their General, when he maketh orations to them in public audience: I tell you truly they have cried out with open mouth, that either they will keep their General with them in the province, or home they will with him into Italy. This debate between the Pretor and the Lieutenant, was interrupted and broken off, by a new matter propounded before the Senat by the Consuls, who thought it meet and reasonable, that order should be taken for their own furniture and setting forth with men, money, and munition to their provinces, before any thing were spoken or treat of as touching the Pretor his army. So, ordained it was, that the Consuls should have their entire army of new souldiers, to wit, each of them two legions of Roman citizens with their cavalry, together with the usual and accustomed number at all other times of Latine allies, namely, 15000 foot and 800 horse. And with this power they had in charge to make war against the Ligurian Apuans. As for P. Cornelius and M. Babius, they continued still in place of command: and were willing to hold their provinces, untill the Consuls were thither come. Then they were commanded to discharge the army which they had, and so to return to Rome. After this, speech there was concerning the army of Tib. Sempronius, and the Consuls had warrant to enroll one new legion, consisting of five thousand and two hundred foot and 400 horse: and besides, 1000 footmen, and 50 horse of Roman citizens. Likewise the Latine nation was charged with a levy of 7000 foot and 300 horse. With which army it was thought good, that Tib. Sempronius should go into the higher province of Spain. As for Q. Fulvius, he was permitted to bring back with him (if he thought well thereof) all those souldiers, as well Romans as allies, which had been transported over into Spain before the Consulship of Sp. Posthumius and Q. Marcius: and more than that (after a new supply was come) the surpluse in two legions above 1400 foot, and 600 horse, and the over-plus of 12000 footmen of Latins, and six hundred horsemen: and namely, those whose valorous service C. Fulvius had tried and found in two battles against the Celtiberians. Moreover, solemn processions and thanksgiving were by authority ordained, for his happy managing of the affairs of the Common-wealth: & then the rest of the Pretors were sent into their provinces. Q. Fabius Buteo had his commission renewed to govern Gallia still. Thus it was agreed in the Senat-house, that there should be eight legions maintained and kept still. This year, over and above the old army in Liguria, which was in good hope shortly to be dismissed. Howbeit even the lesser forces (being no greater then they were) hardly could be made full and complete by reason of the pestilence which now three years had raged, and dispeopled the City of Rome; and all Italy. During which plague the Pretor T. Minnius, and not long after him, the Consul C. Calpurnius died: with many other brave and famous persons of each degree and quality. So as at length these men began to hold this depopulation and calamity for a prodigious token and strange wonder. Whereupon C. Servilius the Arch-bishop was charged, to search out means for to appease the wrath and anger of the gods; and the Decemvirs likewise to peruse the books of Sibylla: the Col, to vow certain presents and oblations, to Dan Apollo, Esculapim and Lady Salus; and to set up their images garnished with gold: which he vowed and erected accordingly. The Decemvirs proclaimed supplications & prayers two daies together for the health of the people, throughout the City, and in all market towns and places of frequent resort and assembly. Above twelve years of age, wore chaplets & garlands of flowers upon their heads; & bare branches of lawrell in their hands, whilst they were at their prayers & devotion. Moreover, there was crept into mens heads a suspicion that some devilish and wicked hand might be the cause of all this. Whereupon by an act of the Senat, a commission was granted out unto C. Claudius the Pretor (who was substituted and chosen in the room of T. Minnius) to make search and diligent inquisition after all confections of poison, & the practitioners thereof, within the City, & for the compass of ten miles about it every way: In like manner, to C. Manius, for to fit in the enquiry thereof, before he crossed over-sea into his province of Sardinia) in all the mart-towns and places of assembly which were more then ten miles off, from Rome. Of all others, the Consul his death was most suspected. For given out it was, that Quarta Hostilia his wife, had murdered him: but when he was seen once, that her own son Q. Fulvius Flaccus, was declared Consul in place of his father in law and mothers husband, the death of Piso the Consul began to be more infamous and suspicious a great deal then before. And witnesses there came forth ready to depose, that after Albinus and Piso were pronounced Consuls (in which election the said Flaccus was rejected and suffered a repulse) his mother reproached him therewith, and laid it in his dish, that this was the third time that he sued for the Consulship and gone without: adding moreover, and willing him to be ready to stand for it again, for that he would work and bring it about, that within two months he should be Consul. Among other testimonies and depositions making for the cause and tending to the same, that speech of hers also, taking effect too truly and to just within the time, was thought sufficient to condemn Hostilia.

In the beginning of this spring, whilst the levy of souldiers staid the new Consul at Rome, whilst the death of the one and the choosing of the other into their place, caused all things there

to go more slowly forward; in the mean time P. Cornelius, and M. Babius who had done nothing worthy of the remembrance during the Consulship, led their armies against the Ligurian Apuans. These Ligurians, who before the coming of the Consuls into the province looked for no war, were surprized at unawares, and to the number of 12000 of them yielded: whom Cornelius and Babius, resolved (upon advice had first with the Senat by letters) to transport from the mountains, into plains and champion country from their own homes, to the end they should have no more hope to return, for otherwise they supplied the Ligurian war would never have an end. Now there was in the Samnits country a certain territory belonging in common to the people of Rome, which sometimes had been in the tenure and possession of the Taurisins. In which place they being desirous to plant the Ligurian Apuans, published an edict, That they should descend down the mountains Andros, together with their wives and children, and bring away with them all that ever they had. But the Ligurians sent their Embassadors oftentimes to intreat, that they might not be forced to abandon their domestical gods, the place of their nativity, and the sepulchres of their ancestors; and therewith promised to deliver up their armor, and to put in hostages. Howbeit, seeing they could not prevail, and having not strength and power enough to wage war again, they obeyed the edict and proclamation. So there was translated from thence at the public charges of the City, to the number of four thousand persons free born, together with their women and children: and unto them was allowance made of 15000 Selterres, toward the building of new houses. And for to distribute and divide land among them the same men (to wit, Cornelius and Babius) had commission; who also removed them into those parts. Howbeit at the request of these twain, there were Quinquervirs or five commissioners assistants granted unto them by the Senat, by whose advice they might manage all. These affairs being finished, after they had brought with them to Rome their old army, they obtained of the Senat a grant to triumph. And these were the first that ever triumphed & made no war before. Only the enemies were led in their chariot; for nothing had they gained and won for to be carried or led in pomp; neither was there ought to be seen in their triumphs, which might be dealt and given among the souldiers.

The same year Fulvius Flaccus the Pretor in Spain, by occasion that his successor stayed long ere he came into the province, brought forth his army into the field out of his wintering camp, and began to wait and spoil the farther parts and territories of Celtiberia: from whence the inhabitants came not in to submit and do their homage and fealty. By which deed of his he rather provoked and angered the barbarous people, then terrified them: for when they had secretly gathered together certain forces and companies, they beset and barred the passage Manlium, by which they were assured that the Roman army would passe. As L. Posthumius Albinus was upon his journey into the nether province of Spain, Gracchus his colleague charged him to advetise Quintus Fabius for to bring his army to Tarracon, for that he propoed there to discharge his old souldiers, to distribute the supply which he brought, & to range in order all his army by companies. Notice also was given to Flaccus of the very day (which was neerer at hand) upon which his successor would come. This new occurrent caused Flaccus to lay aside those enterprises which he intended, and in all hast to withdraw his forces out of Celtiberia. The barbarous people knowing not the cause hereof, but supposing that he had some inkling of their revolt, and how they had in secret taken arms, and that thereupon he was sore afraid, guarded and stopped the passage so much more strictly. Now loon as the Roman army was entered into the passe one morning betimes at the break of day, the enemies arose suddenly at once out of two parts, and charged the Romans: which when Flaccus perceived, he gave commandment by the ministry of the Centurions, that every man should keep his place and stand his ground, to have his arms and weapons in readiness; by which means he appeased the tumult and affright in his host. Then after he had brought all his labouring beasts with the baggage, unto one place, he embattelled and put in array all his hands and companies, partly by himself in person, and partly by his Lieutenants and colonels, according as the ground and the time required, shewing no sign at all of fear, but putting his men in mind of the enemies, in these terms: "Ye have (quoth he) to do with those that twice already yielded have yielded unto us, who are inured and practised still in wickedness & perjury, not bettered in vertue and courage: those (I say) who are like to make our return home honorable and glorious, which otherwise would have been obscure and nothing memorable: so as we shall carry to Rome for a triumph, our (words all bloody and newly bathed in the green wounds and fresh massacre of our enemies; and beare away the spoils of their bodies, all embued and still dropping with their blood. Time would not permit him to say any more, for now the enemies advanced forward, and the charge was already given in the utmost skirts of the army, and anon the main battels encountered and joyned conflict. The fight was hot and cruel alike in all parts, but the fortune divers: for the Roman legions in the main battell fought valiantly, and the two wings of either hand did their devoir as bravely. The auxiliary strangers had to deal with enemies armed in deed at all points like to themselves, but better souldiers by odds then they were; in such sort, as they were over-charged by them, and could not make good their ground. The Celtiberians perceiving they were not able to match the legions in ranged battell and close hand-fighting, call their companies into a pointed and coin-formed battailon, for to pierce perforce and enter upon their enemies in which manner of fight they are so strong, that it is not possible to withstand them, wherelover they give their violent charge. And then the legions also were put in disarray, and



and C. Valerius in Sardinia. Q. Fulvius the Consul, before that he went in hand with any al-  
fairs of State, said he would discharge himself also the City of the duty to Godward, in  
performing the vows which he had made. He declared that on that very day wherein he fought  
his last battell with the Celtiberians, he had made a vow to exhibit games to the honour of that  
most mighty and gracious god Jupiter, and likewise to build a temple to Fortuna equestris: and  
how thereto the Spaniards had contributed certain sums of mony. So a decree passed, that those  
plais should be set forth: and two Duumvirs chosen, to give order and bargain for the edification  
of the same temple. Likewise there was let down a certain flint of mony to be disbursed for the  
defraying of the charges: to wit, doe exceeding that sum in the solemnity of the plaies, which  
was allowed unto Fulvius Nobilior, when he exhibited the like sports after the end of the Aetoli-  
an war. Item, that for their games he should not seek or fend for, gather and raise, receiver do I  
say, anything, contrary to the Act of the Senat, which in the time of L. Aemilius and Cn. Baebius  
was made as touching such pastimes. This decree the Senat ordained, by occasion of the  
Consuls was made as touching such pastimes. This decree the Senat ordained, by occasion of the  
superfluous and excessive expences employed about the plaies of T. Sempronius the Aedile; which  
were very chargeable not only to Italy and the Latine allies, but also to our own provinces. The  
winter this year was very sharp, by reason of snow, and all manner of tempestuous weather. The  
winter this year was very sharp, by reason of snow, and all manner of tempestuous weather. The  
winter season continued much longer than ordinary in other years. And thereupon the festivall so-  
lemnity of the Latine holidays were to be troubled and disordered by a suddain and importunale  
storm and tempest upon the hill [Alba] that by an ordinance of the Bishops, it was celebrated  
again the second time. The same tempest cast down certain images in the Capitol, and disfigured  
very many places with thunderbolts and flashes of lightning. It overthrew the temple of Ju-  
piter in Tarracina, the white temple at Capua: Item, the gate there called R. mana, and the statue  
in Tarracone, the white temple at Capua: Item, the gate there called R. mana, and the statue  
elements of the wals in divers places. Among these wondrous prodigies it was reported also  
from Reate, that a mule was foaled with three feet. For this cause the Decemvirs were com-  
manded to goe to the books of Sibyllas and out of that learning they shewed to what gods sacrifice  
should be made, & what number of beasts was to be killed. And because many places were with  
lightning defaced, they ordained that a solemne supplication should be holden one whole day in the  
election of the Censors, wherein M. Aemilius Lepidus the Arch-bishop, and M. Fulvius No-  
bilior, who had triumphed over the Aetolians, were created. Now between these two men, then  
arch-bishop, who had triumphed over the Aetolians, were created. Now between these two men, then  
had been notorious enmities, oftentimes testified and shewed in many sharp and bitter debates,  
both the Senat, and also before the people. When this election was ended, the two Censors ac-  
cording to the ancient use and custome, sat upon their ivory chairs of estate in Marsi field, near  
the altar of Mars: To whom there soon repaired thither, the principal Senators, accompanied with  
a troop besides of citizens: and among the rest, Q. Caecilius Metellus made a speech to this effect.  
My masters, you that are Censors, we have not forgotten that you ere while were chosen by  
the universal body of the people of Rome, to be superintendents and wardens over us for our man-  
ners and behavior and that it becometh us to be taught, admonished, & directed by you, and not  
you by us. Howbeit we ought to tell and declare, what there is in you, that either is offensive  
to all good men, or at leastwise what they wish were amended. When we behold and con-  
sider you severally part, either you O M. Aemilius, or you M. Fulvius, we have not this day in the  
City o Rome any men, whom if we were called to a new scrutiny for to passe our voices again, we  
would prefer before you to this office and place of dignity. But when we see you both together,  
we cannot chuse but much doubt and fear that ye are very badly matched and coupled as com-  
panions in government: & that the common-weal shall not receive too much good by this, that  
ye please and like us all so well, as to sustain harm in this, That you dislike and dislike one ano-  
ther. These many years together, there hath been great heart-burning and much malice be-  
tween you and the same must needs be grievous and hurtfull unto your selves: but now it is  
defeated that from this day forward, that rancor will be more prejudiciall to us & the common-  
weal, then unto you. Upon what motives and cause we are thus fearful, much we could say,  
but that peradventure your irreconcilable anger is such, as hath injured and possessed wholly your  
spirits and minds already. These quarrels, jars, and grudges of yours. We all in general would  
request you heartily to end this day, and in this very temple wherin we are assembled: and  
since the people of Rome by their voices have conjointed you in one office; suffer your selves  
by us to be linked & reconciled in perfect agreement. With one mind and accord, with one heart  
& counsel chuse the Senat; review the Cavalry and Knighthood of Rome; number the citizens;  
afflict their goods; purge and cleanse the City: & finally commendate the solemnity of the cente  
with a sacrifice. And whereas in all your prayers well-neer, ye shall ale this ordinary form of  
words, That this thing, or that, may fall out in the end well and happily, to my self and to my col-  
leagues. See that you with the same truly, sincerely and from the very heart, that you desire the same  
shall pray unto the gods for, we men may believe and all the world see, that you desire the same  
to be effected indeed. T. Titinius & Romulus in this very City reigned together with great unity &  
concord, in the midst whereof even in the very market place, they had encountered and joined  
battell together as mortal enemies with their cruell armies. What! not enmities only have an  
end, but wars also. And many a time most venomous and spiteful foes become faithful allies,  
yes,

The Oration  
of *Mucellus*, to  
the *Centuri*.

A Yes, and otherwiles neer neighbors and fellow citizens. The Albans after their subversion and utter ruin of their City, were brought over to inhabit Rome. The Latins & Sabines both, were endenized Romans. An old saying it is, and not so old as true, and for the truth become a common proverb, that enemies ought to be transitory and soon die, whereas friendship should continue & live for ever. At these words, there arose a confused bruit among them : there assembled, in token of their consent and approbation : and anon were heard the distinct voices of them all in general, craving and requesting of the Censors the same ; which making one entire found, brake off the speech of *Mecellus*. Then *Eumylus* among other matters complained that M. *Fabius* had twice put him besides the Consulship, which otherwise he was fure of, And *Pulsenus* on the other side found himself grieved, tht he evermore by *Eumylus* had been provoked, and that he B had waged law by stipulation against him to his dishonor and disgrace. Yet both of them made faith and shewed, that if the one were as willing as the other, they would relent and be over-ruled by so many honorable personages of the City So, at the instant request of all them that were present, they shook hands, and thereby assured one another to forgive and forget all matters past, and truly they took hand, and became perfect friends again : whereupon they were much commended by the whole assembly, and conducted by them into the Capitoll. Where the Senat approved and highly praised, as well the careful industry of the principal citizens, in effecting this io weighty matter, as also the good nature and flexibility of the two Censors.

C Who afterwards when they required to have a certain firm of monny assigned unto them fortho employ in the public edifices and other works of the City,were allowed by thair decree,the full rent and revenues of one whole year.

The same yeer L.*Papinianus* and Tih,*Sempronius* the Pro-Pretors in Spain agreed lo together that *Albinus* should make an expedition againt the Vacca pretrough Lusitanias, and lo return from thence into Celtiberia. But Gracchus went as far as the utmost quarter of Celtiberia, for therein those parts there was the greater war. And first he forced the City Mundas, which he surprised suddenly in the night at unawares. Then, after he had received hostages, and put a garriison there, he went forward assailing fort and burning the villages, until he came to another City of exceeding strength, which the Celtibेरians call Ceritima : where, as he was about to approach the wals with his engines of battery, there came unto him orators out of the City ; who like good plain men of the old world, made a speech unto him, nothing dissembling butt that they would war and be revenged,if their strenght and forces were sufficient. For they requested leave to passe D tothe Celtiberian camp, there to receive aid and succour : butt ifthey could not speed, then they would consulte apart by themselves what to do. Good leave they had of Gracchus : and some few daies after, they brought with them ten Orators more. Aboutnoone-tide it was of the day and thefirst thingthat they craved at the Pretor his hand was this, Thathe would makethem to drink beforethey parted. When they had once quaffed and carowelled heartily, they called again for more : wheretoe, all that were present stood about them, laughed heartly, to see them so rude and uncivil, and altogether without good manners. Butt afterwards, the eldest man of the company began in this wise : We are sent (quoth he) unto youfrom our nation, to know what assurance hath hindred you to levy waragainst us ? Tothis demand Gracchus answered, That hecame with the confidence that he had in a brave and valliant army : which (if theywere to defend E ) hewould do them the favour to fee, that they might be able to make more certain report totheir countrymen upon their own knowledge. And with that,he commanded the colonels and knight marshalls, to put in arms and embattel all the bands and companies, aswell foot as horse ; andthen armed asthey were to charge oneanother in manner of a battel.These Embassadors after they had once seen thisfight,were sent away : who went directly tothe Celtibेरians their neighbors, and frightened them for sending anysuccourttothe City besieged.The townsmen within having in vain fire-lights in the night time aloft upon their towers(which wasthesignalagreed upon between them ) and seeing themselves destitute of theonly hope they had of aid,yielding by composition.So they were enjoined tomake payment of four hundred thousand pawns of compensation.And to deliver forty of their noblest gentlemen and best men of arms ; not by way F of hosttages (forcommanded they wereto serveinthewar),and yet intruth,they stood fora pawn of assurance fortheir fealty. From thencenoon he marched to theCity Alco, wherethe Celtibερians lay encamped,and from whomof late theEmbassadors afore said came : whom,for Celtibερians laie provoked to fight,making small skirmishes ,by sending out against their corps de guard hislight-armed vancurriers,to theend thatspuffing together everyday more than other G he might trainthemallforth of theircampat length. Andwhen he perceived oncethathis design had taken effct,he commanded thecaptains of theauxiliary soldierrs, thatafter somelittle turn turn their backs, and flie as fast asthey could to their owncamp :himself in themeant while putting his men in battell array within therampierrat everygate, and running away, and after them hisownbands andcompanies retreating back on feet purpose,andrunning away, and after them thebarbarous enemies following as hard asthey could inchafe. Now had hehisarmyembattelled for thepurpose, and ready to receivethem : and therefore he made no longer stay then only to suffer hisfriends and allies to enter at libertyinto thecamp, butt he set up a loud cry, andat onstant issued forth attall gates. The enemieswerenotable to endure this unexpected violent charget : and toyhat they were come to assault thecamp of others,couldnotso much asde-



send their own: for presently they were discomited and put to flight; and within a while driven for very fear into their hold, and in the end turned out of it also. That day 9000 of the enemies left their carriages in the field, 320 were taken prisoners, together with 112 horse, & 73 held ensigns. Of the Roman army, there died not above 100. Presently after this battle, *Gracchus* marched with his legions to wait and spoil the country of *Celtiberia*: and as he made havoc in all places as he went, with driving booties, & with harrying & carrying all that ever he could come by; the Cities and States of the country, some submitted willingly of their own accord; others by force of constraint & fear received the yoke of subjection: so as in few daies space he became master of an 103 towns that yielded unto him. A mighty rich pillage he gat in this expedition. After this, he marched back again towards the City *Alea* from whence he came, and began to besiege and assault the town. The inhabitants endured the first assault of the enemies, but afterwards seeing their town not only assailed by force of arms, but also shaken with engines and instruments of battery, distrusting the strength of the City, they retired all within their fortress: from whence also to the end, (having sent their Orators before-hand) they & all that ever they had, were at the devotion of the Romans. A great booty there was gotten, and many noble gentlemen taken prisoners, amongst whom were two sons and one daughter of *Thurnus*. This *Thurnus* was a prince and great lord of whole parts, and simply the mightiest potentate of all the Spaniards by many degrees, who being advertised of the hard hap and calamity fallen upon his children, sent unto *Gracchus* into the camp for a safe conduct, and thither he came himself in person. And first he demanded, Whether he could grant unto him and his their lives? The Pretor answered, That they should live. Then he demanded again, if he might bear arms and serve under the Romans? and when *Gracchus* permitted that also; Then will I follow you (quoth he) against mine old friends and allies, since they disdain to respect and regard me. From this time forward he took part with the Romans: and in many journeys he bare himself joyfully and valiantly in their wars, and much advanced the Roman State. After this, *Ergavica* (a noble, rich and mighty City) affrighted at the calamities of other neighbor towns and States about them, set the gates open to receive the Romans. Some Authors have written, that these towns and Cities yielded not *bona fide* and in sincerity of heart: but that so soon as he had withdrawn the legions out of any quarter, suddenly from that part they revolted: also, that afterwards, he fought a cruel battle near the mountain *Cannus* with the *Celtiberians*, from the break of day until noon: in which conflict there were many slain both of the one side and the other: neither did the Romans any great deed (as they say. I pose) at *Ergavica* that day to testify their victory, but kept the field, and challenged them out of their camp to fight. Moreover, that the next morning all the day long, they gathered up the spoils of the dead: & on the third day strook a second battle, which was greater than the other: & then at length, the *Celtiberians* without all doubt lost the field cleerly; inasmuch as their camp was ransacked. Furthermore, that there died of the enemies that day 22000, and not so few as 300 taken prisoners, and well-near as many horse, besides the winning of 72 military ensigns: and so the war came to a final end, the *Celtiberians* made peace indeed, continued fast and firm therein with all loyalty, and were not so fickle & unconstant as before. They write moreover, that the same summer *L. Posthumius* fought a brave battle with the *Passes* in the father province of *Spain*, where he put to the sword 35000 enemies, & forced their camp. But it soundeth more like a truth, that he came not timely enough into that province, for to perform any such exploits during that summer season.

The Censors made a review and new choice of Senators in good concord and faithful unity: for the president of the Senat was chosen, *M. Aemilius Lepidus* the Censor himself, who also was the high priest or Arch-bishop. Three Senators were called and deprived their places: but *Lepidus* held some in, whom the colleague over-passed and left out. Of that portion of money, which out of the main allowance was divided between them, they caused these works following to be made. *Lepidus* for his part raised the great caufey or wharf at *Tarracina*, which was a piece of work nothing acceptable to the people, for that he had himself lands and possessions there of his own, and seemed to ease his privat expences, under colour of doing a publick work with the City's money. He built a Theatre, a more stage or vane-scaffold near the temple of *Apollo*. He bargained with the Publicans or Undertakers for the polishing, blanching and whitening of the temple of *Jupiter* in the Capitol, and likewise of the pillars about it. From these pillars he removed the Images and Statues, which seemed to have been unbandisomly set one against another, and out of all order. Likewise he took from thence, the targets and field-ensigns of all sorts, that were there set up and falshed. But *M. Fulvius* put forth to making more works in number, and those of better and greater use: To wit, a peer, and certain main piles within the river *Tyberis* upon which piles, cert. in years after *P. Scipio Africanus* and *L. Mummius* being Censors, took order for arches to be founded and erected. Item, a stately hall or place behind the new shops of the bankers. Item a fish market, with others shops round about him, which he sold to particular persons. Item, a market place, and a porch or gallery without the gate *Tergemina*, and another behind the arsenal, and near the temple of *Hercules*. Item, near *Tyber*, and behind the church of the goddess *Hope*, he caused to be built the chappell of *Apollo* the Physician. Now they had besides another flock of money in common, which they employed in taking order for water to be conveyed into the City; and certain vaults to be made. But this work was impeached by *M. Licinius Crassus*, who would not suffer the water to passe through his ground. Over and besides these same Censors, instituted certain rents for portage, & pondage, & divers other imposts. Many chappels & public places

A places in the tenure and occupation of privar persons, they took order to be reduced to the use of the people in common, and to be set open for all comers. They changed the order of giving voices, and caused to enroll the tribes according to sundry quarters and divisions, having regard withall of the degrees of men, of their trades, myteries and occupations. Also the one of the Censors *M. Aemilius* sued unto the Senat, that allowance should be made unto him of money for the games and plaies at the dedication of the Temples of *Queen Juno* and *Diana*, which in the *Ligurian* war he had vowed eight years before; and assigned there was unto him twenty thousand Asles. So he dedicated both those Temples within the cirque or shew-place of *Flaminius*. Also he exhibited Stage plaies three daies together after the dedication of the Temple of *Juno*, and two daies after the other of *Diana*: and every of those daies within the cirque *Flaminius*. B The same Censor dedicated in *Mars* field a Chappell to the sea-gods, vowed by *L. Aemilius Regillus* eleven years before, in a navall battell at sea, against the Captains of *K. Antiochus*. Over the gates of which Chappell there was fixed a table with this title. [For the appeasing and composing of a great war between two Kings, the head, to subdue, for to make peace. This conflict, when *L. Aemilius Regillus* the Pretor, the son of *M. Aemilius*, under the charge, command, and government, happy fortune, and conduct of him between Ephesus, Samos, and Chios, the fleet of King *Antiochus* the eleventh daies before the Kalends of February was vanquished, discomfited, shaken, battered, and put to flight, and there upon the same day two and forty Gallies were taken, with all the mariners and servants within them. After which fight King *Antiochus* and his Realm. In consideration hereof vowed a Temple to the Sea-gods, assistants unto him in achieving the navell victory.] Another table likewise, with the very same inscription, was set up and fastened over the gates of the Temple of *Jupiter* in the Capitol. Within two daies after that the Censors had chosen a new Senat, *Q. Fulvius* the Cos, made an expedition against the *Ligurians*: and after he had passed with his army over wilds and mountains, where no tracts led them, through straights and pines of forests, he fought a pitched battell with the enemies, and not only won the field, but also in one and the self-same day forced their camp. Whereupon three thousand and two hundred of the enemies, and all that quarter of *Liguria* yielded unto him. Then the Consul placed these that had surrendered, in the plains and champaign country, and planted garrisons upon the mountains. Letters hereof with great speed came to *Rome*: whereupon there were ordained processions for three daies. During which time of procession the Pretors celebrated sacrifices, and killed forty greater beasts. But the other Consul *D. Manlius* did not exploit worth remembrance in *Liguria*. Three thousand Transalpine Frenchmen passed over the *Alps* into *Italy*, in peaceable manner marching without any hostility or harm doing, and requested of the Consul and the Senat a territory to inhabit, where they might remain quietly under the feignory of the Romans. But the Senat commanded them to avoid out of *Italy*: and gave the Consul *Q. Fulvius* in charge to make search and enquiry into this matter, yea, and to proceed against them who had been the captains and counsellors to perswade them to pass over the *Alps*.

This very year died *Philip* King of the *Macedonians*, worn away to nothing, partly, for age, and partly, with grief of heart after the death of his son *Demetrius*. It fortuneed that he kept his winter in *Demetrius*, tormented with anguish of mind for the loils and mis of his son, disquieted with remorse and repentance for his cruelty against him, which hung and pricked his guilty conscience. Besides, he saw his other son (who now was the undoubted heir apparent of the Crown, as well in his own opinion as in the conceit of others) how all men turned their eyes and courted to him. He considered withall, how his old age was despised and forlorn; whereas some expected his death others did not so much as look for it; which was the greatest grief and trouble of all other. And together with him, there was *Antigonus* the son of *Echeocrates*, bearing the name of his uncle *Antigonus* by the fathers side, who had been guardian to *Philip*. This *Antigonus* the elder had been a man of princely port and regall majesty; renowned also for a brave conflict and noble battell against *Cleomenes* the *Lacedaemonian*. And him the Greeks for distinction sake from other KK, of that name, furnished \* *Tutor*. His nephew or brothers son (I say) *Antigonus*, of all the honourable friends that *Philip* had, was the only man that continued fast and firm unto him without all corruption. But this his loyal fidelity and truth caused *Perseus* to be no friend of his, but rather the most mortal enemy that he had in the world. This said *Antigonus* foreseeing in his spirit, in what dangerous terms he should stand, when the inheritance of the kingdom were devolved upon *Perseus* waiving his first time and opportunity; when he perceived that the Kings mind was troubled, and that now and then he fetched deep sighs for sorrow that his son was dead; one while would give ear only to the Kings words, otherwhiles also would find some talk and minister occasion to speak of the act so rashly and unadvisedly committed. Oftentimes he followed and seconded him in his moans and complaints, and would be thought to lament with him for company. And (as *Truth* with alwaies to give many signs and tokens of her self coming to light) he would endeavour and help forward every small thing what he could, to the end that all might the sooner be discovered and break forth. The chief ministers and instruments of this villainous fact, were *Apelles* and *Philocrates*, who were the Embassadors sent to *Rome*, and had brought those pernicious letters under the name of *Flaminius*, which wrought the death of *Demetrius*. For commonly it was given out through all the Kings Court, that those were falsified letters, forged by his Secretary, and sealed with a counterfeit signet. But the thing being rather deeply suspected, than apparently detected, it chanced that *Antigonus* upon a time met with \* *Xychus*, and laying hold upon him, created

*Antiochus* and *Eumenes*. This place is defective in the Latine.

\* Guardian or Protector.

\* This seemed to be the Secretary.

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A side the river \* *Iffer*. Now there were arrived before to advertise the King hereof, *Antigonus* and *Cotto*. This *Cotto* was a nobleman among the *Baltarnians*. And *Antigonus* was full against his will joyed in embassage & sent with *Cotto* to raise the *Baltarnians*. Howbeit, not far from *Amphipolis* they met with news (but very uncertain) of the Kings death: which occurrence troubled the whole course of their designs. For thus it was complained, that *Philip* should give the *Baltarnians* a safe passage through *Thrace* and find them vituals: to the effecting and performing whereof, he had entertained the peers and principal States of those quarters with presents, and assured them upon his fidelity, that the *Baltarnians* should pass through their country peaceably without any harm-doing. Now his intent and full purpose was, to extinguish utterly the nation of the *Dardani-ans*, and to plant the *Baltarnians* in their country. Hereby he aimed at a twofold commodity: the one was this; that the *Dardanians* (a people most malicious ever to the *Macedonians*, and who always in times of the troubles and adversities, of the K. took their vantage to annoy them) might be rooted out: the other, that the said *B. Baltarnians* leaving their wives and children in *Dardania*, might be sent to waste and spoil *Italy*. Now were they to pass to the *Adriatick sea* and so to *Italy*, by the way of the *Scordicians* (for other way there was none to lead an army) and soon would they thought he grant passage unto the *Baltarnians*: for they differed not at all, either in language, or manners & fashions: and more than that, they were like enough to joyn with them in the expedition, seeing they went to the conquest and pillage of a mou. rich and wealthy nation. These designments were accommodated and fitted to what eventssoever should happen. For in case the *Baltarnians* should happen to be defeated by the *Romans* and put all to the sword: yet this would be a comfort again; that the *Dardanians* were consumed from the face of the earth, that he should meet with a booty of that which the *Baltarnians* left behind them: and finally, have the possession free and entire to himself of all *Dardania*. But in case their fortune were to have the upper hand, then whiles the *Romans* were averted from him, and amised upon the war with the *Baltarnians*, he should be able to recover whatsoever he had lost in *Greece*. These had been the designs projected by *K. Philip*. So they entered peaceably, and marched without hostility, under the word and promise of *Cotto & Antigonus*. But shortly after that news came of the death of *Philip*: neither were the *Thracians* so tractable and easie to be dealt withal in commerce and traffick: nor the *Baltarnians* could be content with that which they bought with their money, or be kept in order as they marched, but that they would break their ranks & turn out of the direct way. Hereupon they began to do wrong & injury on both sides one unto another: which encreasing daily more & more to outrages, kindled the fire of an open war. In the end, the *Thracians* not able to endure the violence & multitudes of these enemies, leaving their villages in the plains beneath, retired to an exceeding high mountain, called *Danua*. To which place, when the *Baltarnians* would have gone: behold notwithstanding they approached to the tops and ridge of the hills, they were surprised with a storm, much like to that wherewith the *Gauls* (as it is reported) perished at what time as they were a spoiling and pilling the Temple at *Delphi*. For they were not only drenched first with showers of rain pouring upon them, pelted afterwards with thick storms of hailstones, stricken with great cracks of thunder and blasted with gleams of lightning that dazzled their eye-sight: but also the lightning flashed to upon them on every side, that it seemed they were charged and shot directly against their bodies: so as not only the common souldiers, but also the principal leaders and captains themselves were smitten down there with and overtrown. Whereupon when they were scattered & would have fled down the hill, from the exceeding steep rocks they tumbled down they knew not how with their heads forward. And albeit the *Thracians* pursued them thus scared and affrighted, yet they had nothing in their mouth, but That the gods forced them to run away, and that the sky fell upon them. Being thus disparted with this tempestuous storm, and returned asit were out of a shipwrack into the camp from whence they set forth & mock of them but half armed, they began to debate in council what to do. Hereupon arose some dissention among them: whiles part were of opinion to return back into their own country, and part advised to follow the way till and pierce forward into *Dardania*. About 30000 persons went through under the conduct of *Clodius*: the rest of the multitude returned the same way they came into the parts beyond \* *Danubius*. *Perseus* being possessed of the kingdom, commanded *Antigonus* to be put to death: and whiles he was fitting the States in order, and establishing himself in his own seat, he sent ambassadors to *Rome*, as well to renew the amity that his father had with the *Romans*, as also to request that he might be stiled with the name of King by the *Senat* of *Rome*. And these were the affairs in *Macedony* that year.

\* *Antigonus*  
\* *Danubius*

Q. *Ualuis* the other Col. triumphed over the *Ligurians*: and known it was for certain, that this triumph was granted unto him more for favour, than for any great exploit of his that might deserve such honour. He carried in shew a mighty deal of the enemies armour, but little or no money at all. Howbeit he dealt among his souldiers thirty Asles apiece: to every Centurion he gave twice as much, and to each Gentleman serving on horseback, the same treefold. There was nothing in this triumph more memorable and worthy the noting, than this, that as it fell out, he triumphed now the very same day that he had the year before upon his *Prætorship*. After his triumph, he published the general assembly for the election of *Magistrats*: wherein were created *Coli*, *M. Terentius Reutius*, and *A. Manlius Vols*. This done, when there had been three of the *Prætors* elected a sudden tempest brake up and dissolved the assembly. The morrow after which was four daies full before the Ides of *March*, the other three were chosen, namely, *Marcus Titinius*

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labouring beasts which they had discharged of their load; and willed the horsemen to take up behind them every one a young lusty footman; shewing what an honour it would be to the third legion, for to regain by their valour the camp, which had been lost by the cowardice and fear of those in the second: and easily (say they) may it be won again, if the Barbarians, while they are encumbered with the pillage, might be surprised at unawares, and be taken themselves like as they overtook others before. This exhortation was received with great alacrity and contentment of the souldiers. Aforesaid were the engines born and advanced apace, neither staid the port-engines one whit for the souldiers. Howbeit the Col, and those companies which were brought from the sea, came first to the rampier. *L. Arim* a principall Centurion of the second legion, not only encouraged the souldiers, but made remonitance unto them, That if the Iſtrians their victories, had ever meant to guard and keep the camp with the same force of arms by which they had won it, they would at the first have pursued the enemies to the sea, so soon as they had turned them out of their tents; and afterwards have let a good corps de guards, at leastwise before the rampier and the avenues thereof; but like enough it is (saith he) that with guzzling wine they were dead asleep like beasts. And herewith he commanded *A. Baculonium* his own engin-bearer, a man of approved valour and singular prowess, to advance his banner forward, saying, that I shall (quoth he) full soon, if you will follow me alone that the thing may be done more quickly. With that he forced his whole strength and having flung the engin over the trench into the camp, he was the first himself that entered at the camp gate. On another part likewise *T.* and *C.* both *Ælii*, and Colonels of the third legion, were come with their Cavalry: then presently followed those also whom they had horied two by two upon the labouring jades and wagons of carriage, and after them the Col, with his whole army. But of the Iſtrians some few there were (such as were not stark drunk) whose wits and memory served them to run away; the rest were dead asleep indeed, and never awoke again. So the Romans recovered all their goods, save only the wine and victuals which was devoured and consumed. The Roman souldiers who were crazy and sick, and had been left in the camp, after they perceived their own fellows within the rampier, found their hands caught up weapons, and made a great slaughter and execution. But above all others *C. Popilius*, surnamed *Sabellus*, a Gentleman and Cavalier of *Rome*, bare himself most bravely that day, who being left in the camp (because he was hurt and maimed in one of his feet) slew the greatest number of the enemies by far. Eight thousand Iſtrians fell upon the edge of the sword, and not one taken prisoner alive: for the choler and despiteous indignation of the souldiers was such, as they had no mind at all of prizes and booties. Howbeit, the Col, of the Iſtrians, drunk as he was, had no good fortune as to be taken from the very boord where he sat, and hastily mounted on horseback by his men, and so fled away and escaped. Of the winners there perished in all two hundred thirty seven souldiers: and of them, more died in their morning flight than in the recovery of their camp. Now it chanced so, that *Cn.* and *L.* both named *Gavilius*, new Coloners and inhabitants of *Aquileia* as they came with victuals, had like to have stumbled ignorantly upon the camp, when it was taken & possessed by the Iſtrians. They being retired back in great haste to *Aquileia*, leaving their carriage behind them, let all on a fright & uproar, not only at *Aquileia* but also at *Rome* within few daies after: for thither was the rumour run, That not only the camp was forced by the enemies, and (which was true indeed) the Romans put to flight, but that all was lost, and the army utterly defeated. Whereupon, as the manner was in all sudden tumults and alarms, writs went forth for musters and levies of souldiers extraordinarily, not in the City only, but also throughout all *Italy*. Two legions of Roman Citizens were enrolled, and the Latine allies were commanded to let out 10000 foot with 300 horse. *M. Junius* the Col, had commandment to pass over into *Gallia*, and to levy of the Cities and states of that Province, as many as they were able to make and furnish. It was ordained withal, that *T. Claudius* the Prætor should make proclamation, that the souldiers of the fourth legion, and of the Latine allies five thousand four and two hundred and fifty horse, should meet together at *Pisa*, and that in the absence of the Col, he should defend that Province: also that *M. Titinius* the Prætor should appoint the *Rendezvous* at *Ariminum*; that the first legion, and the like number of allies, as well foot as horse, should there assemble. Then *N. Nero* took his journey, clad in his rich coat of arms, toward *Pisa* his Province. And *Tullius* having to *Ariminum* *Catus Cossus* a Colonel, to take the conduct of the legion there, took musters at *Rome*. *M. Junius* the Col, passed out of *Liguria* into *Gaul*, and arrived at *Aquileia*, having levied aid-souldiers as he went, of all the Cities of *Gaul* and the Colonies, to be in readiness out of hand. There he was certified that the army was safe and sound: whereupon he dispatched his letters to *Rome* to advertise them that they should not trouble themselves any more in this false alarm, and himself after he had discharged the Gauls of those aids which he had imposed upon them, went to his companion in government. Great was the joy at *Rome*, coming thus as it did unlooked for. The musters were laid aside, the souldiers discharged who were enrolled and had taken their military oath, and the army visited with the plague at *Ariminum* was dismissed and sent home. The Iſtrians albeit they were encamped with a great strength of armed men, not far from the Col, his camp after they heard one that the Consul was come with a new army, disbanded and slipped every man away on all sides to their severall Cities, and the Consuls retired with their legions to *Aquileia* there to winter.

When these troubles of *Iſtria* were thus at length appeased, there went forth one of the Senat, That the Consuls should agree between themselves, whether of them twain was to return to *Rome* for

A for to hold the assembly for election of Magistrates. At what time as *A. Licinius Nervus*, and *C. Papirius Turanus*, two Tribunes of the Commons, in all their Orations to the people, inveighed bitterly against *Manlius* in his absence, and promulged a Law to this effect, That after the Ides of *March* (for the Consuls had their governments already prorogued for one whole year) he should continue no longer in place, to the end, that so soon as he was out of his office, he might presently be called to his answer judicially. *Quintus Ælius*, one of their Collegues, withstood this bill by them propoied, and after much debate and contention prevailed so much, that it passed not.

About the same time *Tib. Sempronius Gracchus*, and *L. Posthumius Albinus*, being returned out of *Spain* to *Rome*, had audience given them by the Prætor *M. Titinius* in the Temple of *Bellona*, there to discourse of the acts by them achieved, to demand their deserved honours, to the end that praise and thanksgiving also should be rendered to the immortal gods. Moreover, at the very same time intelligence was given by letters from *T. Eburnus* the Prætor, which his son brought and shewed to the Senat, of great troubles in *Sardinia*: Namely, that the Ilians, joyning unto them the strength of the *Balaris* had invaded the provin: e standing in peaceable terms: neither was he able to make head against them with so feeble an army as he had; & the same waisted and consumed much with the pestilence. The same news related the Embassadors likewise of the *Sardinians*, making humble suit to the Senat, to relieve and succour their Cities at leastwise, for that their villages and country towns were already past help. This embassage, with all other matters concerning *Sardinia*, put over to the new Magistrates: as pitifull an embassage also was presented unto them from the *Lycians*, who complained grievously of the *Rhodiens*, unto whom they had been annexed and made subjects by *L. Cornelius Scipio*: "Indeed (say they) we lived sometime under the (seignory of) *K. Antiochus*, but that servitude of ours under the *K.* compared to this present state and condition wherein we now are seemed unto us an excellent liberty: for not only are we now yoked and kept under publicke authority in generally, by taxes, levies, and impositions, but every one in particular endureth meer bondage and slavery. Our selves are abused, yea, and our wives and children suffer villanies before our eyes: upon our bodies, our backs and sides they work upon and discharge their humour of cruelty: in our good name (an indignity unsupportable) we are detained, deprived, and deamed: yea, openly in the face of the world, they cease not to commit outrages against us, even to murther and extend their authority over us, and to try matters upon us with extremity: to the end that we *Lycians* might be put of all doubt, that there is no difference between us and slaves bought and sold for silver in open market. The Senat moved with these remonstrances by the *Lycians*, addressed their letters to the *Rhodiens* to this effect, that it was no part of their meaning and intent, that the *Lycians* should be slaves to the *Rhodiens*: or that any other born free, should be enthralled by any person: but their will was, that the *Lycians* should in such terms live under the government and protection of the *Rhodiens*, that both States, the one as well as the other, might range and frame themselves like good associates under the Dominion and Empire of *Rome*.

After this followed two triumphs over *Spain*, one immediately upon another: first, *Sempronius Gracchus* over the *Celiberians*: and the morrow after, *L. Posthumius* over the *Lufitanians* and other Spaniards of those parts. *Tib. Gracchus* carried in shew 40000 pound weight of silver: and *Albinus* twenty thousand. Both of them divided among their souldiers twenty five *Denarii* apiece, to each Centurion the same double, and treble to every horseman. Thus did they also by allies as well as by Romans.

It fortuned about that time, that *M. Junius* the Consul, came out of *Iſtria* to *Rome*, by occasion of the election which was to be holden: and when the two Tribunes of the Commons, *Papirius* and *Licinius*, had in the presence of the Senat baird and wearied him with interrogatories, as touching the affairs passed in *Iſtria*, they brought him forth also before the body of the people. To which questions, after that the Consul had answered, how he had not been above 11 daies in the Province: and as for the things that hapned in his absence, he knew no other wise than they did, only by the common bruit and report: then they went on urging him still, and asking how it came to pass, that *A. Manlius* rather came not to *Rome*, to give account unto the State, why he passed out of *Gaul* (which was his allotted Province) into *Iſtria*? and to shew, when it was that either the Senat decreed, or the people of *Rome* granted by their voices to enterprise that war? But haply it may be said (quoth he) that albeit this war was undertaken only upon his own head alone: yet no doubt, executed it was fight worthily with policy and valour. Nay, I wis, but yet contentariwise: and hard it is to say, whether it were begun more lowly, than managed contentariwise. Two entire corps de guards were on a sudden at unawares surprized by the Iſtrians: the Roman camp was forced & taken, with all the strength of horse and foot that was therein: the rest scattered without arms, and the Col, himself was the foremost man that ran away to the sea side onto the ships: and surely he should render an account of all these matters, when he is a private person again, since that he should not do it being Col. This storm past, the general assembly for the Magistrates election was holden: wherein were created Consuls, *C. Claudius Pulcher*, and *Tib. Sempronius Gracchus*. The next day following were the Prætors chosen: to wit, *P. Ælius Tubero* the second time, *C. Quintus Flaminius*, *C. Nummius*, *C. Mummius*, *Cn. Cornelius Scipio*, and *C. Valerius Lavinius*. The civil jurisdiction of the City fell to *Tubero*, the fort to *Quintus*. The government of *Sicily* was allotted to *Nummius*: of *Sardinia* to *Mummius*. Howbeit, this Province by reason of the great war therein became the charge of the Col. And by lot it fell to *Gracchus*: but

but *Istriato* *Claudius* his Collegue, *Gaul* was divided into two Provinces; whereof *Scipio* by lot obtained one, and *Laevinus* the other.

Upon the Ides of *March*, on which day *Sempronius* and *Claudius* entered their Consulship, moved it was only in the Senat, as touching *Sardinia* and *Istria*, and the enemies to both those Provinces, who there had levied war. But the morrow after, the Embassadors of the Sardinians being referred over to the new Magistrates, and *L. Minutius Thermus* who had been Lieutenant to the Consul *Manlius* in *Istria*, entered into the Senat-house. By them the Senat was informed how the dangerous wars were in those Provinces. Moved likewise were the Senators by the embassies of the Latine allies, who in the end were admitted into the Senat, after they had importuned the Consuls and Consuls of the former year: the sum of their complaint was this, That their the Censors and Consuls of the former year, were most of them departed and removed thither to own Citizens being once enrolled at *Rome*, were most of them departed and removed thither to dwell: which if it might be suffered, within few reviews and cessings it would come to pass, that dwell: which if it might be suffered, within few reviews and cessings it would come to pass, that their Cities should be dispeopled and desolat, their villages and fields desart and waste, and able to set out no souldiers for the wars. Semblably the Samnites and Pelignians complained, that four thousand households were gone from them, and retired to *Fregelle*: and yet neither the one nation or the other, were set at a less proportion of souldiers in all their levies. Two capteous means and devices there were brought up, whereby men changed thus their Cities at pleasure. The Law granted this indulgence to the allies of the Latine nation, as many as left issue of their race behind them in their house, That they should be reputed Citizens of *Rome*. By abusing this Law, some did injury to their allies, other wronged the people of *Rome*: for, both they that were to leave such issue at home, gave their children, as it were, in villenage to some Roman Citizen; or other whom they liked of; with condition to manumise and make them free, that they might be Tribes or enfranchised Citizens. And they also who wanted issue to leave behind them, were held as Citizens of *Rome*. But in process of time without any of these colourable pretences, and without regard of law and respect of issue, they crept in and had the benefit of the Burgesse right, without regard of law and respect of issue, they crept in and had the benefit of the Burgesse right, and freedom of *Rome*, by their transmigration thither to inhabit, by enrolment in the reviews. To meet with these practices, the embassadors craved a remedy for the time to come: as also that they would peremptorily command all their allies to repair again to their own Cities: with an expresse inhibition, that no man should receive any other to be his vassal and villain, and so to alienate him, with intention by that means to change the City wherein he lived: and that whosoever became Citizens of *Rome* after that manner, should not be counted for a Citizen. These petitions were granted by the Senat. Then were decrees passed for those provinces of *Istria* and *Sardinia* which were in arms, to wit, for the enrolling of two legions into *Sardinia*, having either three thousand and two hundred foot, and three hundred horse, besides twelve thousand and six hundred footmen, and six hundred horse of the Latine allies; and ten quinquaginta, or galleaces, with five banks of oars, in case the General would warp them out of the arsenal. The like number as well of the Infantry as Cavalry, was assigned for *Istria*. The Consuls also were enjoined to send to *M. Titinius* in *Spain*, one legion with three hundred horse, besides 5000 footmen of allies, and 250 horsemen.

Before that the Consuls cast lots for their Provinces, certain prodigies were reported. Namely, that in the territory of *Crustumium*, there fell from heaven a stone in the lake of *Mars*: That in the territory of *Rome*, there was an infant born like a very stump, without head, feet, or hands: and a snake or serpent seen four-footed. That in the market-place of *Capua*, many houses were smitten with thunderbolts and lightning. Also at *Puteoli*, two ships were set on fire by lightning, and burnt. Whiles these prodigious wonders were by others related, there was seen a wolf also and ting, with much ado and noise of them that followed the chase, escaped away from them all, and passed through the *Esquiline* gate. In regard of these strange tokens, the Consuls killed greater beasts for sacrifice: and for one whole day, a solemn supplication and prayers were made at all the shrines and altars of the gods. These sacrifices done and past, accordingly as it appeared, the Consuls cast lots for their provinces: and to *Claudius*, betell *Istria*, to *Sempronius*, *Sardinia*.

After this, *C. Claudius* published a Law by virtue of an ordinance of the Senat, in favour of allies, and proclaimed, That those allies, and namely, of the Latine nation, who either themselves or their ancestors, had been enrolled among the Latine allies, during the Consulship of *Marcus Claudius*, and *Titus Quintius*, or any time afterwards, should make return every man into his own City, before the first day of *November* next ensuing. And *Lucius Mummius* the Praetor had in commission to enquire and search for those that returned not accordingly. To this Law and Edict above said of the Consul, an act also of the Senat was adjoynd. That the Dictator, Consul, Interregent, Censor, and Lord chief Justice in the Common Pleas for the time being, should endeavour and take order, that whosoever were manumitted and made free, should take an oath, That he who manumitted or enfranchised him, did it not with an intent, for ever to change the City wherein he was: and look who would not thus swear, him they thought not worthy to be manumitted, but his charge and jurisdiction was afterwards committed to *C. Claudius* the Consul.

Whiles these affairs passed at *Rome*, *M. Junius* and *A. Manlius*, who had been Consuls the year before, having wintered in *Aquileia*, in the beginning of the Spring entered with an army into the frontiers of *Istria*. Where, as they made waste and spoil far and near as they went, the

*Istrians* entered into a commotion and took arms, rather upon grief of heart and indignation to see their goods thus pillaged and raniacked, than for any assured hope they had of their sufficiency to make head against two armies. Having therefore raised a concourse of their able youth from all their Cities and States, they assembled in haste a sudden and tumultuary army, which at the first gave battell, and fought more in heat of courage, than with pertinence of resolution. In conflict there were slain of them to the number of four thousand: the rest abandoned all war, and fled here and there into their Cities. From thence they sent embassadors first into the Roman camp to crave peace, and then the hostages were demanded. After intelligence given at *Rome* of these news by the letters of the Pro-Consuls, *C. Claudius* the Consul fearing lest this occurrence might put him by the government of his Province and the conduct of the army, without solemn prayers and vows made, without his Lictors clad in their coats of arms, departed suddenly in great haste (all of the head) by night towards his Province, and made no man privy thereto, but only his Collegue. His voyage thither was not so rash and inconsiderate, but his carriage there was more foolish and undiscereet: for being thither come, he assembled a general audience; where after he had very unseasonably reproached *Manlius* for his running away out of the camp, (to the great discontentment of the souldiers, who were the first that fled;) and with opprobrious terms shaken up *M. Junius* also for taking part in this dishonour with his companion: in the end he commanded them both to avoid out of the Province. Whereupon the souldiers made answer again and said, That they would then obey the Consuls commandment, when (according to the ancient custome of their fore-fathers) he had made his solemn vows within the Capitol; and then taken his leave and departed out of the City, accompanied with his Officers in their rich coats of arms, warlike. Hereat he was so far enraged with anger, that he called upon the treasurers deputy belonging to *Manlius*, for chains and gyves, and menaced to send *Junius* and *Manlius* both bound to *Rome*. But the deputy likewise made as little reckoning of the Consuls commandment: and the more animated he was to disobey the Consul, by reason that he was backed by the whole host round about him; who as they supported the cause of their Captains and Leaders, so they hated the Consul at the heart. In conclusion, the Consul being laden and wearied with the contumacious and railing behaviour of every one in particular, and with the trumps and drums of the multitude in general (for they flunk not over and besides to mock him and make a laughing stock of him) he went his waies again to *Aquileia*, in the same ship wherein he came. D From thence he wrote unto his Collegue by an Edict, to charge those new souldiers who were enrolled for *Istria*, to meet at *Aquileia*: to the end that no business should keep him at *Rome*, but that with all speed he might depart from the City in his coat of arms, and after he had conceived and pronounced his vows accordingly. His companion in office was well content, and did all these things requisite full willingly: and a short day was assigned for the assembling of the souldiers at the *Rendezvous* above named. But *Claudius* was at *Rome* well-near as soon as his letters; where, at his first coming, he made an Oration in the public audience of the people, as touching the demeanor of *Manlius* and *Junius*: and having said no longer than three daies at *Rome*, he set out with his Lictors formally in their coat-armour, when he had made his vows solemnly in the Capitol, and so departed into his Province again with as much celerity and haste (if not more) as he came from thence.

Some few daies before, *Junius* and *Manlius* began to assault by all forcible means the town *Nesatum*, into which the principall persons of the *Istrians*, and *Apulo* their King, were retired. *Claudius*, with his two new legions, presented himself before the town; and after he had discharged the old armies and their commanders, laid siege unto it, and intended to force it with mantlets and engines of battery. The course also of the river which ran along beside the walls, and not only impeached the assailants but yielded water unto the besieged, he diverted into another new channell, and bestowed many daies work thereabout. This mightily affrighted the barbarous people, to see how they were cut off from water. Howbeit, they never thought of peace for all this, but fell in hand to kill their wives and children; and when they had so done (because they would present to the view of their enemies, (so horrible a fact and fearful spectacle) they massacred them upon the walls openly in their sight, and then threw them headlong down. Whiles the silly women and poor infants (amidst their pitious and lamentable cries) were thus cruelly murdered, the Roman souldiers mounted over their walls and entered into the City. Their King when he once perceived (by the fearful outcries of those who fled) that the town was lost; for fear he should be taken alive, stabbed himself with his dagger to the heart. All the rest were either taken prisoners or killed. After this, two other towns, *Mutila* and *Euvoria*, were won by assault and rased. The pillage was greater than a man would have looked for in so poor a nation: which was bestowed every whit upon the souldiers. Five thousand six hundred and two and thirty persons were sold our-right in port: sale under the gurland. The Captains of this war were first scourged with rods and then beheaded. Thus *Istria*, by the ruin of three towns and the death of their King, was appeased: and all the Cities and States thereof from every quarter, came in with their hostages, made submission, and did fealty and homage to the Romans.

The *Istrians* war was no sooner ended, but the *Ligurians* began to complot for to take arms and enter into rebellion. *T. Claudius* the Pro-Consul (who the former year had been Praetor) was governor and commander at that time of *Pise* with a garrison of one legion. The Senat being adverted thereof by his letters, thought good to send the very same letters to *C. Claudius* (for the other Consul



Consul was already passed over into *Sardinia*;) and withall, a decree was granted out to this effect, That considering he had performed his commission in *Iffria*, so as there remained no more for him to do there, he should (if he thought so good) transport his army into *Liguria*. Moreover, upon the Consul his letters, wherein he wrote what exploits he had achieved in *Iffria*, there was ordained a solemn procession for two daies together. Semblably, the other Consul *Tib. Sempronius*, managed his affairs as happily in *Sardinia*: he entred with an army into the country of the Sardinian *Ilans*. Great aids were come from the *Balaras* to relieve and succour those *Ilans*: with both these nations he fought a battell in pitched field. The enemies were discomfited and put to flight, turned out of their camp, and 15000 armed men slain. The morrow after, the Consul commanded all their armor and weapons to be gathered together and laid on an heap: and he burned as a sacrifice to the honour of *Vulcan*. Which done, he retired with his victorious army into the affoier Cities, there to pass the winter.

*C. Claudius* likewise, upon receipt of the letters of *T. Claudius*, and the commission directed from the Senar, marched with his legions out of *Affrica into Liguria*: where, the enemies were come down into the plains, and lay encamped near the river *Scultenna*. In which place there was a battell fought: 1500 of them were put to the sword, and not so few as 700 taken prisoners, either in the conflict, or within the Camp; for that also was forced and won: besides, 51 engines they lost. The *Ligurians*, as many as escaped the execution, fled on all sides to the mountains for refuge; and notwithstanding that the Consul spoiled and wasted their champaign country, there was not one man made shew of arms. Thus *Claudius* having in one year vanquished and subdued two nations, and in one Consulship (a rare felicity in any other man) reduced other two Provinces into quietness and peace, returned to *Rome*.

Certain prodigious and monstrous fights were that year reported, to wit, in the territory of *Crustumium*, a certain fowl, called *Sangualis*, with her bill pierced into a sacred stone. In *Campania* a Beef spake: at *Syracusa* a bull that draied out of the fields from the herd, leapt the brazen cow there in the City, and did his kind. In the territory of *Crustumium*, there was a supplication and procession holden one day long in the very place of the forelaid prodigious sign. In *Campania*, the beef or cow storelaid, was put out to be kept and fed at the charges of the City. Last of all the prodigy of *Syracusa*, was expiat by a purgatory sacrifice, by direction from the foothaifers to what gods, supplications & sacrifice should be made. That year died *M. Claudius Marcellus* the Bishop, who had been Coj, and Cenfor. In his stead *M. Marcellus* his son was consecrated Bishp. Like- wise in the same year, there was a Colony of 2000 Citizens of *Rome* planted at *Luca*. The Triumvir or the Commissioners who had the conduct and placing of them, were *P. Aelius*, *L. Egilius*, and *Cn. Sicinius*: one and fifty acres of land and an half was set out for them apiece to occupy, out of the territory late conquered from the Ligurians, and which had been sometime the possession of the Tuscans, before it was holden by the Ligurians.

Then came the Consul *C. Claudius* to the City of *Rome*, where after he had discomfited before the Senate, as touching the prosperous execution of his affairs, as well in *Africa* as *Liguria*; & there-upon demanded a triumph, he soon obtained that honour: and during his Magistracy triumphed at once over those two nations. In which solemnity of his triumph, he carried in fifteen 307000 Deniers and 85702 Victories. He gave to every common [Roman] soldier fifteen Denarii a piece, a double proportion to the Centurions, and thrice as much to every horseman. But upon the allies he bestowed less by the one moiety than to natural Citizens: and therefore as they followed his chariot, they were silent and said never a word: a man that had seen them would have said they were malecontent.

During the time of this triumph, the Ligurians perceiving that not only the Consul his army was brought home to Rome but the legion also at Pisa discharged by T. Claudius: thinking now all fear past and overblown, secretly levied a power; and having passed over the crofs frontiers, by travellling the waies through the muntains, descended into the downs, and wasted the demains of Modena, and by sudden assault surprized the very Colony. The news hereof was no sooner arrived at Rome, but the Senat commanded C. Claudius the Consul to hold the high Court for the solemn election, with all convenient speed: that so soon as new annual Magistrates were created, he might return into his Province, and perforce recover this Colony out of their hands. So accoring to the advice and ordinance of the Senat the said assembly was holden: wherein were elected Consul C. Cornelius Scipio Hispanus, and Q. Petilius Spathinus. Then were the Praetors allotted Consul C. Cornelius Scipio Hispanus, and Q. Petilius Spathinus. Then were the Praetors afterwards chosen, to wit, M. Popilius Lenas, P. Licinius Crassus, M. Cornelius Scipio, L. Papirius Mafso, M. Albius, and L. Aquilius Gallus. The Consul C. Claudius had his Parent levied again for one year longer, to continue in command of the army, and government of the Province Gallia. And for fear lest the Ithirians likewise should follow the example of the Ligurians, he had commision to lend those alices of the Latine nation, whom he had brought out of his Province for to solemnize his triumph.

Upon that very day, on which the Consuls, *Cneus Cornelius* and *Quintus Petilius* entered their Magistracy, and sacrificed each of them an ox as the manner was in the honour of *Jupiter*: In that beast which *Q. Petilius* caused to be slain, the liver was found headless. When he had reported this accident unto the Senat, he was enjoyned to sacrifice another beef to appease the wrath of the gods. Moved then it was in the Senat house as concerning the Provinces, and a decree passed that both Consuls should be sent to *Pisæ*, and against the *Ligurians*: but order was given, that

that whether of them had the charge of *Pisa* allotted unto him, he should (when the time came) repair to *Rome* against the election of yearly *Magistrats*. Moreover, there was another branch of this decree, that either of them should enroll two new legions, and three hundred horsemen, and levy of the *Latine* allies ten thousand foot souldiers, and six hundred horse, And *T. Claudius* continued still in full command, untill such time as the Consul was arrived in his Province. Whiles these matters were thus debated and passed in the Council-House, *Cn. Cornelius* was called forth by a *benefit* or *Usher*. And within a while after he was gone out of the Temple, he returned thither again with an heavy and dismayed countenance, and declared unto the *LL.* of the Senate, that the liver of that ox which he also had killed for sacrifice, a beatt of six years old and well liking, was consumed and come to nothing; and when he hardly beleeveth the Minister attending upon the sacrifice, who told him hereof, that himself caused the water to be poured forth of the pot wherein the tripes and inwards were sodden, where he saw the rest of the tripes and entrals full and whole, but all the liver wasted away, after a wonderful and miraculous manner, nor to be spoken. The *LL.* were much terrified and amazed at this prodigious object; and the more perplexed were they, for that the other Consul likewise related unto them, how in regard that in his sacrifice the liver wanted an head, he had killed three oxen more, one after another, and yet could not procure the favour and grace of the gods. Hereupon the Senat commanded him still to sacrifice theie greater beasts, untill such time as he had his desire, and the gods were pleased again. Now it is said, that all the other gods were well enough contented, and their ire mitigated and appeased, only the goddesses *Salus*, *Pestilus* could not be reconciled unto, for all that ever he might do. Then the *Coſs.* and *Prætors* committed the disposition of their Provinces to the arbitrement of the *lots*, *Pisell* to *Cornelius*, and *Liguria* to *Pestilus*. As for the *Prætors*, *L. Pappius Mæſo* was Lord chief Justice by lot appointed, within the City of all Citizens pleas, and *M. Aburius* had the jurisdiction over strangers: *M. Cornelius Scipio Maluginensis* had the charge to govern the lower *Spain*, and *L. Aquilius Gallus*, *Sicily*. The two *Prætors* behind, requested earnestly that they might not be sent into their Provinces, and namely, *M. Popilius* into *Sardinia*: alleging, that *Gracchus* was able to quiet that Island; and the rather, for that *T. Eburnus* the *Prætor* was by the Senat adjoynd to him for assistance: neither was it good to interrupt courses begun, the continuity whereof is the most effectfull means to exploit any great important affairs. For what wish delivering up the sword by the old *L. Deputy*, and receiving it by the new succesor (whom it were more meet first to be trained up in knowledge of the State, than to be put to the managing of State-matters) oftentimes the good opportunities of achieving brave enterprises pass by and are lost. This excuse of *Popilius* was held for good, and so approved. Then comes *P. Licinius Crassus*, and he for his part made allegations why he might not go into his Province: namely, by occasion of the solemn sacrifice, that he was to give his attendance upon. Now the higher part of *Spain* was allotted unto him. But command was he either to go into his Province, or else to take oath in a frequent and full assembly of the people, that the solemn sacrifice (as he pretended) was the thing that hindered him, and nothing else. This order being set down and thus passed in the behalf of *P. Licinius*: then they set me up *M. Cornelius*, and required them to take an oath of him likewise, that he might not go into the nether Province of *Spain*. So both these *Prætors* were sworn according to one and the same form of oath. Whereupon *M. Titinius* and *T. Fonteus* were commanded to remain in quality and place of *Pro-Consuls* within *Spain*, and retain still the same authority and power of command: and order was granted, that for to supply their forces, there should be sent unto them three thousand Citizens of *Rome* with two hundred horse, and also five thousand *Latine* allies, and three hundred horsemen.

The solemnity of the *Latine holidays* began the "third day before the Nones of *May*": where-  
in, because at the sacrificing of one beast the *Magistrate of Lanuvium* in his prayer left out these  
words [*Populi Romani Quiritium*] and prayed not for the good estate of the people of *Rome*, and  
the *Quirites*, it bred a scruple. The matter was moved in the *Senat*, and the *Senat* referred it over  
to the *College* of the *Bishops* and *Prelats* of the *Church*. And they pronounced this award, That  
forasmuch as those *Latine feasts* were not solemnized as they ought, they should begin again af-  
new: and that the *Citizens of Lanuvium*, by whose default they were thus to be renewed, should  
be at the charges of all the beasts for sacrifice. Moreover, to breed more fearful scrupulosity in  
mens minds, it turned that *Cornel Cornelian* the *Consul* as he returned from that solemnity out  
of the *Alban mountain*, fell down in a fit of *Apoplexy*: which turned into an *Hemiplegia* or dead-  
palsy all the one side of his body, and so he was conveyed to the bath and hot waters at *Cumes*:  
where, by occasion that his disease grew upon him still, he departed this life: from whence he  
was brought to *Rome*; and there carried forth in all magnificence of funeral obsequies, and right  
honourably interred. He had been *Bishop* also as well as *Consul*, *Q. Petellus* the other *Consul*, be-  
ing commanded to hold an assembly for the interrogation of a *Colleague* unto him, (so soon as possi-  
ble) he might be warranted by the auspices and approbation of the sacred birds,) and withal, to  
proclaim and publish the *Latine feasts* and holidays aforesaid: summoned the election against  
the "third day before the Nones of *Septilis*": and the *Latine solemnity*, the third day likewise be-  
fore the "Ides of the same month."

While mens minds were much possessed already with religion, and for upon their deu-  
otions, word was brought moreover of certain fearfull prodigies: to wit, that at *Tusculum* there was  
seen a burning flame in the sky: that at *Gabae*, the Temple of *Apollo*, and many private mens  
houses:

\* *Victoriat*us, the same that *Quinarius*, i.e. half Denarius. It had the Image of *Victory* stamped upon it.

\* Health.

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\* 3.71 August:  
\* 11 of August

\* *Capere Letum*, thus written with a capital L, signifies, To gain the hill Letus: but with the little l, (which the car cannot distinguish) importeth, To take his death.

2 The oration of  
n *Callicrates* the  
Achæan.













Apology and defence, that he neither had said nor done any thing founding to hostility : many in case be perceived and saw, that they came upon him thus, and would needs pick quarrels and give occasion of war, he would stand upon his guard, and defend himself with a resolute and valiant courage. For the hazard of the field was common, and the issue of war uncertain. Now, all the Cities of Greece and Asia both, would rather then their lives have known what the Embassadors of Persus, and what Emmeus had done in the Senat : for in regard of his coming, most of the States (supposing verily that he would first coales and make some work) had sent their Embassadors to Rome, pretending colourably other matters in semblance, but indeed to listen after news : and among the rest, was the Embassage of the Rhodians, and the chief thereof was one Satyrus, who made no question nor doubt, but that Emmeus had done their errand, and put their City and Persus together in all their criminal matters laid to his charge. And therefore he made all the means that possibly he could by the mediation of patrons, friends, and acquaintance, to debate the matter with King Emmeus before the body of the Senat : which when he had obtained, his tongue waiked at large, and overbold he was : and too round with the King, in broad invectives and intemperate termes : namely, that he had solicited and stirred up the nation of the Lycians against the Rhodians, and was an heavier friend unto Asia then Antiochus had been. Which speech of his, as it was plausible enough and pleasing to the States of Asia (for they likewise by this time inclined to affect and favour Persus) so it was unfavoury altogether and odious to the Senat, and nothing profitable to themselves and their City. But contrariwise, this bawling and conspiracy against Emmeus, won him the more grace and favor among the Romans : so as they did him all they honour they could, gave him much rich and costly presents, and endowed him with a curule chair of estate, and a stalle or scepter, both of ivory.

After these embassages had their dispatch and were dismissed, Harpalus returned into Macedonia in all speed and hast possible, relating unto the King, how he had left the Romans not preparing as yet for war ; but to far out with him and to highly offended, that it appeared evidently it would not be long ere they began. And Persus again for his part, besides that he looked for no other, was well enough pleased therewith, presuming upon the flour and strength of his forces, but above all other he maliced Emmeus most : with whose blood he laid the first foundation of the war : for he (laboured one Evander a Candiot and captain under him of certain auxiliary souldiers, and three Macedonians besides (whose service and ministry he had used in the like feats) to murder the King. He gave them letters addressed to one Praxo an hostesse of his, a jolly dame in Delphi, and of greatest credit and wealth among them. For assured he was, that Emmeus minded to go up to Delphi, there to sacrifice unto Apollo. These traitors together with Evander led forward ; and to execute their designed enterprise, they looked all about and sought for nothing but the opportunity of some place or other. Now, as men ascend from Cirrha to the temple, before they come to any place much peopled and frequented with houses, there stood a mound or mound was on the left hand of the path or way, rising some what higher than the foundations and ground-work ; along which wall there was passage for one by one and no more ; for on the right hand the earth was broken down and fallen, and breach made of some a good depth. Behind that mound afore said, these traitors had hidden themselves, and raised some steps like it sirs ; to the end that from above, as from the top of a wal, they might discharge their shot upon K. Emmeus as he passed by. Before him there marched from the sea, at the first a sort of his friends and followers, together with his guard intermingled one with another ; but afterwards as the way grew more strait and narrow, the train waxed thinner. But when they were come one to the place where they could not go but by one at once, Pansaleon one of the States and princes of Elis, with whom the King had begun some communication, entered first into the narrow path afore said : with that the knaves that lay in wait behind, role up and rolled down two huge stones, wherewith to conclave the King upon the head, the other astonished his shoulder. And verily all the rest of his friends and followers, seeing him fall with the blow, fled some one way, some another only Pansaleon staid behind all, fearless, to protect and guard the King. The murderous villains might have fetched a short combat about the wall, and soon run to the King to make free work and dispatch him quites but they supposing they had done the deed already, fled to the pitch of the mount Parnassus, and made such hal, that when one of the companie hindered and staid their running, because he dragged behind and could not keep pace and follow them hard at heels through those steep and blind waies, they made no more ado but killed him out-right, for fear lest if he were taken, he should bewray and discloase the whole treason. The body of the King lay along on the ground and first his friends came running about him, then his guard and household servants. When they reared him up, they found him astonished with the stroke and altogether senseless in a trance : howbeit, by some heat remaining, and the beating of his heart, they perceived there was some life but little or no hope they had that he could escape and live. Some there were of his guard and pensioners about him, that made pursuit after these murderers by their tracks : and when they had held on their chase as far as unto the crest of Parnassus, wearying themselves to no purpose, they gave over and returned as wile as they went. The Macedonians as they had begun an audacious enterprise inconsiderately, so they left it undone as fearfully and without advice. Now by this time was the King come again to himself. And the morrow after, his friends conveyed him to his shipstom thence to Corinth : & from Corinth along the streights Isthmus they brought their vessels, & croised over to Aegina : where his cure was carried to close & secret, without admitting

A person to come unto him, that the rumor ran into Asia how he was dead. And Attalus his brother (by your leave) gave good ear thereto, & beleaved the news sooner then was becoming brotherly love and unity. For he entered into such talk both with his brothers wife, and also with the captain of the castle, as if he had been the undoubted heir and assured inheritor of the crown. All this Emmeus knew full well afterwards : who albeit he purposed to dissemble the matter, and to put it up at least wile with silence ; at their first encounter and meeting together, he could not hold, but reprovved and reproached his brother, for being so forward and over-hasty to court and wooe his wife. The bruit also was blown to Rome, and a report there was of the death of K. Emmeus.

About the same time C. Valerius was returned out of Greece, who had been sent thither as Embassador to look into the state of the country ; to mark also and observe the plots and proceedings of Persus. He reported all things suitable and agreeable to the intelligences given by King Emmeus, and withall, brought with him from Delphi dame Proxo, in whose house those villainous traitors were lodged and harboured : also one L. Raminus a Brundusian, who informed moreover and gave evidence as followeth. This Raminus was one of the principall citizens of Brundisium, and used to lodge and entertain in his house, not only of the Roman captains when they came to town, but also the Embassadors of foreign nations, such as were of greatest mark, and principally those that were sent from any Kings. By this meanes, acquainted he grew with Persus, albeit they never had seen one anothers face. And being invited by the King his letters, wherein he was promised great hope of some neer and inward friendship above others, and consequently of great preferments thereby, he made a journey unto him. Within a short time he was wound into very familiar acquaintance with the King, and drawn into private conference and discourse of secrets. Further, I wis, then himself was willing or liked of. For the King dealt with him, yea, and imported him with instant prayers and large benefits of rich rewards, that so much as the Roman captains and Embassadors used to take his house for their Inne, he would cause as many of them as he wrot for, to be poisoned. Now for that he knew it was a right difficult and dangerous matter to come by such a poison and compass this project, especially if many were party and privy to him : and besides, the event uncertain, either in the effect of the drug it self to be strong, quick and foreible enough to do the feat : or in the secret working thereof, lest it should be found and spied ; he would therefore put into his hands such a poison, as neither in the giving, nor after it was given, might be known by any sign whatsoever. Raminus fearing lest if he refused & denied, he should be the first man to make assay and make experiment of the poison, promised to do so, & then departed. But return to Brundisium he would not before he had spoken with C. Valerius the Embassador, who then sojournd (as he heard say) about Chalchis. First unto him he revealed this plot, and by his commandment came along with him to Rome : where being brought into the Senat, after audience given, he laid abroad in every point all that had passed. This new matter, over and besides those which Emmeus had reported, was the cause that Persus was the sooner taken for an enemy, and so declared : the rather because they saw him not only about to make open war of a princely and royall mind, but also to practise and execute privily all kind of mischief, by way of covert brigandage, theifish stealth, and secret poison. The managing of this was put off and referred to the new Consuls : howbeit for the present ordained it was, that Cn. Cicerinius the Pretor who had the jurisdiction between citizens and strangers, should levy and enroll souldiers who being conducted to Brundisium, should with all convenient speed commit to sea, and sail over to Apollonia in Epirus, for to seize upon the maritime Cities : to the end that the Consul unto whom the Province of Macedonia should be allotted, might arrive there with his vessels in safety, and let his forces on land with ease.

Emmeus, after he had been kept a long while at Aegina, during the time of his hard and dangerous cure, so soon as ever he might go safely abroad, went to Pergamus : where, over and besides the old hatred settled in his breast, being pricked also with this fresh and bleeding villany practised by Persus, he prepared war with all his power to the uttermost : and thither repaired unto him Embassadors from Rome, to testify their joy for his evasion and escape out of so neer and great a danger.

When the Macedonian war was delayed and put off for one year, and the rest of the Pretors gone already into their provinces, M. Junius and Sp. Lucretius (unto whom befell the government of Spain) after that they had importuned and wearied the Senat, in suing to long for one thing, obtained at the length a commission for a supply of souldiers to make up the army : by virtue whereof they enrolled 3000 foot, and 500 horie for the legions : and levied 5000 foot and three hundred horie for the army of the allies. These forces were transported into Spain with the new Pretors.

The same year, after that a great part of the Campain territory, which private persons here and there held in occupation without regard of lawful title & tenure, was (upon diligent survey made by Polthinnus the Consul) recovered again for the publick use of the City of Rome ; M. Lucius a Tribune of the Com. recovered a law, that the Censors should let out to farm the Campain lands to tenants for yearly rent. A thing that had not been done for many years after the winning of Capua, namely, that particular men should be so greedy as to encroach thus beyond their bounds upon the common waile.

The Macedonian war being now concluded, but not as yet published and proclaimed, whilst the Senat was in doubtful expectation what KK. would send them, & who would side with Persus :

The forlaid law proposed by the *Martins* the commons with a generall consent by their voices granted

At that time the Carthaginian Embassadors were at *Rome*, with *Gulussa* the son of *Masanissa*; and between whom hard bold and much debating there was in the Senat. The Carthaginians complained, that over and besides the lands (about which there had been sent commissioners from *Rome* before time, to view the place and to enquire into the cause) *Masanissa* within the last two years and by force and arms possessed himself of more then thre score and ten towns and castles within the Carthaginian dominion and territory, and an easie matter was it for him to do, who made reckoning of nothing, nor had regard of any person; whereas the Carthaginians were so tyed and obliged by their capitulations to the good-keeping, that they held their peace; for, inhibited they were to bear arms without their own country. And albeit they knew assuredly, that they should war within their own confines, if they disiziced the Numidians of those peeces yet feared they that one express article of the accord, where they were debar'd in plain terms, to wage against the associates of the people of *Rome*. Howbeit, the Carthaginians could no longer endure this pride, cruelty, and avarice. Sent therefore they were unto the Senat as humble orators that it might please them to grant one of these three requests: to wit, That either they might debate with another audience before them (being allies to both alike) as touching the right of the one and the other: or that they would permit the Carthaginians to defend themselves by iust and lawfull arms, against unjust and ungodly force: or else finally (if partial favour swayd more with them then the truth of the cause) to let down at once what their pleasure was should be given away: out of their own, to *Masanissa*. For they yet, would have some gage of their hand, and know what they gave; whereas he himself had no stay, nor would ever see to make an end: so unstable was his lust and appetite. But in case they might obtain none of these points, and that there could be found any fault or trepals of theirs, committed since the peace granted unto them by *Scipio*; then, that they rather then any other would challenge them. For rather they had to live in servitude under the signory of Romans with safety, then enjoy such a liberty as should be expoyled to the injuries of *Masanissa*. And better it were for them to perish and die once for all, then to live and languish under the yoke of a most cruell and bloody butcher. At which words the reastribled down their cheeks, and down they fell at their feet. Lying thus prostrate upon the ground, as they moved pity and compulsion to themselves, so they procured despight and malice against the King. Then thought good it was to demand of *Gulussa*, what he had to answer as touching these matters? or else (if he had for rather himself) to declare before, for what cause and upon what occasion he was come to *Rome*. *Gulussa* made answer, that neither it was easier for him to deal in those points, whereof he had no commission from his father: nor for his father: to give him any such charge, considering that the Carthaginians, shewed not unto him of what business they would treat; nor yet made him so much as pryve of their coming to *Rome*. This only was known, that there was a close council, holden for certain nights, by the principal States of *Carthage* within the Temple of *Asculapin*, from whence Embassadors were dispatched to *Rome*; with hidden messengers. And this was the cause that his father had sent him to *Rome*, to beseech the Senat not to give credit to the slanderous accusations; that should be preferred against himself: those that were common enemies as well to them as him; who hated him for no other cause but



for that he had continued so constant in his fealty and allegiance to the people of Rome. The Senate it having heard what they could say of both sides, sat in council as touching the demands of the Carthaginians: and at length commanded this answer to be returned, how their advice and pleasure was, that *Gaius* should presently depart and go into *Namidia*, and give his father to understand from them, that with all speed he send his Embassadors to the Senat, as concerning those demands which the Carthaginians had made of him: also to give intimation and knowledge unto the Carthaginians, that they repair likewise thither to debate their controversies & differences between them. And if it lay in their power to effect ought for the honor of *Maffius*, they would be as willing to do it hereafter, as they had been ready heretofore. Mary, to minister justice for favour and affection, that they would not do it in any wise. Willing they were that every man should know and hold his own, and keep him within compass; neither minded they to let out new limits, but to observe the old bounds. Indeed they had granted to the Carthaginians, after they were conquered, both towns to inhabit, and territories to possess; not to this end, that in time of peace they should pluck that away by wrong and outrage, which during the wars they could not take from them by martial law and force of arms. Thus was the young prince, together with the Carthaginians, dismissed. Presents were given both to the one and the other, according to the price, and other courtesies of hospitality were friendly observed.

Much about the same time *Cn. Servilius Cæpio*, *App. Claudius Cento*, and *T. Annius Lælius*, Embassadors sent into *Macedony*, for to demand amends and restitution, and withal to declare and renounce the Kings amity, returned to Rome. Who having related in order what they had seen and heard, enflamed the Senat more against *Perseus*, who were already of themselves exalted enough. They made report, "That through all the cities of *Macedony* they saw preparation for war in all forcible manner; that when they came to the court, for many daies they could find no means of access to the speech of the King; and in the end, after they were departed from thence homeward (as being past all hope of parley with him) then and not afore, they were called back again out of their way, and so brought unto his presence: that the sum of their embassy and speech unto him was this, namely, to put him in mind of the league first contracted with *Philip*, & afterwards renewed with his own frontiers, and likewise debated to levy war upon any confederate allies of the people of Rome: after this, that they had recounted and laid abroad from point to point those specialties, which they themselves had lately heard King *Perseus* to declare and discourse, which were all apparent truths, upon his own assured knowledge. Moreover, that the King held a secret council for many daies together, with the Embassadors of the Cities of *Asia*: in regard of which injuries, that the Senat thought it season and equity that he should make satisfaction, yes, and restore back both to them and also to their allies, whatsoever he held contrary to right, continued in the record. That the King hereupon at the first fell into a fit of choler and indignation, and gave them hard terms, reproaching at every other word the Romans for their covetousness and intolency. And as for their Embassadors that came unto him one after another, he said they were but spies, to listen and see what he did or said; & so marvel, for they thought it meet that he should conform and frame himself in all his words and deeds, according to their beack and commandment. At the last, when he had this wise discharged his choler with high words & broad speeches for a long time, that he commanded them to repair again unto him the next morrow, for that he would give them their answer in writing: and then he delivered unto them a script to this effect, as followeth. First, as touching the accord & covenant concluded with my father, that is nothing to me at all. If I suffer it to be renewed, it was not for any liking or approbation thereof, but because I being new come to the crown, and lately possessed of the Kingdom, I was to bear and endure all things whatsoever. But in case they will enter into a new league with me, I acquit it is that a treaty and agreement passe first of the conditions. And if they could be content that a covenant were drawn with equal and indifferent capitulations, yet I will sleep upon it and be well advised what to do for the best, as I doubt not but they likewise will have a good regard to the profit of the commonwealth. And here with, that he suddenly flung away from them, and we all began to avoid out of the palace. Whereupon we proceeded according to our commission to abandon and disavow his amity and society. At which word of ours, he staid in great wrath and fury, and with a loud and shrill voice, warned us upon our own perill and hazard, to be gone out of his marches of his realm within three daies: in this manner we departed and put our selves in our journey, and found neither friendly welcome at our first coming, nor any courteous entertainment while we were there, nor yet a kind farewell at our departure. When they had once done, the Thessalian and Etolian Embassadors had audience.

The Senat, to the end that they might know out of hand, what captains and commanders the commonwealth was to employ, thought good to write unto the King, that the one or other of them (who first might) should repair to Rome for the creation of new magistrates. And no great matter to speak of, as concerning the state, was that yet done by the King. But more expedient it was thought for the commonwealth, to suppress and appease the Ligurians, whose blood was up and ebbed against them, considering that the Macedonian war was in daily expectation.

Moreover, the Embassadors of *Iffa* gave occasion, that *Geminus* also King of *Ibrycum* was had in jealousy: who at one time both complained of him, that now he was had in their

A their country: and also made report, how the Macedonian and Illyrian Kings were all one, and so great together, that with once consent and common council they prepared to war upon the Romans: finally, that the Illyrians were now at Rome in show and semblance of embassy, but indeed and very truth, no better then spies, addressed on purpose by the motive and advice of *Perseus* to hearken and learn whereabouts they went at Rome. These Illyrians were sent for into the Senat house, and when they had said, that they were employed in embassy from King *Geminus*, to answer unto those accusations which it might be the Illyrians framed against him: it was again demanded of them, how it happened that they went not directly nor shewed themselves in such sort to the magistrat, that according to the manner and custome, they might have had their lodging provided and presents given them, with the ordinary allowance of the City, meet for them during their abode, that thereby knowledge might have been taken, as well of their coming, as also of their business and errand? But being taken tripping and failing in their answer, they were commanded to void out of the Council chamber. For thought it was not meet, to give them their dispatch as Embassadors, since they made no means to present themselves unto the Senat: but rather they were of advice, to dispatch Embassadors of their own to the King, to signify unto him, which of his associates had complained unto the Senat, how he had burnt their villages within their territories: yes, and to tell you it plainly, that it was not well done of him, that he could not forbear but do wrong to his own allies. In this embassy were sent, *A. Terentius Varro*, *C. Pleterius*, and *C. Cicerius*.

Likewise those Embassadors, whose commission was visit the associate Kings, returned out of *Asia*, and reported that in the said *Asia* they had communication with *Eumenes*, in *Syria* with *Antiochus*, and in *Alexandria* with *Ptolemaus*: who all of them had been solicited by sundry embassies of *Perseus*, howbeit they persisted firm and fast in their professed fealty, and promised to perform whatsoever the people of Rome would command them. Also that they went to the confederate states, whom they found true and loyal enough, excepting the Rhodians only, whom they perceived to be fltering & wavering, as altogether infected & poisoned with the council of *Perseus*.

Now were the Rhodian Embassadors come to answer those things which they knew were commonly bruited about touching their City: howbeit the Senat was not of mind to give them audience, before the new Consuls entered into their office. But they were all of advice to delay no longer the preparation for war. *C. Licinius* the Pretor had in charge, out of the old *Quinqueremes* which were laid up in the docks and harbors, to repair as many as might serve at sea; to dig also and prepare a fleet of 50 sail. But if he could not come to make up that full number, then to write unto his colleague *C. Memmius* in *Sicily*, for to repair, calk and trim those ships which were in *Sicily*, that with all speed possible they might be sent to *Brundisium*. The said Pretor *C. Licinius* was commanded to enroll of Roman citizens (and those, Libertines, such as of bondmen born, had been enfranchised) for mariners and sailors, as many as might serve 25 ships: and *C. Licinius* had commission to levy as many of Latine allies for the like number of ships: also the Pretor was enjoined to charge the Latine allies with 8000 foot, and 400 horse. *A. Atridius Serranus*, who had been Pretor the year before, was chosen to receive those forces at *Brundisium*, and to conduct them over into *Macedony*: and *Cn. Scipio* the Pretor was appointed to have the army in readiness for to be transported. As for *C. Licinius* the Pretor, he by authority from the Senat, wrote to *C. Popilius* the Consul that he should command the second legion, which had been long employed in *Liguria*, and consisted of the most experienced soldiers, together with four thousand footmen and two hundred horse of the Latine allies, to be ready at *Brundisium* upon the 15<sup>th</sup> of February. With this fleet of ships and forces of soldiers, *Cn. Scipio* was commanded to keep *Macedony*, until one were appointed to succeed him: and for this purpose his charge of command was continued for a year longer. All these directions of the Senat were put in execution with great diligence and expedition. Eight and forty *Quinqueremes* were set afloat out of their docks: and *L. Porcius Licinius* was ordained to conduct them to *Brundisium*: the other 13 were sent out of *Sicily*. Three Embassadors were dispatched into *Apulia* and *Calabria*, to wit, *Sex. Digintius*, *T. Iuventius*, and *M. Caelius*, for to buy corn to serve the fleet and the army. Now when all things were provided and in readiness, *C. Scipio* the Pretor departed from the City in his warlike coat of arms, and arrived at *Brundisium*. About the end of the year, *C. Popilius* the Consul returned to Rome, somewhat latter then the Senat had ordained; who was commanded to take the first time, and with all speed to create new magistrates, considering that so great a war approached to near. And therefore when the Consul discoursed in the temple of *Bellona* as touching his exploits in *Liguria*, the LL. of the Senat were nothing well pleased to hear him in brag thereof, they muttered every where, and asked him oftentimes, Why he had not restored to liberty those Ligurians, who were oppressed through the wicked proceedings of his father. The election of the Consuls was holden upon the twelfth day before the Calends of *March*. According to the writs that went out: wherein were created Consuls, *Pub. Licinius Crassus* and *Caius Cassius Longinus*. The morrow following, the Pretors were elected, to wit, *Caius Sulpicius Galba*, *L. Furius Philus*, *L. Cassius Dives*, *C. Lucretius Gallus*, *C. Cabauius Rebutius*, and *L. Titius Annius*. To these Pretors the provinces were assigned in this manner: that two of them should sit as LL. chief justices in Rome for civil jurisdictions: three other to have the government of Spain, *Sicily*, and *Sardinia*: to as the first only should remain not allotted to any place, he to be employed wheresoever the Senat would think good and ordain. The Consuls elect



The oration of the tribe *Cynsinnians*, am descended from the Sabines. My father left me an estate  
*Sp. L. gaffinus*, the cottage to it, wherein I was born, bred and brought up, and whereupon at this day I dwell,  
 "So soon as I was come to mans estate, my father gave me to wife my cousin german, his neece  
 "by the brother, who brought nothing with her former marriage-good, but freedom of birth-bo  
 "nely of life, and therewith fruitfulness of wombs, as much (I may say to you) as a rich man of  
 "some wealty house may well maintain. Six sons God hath sent betwene us, and have put on their  
 "to them, both maidens marriageable. Four of our sons are men grown, and have put on their  
 "mans robe; two are boies till in their *Pretexta*, under seventeen years old. My self was prest  
 "to the wars, the year when *P. Sulpitius* and *C. Aurelius* were Consuls. In that army which  
 "passed over sea into *Macedony*, I served in quality of a common souldier for the space of two  
 "years againt King *Philip*. In the third year *T. Quintius Flamininus*, in regard of my forward-  
 "ness assigned me the tenth place of leading among the Hastati in the vanguard. After that *Phie-*  
 "lip and the Macedonians were vanquished, and we brought over again into *Italy* and discharged,  
 "I went immediately as a voluntary (servitor into *Spain* with *M. Porcius* the Consul. And there he  
 "is not a commander alive at this day, who law farther into a souldier, and could judge better of  
 "virtue and valour then he: as they know full well, who by long warfare have had experience both  
 "of him and also of other leaders. He being my captain reputed me worthy to have the first place  
 "and leading of the formost century of the Hastati. A third time I became a voluntary again in  
 "the expedition againt the *Aetolians* and *K. Antiochus*; and *M. Calpurnius* advanced me to the Cap-  
 "tainship of the Princes, in the very first place of the formost centurie. When King *Antiochus*  
 "was chaferd and the *Aetolians* subdued, we were brought back again into *Italy*, and two years  
 "together I was in pay of the legions that received yearly wages and allowance. Twice after  
 "this, I bare arms and served in *Spain*, once under *Q. Fulvius Flaccus*, a second time under *Tib.*  
 "*Sempronius Gracchus* the Pretor. By *Flaccus* I was brought hme among others, whom for their  
 "valour and prowess he thought good to have in train for the honour of his triumphs; and at the  
 "request and crizety of *Tib. Gracchus* I accompanied him into the Province. Where within few  
 "years space I had the leading of the first company of the Pilani or Triarii in the rereguard. Four  
 "and thirty times have I been rewarded with prefects at my Generals hands, in token of vertue  
 "and prowess. Six civick coroners have I received: two and thirty years full have I followed the  
 "wars & civick fiftie years old I am. Now if neither had served out all the years required by  
 law,

Some few daies after, *O. Martins*, *A. Attilius*, *P.* and *Str.* both *Cornels*; and *Lemulus*, together with *L. Decimus*, who all had been sent in embasie into *Greece*, brought them to *Aegypt* one thousand footmen: where they both parted between themselves their several quarters whither they would go, and also their soldiers. *Decimus* was sent to *Gentius* King of the *Illyrians*, with commandment, If he saw him any waie coming on and inclined to entertain amity with the *Romans*, to found him and give the asay. yea, and to draw him into the association of this war.



"to see again hereafter, I must (forsooth) give account for the Thebans, who as it is well known, H  
 "perished by shipwreck: as also for the murder of *Arcturus*; and yet therein I am no deeper  
 "charged than thus, that the murderers of him lived in exile & were shadowed within my realm.  
 "Now surely this hard conclusion and unreasonable condition I will not refuse to undergo, in case  
 "you also will be content to take upon you and avow all those crimes and facts, for which they  
 "stand condemned, who as banished persons have fled either to *Rome* or into *Italy*; but in case  
 "both you and all other nations will disavow that, I also will be one among the rest. And in good  
 "faith, to speak uprightly, to what end should any man be banished from one country, if he may  
 "not find a place in another, and be permitted there to live in exile? And yet (so soon as ever I  
 "found by advertisement from you that they were within *Macedonia*) I for my part, made diligent  
 "search until I had them, and then I commanded them to depart out of my kingdom, yea, and ex- I  
 "pressly forbade them for ever setting foot again within my dominions. And thus much verily  
 "concerning the criminal matters objected unto me as a defendant pleading at the bar. Now let  
 "us argue and debate the rest, enforced and laid against me in quality of a King, namely, which  
 "concern and touch the accord contracted between me and you. For if the words run in this sort  
 "and are thus written in the foresaid covenants of accord, That I may not be suffered to defend  
 "my self and my realm, no, nor if any enemy of mine levy war against me; then I must confess  
 "indeed, that the league I have broken, in that I stood upon my guard and defence by force of  
 "arms against *Abruptus*, an associat of the people of *Rome*. But if it were lawfull for me to do so  
 "by warrant of the accord, and allowed also by the law of nations, by force to repell force; what  
 "should I else say, what could I else have done I pray you? When *Abruptus* had laid waste the  
 "frontiers of my kingdom even as far as to *Amphipolis*, led into captivity many persons free-  
 "born, carried away a mighty number of slaves, and driven before him many thousand head of  
 "cattell; should I have sitten still and suffered him until he had come armed to *Pella*, even unto  
 "my royal palace? But some man may haply say. You did well indeed and justly, in making head  
 "and pursuing him by force of arms, many, vanquished he should not have been, neither ought he  
 "to have suffered those calamities which follow men vanquished. Why? If I have endured the for-  
 "tune thereof, provoked as I was to war, how can he justly complain of tasting the like, being him-  
 "self the cause and first motive of all? I will not use the same manner of defence (O Romans) to  
 "this, that by force of arms I have repelled the Dolopians: for if I have not done by them accord-  
 "ing to their demerits, yet I am sure I have dealt by the virtue of the right I have over them, be- I  
 "ing as they are of mine own kingdom, under my obedience, and made subjects to my father even  
 "by a decree of your own drawing. And yet, were I to render a reason of my proceedings against  
 "them, I say, not unto you nor unto my allies, but even to those who like not of any cruel com-  
 "mand so much as over bondslaves; can I be thought to have exercised more rigor against them,  
 "than equity and reason would bear? For, *Euphranor*, whom I deputed governor over them, they  
 "killed in such sort, that death is too good for them, and the least punishment of all others that  
 "they have deserved. And as I marched forward in my progress from thence to visit the Cities of  
 "*Larissa*, *Ambron*, & *Pyleon*, I ascended up to *Delphi*, there for to sacrifice, to the end that I might  
 "discharge my conscience & pay those vows which I had of long time owed. Now, to aggravate  
 "matter in this also against me, it is said moreover, that I was there with my army, and intended M  
 "(no doubt) for to seize Cities into my hands, and put garrisons into fortresses; for which at this  
 "present I complain of you. Call the States and Cities of *Greece* together to a general assembly,  
 "through which I passed, Let any one man come forth & make complaint of the least harm done  
 "by any of my souldiers; then will I not refuse to be reputed for one who under pretence of di-  
 "vine sacrifice, went about another thing. We sent indeed garrisons to the *Ætolians* and *Bizan-  
 "tines*, yea, and with the *Boeotians* we contracted amity. But these things, in what sort & for what  
 "purpose they were done, my embassadors have not only declared, but also excused oftentimes  
 "before your Senat: where I found some Umpires to hear and decide my cause, although not so  
 "indifferent and favourable to me-ward, as your self are, O *Marius*, my fathers old friend and fa-  
 "miliar. For as yet *Eumenes* my accuser was not come to *Rome*, who by false suggestions, wreding N  
 "at his pleasure every thing to the worst, to make all suspitions and odious unto you, went about  
 "to make you believe that *Greece* could not possibly be restored to freedom, & enjoy the fruit  
 "of your gracious benefit, so long as the kingdom of *Macedonia* stood entire and upright. Well, the  
 "world you shall see, will turn about; and anon one or other will be here, to make remembrance  
 "and prove, That to no purpose *Antiochus* is removed and confined beyond the mountains of  
 "*Taurus*; that *Eumenes* is become much more grievous and unupportable to all *Asia* than *Antiochus* ever was: and that your allies cannot be at rest nor live in quiet, so long as he keepeth  
 "his royal court in *Pergamus*, a Citadel (as it were) overlooking and commanding all the neigh-  
 "bour Cities bordering thereupon. Right well I know, O *Q. Marius*, and you *A. Attilius*, that  
 "whatsoever either you have objected against me, or I answered for my defence & purgation, is O  
 "such as the ears and affections are of the hearers: neither what I have done, nor what mind and  
 "intention I have carried in mine actions will be so much regarded, as how you take every thing  
 "either done or intended. Mine own conscience beareth me witness, that willingly I have not  
 "faultered; now, if for want of knowledge and foresight I have been overseen and done somewhat  
 "amiss it may be corrected and amended by this present chastisement. This I am sure, my trespass  
 "is not incurable, neither have I committed ought that you should deem worthy to be punished  
 "by

A "by war & force of arms. And if ye do, then surely it is for thought, that there goeth this name a-  
 "broad thorough all nations of your clemency and gravity both, if I say for so flight occasions  
 "which hardly are worth the complaint and the reasoning about, you be ready to enter into arms  
 "and levy war upon your confederat Princes. *Marius* for that time accorded to his speech, and  
 "moved him to address embassadors to *Rome*, being of advice and opinion himself to try all means  
 "to the very last point, and to let slip nothing whereof some hope of good might arise. It remained  
 "only to be debated in council, how embassadors might pass in safety. And to this purpose, when  
 "it was necessary for the King to request a surcease of arms, albeit *Marius* himself was willing and de-  
 "sireous thereof (for that his drift was to nothing else by at this conference and parley, yet he seemed  
 "to make a hard matter and difficulty of it, and to do a special favour and pleasure unto *Perseus* in  
 "granting his petition. The truth was, the Romans yet were not ready nor thoroughly appointed at  
 "this present for the war; they had neither army puissant enough, nor captains sufficient: where-  
 "as *Perseus* (but that he was blinded in all his counsils with a vain hope of peace) had all things  
 "prepared and in readiness, and might then have begun to wage war, as in the best and most op-  
 "portune season for himself; to the worst and unthrift of all other times for his enemies.

After this parley and the abstinence of war assured faithfully on both parts, the Roman Com-  
 "missioners were appointed and resolved to go into *Boeotia*, where there was begun already some  
 "trouble and commotion, by reason that certain States of the *Boeotians* were departed from the  
 "society of the common Council, ever since it was reported back, how the Roman Legats made  
 "answer that it should appear and be seen, what Cities they were indeed which took no pleasure  
 "C to have any association with the King. And first the embassadors from *Cheronea* afterwards, from  
 "Thebes encountered them upon the way, who assured them, that they were not present in that Di-  
 "et and Council, where this association was concluded. To these embassages no answer for this  
 "time was made, but willed they were only to give their attendance and follow them to *Chalcis*.

At Thebes great variance there was, which arose by occasion of another strife and debate. In  
 "their solemn assembly for the election of the Prætor of the *Boeotians*, that part which had the re-  
 "public, in revenge of that injury and disgrace, assembled the multitude and made a decree at Thebes,  
 "That the *Boeotarches* should not be received within their Cities: in such sort, as like banished  
 "men they retired to *Thespium*: from whence (for received there they were incontinently without  
 "any stay) being called again to Thebes upon better advilment and change of mind, they made  
 "D an ordinance, That if to the number of twelve privat persons held any conventicle or public  
 "meeting together, they should be condemned to exile. After this, *Ismenias* the new Prætor, a no-  
 "ble personage and of great puissance, by virtue of a decree adjudged them in their absence for to  
 "lose their lives. To *Chalcis* they were fled, and from thence to the Romans at *Larissa* they went:  
 "where they declared that *Ismenias* was the cause of their association with King *Perseus*. Upon that  
 "foresaid difference, they grew to hot contention, yet embassadors from both parts came to the  
 "Romans, as well the banished persons and accusers of *Ismenias*, as also *Ismenias* himself. But (so  
 "soon as the Roman Legats were come to *Chalcis*, the States and heads of other Cities (who every  
 "one by a special decree of their own had renounced association with King *Perseus*) joyined  
 "with the Romans; whereto they took exceeding great contentment and joy. *Ismenias* thought  
 "E it meet and reason that the *Boeotian* nation should be committed to the protection of the Ro-  
 "mans. Whereupon arose a tumultuous fray & but that he fled into the Tribunal of the Legats to  
 "save himself, he had escaped narrowly from being killed by the said exiled persons, with the help  
 "of their supports and favorites.

Also the City of Thebes, which is the capital place of State within *Boeotia*, was in great trouble  
 "and uproar; whilst some drew to the King, others inclined to the Romans. Besides, there was a mul-  
 "titude of *Coroneans* and *Haliartians* gathered together to maintain the ordinance and decree as  
 "touching the association with the King. But such was the resolute persistence of the principall  
 "and chief men, who shewed by the late calamities of *Philip* and *Antiochus*, how great the forces, and  
 "how happy the fortune was of the Roman empire, that the same multitude relented, and being  
 "F overruled, passed a new decree, to reverse and cancel the former confederacy with the King; sent  
 "tho that were the motives and persuaders of contracting that amity to *Chalcis* for to satisfy  
 "and content the Roman Legats; yea, & to conclude, were of advice to recommend the City to the  
 "faithfull patronage of the said Commissioners. *Marius* & *Attilius* took great pleasure to hear the  
 "Thebans sign this note, they perswaded with them severally apart, and gave them counsell to send  
 "embassadors to *Rome* for the renewing of this amity: but before all things they took order for the  
 "restoring of the banished persons: as for the authors of the confederacy contracted with the King,  
 "they by their own decree condemned. Having thus by this means infringed and made frustrat the  
 "Diet of the *Boeotians* (the thing which above all they most desired) they took their journey to  
 "*Peloponnesus*, together with *Ser. Cornelius*, whom they had sent for to *Chalcis*. For their lates a  
 "Council was holden at *Argos*, where they demanded nothing else of the Achaean nation, but  
 "G to furnish them with 1000 souldiers. This garrison was sent to the defence of *Chalcis*, until  
 "the Roman army were transported into *Greece*. *Marius* and *Attilius* having thus dispatched all  
 "the affairs that they had to do in *Greece*, in the beginning of winter returned to *Rome*.

Then was there sent from thence about the same time an honourable embassie to the Isles in  
 "*Asia*. These Embassadors or Legats were three in number, to wit, *T. Claudius*, *P. Posthumius*, and  
 "*M. Junius*. They in their circuit and visitation exhorted all their allies to take arms against *Perseus*.



for the Romans. And the mightier and more wealthy any City was, the more earnestly travelled they there: because the inferior States were like to frame and fort themselves futable to the example and authority of the greater and superior. Now of all others the Rhodians were reputed of most import and consequence every way, for that they were able not only to favor with their countenance, but also aid and maintain with their forces this war: and by the persuasion of *Hegesilus* they had got together a fleet of forty sail. "This *Hegesilus* their Sovereign Magistrate (whom they call *Prytanis*) had by many reasons prevailed with the Rhodians to abandon the hope they had by entertaining the King, (which they had found by often experience how vain it was) and to hold themselves to the society and alliance of the Romans, the surest hold of all others at that time in the world, as well for strength of forces as trusty assurance and fidelity. There is intended war by them (as he) against *Perseus*, and no doubt the Romans will require of us the same provision and furniture of ships and sea-forces, which they have seen in their war lately against *Antiochus*, and before that, against King *Philip*: and then you will be to seek, and forced in great haste to provide a fleet, when it were more time it should be let out and lent forth, unless ye begin betimes to repair and rig your ships, unless, I say, you set in hand to furnish the same with sailors and mariners. And with so much more endeavor, ought ye thus to do, that by your deed and effectual employment, you may refute and disprove the false imputations wherewith *Eumenes* hath charged you. By these remonstrances induced they were in such as at the arrival of the Roman Legats afore said, they were able to shew unto them an armada of 40 ships ready rigged and well appointed, that they might know and see, they looked not forth to be exhorted thereunto. And this embassy was of great moment and importance also to gain the hearts of the States in *Asia*. Only *Decimius* returned to *Rome* without any effect of his errand and commission, nay, he ran into ill name and obloquy, upon suspicion that he had received certain bribes of the Princes in *Ilyricum*.

*Perseus* upon the conference and communication had with the Romans, retired into *Macedony* and sent his Embassadors to *Rome*, to treat about the conditions of peace begun already with *Marius*: to other Embassadors also of his he gave his letters to carry to *Byzantium* and *Rhodes*: the tenor of which letters was one and the same directed to them all: namely, That he had communed with the Roman Legats, but he had so placed and couched as well what he heard as what he spake, that it might seem he gave not one foot unto them, but gained the better hand in that dispute & debating with them. These Embassadors added moreover and said unto the Rhodians, That they hoped assuredly there would be a peace, for that they by the motion and advice of *Marius* and *Attilius* were addressed in embassy to *Rome*. Now if the Romans, say they, against the covenants of accord proceeded to levy war, then the Rhodians were to endeavour with all the credit and power they have, to renew the peace again; but if with all their prayer and entreaty they might not prevail, then they were to look about and labour this one point, that the might and puissance of the whole world were not devolved into the hands of that one people. And as this imported and concerned all the rest, so the Rhodians especially, who surmounted other States in dignity and wealth, both which should be obnoxious and enthralled, if there were regard and respect made of none but the Romans. The letters of the King and words of the Embassadors, were entertained with friendly audience, other effect they took none to change their settled minds: for now the authority of the better part began also to carry the greater sway. But this answer was returned to them, & that by way of decree, That the Rhodians wished peace with all their hearts: but if it should come to war, their King and Master was neither to expect, nor try to exact any thing at their hands, to disjoyn the ancient amity which they held with the Romans, and which they had acquired by many and great deserts, as well in war as in peace. In their return from *Rhodes*, they went to the Cities of *Boeotia*, and namely, to *Thebes*, *Coronea*, and *Haliartus*, from whom it seemed a thing extorted forcibly against their will, that they were disbanded from the King & gave to the Romans. The Thebans stood firm and immovable, although they were somewhat discontented with the Romans, both for condemning their chief and principall Citizens, and also for restoring the banished persons. But the *Coronians* and *Haliartians* upon an inbred and loved favour by kind unto the Kings, sent Embassadors into *Macedonia*, requesting a garrison for their defence against the excessive pride of the Thebans. To this embassy the King thus answered. That a garrison he might not send, for reason of the truce made with the Romans: howbeit, he advertised them to maintain and guard themselves against the injuries of the Thebans all that ever they could: but yet so, as they gave the Romans no cause to be their heavy friends, and so to proceed in rigour against them.

*Marius* and *Attilius* being come to *Rome*, made report of their embassy within the Capitoll, in such manner, as in nothing they gloried more, than in deluding and deceiving the King by means of a cessation from arms, and a pretended hope of peace. For so well appointed was he and furnished with all provision for war, and they contrariwise to unprovided every way, that he might easily have possessed himself of all places of opportunity and advantage, before that their army could pals over into *Greece*. But now having this respite and time of the truce, as the King would come nothing better provided, so the Romans might begin the war, more fully furnished with all things convenient. Moreover, they related how they by their coming distracted and set a jar in the generall Council of the *Boeotians*, so as by no means any more hereafter they can be rejoiced to the *Macedonians* by consent and accord. The greater part of the Senat approved this service of theirs

A theirs as performed with singular discretion and dexterity: But the old Senators and those that held in remembrance the ancient manner and custome of the Romans, said plainly, "That in all the course of that embassy, they could see no Roman practice and dealing at all; Our ancestors (say they) were wont to war not by wait-laying and secret ambushes, nor by skittishness in the night-season, nor yet by false semblance of running away and sudden turning their face again at unawares upon their unprovided enemies; neither sought they to glorifie themselves by subtil flights more than by true vertue and valour: Their use and manner was, to intimate and publish, was before they made any: yea, and to denounce and proclaim the same; otherwhiles also to assign and appoint the very place where they went to strike a battell. According to this plain and faithfull dealing, they detected and disclosed unto *K. Pyrrhus* the Physician that would by pay, have taken away his life: by the same they delivered bound unto the *Faliscians* the villainous traitor that would have betrayed the children of their *K*. These are the Roman fashions (say they) not to use the cunning casts and sleight shifts of the *Carthaginians*, nor the crafty policies of *Grecians*, who ever reputed it more glorious and honourable by fraud to compass than by force to surpass the enemy. Indeed otherwhiles for the present time, more good is done and greater matters are effected by guile and policy, than by valour and vertue: but to say a truth the courage of that enemy is for ever conquered, who is forced to confess, that he was vanquished not by cunning, nor by venture, but in just and lawfull war by main strength and close fight at handy grips. Thus spake the ancients, who had no great liking to the new-found devices of these politicians. Howbeit, that side of the Senat which made more reckoning of profit than of honesty, carried it away and imported so much, that not only the first embassy of *Marius* was approved, as well performed, but also himself was sent back again with certain *Quinquereines*, with a mandate also & commission to deal in the rest according as he should think to stand with the good of the Common-weal. They dispatched likewise *Aut. Attilius* to *Leiz Larissa* in *Thessaly*; for fear lest if the term of truce were expired, *Perseus* should send a garrison thither, and hold in his hand the capital City of *Thessaly*. The said *Attilius* had a warrant to receive 2000 footmen of *Cicilianus* for to effectuate that enterprise. Also *P. Lentulus* lately returned out of *Achaia* was allowed the conduct of 300 souldiers of the Italian nation, to the end that at *Thebes* he should endeavour to bring all *Boeotia* under the obedience of the Romans. When all things were set in this forwardness, albeit they were at a point and fully resolved to make war, yet thought good it was to give audience unto the embassadors of *Perseus* in the Senat: who rehearsed and related in manner the same reasons which were delivered by the King in the late conference and parley. Much also they made and laboured hard, to acquit the King of the imputation laid to his charge, for seeking the death of *Eumenes*; but with small probability or none at all: for the thing was too too apparent. In tend they fell to prayer and intreaty: howbeit, no ear was given unto them, with any such mind and heart, as could be either instructed or inclined. Instead thereof, warned straightly they were to depart immediately forth of the liberties of *Rome*, and within thirty daies out of *Italy*.

After this, *P. Licinius* the *Col*, who was charged with the Province of *Spain*, had commandment given him to assign unto the army the soonest day that he could, for to meet in one certain place, *C. Lucius* the Praetor who had the conduct of the fleet, took his leave of the City with forty *Quinquereines*: for advised it was, that the rest of the ships which had been repaired, should be staid at home for to be employed otherwise about the City. And the Praetor sent his brother *Lucius* before with one *Galeace* or *Quinquereine* & commission to receive of the allies that shipping which by covenant they were to find: and with them near the *Isle Cephalonia*, to joyn with the rest of the armada: so wit, from the *Rhegins* one trireme sail, from the *Locrians* twain, from the *Urits* 4. With which he coasted along *Italy*, and having doubled the utmost point of *Calabria* within the *Ionian* sea, he arrived at *Dyrachium*. There he found 19 gallions or barks of the *Dyrachians*, 2 of the *Illyrians*, and 54 belonging to *K. Gentius*: which he took all with him along, making semblance that he supposed they were provided of purpose for the service of the Romans: with this fleet by the third day he fell with the *Isle Corfu*: and so forward he made sail. And arrived at *Cephalonia*, *C. Lucius* the Praetor, having looked to sea from *Naples*, crossed the straits of *Sicily*, and on the fiftieth day cut over likewise to *Cephalonia*. Then the fleet struck anchor, expecting as well the arrival of the land-forces, as also that the hulks and vessels of carriage which were scattered upon the seas from the rest of their company, might overtake them.

It happened about this time, that *Pub. Licinius* the *Col*, having conceived and solemnly made his vows within the Capitoll, departed in his coat of arms from the City. A solemnity at all times very this is, done with much dignity and majesty: but especially with exceeding great pleasure and contentment of the beholders: when the *Col*, is accompanied with a stately train at his first setting forth to encounter some great and famous enemy, renowned as well for vertue as quality and fortune: for at such a time men assemble and gather together, not only in regard of duty to acquit themselves of their devot, but also upon a desire they have of the very them and fight presented unto their eyes; namely, to see their captain to whose conduct and counsell they have committed the managing and defence of the Common-weal. Moreover they took occasion thereby to think of the hazard of war, how adventurous is the event, and how doubtful the issue of battell in the field. They call to mind the alternative course of good fortune and bad; and namely, how by the blind ignorance or the unadvised rashness of leaders, many foils and overthrowes have happened, and contrariwise by politick wisdom and hardy courage, great matters have been effected, and happy

happy victories achieved. And what mortal man is he that knoweth, of what mind and carriage he good or bad, how fortunate or unlucky the Col. is, whom they send forth to war: whether he like soon to be seen again, in triumphant wife with his victorious army mounting up the Capitol unto those gods, of whom now he taketh his leave: or shall give occasion to the enemies in the same manner to rejoice? As for *Perseus* the K. (against whom this expedition and journey is taken) a Prince he is, highly renowned both by the Macedonian nation (so famous for fears of arms,) and also by his father *Philip* who among other fortunate achievements of his was encouraged by his war against the Romans. Moreover, the very name of *Perseus* himself (since time that first the diadem was set upon his head) was in every mans mouth, and no talk continually but of him and the expectation of this war. With these and such like cogitations I say a mighty number of men of all sorts and degrees attended and accompanied the Col. at his departure. With him I were sent two Colonels or knight-masters above the rest, who had been Col. namely, *C. Claudius* and *Q. Mutius*: also three brave and lusty young gallants, to wit, *P. Lentulus* and the two *Mandis*, both surnamed *Acidini*, the one son to *M. Manlius*, and the other to *L. Manlius*. The Col. thus accompanied, first went to *Brundisium* to the army, and from thence passed the least to *Nymphæum*, and so encamped in the territory of *Apollonia*.

*Perseus* some few daies before, upon the return of his ambassadors from *Rome*, who had cleared him out of all hope of peace, held a council: wherein for a good while the matter was debated with great variety of sundry opinions. Some were of mind, that in case the Romans enjoyed them either to yield a tribute, or to forgo some of their lands; yea, if they imposed upon them some fine by way of amends and satisfaction: in brief, whatsoever else they let down and it ordained, to do and suffer all for to redeem their peace, and not to refuse any condition were it never so hard but to take heed and provide in any wise, that *Perseus* put not himself nor the realm upon the dangerous hazard of to great a jeopardy. For if he held still the main point and continued in quiet possession of his kingdom, in time and space much good might happen: by means whereof he should be able not only to lick himself whole and recover his losses, but also become hereafter dread and terrible even unto those of whom up he standeth in fear. But the far greater part carried with them a more courageous spirit and gave advice accordingly. For they affirmed, that if *Perseus* parted with ought and yielded never so little, he must make account withal to quit the free-hold of his whole kingdom soon after. For, it is neither money nor land (say they) that the Romans want; but this they wot full well, that as all things else in the world, so especially great monarchies & empires are subject to many accidents and casualties: right well they know also, how they have quelled and bruised the puissance of the Carthaginians, and for to yoke their necks and hold them down, have let up a mighty King to be their neighbour and to command them; yea, and that *Antiochus* and all his race is removed and chased beyond the mountain *Taurus*. There remaineth only now the realm of *Macedony*, which is both seated in a near region and also (if the fortune of the people of *Rome* should hap to fail) seemeth able to give heart and courage to her Kings at this day, answerable to that of their noble progenitors in former times. And therefore whilst the State standeth entire and unshaken, *Perseus* ought to resolve, whether he had rather by foregoing one thing after another, strip himself in the end of all his goods and lands, & so turned clean out of his kingdom, be driven to request at the Romans hand either *Samothracia* or some other such petty Ile, where, in quality of a private person he may survive his royall estate, and live to old age in safe contempt and needy poverty: or else to take arms in the defence and maintenance of his royall place and dignity, like a Prince of valour and courage; and either abide all hazards whatsoever the fortune of the field shall plunge him into: or after victory achieved deliver the whole world from the dominion and imperious feignory of the Romans. And no greater wonder and miracle is it to hunt the Romans out of *Greece*, than it was to chase *Annulus* out of *Italy*: neither see we in good faith (say they) how by any reason it can well stand, that he who rested with all his might and main his own brogans render the possession thereof, which he came so well and truly by, and wherein he is so right fully invested? Finally, in war and peace howsoever men make questions, disputing and arguing to and fro, yet this conclusion they all grant and agree upon, That as there is nothing more shamefull and dishonest, than to abandon and lose a kingdom without battell, so there is nothing more glorious and honourable than for the maintenance of Princely dignity and regal majesty to hazard all fortune whatsoever. This Council was holden at *Pella*, the ancient Palace wherein the Macedonian KK kept their royall court. Why then (say they) O Gods name, since you are of that mind and resolution, let us take arms & to the field: whereupon he sent his letters in to all parts to his gallants and captains, and assembled & drew all his forces to *Citium*, a town of *Macedony*. Himself in person after he had performed a magnificent sacrifice (like a K. of 100 head of beasts to the honour of *Minerva*), surnamed *Alcida*, he departed accompanied with a number of his courtiers, pensioners, and yeomen of the guard to *Citium*. In which place were gathered all his forces, as well Macedonians as auxiliary strangers. He pitched his campe before the town and embattled all his armed men in the plain. He was in all forty thousand strong: whereof one half well-near consisted of those whom they call Phalangite, and those were commanded by one *Hippius* of *Bertheas*. Besides, there were two choice companies (for the flower of age and strength of body) selected out of the whole number of targettiers, called *Cetrati*. This regiment

A themselves called by the name of The legion: and the same was under the conduct of *Leonorius* and *Thraippus* both *Eulyfesians*. The rest of the targettiers to the number of three thousand or very near, were led by *Anipbilus* of *Edessa*. The Paeonians, those also of *Paeonia* and *Pessitania* (places subject to the Thracian) and the Agrians, together with some inhabitants of *Thracian* intermingled among them, amounted also to the number of three thousand. *Didus* of *Paeonia* had levied and armed them, even the man that murdered young *Demetrius*. There were besides two thousand Frenchmen in arms under the leading of captain *Astelepodorus*. From *Heraclea* likewise out of the Sintians country, there were three thousand Thracians, free-men born, under a leader of their own. The like number well-near of Cretians followed their Commanders, *Sisus* of *Phalarana*, and *Syllus* of *Gnosus*: also *Leonides* the Lacedemonian, had the charge of five hundred of *Greece*, but a mixt company they were of divers nations. This *Leonides* was said to have been of the blood royall, a banished person, condemned in a frequent assembly and Council of the Achæans, for certain letters which he sent to *Perseus*, and were intercepted. The Ætolians and Boeotians, who in all made not above five hundred, were conducted by *Lyceus* an Achæan. Their auxiliaries or aid-souldiers of so many states and nations mixt and blended together, grew fast upon the number of 12000 armed men. As for the Cavalry, he had levied out of all *Macedony* 3000 horse or thereabout. *Cotys* King of the Odrysians, the son of *Scuthes*, was thither come with 1000 chosen men of arms, and almost as many footmen. In sum, the whole army arose to the number of 39000 foot, and 4000 horsemen. And this was held for certain, that the like army was never raised by any King of *Macedony*, unless it were that again, with which *Alexander* the Great passed over into *Asia*. Twenty years now and six were come and gone, since time that peace was granted unto *Philip* at his own suit and request: during which space between, *Macedony* being in rest and quietness, had brought forth a goodly fry of fresh youth: a great part whereof was of sufficient age to bear arms; and by the continual skirmishes which they maintained with the Thracians their neighbours, were rather whetted than weakened, and more enured than wearied; and, in one word, lived ever in practice of martial feats: whereby it came to pass, that all things were prest and in readines for the war, which *Philip* first, and *Perseus* afterwards projected to wage against the Romans.

This army stirred and advanced a little, not in manner of a full march as to a present battell; but only for this, that they would not be seen to have stood still in their arms: and thus armed as the souldiers were, *Perseus* called them to an audience, intending to make an Oration unto them. Being mounted up to his Tribunal, he stood there with his two sons about him, one of either hand, whereof the elder (named *Philip*) he adopted to be his child, whereas indeed by nature he was his brother; but the younger (whom they called *Alexander*) was his own natural son. Then and there he exhorted his souldiers to fight manfully, and laid before them what wrongs and injuries the people of *Rome* had done both to his father and also to himself. As for my father (say he) forced he was by all kind of indignities to enter into arms and begin war again; but in the very preparation thereof, he was suddenly surprised and stricken with death. To my self at one time were ambassadors from them sent to treat of peace, and armed souldiers also for to seize upon the Cities of *Greece*. Afterwards, by a deceitful shew of a parley, under colour of reconciliation and peace making, we were born in hand and drawn out a whole winter, to the end that they might gain time to prepare for war. And now is the Col. coming with two Roman legions, having either of them some 300 horse besides, and with a proportionable number (and that is the most) of allies, as well foot as horse. And say that the KK, both *Eumenes* & *Masius* join with their aid-forces, yet can they not amount above the number of 7000. Now that ye have heard what the strength is of the enemies, regard and compare your own army, namely, how far both in number, as also in goodness and quality of souldiers you surpass them: being your selves from your childhood and infancy warriors trained in practice of arms and warfare, wrought, framed, and hardened in so many battels, where as they be new & raw souldiers taken up in haste, and enrolled now the first time against this present service. As for the auxiliaries o, the Romans, what are they but Lydians, Phrygians, and Numidians? but we to set against them, have to aid us Thracians and Gauls the most courageous nations under heaven. For harness and weapons, they have no other than such as every poor souldier is able to provide for himself: but the Macedonians are furnished out of the Kings royall armory and arsenal with such armors of proof, as my father in many years could be made with great care, & to his no small expence. The Romans be far from their provisions, and the same exposed to all the casualties of the sea: but we besides the revenues and issues out of the mines of metal, have laid by both coin and corn sufficient to serve for ten years. The Macedonians have store and plenty in great abundance of all things necessary, & be provided as well by the gracious favour of the gods, as the careful diligence of a K. It remaineth now that I carry that mind and courage with you, which your noble progenitors bare before you, those I say, who after they had conquered & subdued all *Europe*, passed into *Asia*, and by force of arms made way & discovered that part of the world that was never heard of before, and gave not over to win ground still and make more conquests, until they were barred by the red sea, & could find no more land to conquer. But now beleeme, fortune hath denoued a trial by war, not for the purchase of the utmost bounds & marches of *India*, but for our free hold and possession for our inheritance even of *Macedony*. These Romans, when they warred against my father, pretended a goodly title, & made a glorious shew to the world, as though they

\* This *M. Manlius* seemeth to be plebeian gentile: for that there passed an a long before. That no *Manlius* Patricius might be named: *M. Manlius* and that there were *Manlius* utriusque gentis, *Fulvius* *Vulturnus* that learned Antiquary hath well collected out of *Cicero* in *Philip*.

\* O. Elymens according to Turneb. in Actus Iulius

*Perseus* to his souldiers

"would deliver Greece, and establish it in freedom: but now in open and plain terms they thought at Macedonia, intending to bring it into servitude; to the end there might be no K. near neighbor to the Roman seignory, nor any nation renowned for martiall prowels, permitted to bear arms and have weapon in hand. For these things and no less, forced shall be to part with and deliver up these proud LL. together with King and kingdom in case of successfull war: and to do whatsoever they will command you. All the while that he delivered this speech, there might be heard secret exclamations oftentimes, sufficiently testifying the generall assent of them all: but at these last words they lift up their voices and cried out aloud part for anger & indignation, menacing the enemy, part for courage and resolution, exhorting the King to be of good cheer and take a good heart; inasmuch as he was constrained to give over, and make an end of his Oration: only he commanded them to be ready for the remove, & to put themselves in the journey against the enemy: for by this time advertised he was that the Romans were dislodged from *Nymphæum*. After this assembly was dismissed, he gave audience to the embassages from the States of Macedonia: for some they were to make promise and offer both of money & grain to maintain this war every one according to their ability. Thanked they were each one, and released of all that charge, with this answer, that the Kings provision was sufficient. Only he commanded them to find wains and carts for carriages of the pieces of ordnance, the engines of battery, the darts, quarrels and other shot, whereof a mighty deal he had provided: and in sum, all the instruments & furniture of war. Then he set forward with his whole army marching toward *Eordea*, and near unto the like which they call *Begaries*, he encamped. The next morrow he advanced to *Elymea* upon the river *Haliacmon*. After this, having passed over the mountains named *Cambunus* through a straight and narrow K. passage, he descended to those that inhabit *Axorus*, *Pythosus*, and *Doliches*, which quarter is called *Tripolis*. These three towns stand some while in suipence, by reason that they had given their hostages to the Larissians: but in the end, overcome with the fear presented before their eyes, were content to yield themselves into his hands. *Perseus* used gracious words to this people, making this account that the Perthebians would do the like: & in very deed he entred upon the City (which surrendered at his first arrival) without any doubt or stay at all made by the inhabitants within. As for the town *Cyrtæ*, he assailed to batter it; and the first day he was repelled in a sharp skirmish at the very gates made by the townsmen that put on arms, drew to an head, and made resistance. The morrow after, when he had assailed the City with all his forces, they submitted all to his mercy before night. The inhabitants of the next town to it, *Myla*, presuming upon their fortifications, and standing upon this, That their City was impregnable, were so proud and lusty, that they could not be contented to shut the gates only against the King, but most rudely and malapertly spared not to cast out reproachfull taunts and gibing terms against his own person and the Macedonians. Which manner of dealing, as it envenomed the enemies and edged them the rather to enforce and follow the assault, so it kindled themselves the more (upon despair of all pardon & mercy) to maintain and make good their place & stand more resolutely in their own defence. Whereupon for three daies together the town was assailed by one part, and defended by the other with mighty courage right valiantly. The Macedonians were so many in number, that by turns they relieved the assault without any difficulty, and entred one in the place of another. But the townsmen who even more day and night guarded the walls, without any change & new supply, were not only overcharged with many wounds, but also wearied and enfeebled with continual travell and want of sleep. The fourth day, when at one instant the scaling ladders were reared against the walls in every quarter, and the gate assailed with greater force and violence than before, the inhabitants being driven from the curtain and battlements ran all to ward the gate, and made a sudden fall upon the enemies: which proceeding more upon inconsiderate and blind anger, than any true and assured confidence of their own strength, caused them (few in number and wearied) to be defeated & put to flight by the enemies fresh and in heart, who entred pell-mell with them into the said gate standing wide open. Thus was this City taken and ranfacked. The bodies also of the free born persons, as many as remained after the bloody execution, were sold in market. *Perseus* after he had rased, ruined, and buried a great part of the town, dislodged and departed from thence to *Phelanna*, and the next day following went onward, and marched to *Cyrtone*. But being advertised that *T. Minutius Rufus* and *Hippias* the Prator of *Thessaly* were entred thither with a garison, he passed besides the town, and never made offer of any assault. But he surprised *Elaius* and *Gonnus*, by reason that the townsmen were stricken with exceeding fear upon his sudden arrival. These two towns are situate upon the very straight which leadeth to *Tempe*, but *Gonnus* especially. And therefore he left it guarded with a strong garison both of foot and horse, as also fortified with a treble trench and rampier. Himself in person went onward still to *Sycyrium*, minding there to attend the coming of the enemy: and withall he commanded his army to forage and purvey corn every way all over the territory of the enemies lying under him. For *Sycyrium* is seated upon the hanging of an hill toward the very foot of the mountain *Offa*, having upon the South side the plain champion of *Thessaly* under it, but behind on the back *Macedonia* and *Magna*. Over and above these commodities, the place is very healthfull and plentiful of all good things, watered also with many quick and running springs round about.

The Roman Consul having his army on foot about that time marching toward *Thessaly*, at the first found good way and ready passage through *Epirus*: but afterwards, when he was passed over once into *Athamania*, he met with a rough country & rugged soil, & in manner insuperable:

As was with exceeding great difficulty and by short journeys he had much ado to reach unto *Gomphi*. And if at that time, whiles his men and horses were encumbered and tainted, the King had made head in battell arranged, taking the vantage of time and place against him, leading as he did an host composed but of rude and untrained novices, the Romans themselves cannot deny, but it would have gone very hard with them, and a great overthrow they must needs have received in that conflict. But when they were come once to *Gomphi* without any skirmish, besides the joy which they conceived, for that they had escaped and overcome that dangerous passage, they began also to contemn their enemies, for that they knew not their own good, and were so ignorant of the opportunities which they had. The Consul after he had duly sacrificed (as it appertained) and distributed the allowance of corn among his soldiers, journeyed there some few daies for the rest and repose both of man and beast: where, hearing that the Macedonians ranged and over-ran the country of *Thessaly*, waiting and spoiling the territory of the Roman allies, he led his soldiers now sufficiently refreshed unto *Larissa*. And having marched from thence within three miles of *Tripolis* (which they call *Seea*) he pitched his tents, and lodged upon the river *Peneus*.

At the same time *Eumenes* arrived by sea at *Chalcis*, together with two of his brethren, *Antidus* and *Athenus*, leaving at *Pergamus* a third brother *Philaretus* for the defence of his Realm. From thence, accompanied with *Antidus* and a power of four thousand foot and a thousand horse, he came to the Consul, and left at *Chalcis* two thousand footmen, commanded by *Athenus*. Thither also repaired other aids which came in to the Romans from all the States of Greece. But most of the particulars were so small as now they are grown out of remembrance. The Apollonians sent 3 hundred horsemen, and a hundred footmen. From the Etolians there came a Cornet of horsemen, even the whole Cavalry that the said nation could make. Likewise all the Cavalry of the Thessalians which exceeded not the number of three hundred that served in the Roman camp & quartered apart. The Achæans sent one thousand men of their youth armed for the most part the Canditor manner. And much about this time *C. Lucretius* also the Prator, who had the conduct of the ships that anchored in the rode off *Cephallenia*, after he had given charge to *M. Lucius* his brother, to make sail with his fleet beyond the Cape of *Males*, & so to pals to *Chalcis*, himself went aboard unto a trimme galley, & sailed toward the gulph of *Corinth*, for to be seized first of the country of *Bootia*, and to prevent all matters there. He made way but slow, because of the infirmity and weakness of his body. *M. Lucretius* being arrived at *Chalcis*, and advertised that *P. Lentulus* lay against the City of *Haliacmon*, sent a messenger, commanding him in the name of the Prator to raise the siege and dislodge from thence. The lieutenant notwithstanding he had set into that service with the help of the youth of that part of *Bootia* which took part with the Romans retired from before the walls. The levying of this siege gave occasion of a new enterprise: for incontinently *M. Lucretius* besieged and inclosed *Haliacmon* with his own fleet: & to the number of 10000 fighting men together with 2000 soldiers from *K. Eumenes*, whereof *Antidus* had the charge: and as they were now upon the point to give an assault, the Prator came in unto the City from *Crensa*, and very near to that time there arrived also at *Chalcis* certain ships from the allies, namely, two Quinquereme galleaces of *Carthage*, two trimme gallees from *Heraclea* in *Pontus*, four from *Chalcedon*, as many from *Samos*, and five quadrireine gallees of *Rhodes*. All these vessels the Prator sent back again to the allies, and eased them of that charge, because there was no service to be performed in any place. *Q. Marius* also came by sea to *Chalcis*, after he had won *Haliacmon*, and assaulted *Larissa* called *Cremaste*.

This was the State of *Bootia*, when *Perseus* (as hath been said before) lay encamped at *Spartium*: who after he had from every coast thereabout got together all the grain that he could come by, sent certain companies to give the waste unto the territory of the Phocæans (supposing that Romans might be surprised, when they should be drawn far from their own camp to the succouring of their distressed associates. But perceiving that they stirred never the more for all that tumult: he dealt among his soldiers all the prey, but only of men and women: now the booty found most upon cattell, wherewith they made good cheer. After this, but near about one and the same time, the Col. & *K. Perseus* both debated in their council, how and where they should begin the war. The K. had taken great heart and courage by occasion that the enemy suffered him to make such havoc and do his pleasure in the Phereans territory. And therefore his resolution was to march directly against the Roman camp without giving more time and making any further delay. The Romans likewise for their parts were of opinion, that all soflacking now would greatly prejudice their reputation among the confederats, who took it exceedingly to the heart, that they had not succoured the Phereans. As they late consulting what to do, (now *Eumenes* and *Antidus* both were present at this Council) there came a messenger in post haste with news that the enemy approached near at hand with a mighty army. Whereupon the Council brake up, and presently the signal was given to arm. And advised it was in the mean while, that there should go forth 100 horse and as many darters and foot out of King *Eumenes* his companies.

*Perseus* about the fourth hour of the day, being come within a mile and somewhat more of the Roman leaguer, commanded the ensigns of the footmen to stand. Himself in person with the men of arms and light armed soldiers advanced forward, and together with King *Corys* and the Captains of the other auxiliaries, they two marched before. Now when they were within half a mile from the camp, they might discover the horsemen of their enemies. Two Cornets they were,

most part Gauls, under the conduct of *Cassignatus*: besides the noble and light armed sort whom hope, to the number well-near of a hundred and fifty, and those, were partly Mysians and partly Cretenians. Hereat the King made a stand, not knowing well the number of the enemies: and anon out of the regiment that he had with him he drew two wings of Thracian horse, and as many Macedonians: likewise two Cohorts of Cretenian and as many Thracian footmen. Hereupon ensued a skirmish: but so far as they were marched even in number, and no success came in to relieve from the one part or the other, it ended likewise in doubtful balance of victory. Of *Eumenes* his part there died about thirty: in which number *Cassignatus* the Commander of the Gauls was slain. So for that time *Perseus* retired his forces to *Sycorium*: but the next morrow the King marched with them again to the self-same place, and much about the forelaid hour. Certain carts and wains laden with water followed after: and by reason that for a dozen miles space, all the way was waterless, and full of dust withal, hardly belisted (as it should seem) they had been for very drought and thirst, in case they had been charged and put to skirmish, at the time when they were first in fight. But considering that the Romans kept quiet, yea, and had reduced their corps de guard within their rampier, *Perseus* likewise retired with his forces into his camp. This did the enemies for certain daies together, hoping ever that the Roman Cavalry would charge upon the tail of the rearguard in their retreat: and when by that occasion the skirmish was once begun and that they had trained and drawn them far from their camp: then they might with ease wheresoever they were, turn upon them and make head, having the odds of them in horsemen and light armed fouldiers. But the King seeing this would not speed, encamped nearer unto the Romans, and fortified the compass of half a mile. From whence betimes in the morning by the break of day, after he had embattelled his infantry in the usual place, he led all his Cavalry and light-armed men toward the camp of his enemies. The Romans seeing a greater dust raised by more in number, and the same nearer than ordinary it had been, were mightily afraid within their camp. But at the first they would hardly believe the messenger that brought the news: for that continually all the former daies the enemy used not to be seen until the fourth hour of the day, and now the sun was but newly risen. Howbeit, afterwards (I say) when about their gates there were thicker alarms given and more and more running from thence, and that now there was no doubt at all of the matter, there grew an exceeding trouble & hurlyburly. The Marshals, Colonels, Captains, and Centurions, brook themselves into the quarter about the Prætor's pavilion: and the fouldiers ran every man to his own tent. *Perseus* had embattelled his men less than half a mile from the rampier about a little hill which they call *Calcinus*. King *Corys* had the charge of the left wing, with all those of his own nation. The ranks of the cavalry stood marshalled asunder one from the other by reason that the light armed fouldiers were bestowed between. In the right wing were placed the Macedonian horsemen, and the Cretenians likewise intermingled among them. *Milon* of *Berythea* led the light armed fouldiers: but *Meno* of *Antigonia* commanded the horsemen, and the whole regiment of that part. Next to those wings the Cavalry of *K. Perseus* was arranged together with the selected aid-fouldiers of many and sundry nations: and the same were conducted by *Patrocles* of *Antigonia*, and *Didas* the governor of *Pæonia*. In the midst of all was the King himself: having about him a band called *Agema*, and certain cornets of horsemen named [The sacred wings] Before him he planted the flingers and darters, who both together amounted to the number of 400: and over them he appointed for to be their leader one *Ion* of *Thessalonica*, and *Timænor* the Dolopian. In this manner as is before said, stood the Kings forces embattelled. The Col. having put his Infantry in order of battell, sent out his Cavalry likewise with the light armed companies, who were set in array before the camp. *C. Lucinius Crassus* the Consul before had the leading of the right point, with all the Italian horsemen and the footmen lightly appointed intermingled among them. *M. Valerius Lavinius* in the left, commanded the horsemen of the greek associates, together with the light armed fouldiers of the same nation. *Q. Mutius* conducted the battallion in the midst with certain extraordinary chosen men of arms. Before their Guidons, 200 horsemen of the Gauls stood in ordinance: and of the auxiliaries of *K. Eumenes*, 300 Cyprians, and 400 Thessalian horse. Not far from thence were ranged, somewhat above the left point King *Eumenes* himself and his brother *Attalus*, with all their power were planted behind, even between the reaward and the trench. Thus stood both battels much after this manner arranged, and having of either side a like strength in manner of horsemen and light-armed, they encountered and charged one another: and then the conflict was begun by the forlorn hope of loose shot to wit, the flingers and darters that went before. And first of all others the Thracians, faine like wild and savage beasts, who had been long pent up within some grates and cages, with a mighty cry advanced forth and ran upon the Italian horsemen in the right wing, to the end that they might trouble and amaze them: being otherwise a nation fearless, as well by nature as for long experience and practise of war. The footmen with their swords assailed to cut off the heads of their pikes: and one whilst they hought their horses, and another whilst they ran them into their flanks. *Perseus* rode into the midst of the battell, and at the first shock forced the Greeks to turn aside and give way: and when the enemy pressed moreover hard upon them behind, behold, the Thessalian horsemen who were placed in the rearguard for succour, and stood somewhat apart and severed from the left wing, who at first were beholders only of the fight (as keeping without the danger of the charge) afterwards stood them in very good stead, even as they were at the point to go down & have the worse. For as they retired leisurely without breaking

A breaking their ranks, after that they once joyned with the aids of *Eumenes*, they both yielded the opportunity to their allies who were disbanded in the rout, to retire in safety within their ranks and also eysing their own vantage, when the enemies pursued not so thick, in troops, they adventured to put themselves forward beyond, and so it aid many of those their allies whom they encountered and received in their flight. Neither durst the Kings men, being now all disarranged and dispersed here and there in following the chase, come to hand-fight and joyn battell with those, continuing so well in order as they did, and marching firm and strong together: whereas the matter had been dispatched and the war brought to a final end, in case the King who won the better in horse-fight, had never so little come in with help and succour. For as he encouraged his soldiers to fight, there came in place very fitly and in passing good time, the *Pharax*, which *Hippias* and *Leonatus* (because they would not be behind-hand in this hardy enterprise) brought of their own accord in great haste soon as ever they heard of the winning hand of the Cavalry. And whilst the K. wavered in doubtful suspense, between hope and fear of this to great an adventure, *Eumenes* the Cretenian, whose service *Perseus* had used in the await laid for *K. Eumenes* at *Dela*, phiseling that main battell marching heavily armed under their ensigns, ran unto the King and earnestly advertised him to take heed, lest that presuming too much and bearing himself overconfident of this good speed of his, he brought not unadvisedly the main chance of all his estate, into a needless and unnecessary hazard. For if (quoth he) you can be content with the happy fortune of this fair day and so rest, either you shall have the means to make an honourable peace, or else (if you had rather prosecute the war) to win exceeding many allies to bear arms with you in the field; who, no doubt, will follow the train of your good fortune. To this way stood the Kings mind ever, and thither he soon inclined. Therefore having commended *Eumenes* for his good advice, he commanded the ensigns to retire, and the footmen to return into the camp: likewise to found the retreat unto the Guidons of the men of arms. In this battell 200 Roman horsemen than day lost their lives, and no fewer than 2000 footmen, and near upon 200 of the Cavalry were taken prisoners. Of the Kings side, there died not past 200 horsemen and forty of the other.

After that the victorious enemies were upon their return into the camp, all were jocund & glad in general, but above the rest the Thracians shewed themselves in joy for this their victory, over insolent: for they returned singing full merrily, and carried the heads of their enemies fixed upon their spear-points. But the Romans were not only sad and heavy for this unfortunate journey, but fearful also lest the enemy should forthwith assail their camp. *Eumenes* gave counsel to dislodge and remove to the other side of the river *Peneus*, that it might serve them instead of a defence and bulwark, until such time as the amazed fouldiers had recovered their spirits and taken heart again. The Col. was ashamed and abashed to bewray his fear: howbeit, over-ruled with reason, he led his army over the river in the dead time of the night, and encamped on the farther bank. *K. Perseus* the morrow after advanced forward to bid the enemies battell, but perceiving they were lodged in safety beyond the river, he confessed that he had failed indeed, for that he had not followed his victory the day before: but more overleer a good deal he was in lying still and taking repose that night: for without troubling any else of his own men, he might have sent out the light-armed fouldiers only to set upon the enemies as they passed over the river in haste and fright, and so defeated a great part of their forces. Now the Romans shook off their fear for the present, considering they were encamped in a sure place: but among other damages, the blot especially of their honour and name grieved and troubled them. And as they late in Council before the Consul, every man for his part laid all the blame upon the *Ætolians*, who first began to be afraid and run away: and whole example of fear the other allies of the Cities of Greece followed: for it was said, that five principall men of mark among the *Ætolians*, were seen and noted first of all other to have turned their backs. But the Thessalians were praised in a full assembly of the whole army; and their Captains for their virtue and valorous service were honoured with presents. The spoils of the enemies were brought before King *Perseus*: out of which he bestowed freely upon some, brave and gorgeous armours: upon others goodly great horses; and finally, certain were rewarded with the prize of good prisoners. Targets there were above a thousand and five hundred, cuirasses and corselets not so few as a thousand; besides a far greater proportion of murions swords, and shot of all sorts. Great matters these were, considered in themselves; but much more amplified and set out by the King himself with a speech that he made in a frequent audience of his army assembled together, after this or the like manner, "You see already by this (quoth he) what you may judge before-hand of the final issue of this war: discomfited ye have the better part of your enemies, to wit, the Roman Cavalry, wherein they took themselves to be invincible. For their horsemen are the very gallants and bravest of their youth; their Gentlemen of arms (I say) are the feminary and nurse-garden of their Senat. From them they chuse their Nobles and Peers to make Consuls of yea, and Generals of the field another day. And the spoils of these we have crewhiles divided among us. Neither is the victory less which ye have gained of the Infantry and legions, who although by night they made an escape from you, yet in halting to pass over the river, they resembled a sort that had suffered shipwrack at sea, and in fearful haste for their lives have swum & overpread the river every where with their bodies. Soon as we shall we & with greater ease, I trow, get over *Peneus*, to chase them thus already over come, than they did, making such haste for fear: and being once set on the other side, we shall out of hand

A strong  
battallion of  
footmen.

"hand assail their camp, which we might have forced and won this day, but that they took them  
 "to their heels and fled. But if they will come to a field and try the quarrel by the sword point,  
 "look ye for no other issue of the conflict with footmen, than was before of the other with  
 "horsemen. These words, both the horsemen (who bare upon their own shoulders the spoils of  
 their enemies lying slain before their eyes in open view) heard with great pleasure and content-  
 ment, as measuring the hope of the future speed by the fortune passed; and also the footmen em-  
 flamed now with the glory of others (and namely, those that were of the Macedonian Phalanx)  
 withed with all their hearts to have the like occasion offered unto them, wherein they might not  
 only show their valiant service before the King, but also win semblable glory of their enemies. Thus  
 the assembly was dissolved, and the morrow after the King marched forward and encamped upon  
*Mopsus*, which is an hill situate in the mid way between *Temps* and *Larissa*. The Romans remo-  
 ved their camp into a place of more security, howbeit, not far from the bank of *Peneus*. The re-  
 paired *Masagenes* the Numidian, with 1000 horse and as many foot, besides 22 Elephants. Now  
 as *K. Perseus* during these daies, sat in Council what course to take as touching the main conduct  
 of his affairs, when his courage was now well abated and not so lusty for his late victory, some of  
 his friends were so hardy as to advise him to use this good fortune of his for the obtaining and  
 compassing of some honourable peace, rather than upon a vain hope to carry his head aloft, and  
 engage himself and his whole state into some hazard & jeopardy, out of which he should not be  
 able to recover and retire into safety. For to keep a mean and moderation in prosperity, and not  
 over-confidently to trust upon the present flattering fortune, is the part (say they) of a wise man in-  
 deed and truly happy. And therefore the best course is, to send certain men of purpose unto the  
 King, for to renew the league upon the same conditions, with which your father *Philip* had accept-  
 ed peace heretofore of *T. Quintus* the conqueror. For neither (say they) can the war be taken  
 up with greater honour and reputation, than after so memorable a battle. Nor ever will there be  
 presented more firm and assured hope of a peace to continue for ever, than upon this occasion,  
 which will work and mollifie the Romans as a man would have them, to come on and assent to  
 any accord, considering they are well tamed with the infortunity of this battle. But in case the  
 Romans upon an inbred peevishness and engrafted pertinacity of theirs, should not hear reason  
 but refuse an indifferent end, then both God and man shall be witnesses, as well of the moderation  
 of *Perseus*, as of their pride & insolent forwardness. The King was willing enough to give ear to this,  
 and indeed never misliked such discourses; and therefore the advice was approved by the assent  
 of the most part: whereupon embassadors were sent to the King, & in a frequent Council assem-  
 bled, had audience given them. Peace they demanded, and promised that *Perseus* should pay unto  
 the Romans as great a tribute as *Philip* had covenanted for; and likewise quit the same Cities,  
 coasts, and territories, which *Philip* had given up and surrendered. To this effect spake the embas-  
 sadors; who being retired aside, the Romans debated in Council, and in the end Roman constan-  
 cy imported and had the upper hand: for in those daies the manner and use was, in time of ad-  
 versity to bear all out and set a good countenance, but in prosperity to hold an even hand and to  
 use governance. So agreed it was to return this answer, That peace might be granted with this  
 condition, That *K. Perseus* should permit full and free power to the Senat of *Rome*, for to dispose  
 both of his person and the kingdom of *Macedony* at their good pleasure. When the Embassadors  
 had made relation hereof, this constant resolution and invincible persistence of the Romans made  
 them to wonder again, as being not acquainted with their manners and fashions: and most of  
 them forbore to make mention any more of peace, saying, That the Romans would be glad shortly  
 to seek for that of their own accord, which now at this present they loathed & rejected when  
 it was offered. But *Perseus* mightily feared, that this arrogant spirit of theirs, proceeded from the  
 confidence they had in their own forces: inasmuch as he gave not over so, but assailed to tempt  
 the King, if haply by augmenting the sum of money, he might buy peace at any price & reckoning  
 whatsoever. But seeing him nothing to come down, nor to alter one jot from the first answer: in  
 despair now of all peace, he returned to *Sycyrium* from whence he came, purposing once again to  
 try the hazard of the field. Now the fame of this late fight of cavalry was flown over all *Greece*.  
 and discovered the minds and affections of men: for not only they that took part with the Ma-  
 cedonians rejoiced to hear this news, but also very many of them who were obliged and be-  
 holden unto the Romans for benefits and favours received at their hands, and some likewise who  
 had tasted of their violence and proud government. And this they did for no other reason at all,  
 but only upon a foolish and perverse affection, like to that wherewith the common people ordi-  
 narily is carried away in the beholding of disports and trials of masteries, even to favour ever-  
 more the weaker and him that taketh the foil.

At the same time *Lucretius* the Prator had with most forcible means assaulted the City of *He-  
 liartus* in *Bœotia*: and albeit the besieged defendants within were relieved by no forrain aid, but  
 only the youth of the *Coronians* (who at the beginning of the siege entered the City) nor hoped  
 for any to come: yet they stood out and made resistance with courage of heart more than with  
 strength of hand: for they issued forth many times, and sallied upon the fabrics and engines of the  
 enemy, yea & when the ram approached hard to the wall, they let fall thereupon a mighty weight  
 and counterpoise of lead and do depressed and drove it down to the ground. And it haply the ene-  
 mies who ran with the ram against the wall, avoided the device of theirs, laid battery, and shook  
 it in some other place: the townsmen within, raised presently with great speed another more,  
 piling

A piling up hastily the stones one upon another, which they found lying among the very ruins of the  
 breaches. The Consul seeing this manner of service by way of ordnance and battery, to become  
 slow and tedious, commanded to divideladders amongst every company, and purposed to invest  
 the City round about with the *Escalado*; supposing that the number which he had would be suf-  
 ficient to exploit this enterprise, because on that side whereas the Town is enclosed with a marsh,  
 it was bootless (or rather unpossible) to assault it. Himself in person presented 2000 elect sol-  
 diers before that part, whereas two turrets, and all the wall between was beaten down and over-  
 thrown to the end, that in the very instant, while he assailed to enter at the breaches the town-  
 men should run all thither to repulse him, and in the mean while the walls void of defendants  
 might in some part or other be scaled and won. But they within belittled themselves lustily to  
 give him the repulse. For having piled in the very open breaches a mighty number of faggots  
 made of drie vine cuttings and such small brush, they stood ready with flaming firebrands and  
 burning links, threatening ever and anon to kindle the same and let all on fire, to the end, that be-  
 ing defended from the enemy by the means of fire between, they might have time to oppose an in-  
 ner countermine against them. But by mishance this device and enterprise of theirs was em-  
 peached, For there poured down on a sudden in such a mighty shower of rain that the fewel would  
 not easily take fire, and look what was set a burning, it soon was quenched again. By which means  
 not only the passage was made open between the smoking faggots drawn apart one from another  
 here and there, but while they all intended wholly the defense of that one place, the walls were  
 taken at one instant by ladders reared up against many andundry parts thereof. In the first heat  
 of the winning of the City, old and young, such as chanced to come in their way, without any  
 respect at all of age were put to the sword. The armed souldiers fled into the Castle, and the next  
 day being past hopes to make good the place, they yielded and were all sold under the garland in  
 portable, to them that would bid most, to the number of 2500 men or very near. The ornaments  
 and beauties of the City, as statues, images, painted tables and pictures, and whatsoever was found  
 in the pillage to bear a better price, was carried to shipboard, and the Town it self raised from the  
 very foundations and laid even with the ground. From thence the army was conducted to *Thes-  
 salia*, which being won without any resistance he put into the hands of the banished perions, and those  
 that took part and sided with the Romans; but those of the contrary faction, such as favoured the  
 King and the Macedonians, he sold by whole families in open market to the best chapmen. Having  
 performed these exploits in *Bœotia*, he retired himself to the Sea side for his ships.

While these affairs passed thus in *Bœotia*, *Perseus* lodged for certain daies in camp at *Sycyrium*.  
 Where being advertised, that the Romans made great haste to join the corn newly reaped down,  
 and to carry it from all parts of the fields unto the leaguers, and that every souldier before his tent  
 cut and shired off the ears as they lay bound in sheaves, to the end they might thrash and drive  
 out the chesner corn, by which occasion they had made great heaps of straw throughout all parts  
 of the camp, he supposed it was an easy matter to set all their tents and pavilions on fire. Where-  
 upon he commanded to provide torches, links and balls made of tow besmeared with pitch and  
 tar thus provided and furnished, he set out at midnight, that by the dawning of the day, he might  
 put this device in execution without being defied before. But all came to nothing; for the for-  
 E most corps de guard although they were surprised with this sudden coming, by their trouble and  
 affright awakened and raised all the rest, and immediately the alarm was given: so as at one instant  
 the souldiers were ready and well appointed at the gates, and upon the rampier bent and preit for  
 to defend the camp. *Perseus* likewise incontinently turned about with his ensigns, putting his far-  
 dale and carriage before, and then commanded the infantry to march after: himself with the ca-  
 valry and lighter armors staid behind to fortify and guard the rearward, supposing (as it fell out in-  
 deed) that the enemies would make after to charge upon the tail of the march. His light armed  
 souldiers had some short skirmishing especially with the forlorn hope and loose avant-courriers,  
 but the horse and footmen both, retired without any impeachment into the camp. Thus when all  
 the corn was cut down about those quarters, the Romans dislodged and removed into the terri-  
 tory of *Cranon*, which as yet was not endamaged. Whiles they lay encamped in security and  
 mistrusting nothing (because the enemies were so far off, and by reason that the way between *Sy-  
 cyrium* and *Cranon* was so difficult for want of water:) beheld all on a sudden early in the  
 morning by day light, the Kings cavalry and light armed souldiers shewed themselves upon the  
 hills that overlooked them from above, and put them into great trouble. Departed they were  
 from *Sycyrium* at noon the day before, and had left the infantry behind, about the break of day  
 upon the plain next thereto. For a while he stood upon those laid hills, hoping that the Romans  
 might be trained forth to an horse-fight. But perceiving them not to stir at all, he sent one on  
 horseback to command the footmen to retire again to *Sycyrium*, and himself in person followed  
 straight after. The Roman horsemen made after a pretty distance off, if haply they could spie any  
 advantage in one place or other to charge upon them, disbanded and stragling asunder. But when  
 they saw that in their dismarch they kept close together following their guidons and keeping their  
 ranks, they also returned into the camp. After this the King weary of making so long journeys dis-  
 lodged and removed to *Mopsus*. The Romans for their part likewise having mowed down all  
 the corn of *Cranon*, passed into the territory of *Phalanum*. The King having intelligence by a  
 sennegate revolt, that the Romans were scattered all over the fields, and reaping the standing corn  
 without any guard of armed men, made a rode with 1000 horse & 2000 Candiors & Thracians:



who marching with as great haſt as poſſibly they could, ſet upon the Romans at unawares all unprovided; where he took a thouſand carts or thereabouts, together with their teams, moſt of them laden, and upon 600 men betides. The guard and convoy of this booty into the camp he committed to the charge of 300 Cretenſians. Himſelf having rallied his cavalry diſperſed here and there buſy in execution, and reunited withal the reſt of the footmen led them to the next *corps de guard* or garrifon of the enemies, ſuppoſing that with little ado they might be ſurprized and vanquiſhed. *L. Pompeius* a Colonel had the command of them, who ſeeing his ſouldiers affrighted with this ſuddain coming of the enemies, retired with them to an hill neer at hand, ſo to defend himſelf by the vantage and ſtrength of the place, conſidering that otherwiſe in number and forces he was too weak. Where after he had caſt his men into a ring, ſo to ward againſt the ſhot of arrows and darts by a roof and ſence of targets couched cloſe together over their heads: *Perſeus* having environed the hill round about with armed men, commanded ſome to mount up and aſſay to win the place on all parts, it poſſibly they could and then to fight cloſe hand to hand: ſo others he charged to lance their darts and ſhoot their ſhalts thick at them a far off. The Romans were beſet with a double fear; for neither could they maintain ſkirmiſh and fight cloſe together becauſe of thoſe who laboured to climb the hill: and ſay they had broke any ranks with excuſions and outrodes upon them, yet were they expoſed and lay open to the ſhot of arrows and darts. Moſt hurt they had by certain weapons called *Cyſtroſphendane* [ſling-darts.] A new kind of dart this was and lately deviſed in the time of this very war. It had a ſharp head of iron the length of two hands breadth, and the ſame ſet faſt in a ſteel which was half a cubit long, and about the thickneſs of a mans finger: for to ſite direct and t'reight, three leathers it had about it in man of a ſhaſt: the ſling from the middle part had two cords of an unequal ſize: now when as the ſlinger living it about, as it lay even poſed in the greater capacity of the leather thong, out flew the dart and was driven with violence like a bullet. Many of the ſouldiers being very fore wounded as well with this weapon as all other ſorts of ſhot. ſo as now for wearines they were unable to bear their own armour: the King was earnestly in hand with them to yeeld and ſubmit, aſſuring them upon his faithful word their lives, yea, and otherwiſes promiſed them rewards and recompences. But there was not a man whole heart enclined once thereto. Now as they ſtood thus ſtiff and reſolute to die there ſome upon them a little comfort and ſome hope of aſſon becom all their expectation. For ſome of the forragers and corn purveyors, who hapned to ſie for refuge unto the camp, brought word unto the Conſul, that the *corps de guard* aforeſaid was beſieged roundly: whereupon being moved with the jeopardy wherein lo many citizens ſtood (for about 900 they were, and all citizens of *Rome*) he went forth of the camp with the cavalry and light armed ſouldiers, and unto them joyined certain new ſuccours of the Numidians: as well horſe as foot, together with the Elephants: and gave commandment to the martial Colonels, that the enſigns of the legions ſhould follow after. Himſelf in perſon marched before toward the hill aforeſaid taking with him a certain number of ſkirmiſhers, for to ſtrengthen the light armed auxiliaries, *Eumenes* *Attalus* and *Mſageneſes* alſo the King of the Numidians, flanked the Co. on either ſide. When as the beſieged Romans had a ſight once of the moſt famous enſigns of their friends and fellows, they took comfort and courage again upon their former extreame deſpair. *Perſeus*, who had purpoſed in the firſt place not to ſpend any long time in laying ſiege to this *corps de guard* but to content himſelf with the fortunate ſuccels which at a venture hapned, in that he had taken and ſlain ſome of the forragers: ſecondly (when he was in ſome fort entred into that action) to depart (whiles he had means thereof) without any damage received, as knowing that he had no ſtrength, to ſpeak of, about him: yet puffed up and caried as it were above the ground with the conceit of his late good hand, both ſtaid in perſon to attend the enemies coming, and alſo ſent out in all haſt forth the Macedonian Phalanx. Which coming later than the preſent neceſſity required (albeit in great haſt they hurried) it fell out ſo, that they were to encounter (troubled and diſordered as they were in running) their enemies that were well appointed and provided aforehand. And the Coſ. who had prevented them, preſently welcomed them with battail. At the firſt, the Macedonians made reſiſtance: but afterwards being in no reſpect equal unto the enemies after they had loſt three hundred footmen, with four and twenty of the moſt forward and braveſt horſemen out of that comect which they call *Sacra* (amongſt whom *Antimachus* alſo their leader died) they endeavoured to retire and be gone. But the way by which they were to pals, was more troubleſome to ſpeak of, than the ſkirmiſh and battail it ſelf. The Phalanx being ſent unto by a meſſenger in haſt, and conducted as haſtily, encountered affront in a certain ſtreight a troop of priſoners, and likewise the waggons charged with corn. Who being led in to give way, thereupon aroſe a great trouble as well of the one part as the other: whiles no man took heed how to march in order: but the armed ſouldiers caſt down and overthrowed the heaps of ſtardage and baggage, for otherwiſe there could no way be made: and the draught-beaſts being pricked and provoked forward, raged and made foul work in the prefs and throng. Hardly and with much ado were they diſengaged and rid of this conſiſed and diſordered company of captives, when they met with the King his company and the horſemen diſcomfited. In which place, the noiſe which they made crying ſomething ready to fall upon their heads: in ſuch ſort as if their enemies duſt had entred into the ſtreight and purſued farther after them, no doubt they had received a great overthrow. But the Conſul concerning himſelf with a mean good hand, in that he had reſcued and recovered his *corps de guard* from off the

the hill, retired with his forces into the camp. Some write that there was a great battail fought that day, and how 8000 enemies were ſlain; and among them *Sopater* and *Antipater* two of the Kings Captains. Alſo that there were taken priſoners about 2400: and military enſigns 22 caried away. Neither was the victory eaſily gotten but coſt blood, for not to few as 4300 were ſlain of the Conſul his army and five guldons of the left wing loſt. This journey recomforted the Romans, but dartsed and quailed *Perſeus* in ſuch ſort, as after he had ſtaid a few dates at *Moplam*, eſpecially about entering the bodies of his dead ſouldiers, and left a ſufficient garrifon at *Gonnus*; he retired his army into *Macedony*, leaving alſo at *Phila* one of his own Captains named *Timotheus*, with ſome ſmall forces, whom he commanded to ſſay the *Magneſians* and the borderers adjoyning. When he was come to *Pella*, he diſmiſſed his army out of the field, and ſent them to their winning harbors, but himſelf together with King *Corys* went to *Theſſalonica*.

Thither news came, that *Atlebius* a pety King of the Thracians, and *Corragus* a Captain under King *Eumenes*, had invaded the marches of *Corys*, and were maſters of the country which they call *Marene*. And therefore ſuppoſing that he muſt needs diſcharge *Corys* to look to the defence of his own realm; he beſtowed rich preſents upon him at his departure: and gave him 200 talents for fix months wages of his cavalry, whereas at the beginning he purpoſed to be at the charge of a whole years pay.

The Conſul after he heard that *Perſeus* was gone, approached with his army neer to *Gonnus*, and there lodged: if haply he might force and gain that alſo. Situat it was over againſt *Tempe*, at the very mouth and gullet of the ſtreights, and is the very frontier Town, yeelding both a moſt aſſured defence and ſtrength to all *Macedony*, and alſo a commodious paſſage for the Macedonians to enter into *Theſſaly*. And being a place impregnable, as well for the natural ſite thereof, as the ſtrong garrifon therein placed, he gave over the enterpriſe. So turning and bending his way into *Perrhabia*, after he had forced *Mallia* at the firſt aſſault and put it to the raniack; and received *Tripolis* with the reſt of *Perrhabia*, yeelded by compoſition he returned to *Lariſſa*. And then having ſent *Eumenes* and *Aspius* home into their own country, and beſtowed *Mſageneſes* and the Numidians in divers Cities of *Theſſaly* neer at hand, to remain there for the winter time; and diſtributed part of his forces throughout all *Theſſaly*, in ſuch ſort, that not only they had all commodious winning, but alſo ſerved in ſtead of garrifons to the Cities. *Q. Mutius* his Lieutenant ſent with a regiment of 3000 men to guard *Ambracia* and keep it in obedience. All the conſiderers of the Greek Cities, ſave only the Achæans he licensed to depart. With one part of his army he went into *Theſſaly* in *Phibia*, where he ſaſed down to the ground *Pteleus* abandoned of the inhabitants. But *Antroa* he won with the good will of the Townſmen. Then afterward he approached before *Lariſſa* with his forces. The City was left deſolat, for all the people were retired into the ſorres, the which he began to aſſault: and firſt the Kings garrifon of Macedonians quit the place of whom the Townſmen being forſaken and left to themſelves, ſubmitted incontinently. Then he ſtood in doubt whether he ſhould aſſail *Demetrias* firſt, or have an eye and look into the troubles and ſtate of *Bœotia*. For the men of *Thebes* being grievouſly moleſted and annoyed by thoſe of *Cerineas*, had ſent for him into *Bœotia*: at whole priers, thither he conducted his army; and beſides, *Bœotia* was a country more commodious to winter in than *Magneſia*.

## The three and fortieth Book

### Of the Hiftories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of *L. Florus* upon the three and fortieth Book.

Two Pretors were judicially condemned, for demeaning themſelves with cruelty and avarice in the adminiſtration of their Provinces. *P. Licinius Craſſus* the Pro-conſul won by force many Cities in Greece, and cruelly riſted them. For which rigour of his, the captives whom he had ſold under the ſerand in open market, were by an order directed out of the Senat, reſtored. Afterward to their former ſtate. The Admirals of the Roman fleets committed many outrages and committed againſt their allies. Beſides, there are compriſed in this book, the proſperous affairs of King *Ptoleus* in *Thrace*; after he had vanquiſhed the *Dardanians* and ſubdued *Illyricum*, whereof *Genetius* was King. The troubles which began in Spain by means of *Clonius*, were appeaſed by his death. *M. Emilius Lepidus*, was by the Conſul created president of the Senat.

## The three and fortieth Book of T. Livius.

The ſame ſummer, wherein the Romans won the victory with horſe-fight in *Theſſaly*, the Lieutenant ſent into *Illyricum* from the Conſul, compelled by force and arms two rich Towns to yeeld: unto which nevertheless he gave all their goods again, to the end that by an opinion of this clemency, he might win the hearts of the inhabitants of *Carnis*.

*Carnunt*, that strong City. But when he saw that he could not constrain them to render, no more than force them by siege; because his soldiers should not seem to have been wearied for nought in the besieging of two Towns, he fell to rifle and ransack that, which before he left untouched. The other Consul *C. Cassius* neither performed any memorable exploit in *Gaul*, which was his Province by lot; and having endeavoured to conduct his legions through *Ilyricum* into *Macedony*, all his designment came to no effect at all. That the Consul was entered upon this journey, the Senat was certified by the Embassadors of the *Aquileians*: who complained that their colony newly erected was feeble, and not as yet well secured among those fierce nations of *Ilyrians* and *Ilyrians*; and withal they made suit, that the Senat would provide and take order, that the said colony might be fortified: and when the question was put unto them, Whether they would be content that commission should be directed unto *C. Cassius* in that behalf? they answered, That the said *Cassius*, having assembled his army at the *Rendezvous* in *Aquileia*, was departed through *Scelavonia* into *Macedony*. This at first was thought incredible, and every man supposed verily, that he had been gone to levy war upon the *Carnians* haply, or the *Ilyrians*. The *Aquileians* were able to reply no farther, nor affirm more upon their knowledge than this, That allowance of corn was made for the soldiers to serve thirty daies, and that guides were sought and brought out, who knew the waies out of *Italy* into *Macedony*. Hereat the Senat (ye may be sure) took great snuff and was highly displeased, that the Consul should be so hardly as pretium to leave his own province for to pass into that which belonged to another, and to lead his army an unknown and new way, and the same dangerous, through strange and forrain countries, thereby to open passage as it were, for so many nations to come into *Italy*. Whereupon in a frequent assembly of the Senators, there passed a decree, That *C. Sulpicius* the Pretor should nominate three Embassadors out of the body of the Senat, for to depart out of the City that present day, to make all the best they possibly could to overtake the Consul wheresoever he was; and to give him warning to levy no war against any nation without direct warrant from the Senat. And these Embassadors went, namely, *M. Cornelius Cethegus*, *M. Fulvius*, and *P. Martius Rex*. The present fear as touching the Consul and the army, was the occasion that the care of fortifying *Aquileia* was deferred for that time.

After this, were the Embassadors of certain States in both Provinces of *Spain* admitted to come into the Senat: who complained of the covetousness and pride of the Roman Officers and Governors among them; humbly beseeching the Senat upon their knees, Not to suffer them (being allies and confederates) to be more shamefully pillaged and spoiled than the very enemies. Among other indignities for which they shewed themselves aggrieved, notorious it was, that the said Magistrates had taken bribes, yea, and used extortion in wringing money from them. Whereupon a commission was granted to *L. Canuleius* the Pretor (unto whom *Spain* by lot was fall) to ordain five judges or commissioners (and those out of the rank and degree of Senators) for every person of whom the Spaniards claimed to recover such monies; and likewise to permit the plaintiffs to take unto them what Advocates and Counsel they would. Then, after those Embassadors were called again into the Senat, this decree and act of the Senat was read unto them, and willed they were to nominate their Advocates; who named four, to wit, *M. Porcius Cato*, *P. Cornelius Scipio* the son of *Cnusus*, *L. Emilius Paulus* the son of *Marcellus*, and *C. Sulpicius Gallus*. And first they took commissioners to proceed against *M. Titinius*, who had been Pretor in the latter Province of *Spain*, when *An. Manlius* and *M. Junius* were Consuls. Twice was the cause of the accused party adjourned to a farther time, but at the third session he was quit and found unguilty. The States arose (some variance and dissension between the Embassadors of those two Provinces, the States of this higher *Spain*, took for their patrons and Advocates, *M. Cato* and *Scipio*; they of the farther and lower *Spain*, made choice of *L. Paulus* and *Gallus Sulpicius*. They of high *Spain* convened before the delegate judges, *P. Furius Philus* and *M. Junius* were Consuls; but *Philus* had been *L. Deputy* there three years past, when *S. Posthumius* and *Q. Matius* were Consuls; but this *Matienus* two years before, during the Consulship of *L. Posthumius* and *M. Postumius*. Charged they were both of them with right grievous matters and imputations, and a farther day was set for a final judgment: but when they were to answer judicially again, they made default, and for excuse it was alleged, that they were both out of the country; and so they departed into voluntary exile, *Furius* to *Præneste*, and *Matienus* to *Tyber*. The voice went, that the patrons of the plaintiffs would not suffer them to follow process still against such noble and great personages: and the suspicion hereof was more pregnant, by reason that *Canuleius* the Pretor let this matter fall, and began to take mufflers and levy soldiers for the war; and so forthwith directly went into the Province, to the end that no more men should be brought into question and troubled by these Spaniards. By this means, all former matters past were buried in silence and no more speech made of them; but for future time, the Senat took order and provided for the Spaniards so well, that they obtained an immunity. That no Roman Magistrate should have power and authority to set the price upon any grain, nor force the Spaniards to sell the *Kaesepores* at what rate he pleased to set down: also that there should be no commissioners appointed within their Towns for the gathering and receiving of the revenues and money issuing from thence. Besides, there came another embassy of a sort of people out of *Spain*, after a new and strange manner: for there were above four hundred persons, avouching themselves the children of Roman soldiers and Spanish women not joynted in wedlock: who appeared before the Senat and besought them for

to allow them a City to inhabit. Whereupon ordained it was, That they should enter their names and be matriculated before their Pretor *L. Canuleius*: and look who of them he affranchised and made free, those they thought meet to be sent to *Carthage* near the Sea side, and there planted: also that those Cartheians, who were willing still to keep home and remain there, should be privileged as Coloners and so enrolled, and to enjoy besides a portion of Lands assigned unto them. This was a Latine colony, and was called the Colony of the Libertians.

At the same time there came an Embassador out of *Africk*, *Gulussa* the son of *Masaniissa*, and likewise the Carthaginian embassage. *Gulussa* first was brought into the Senat: who declared what his father had sent unto them against the Macedonian: promising withal, that if it pleased them to impose more upon him, he would be ready to perform the same in remembrance of the benefits received from the people of *Rome*: finally, he gave the LL. of the Senat a caveat by the way, to take heed that the Carthaginians deceived them not in the end: for that resolved they were, and went in hand to prepare a great navy, under pretence of sending it to the Romans against the Macedonians: which if it were once ready rigged and furnished, it was in their choice then, to make whom they would either friends or foes.

Being entered the camp and shewing the heads aloft, they struck such a fear, that if immediately the army had come forward and advanced against them, the camp might have been won: and yet even then as it was, they fled again: and some there were who gave their opinion, to send Embassadors to treat and with prayers to treat for peace. Upon the news reported hereof, many Cities submitted and were surrendered. Such as made excuse, and laid the fault upon the folly of two persons only, who had of their own accord offered themselves to be punished, obtained pardon of the Pretor. And then forthwith he went in expedition against other Cities; but finding them already to do whatsoever they were commanded, he passed quietly with his army through that country in peace, which but a while before was all up in arms and on a light fire. This lenity of the Pretor, which he used in taming and subduing this most fierce and proud nation without effusion of blood, was by so much more acceptable to the LL. of the Senat and the whole body of the people, as the Consul *Lucius* and the other Pretor *Lucius* had warred in *Greece* with greater cruelty and avarice. As for *Lucius*, the Tribunes of the Commons accused him daily in their ordinary Orations before the people for his absence: Notwithstanding his excuse was alleged, that absent he was, and employed about the affairs of the State. But in those daies, so unknown were things done hard by, that even at that present he was at his farm within the territory of *Antium*, and busy in conveying a conduct of water out of the river *Cornacina* to *Antium*: the charges whereof he defrayed with the money raised out of the sale of prizes taken from the enemies. Some say that he had gained to have that piece of work effected, for the sum of a hundred and 13000 *Ales*. Moreover he embellished and adorned the Temple of *Aesculapius*, with the painted tables found in the pillage. The envy and ill will, the obloquy also and dishonor like to grow to *Lucius*, turned upon his successor *Hortensius* by occasion of the Embassadors of *Abdera*, who in piteous wise complained with tears before the Senat, that their Town was by *Hortensius* forced and ransacked: How the cause of this ruin and destruction of their City was no more but this, that being enjoined by him to make payment of a hundred thousand Denarii, and allowance of fifty thousand Modii of wheat, they requested some respite of time, wherein they might address their Embassadors; as well to *Hortensius* the Consul as unto *Rome*, concerning this imposition. For scarcely were they come unto the said Consul, but they heard how their City was forced, the principal citizens thereof beheaded, and all the rest sold in port-sale under the garland. These were grievous indignities in the sight of the Senat; whereupon they passed the same ordinance in the behalf of the *Abderites*, that the year before had been directed in the like case as touching the *Coroneans*; and commanded the Pretor *Q. Manius* to publish the said decree before the public assembly of the people. In like manner two Commissioners were sent, namely, *C. Sempronius Blaesus*, and *S. Julius Caesar* for to re-establish the *Abderites* in their freedom: who also had in charge to signify from them, both to the Consul *Hortensius*, and also to the Pretor *Hortensius*. That if the Senat judged the hostility offered unto the *Abderites* injurious, and the war unlawful, and therefore that all such as were brought into servitude, should be sought out and restored again to liberty.

At the same time presentation was made unto the Senat of certain complaints against *C. Cassius* who had been Consul the year before, and at that time was employed in quality of a Colonel-marshal together with *A. Hostilius* in *Macedony*. Likewise there arrived the Embassadors of *Cinebrus* a petty King of the Gauls. A brother of his having audience granted in the Senat made a speech, wherein he complained, that *C. Cassius* had given the waite to the lands and territories of the people inhabiting the *Alps*, who were their allies and confederates, and from thence had led a way into captivity many thousand persons; And much at one instant there came the Embassadors of the *Carnians*, *Ilyrians* and *Japides* with complaints against *Cassius*. That first he had enjoined them to furnish him with guides for to shew and direct him the best way to march with his army into *Macedony*, and so departed in peace from them, as if he had meant to warle: where, but afterwards out of the midway of his journey, he returned upon them, and in hostile manner overran their frontiers, robbing, spoiling & burning whosoever he went; and to this day they cannot devise and know the reason: wherefore the Consul should hold them for enemies and deal so cruelly by them. As well the Prince of the Gauls as said being absent as these Embassadors in place received

this answer, That as touching the outrages for which they shewed themselves grieved, the Senat neither knew thereof beforehand, that ever they were intended, nor yet approved of the same, since they were committed. But against all right and equity it were to condemn unheard in his own defence, and absent, such a personage as he is, namely a man who had been Consul; considering also that his employment about the C.W. is the occasion of his absence, When C. Cassius once returned out of Macedonia, then if they would shew themselves and accuse him face to face, the Senat would hear the cause and take knowledge accordingly, yea, and endeavour that they should be satisfied and contented. Moreover, thought good it was, that these nations should not be dispatched only with this bare answer, but that Embassadors also should be sent: two unto the foresaid King beyond the Alps; and other three to the people above named, for to acquaint them with the resolution of the Lords of the Senat. And they gave order besides to send pretors to each of the Embassadors to the value of two thousand Asces over and above, to the two Princes that were brethren, these gifts following, to wit, two chains of gold weighing after they were wrought five pound of gold: also five peeces of plate in silver, amounting to the weight of twenty pound: two bard hories with their riders and lackies: likewise horsemen armour and their cackfords: and liveries likewise for all those of their train, as well bond as free. These were the things sent unto them. But at their own request granted it was besides, that they might for their money buy each of them ten horses, and be allowed to transport them out of Italy. The Embassadors sent with the Gauls beyond the mountains, were C. Lelius and M. Emilius Lepidus: to the other nations C. Sicinius, P. Cornelius Blasio, and T. Memmius.

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Moreover, there met together in Rome at once, the Embassadors of many States both of Greece and Asia. And first the Athenians were brought into the Senat, who related, That they had sent unto the Consul P. Licinius and the Pretor C. Lucretius, what shipping they had, and all the fighting men they were able to make: but seeing they had no use of them, they had raised a levy of a hundred thousand Modii of corn. Which, albeit their land was but barren for tillage, and the very husbandmen themselves lived of forraing corn brought in unto them, yet they had made means to do accordingly, because they would not seem to be wanting in any dutifull service: and willing they were yet, and prest to perform whatsoever they would require. The Milesians for their part said, That hitherto they had done nothing, marry they offered themselves to be ready to accomplish all that the Senat should command them toward this war. The Alabandians shewed, That they had built a \* Temple to the City of Rome, and ordained besides, that in the honour of that goddess there should be a solemnity of games and plaies exhibited every year. Also, that they had brought with them for a present, a crown of gold weighing fifty pound, to set it up in the Capitol as a gift and offering to Iup. Opt. Max. and withal, three hundred horsemen shields, which they were minded to bestow upon those, unto whom it pleased them to appoint and command, their petition was, that they might be permitted to offer their present in the Capitol, and there to sacrifice. The men of Lampacus came with a golden crown weighing fourscore pound, protesting, That they had quit and abandoned Persus, so soon as ever the Roman army was arrived in Macedonia, notwithstanding they owed allegiance unto Persus, and were homagers to his father Philip before him. In which consideration as also for that they had performed their devoir to their full power to the Roman Generals, they requested no other favour to be gratified withal, but to be received into the amity of the people of Rome: and in case there should be peace concluded with Persus, that they might be excepted and exempted in the accord, for being reduced under his obedience. The rest of the Embassadors had a gracious answer returned unto them. As for the Lampacians, order was given to Q. Manius the Pretor, to enter and enrol them in the number of allies. Every one of these Embassadors were rewarded with a present worth two thousand Asces. The Alabandians were appointed to carry back with them into Macedonia their shields aforesaid, and to deliver them unto A. Hostilius the Consul. Over and besides, the Carthaginian Embassadors out of Africa, made relation that they had brought from thence ten hundred thousand Modii of wheat, and five hundred thousand of barley, which they had on shipboard at the sea-side, ready to carry the same wheresoever the Senat would appoint. This benevolence of theirs they accompanied with good words, saying, they knew well that this gift and recognifance of their duty, was inferior either to their own good will, or the demerits of the people of Rome. Howbeit many times heretofore they had shewed themselves to do the part of thankful, faithful, and trusty allies, in all things tending to the profit and good of both states. In like sort the Embassadors of Masanissa promised the same proportion of corn, with 1200 horse, and twelve Elephants, assuring them in his name, to do whatsoever the Senat would impose and should be thought needfull; and that with as free an heart as the benevolence offered of his own accord. Thanks being given both to the Carthaginians and also to the King, requested they were to transport over into Macedonia to the Consul A. Hostilius, those things which they had promised. To the Embassadors were sent by way of presents, two thousand Asces apiece. The Cretenian Embassadors, related how they had sent into Macedonia such a number of Archers, as the Consul P. Licinius had imposed upon them: and when they denied not upon the question asked, that there served more Archers of theirs under Persus than with the Romans, this answer was made unto them, That if the Cretenians would well and truly and in good earnest prefer the friendship of the people of Rome before that of King Persus, the Senat of Rome likewise would give them answer as certain and assured allies: in the mean while, they should have many men to under-

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stand, that it was the will and pleasure of the Senat, that the Cretenians should with all speed possible call home all those souldiers whom they had in any garrison of King Persus. The Candians being dismissed with this dispatch, then the Chalcidians were called in: and at the very first sight of them, it soon appeared upon what terms of necessity they were driven to send an embassage: when Micion the chief man among them, by occasion that he was lame with the gout in his feet, was brought into the Senat in a litter. In which extremity diseased as he was, there was no pleading of any excuse by his infirmity, nor craving pardon, since he was to go without, when he had all done. He began by way of preface and preamble, saying, "He had nothing left alive but his tongue, for to deplore and bewail the calamities of his country: then he went forward, and first shewed what courtesies and good turns the State wherein he lived had performed to the Captains General and armies of the Romans, both of old, and also of late in the war against Persus. After this, he declared what parts of pride, covetousness, and cruelty, first C. Lucretius a Roman Pretor had exercised upon his country-men, and afterwards what L. Hortensius practised, at that time above all others: also how the Chalcidians were resolved to endure all calamities, were they more grievous than those which they presently suffered, rather than they would yield to Persus. And as for Lucretius and Hortensius, they knew full well, that it had been better and more for their safety to have shut their gates against them, than to receive them into their City. For such as had excluded them forth, as namely they of Emathia, Amphipolis, Maronea, and Aenus, remain still entire and in good estate: but with us (say they) the Temples have been robbed of all their beautiful ornaments, and utterly spoiled by these sacrileggers, C. Lucretius hath carried all away by water over to Amisus, and hath led away into bondage and captivity the persons free born, so as the goods and fortunes of the allies of the people of Rome, both have been and daily are pillaged & rifled. For according to the use & fashion brought up by C. Lucretius, Hortensius likewise, he hath his mariners as well in summer as winter, and our houses are full of a rabble of these sailors and sea-men, in such sort as our wives and children be forced to converse among such grooms as make no account at all what either they say or do. Hereupon thought good it was, to send for Lucretius into the Senat, that he might see his accuser, answer face to face, and purge himself of these challenges. But when he was come in place, he heard much more in presence, than had been spoken against him in his absence. Over and besides, there shewed themselves and joined together against him, two other more stout adversaries and bitter accusers, to wit, M. Tullius Tullus and D. A. Aufidius. And these two not only couched him before the Senat, but also having drawn him perforce into the general assembly of the people, and charged him before them with many reproaches, took out process also and arrested him to make his appearance and answer judicially at a day before the people. Then Q. Manius the Pretor, by order from the Senat, answered the Chalcidians in this manner: Whereas ye alledge and say, That ye have well deserved of the people of Rome both heretofore and also in this present war now in hand, the Senat knoweth all that to be true, and accepteth the same thankfully in the best part, as of right they ought. As touching your grievances and complaints for the lewd parts which C. Lucretius hath plaied, and which L. Hortensius still practiseth (both Pretors of Rome) the same neither have been nor are committed and done by the will and allowance of the people of Rome. For who would not judge so of it, that knoweth how they leaved war upon King Persus and his father Philip before him, for to enfranchise Greece and set it at liberty; and not that their allies and friends should thus hardly be intreated by their Magistrats and Governors sent from hence? Write therefore they would unto L. Hortensius the Pretor, to let him understand, that the Senate is not well pleased with these pranks of his which the Chalcidians complain of. Also if any free-born persons were become thrall and bound, that with all convenient speed he should take order to seek them up and restore them again to their former freedom. Last of all, that they deemed it meet and reason, that no sailor or mariner, but only the masters of ships should be lodged and entertained in your houses. And these were the contents of the letters written unto Hortensius, by commandment from the Senat. Unto the Embassadors were gifts sent, to every one as much as came to 2000 Asces. As for Micion, he was allowed his carriage in chariots at the charges of the City, and order given that he should with all ease ride in them to Brundisium. As for C. Lucretius, when the day of appearance was come, the Tribuns commended an action against him before the people, to be a fined at a million of Asces. And in a general assembly and Session holden for this purpose, cast he was and condemned by the suffrages of all the tribes, even thirty five and no fewer.

In Liguria no memorable exploit was that year performed: for neither the enemies entered into arms, nor the Consul led his legions into their country: and when he was assured of peace for that year, he discharged the souldiers of two Roman legions, within 60 daies after his first coming into the Province. As for the army of the Latine allies, he brought it early into the Cities of Luna and Pisa there to winter: and then himself with the cavalry visited most of the Cities in the Province of Gaul.

In no place was there any war but in Macedonia: howbeit they had in suspicion Gentius and the King of the Illyrians. Therefore the Senat ordained to send from Brundisium eight ships ready rigged and fully furnished, unto the Lieutenant C. Furius at Issa, who was Governor of the Island with the guard and strength of two Italian Vessels: in which were put aboard and shipped 2000 souldiers, which Q. Manius the Pretor by a warrant directed out of the Senat, enrolled in that quarter of Italy which lieth opposite to Illyrium. In like manner the Consul Hostilius sent

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*Appius Claudius* into *Ibrycum* with four thousand footmen, for to defend the people in that parts: who not content with those forces of his own which he had brought with him thither, demanded here and there aids and succours of the allies, until he had put in arms eight thousand men of divers and sundry nations. And after he had made his progress through all that region, he set him down and rested at *Lichnidum* a City of the *Dassaretians*. Not far from thence there stood a frontier Town called *Ucana*, and for the most part ranged under the obedience of *Perseus*. There were within it one thousand citizens, and a small garrison of *Crenetians* for their better safeguard and defence. From thence there came to *Claudius* secret courriers, advertising him, that if he would approach neerer with his army, there would be some ready at hand to betray the Town into his hands: and worth the adventure it was (say they) and would quit for all the pains: for able it was with pillage to enrich not himself and his friends only, but also all his soldiers. The hope of this cheat, sitting so well his covetous humour, so blinded his spirit and understanding, that he had not the sense to keep with him any one of those countries that came unto him, nor the wisdom to demand hostages for assurance of his enterprise, which was to be accomplished by stealth and fraud, nor yet the foresight to send out scouts and spies, or so much reason and mother-wit as to require their oath and bond of faithful promise. Only at the day appointed he departed from *Lichnidum*, and within twelve miles of that City toward which he went, he encamped. Then by night at the relief of the fourth watch, he removed and set forward, leaving behind him a regiment of a thousand, for the guard of the camp. At length to the City they came, dispersed in a long train, marching nothing close, but far asunder loosely one from another and scattered, by reason that in the night season they went many of them out of the way. This negligence of theirs was the more, when they saw no man appearing upon the walls: but so soon as they were approached within a darts cast, the inhabitants issued forth at once out of 2 gates and together with the shout of them that sallied forth, a mighty noise and outcry besides arose from the walls, of women howling, yelling, and ringing brazen bassons and bells on every hand: besides, the confused multitude of the base people and bond-slaves together, set up most hideous and dissonant cries. These manifold terrors presented from all parts, were the cause that the Romans could not abide and stand out the first tempest and violent storm, as it were, of their fury and charge. Down they went therefore, and were slain more in flight than fight; and scarce 2000 men with the Lieutenant himself, escaped and recovered the camp: for the longer way they had thither, the more means and opportunity had the enemies to chase and overtake a great number of them, wearied upon the way. *Appius* stayed not so long in the camp, until he had rallied those that were dispersed in the rout, (which had been the only way to have saved those that were straggled in the fields) but immediately retired with the broken reliques of his army after this overthrow, to *Lychnidum*. This infelicity and such other like misfortunes hapning in *Macedony*, were made known at *Rome*, by occasion of *Sex. Digitius* a Colonel, who was returned home for to celebrate a solemn sacrifice. In regard whereof, the LL. of the Senat fearing to receive some greater ignominy and dishonour, addressed Embassadors unto *Macedony*, *M. Fulvius Flaccus* and *M. Cavinus Rebutus*, to make a true report upon their knowledge how the world went there. Also that *A. Hostilius*, the Consul should publish the assembly general for the election of Consuls, so as it might be holden in the month of *January*; and then repair himself with all convenient speed to the City. In the mean time, *M. Retius* the Pretor had in charge, by virtue of an edict, to call home into the City all Senators from every quarter of *Italy*, unless such as were absent about the affairs of the state: also to give sight warning to them who now were at *Rome*, not to absent themselves farther than a mile from the City. These things were done according to the advice of the Senat. So the grand assembly for the election of the Consuls, was holden the 23 day of *August*; wherein were created Consuls, *Q. Martius Philippus* the second time, and *Q. Servilius Capio*. Three daies after, the Pretors also were chosen, namely, *Caius Decimius*, *M. Claudius Marcellus*, *M. Sulpicius Gallus*, *C. Marius Figulus*, *Ser. Cornelius Lentulus*, and *P. Ponticus Capito*. Unto these Pretors elect, besides the two charges within the City of civil jurisdiction, these four provinces and governments were assigned, *Sci. Spain*, *Sardania*, *Sicily*, and the admiralty of the navy.

At the very end of *February*, the Embassadors aforesaid returned out of *Macedony*: who recounted the acts achieved, fortunately by *Perseus* the summer past, and in how great fear the allies of the people of *Rome* stood, after so many Cities reduced under the obedience of the King. Moreover, that the Consul his army was diminished of men, by reason that so many of them made friends to be discharged, and so forsook our had their pass-port and were dismissed: the fault here, the Consul laid upon the military Tribuns or Colonels, and they again upon him. The LL. of the Senat perceived well, that they made but light of the shameful loss received by the inconsiderate rashness of *Claudius*, in saying, That there were but very few soldiers lost of the Italian nation, and those for the most part taken up in haste and enrolled on a sudden. The Consuls elect, so soon as they entered into their magistracy, were commanded to propound unto the Senat concerning the Province of *Macedony*, and to them were assigned the governments of *Italy* and *Macedony*. This year was leap-year, and the third day after the feast *Terminalia*, was the day intercalated between, which hapned upon the calends [of *March*.] Within the compass of that year certain Priests, to wit, *Z. Flaminius*, and two Pontifices or Bishops, *L. Furius Phylus*, and *C. Livius Salinator*, departed this life. The college of these Pontifices, elected *T. Manlius Torquatus* in stead of *Furius*, and *Martius Servilius* in the room of *Livius*.

A. In the beginning of the year next following, after that the new Cons. *Q. Martius* and *Q. Servilius*, had moved in the Senat as touching their provinces, advised it was, That with all speed possible they should either agree between themselves, or else cast lots for the governments in *Italy* and in *Macedony*. And before that the lots determined this matter so doubtful and uncertain, to the end that nothing afterwards should be done for favour partially, thought good it was, to ordain before hand a competent and sufficient number of soldiers for the supplement of the armies in both Provinces; namely, for *Macedony* 6000 footmen of Romans, and as many of Latine allies: 250 horsemen Romans, and 300 allies: also to call the old soldiers, so as in every Roman legion there should not be above 6000 foot and 300 horse. As for the other Consul, he was not gaged with any certain sort of Roman citizens, to be levied for the full accomplishment of his legions. B. This was determinately set down, That he should enrol two legions, and either of them to contain 5200 foot and 200 horse: but for footmen of Latins, he had a greater number allowed than his colleague; namely, 10000 foot and 600 horse. Moreover, commandment was given to enrol four legions more, to be led forth into the field, upon what need and occasion soever should fall out. The Marshal-Colonels of the army the Consuls might not be permitted to elect; but created they were by the people. The allies of the Latine nation were enjoined to set out sixteen thousand foot and a thousand horse. And this power was only to be in a readines at any hours warning, for to be led forth as occasion should be offered. Their principal care was about *Macedony*. Ordained also it was, That for the service at Sea, there should be enrolled to serve the navy, of the Roman citizens (such as were libertines and newly enfranchised) out of all parts of *Italy* one thousand, and as many out of *Sicily*. And unto whether of the Consuls the Province of *Macedony* fell, he should give order for their transporting thither, to the armada wheresoever it was; For *Spain* there were three thousand Roman footmen and three hundred horsemen appointed to make up the decayed bands: There also, a certain number was set down for every legion, to wit, five thousand foot and three hundred and thirty horse. Moreover, that Consul whose lot was to govern in *Spain*, had commission to levy of the allies four thousand footmen, and three hundred horse.

I am not ignorant, that from the same prophane negligence and irreligion, whereby commonly men now adies are of belief, that the Gods portend and fore-signe nothing to come by signs and tokens: it proceedeth also, that no prodigies which happen, should any more, either be published and reported abroad, or recorded in the annals and chronicles. Howbeit, for mine own part, in writing of these acts and monuments of ancient times, I know not how, but me thinks I carry a mind, that is become (as it were) antique also; yea, and some scrupulous devotion arieth in my spirit, which moveth me to account the things not unworthy to have place in my histories, which those fage fathers and most prudent perages in old time thought meet to be considered of by the State, yea, and to require publick expiation. Well, to proceed, from *Anagnum* were two fearful sights reported that year, namely, That aburning and blazing flame was seen in the skie; and a cow known to speak kept and nourished at the publick charges. At *Minerva* also much about those daies, the welkin seemed to be on a light fire. At *Reate* there fell a shower that rained stones. In the streets at *Cumes* the image of *Apollo* wept three daies and three nights continually. In the City of *Rome*, two sextons or keepers of the Temples made report, the one, That in the Church of *Fortuna* there was a Serpent seen by many men, crested with a mane: the other, That about the Chappel of *Fortuna Primigenia*, which standeth upon the Capitol hill, there hapned two divers and different prodigious signs, namely, That in the Chappel-yard there sprung up a palm-tree; and all one day it rained blood. Two other strange things there were, whereof there was no regard nor account made: the first, because it chanced in a privat place; for *T. Manlius Figulus* reported, That there grew up a palm or date-tree in his court-yard; the second, because it hapned in a tofrain place; for spoken it was, That at *Fregella* in the house of *M. Atrius*, a lance or spear, which he had bought for his son a souldier, burned in the day time for two hours space and more, yea so, as the fire consumed nothing thereof. In regard of those publick prodigies, the Decemvirs had recourse to the books of *Sibylla*, who out of them declared, That the Consuls should sacrifice forty head of greater beasts, and they shewed also to what Gods. They added moreover and gave advice to hold a publick procession, and that all the Magistrats at every shrine and upon every altar of the Gods should sacrifice greater beasts, and the people wear garlands and chaplets of flowers. All things were executed accordingly, as the Decemvirs suggested and directed.

After this, the assembly was published for the choosing of Censors. In election there were for this dignity of Censorship, the very principal persons and of best note in all the City, *C. Valerius Maximus*, *L. Posthumius Albinus*, *P. Minius Scaevola*, *C. Junius Brutus*, *C. Claudius Pulcher*, and *Tib. Sempronius Gracchus*. These two last rehearsed the people of *Rome* choose for Censors, When as by occasion of the Macedonian war, a greater care was had about the taking of musers, than at other times before, the Consuls found much fault with the common people, and complained unto the Senat, that they yong and able men for service being called, would not answer to their names. But *C. Sulpicius* and *M. Claudius* two Tribuns of the Commons, maintained the cause against them in the behalf of the Commons, saying, That it was no hard and difficult matter for Consuls to levy souldiers: many for corrupt, affectionate and popular Consuls, it was not so easy a thing, and namely, such as would be sure to enrol no souldiers against their wills. And to the end that the LL. of the Senate might know this to be a truth, they should see the Pretors (if the Senate were

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end of Febru-  
ary the last  
month of the  
year, as appea-  
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veteris fuit ul-  
timum anni. Tu  
quoque sacro-  
rum, Termin-  
us, fuit eras.

\* Cum prius  
genitis sacris  
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good to the  
first born. Ter-  
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\* The civil Pretors within the City were allowed but two Licitors, and the provincial abroad in forrain parts not above six apiece, whereupon Fulvius calleth a Pretor *legatus*, whereas each Consul had every where twelve.

so content, and thought well thereof) whose power of command and authority of government was \* less than the Consuls, to go through with the musters without expectation. So that charge was committed to the Pretors with the great assent of the Senators, but not without some backbiting and detraction of the Consuls. And the Censors for to assist and set forward that affair, made it known, and protested in the full assembly of the people, that they would publish an extraordinary oath of all citizens, they should swear to these points in this form following: *Art thou unwilling to die six and forty years of age?* then by vertue of the edict made by the Censors *C. Claudius* and *Tib. Sympronius*, come forth and shew thy self at the musters so often as there shall be any levy taken: and what Censors soever shall happen to be in place, thou shalt appear and be enrolled, in case thou wert not a prett soldier before. Moreover, because the voice went that many soldiers of the Macedonian legions were absent from the army, and had obtained large passports without limitation of return, and that through the corruption and favour of the Generals, they published an edict as touching the soldiers enrolled for *Macedony*, when *P. Atilius* and *C. Popilius* were Consuls, or any time after. That as many of them as remained within *Italy*, after they were enrolled and registred first under their hands, should within thirty daies repair again to their colours into the province: and whosoever of them were at the disposition of father or grandfire, their names should be presented and declared before them. Semblably, they would take knowledge of their causes who were clean dismissed and cast: and look whomsoever they judged to have obtained their discharge by any special grace and favour, before they had served out their full time by law required, they would command them to be enrolled soldiers again. By vertue of this edict of the Censors, as also by their letters sent out and divulged abroad in all incorporat Towns and places of resort for market and merchandise, there assembled together and came to *Rome* such a multitude of lusty, yong, and able men, that their unusual and extraordinary number was chargeable and cumbersome to the City. Thus besides the former levy taken of those that were to be sent and employed in supply of the old armies, four legions more were enrolled by *C. Sulpitius* the Pretor, and within eleven daies the musters were accomplished and ended.

Then the Consuls cast lots for their provinces. For the Pretors had their governments allotted unto them before, and the sooner, by reason of the civil causes which required their jurisdictions. The one over the citizens was slain to *C. Sulpitius*, the other over forrainers to *C. Decimus*. *M. Claudius Marcellus* obtained the regiment of *Spain*, *Serg. Cornelius Lentulus* of *Sicily*, *P. Pontius* the *Capito* ruled *Sardinia*, *C. Martius Figulus* had the conduct of the navy. And then, I say, to *Q. Servilius* one of the Consuls fell the government of *Italy*, and to *Q. Martius* the other of *Macedony*. This *Martius* so soon as the Latine feasts were solemnized, departed toward his province immediately. After this, upon the motion of *Capito* to the Senat to know their pleasure, which two legions of the new he should conduct into *Gaul*? the LL. ordained, That the Pretors *C. Sulpitius* and *M. Claudius* should give unto the Consul, which it pleased them of those legions that they had enrolled. This he took to the heart, that he a Consul was thus subjected to the will of the Pretors: yet after the Senat was risen, he stood waiting at the Tribunal of the Pretors, and required them according to the order let down by the Senat, to assign him his two legions. But the Pretors submitted the choice thereof to the Col. himself. This done, the Censors took a review of the Senat and chose new Senators; and *M. Aemilius Lepidus* was elected president of the Senat: and these were the third Senators that made choice of him, consequently one after another. Seven were displaced and deposed from their Senators dignity. Now in taking the number of the people, and in assenting them, they compelled to return into *Macedony* those who were departed from the army there: and by means of this assentment, they soon knew who were absent from their companies: they examined them for what causes they were discharged from soldiery: and whole licence they judged not to be grounded of good and sufficient reason, those they forced to take the military oath again in this manner and form: According to the edict of *C. Claudius* and *Tib. Sempronius* the Censors, thou shalt well and truly swear, to return willingly and with all thine heart, into the province of *Macedony*; and this shalt thou do to thy power without fraud or covin. In making the review of them that served on horseback, their censure was executed with great rigour and extremity. They took from many their horses of service: upon which occasion having given offence to the whole estate of Knigits and Gentlemen of *Rome*, they blew the coals and kindled the fire of ill-will and heart-burning against themselves: by a certain edict of theirs besides, whereby they intimated, That none of them who in time that *Q. Fulvius* and *Au. Posthumius* the Censors had taken to arm the revenues, fruits and profits of the City, or undertaken at a price the publick works and provisions, should be so hardy as to present themselves to their spear let, either to be farmers or undertakers, nor, nor to be partners, or have any thing to do with those that were in such negotiation, commerce and bargain. The old Publicans and farmers had oftentimes complained hereof to the Senat: but when they could obtain no comfort from them, to moderate and abridge this infinite power of the Censors, at length they met with a Tribune of the Commons, one *Rutilius*, to stand with them and defend their cause: a man who upon a particular and private quarrel of his own was offended and bare a grudge against the Censors. And this was the occasion: They had commanded one of his late vassals and enfranchised retainers, to pull down a wall standing in the street *Sacra* over against a publick edifice; pretending that the said wall was built upon the City ground. The man a private person, called unto the

A the Tribunes for their lawful help and favour: but when as none of them all but only this *Rutilius* would meddle in the matter and interpose their helping hand, the Censors lent to strain and take gages for to bind him to answer the cause, and before the body of the people intended an action against him, and set a grievous fine upon the head of that party aforesaid. By means I say of this debate begun upon such an occasion, when as the old publicans betook themselves for succour to this Tribune, presently there was a bill preferred and published with the name of the said Tribune alone, in this form, That what publick revenues and profits of the State, *C. Claudius* and *T. Sempronius* had to farm let for a rent, or what publick works and provisions they had put out to be made and purveyed at a price, the same leases and bargains should not stand forgoed but be cancelled, and new demises drawn and made. Also that it might be lawful for all men indifferently either to be farmers or undertakers of the premises. And the said Tribune assigned a day for a general assembly and session, to have this bill to be cast by the voices of the people. When the day was come, the Censors advanced and put themselves forward to disswade and plead against the bill. So long as *Gracchus* spoke, he was heard with patience and silence. But at *Claudius*, when he opened his mouth, they hissed and kept a muttering, so as he was forced by an oice made by the crier to procure audience: which being made, the Tribune found himself grieved and complained, that the people there assembled were withdrawn and called away from him, to the prejudice of his authority and honour, and with that flang out of the Capitol where this assembly was holden. The next day he kept a great coil and made a flourish: first, he interdicted the goods of *Tib. Gracchus* as condemned and accursed, for that in setting a fine, and streining gages of him, who had appealed to a Tribune, and in not obeying and confederating to his opposition, he seemed to set light by his Tribunes authority, and prejudice his reputation. As for *C. Claudius*, he arrested him to answer at a day, for that he had withdrawn the assembly from him: nay, he protested that he would indite both the Censors of treason or felony in the highest degree, and required of *Sulpitius* Pretor for the citizens, a day of assizes for their judicial trial. The Censors refused not to have this matter put to an issue with all speed, and to be tried by the doom of the people. So the time for the hearing and determining of this hainous crime of majesty or treason aforesaid, was assigned the \* daies immediately before the eight and seventh calends of *October*. Upon this, the Censors incontinently ascended up into the Porch of *Liberty*: where after they had made sure and sealed the publick Registers and Records, shut up and locked all the offices of the Chancery, and discharged for the time the publick Clerks and proto-Notaries attending upon that Court, they protested that they would not go in hand with any publick affairs of state, before the sentence and judgment of the people were passed upon them. The day came, and *Claudius* first pleaded his own cause and spake for himself: and when of twelve Centuries that were of Gentlemen, eight had found the Censor guilty and cast him, yea and many other centuries of the first *Classis*. Then presently, the principal persons of the City in the very sight of the people, changed their weed, laid away their rings, and went about from one to another in humble manner, to crave the commons to be good unto the Censors. But that which most of all either flaid or reversed the definitive doom against him, was (by report) *Tib. Gracchus* himself the other Censor: for that when the commons cried from all parts, that there was no danger growing toward *Gracchus*, he swore by exprels words, That if his colleague were condemned, he would (without attending the judgment of the people as touching himself) accompany him into banishment. Howbeit the defendant and accused person, was driven to this next point and hard exigent of extremity, that he came within eight centuries of being cast and condemned. Thus when *Claudius* was acquit, the Tribune said he would not trouble and molest *Gracchus*.

This year at the earnest suit of the Aquileian Embassadors unto the Senat, for to have the number of their colonies increased: a shoulard and five hundred families (by vertue of a decree granted out of the Senate) were enrolled: and for the conducting of them to *Aquileia*, were sent as Triumvirs or commissioners these three, to wit, *T. Annius Lufcius*, *P. Decius Subulo*, and *M. Cornelius Cethegus*. The same year *C. Popilius* and *Cn. Octavius* Embassadors, who had been sent into *Greece*, having first read and published at *Thebes* the act and ordinance of the Senat, carried it afterwards throughout all the Cities of *Peloponnesus*, to this effect, That no person should contribute toward the wars, and put into the hands of the Roman Magistrates, more than that which the Senat had set down. This put them in good hope and assurance for the future time, that they should be eased of those charges and expences, by which they were impoverished and wasted, whilst every one imposed upon them (some taxation or other, and never gave them repose. In the Achian general council holden at *Argos*, they had audience given them and were heard in gracious sort: from whence leaving this most loyal and faithful nation in singular good hope of happy estate for the time to come, they passed into *Stolia*. There was as yet no sedition broken out there: but all were in jealousy and suspicion one of another, and full of natural accusations: in regard of which jars and troubles, the Embassadors only demanded hostages, and without any other end made, went directly into *Acarnania*. The Acarnanians granted unto these Embassadors a Diet to be holden at *Tyrrheum*: where some debate was between the partakers of divers factions. Some principal men of the States, required that there should be garritons received into their Cities, to bridle the wilfull folly of those that inclined to the Macedonian nation: others gainfild this course, and besought the contrary, for fear lest that peaceable and

\* in acte 8 & 7 Calendas *Octoberis*, that is, the 23 and 24 of September.



confederat Cities should be put to receive that disgrace and dishonor, which usually fall upon known enemies and those that are conquered by force of arms. And this request was reputed just. Then the Embassadors returned to *Larissa* unto *Hofitius* the Pro-consul, for from him they were employed in embassy. *Offavins* he retained still with him: but *Popilius* together with a tooo souldiers or very neer, he sent to *Ambracia*, there to lodge for the wintertime.

*Perseus* in the beginning of winter durst not go forth of the frontiers of *Macedony*, for fear lest the Romans would invade with violence his realm in some place or other, if they found it void and disurnished. But toward the mids of *December* about mid-winter, when by reason of the deep snow the mountains are unpassable and unseparable from out of *Theffaly*, thinking he had then a fit season and opportunity to cut off the hopes and break the hearts of the neighbor-borders, that when he should be averted another way and buied in the Roman war, he might be secured of danger from them: considering that from the parts of *Thracia* he had peace with *Carys*, and likewise from *Epirus* side (by the means of *Cephalus*, who suddainly of late was revolted from the Romans;) moreover having newly vanquished the *Dardaniens* in war; and seeing only that quarter to infect and annoy *Macedony*, which regardeth and affronteth *Illyricum*; and that the *Illyrian*: also were not quiet and at peace, but ready to give entrance unto the Romans; but if he had subdued and tamed those *Illyrians* which were next unto him, then King *Gentius* also, who a long time hung between in doubtful terms, might be induced & drawn wholly into society with him: he resolved at length, and with ten thousand footmen heavily armed, whereof part were *Phalangites*, and other two thousand lightly appointed; and five hundred horse, he made a rode and presented his forces before *Stuberæ*: from whence after he had provided himself of corn to serve for many daies; and given order that the ordinance and engines of battery should follow after: at the third daies end he lodged neer *Ulciana*, the head City of all that Land *Penestis*. But before that he offered any assault, he sent certain of purpose to found and solicit the affections, one while of the *Captains* of the garrison, and another while of the Townsmen. Now there lay within the City, together with the manhood and youth of the *Illyrians*, a garrison also of the Romans. And when he saw that they brought no news of any peaceable dealing from thence, he began to bend his forces against them, and assaid to invest them round about, and so to force the City. And albeit both night and day without any rest and intermission, they pressed upon the inhabitants, and evermore one succeeded another; whiles some reared ladders against the walls, others threw balls of fire against the gates, yet the defendants of the City held out and endured that furious and violent tempest: because they hoped that neither the *Macedonians* lying abroad were able any long time to endure the rigor of the cold winter; nor the King on the other side could have so much releafe and relaxation from the Roman war, as to stay there and make his abode. But after they perceived once the mantilets approach, and the frames of turrets and fabricks erected, their performance was over-matched & they began to relent. For besides that in plain force they were the weaker and not able to resist, distressed also they were for want of corn, neither had they store of any other provision, as being taken on a suddain, and looking for nothing less than siege at such a time of the year. Therefore when they were past all hope to be able any longer to resist, *C. Calpurnius Spolentinus* and *C. Afranius* were sent from the Roman garrison, to crave of *Perseus*, first that he would permit them to depart in their arms, and to carry with them their bag and baggage: secondly, if they might not obtain so much, that he would but give them assurance of life and liberty. The King was more free and liberal to promise, than fast and faithful to perform. For after he had commanded them to go forth and carry with them what was their own: the first thing that he did was to disarm them and take away their weapons. \* \* \* They were not so soon departed out of the Town, but both the company of the *Illyrians*, to the number of 500 men, and also the inhabitants of *Ulciana* rendered themselves and their City, *Perseus* when he had put a garrison in *Ulciana*, led away the whole multitude of the yielded Townsmen (and those were well-neer as many in number as his own army) and transported them to *Stuberæ* where after he had lent the Romans (all besides their *Captains*) who were 4000 fighting men, into sundry cities to be kept in ward, and sold the *Ulcianians* and *Illyrians*: he led his army back into *Penestis*, intending to be master of *Olenus*: a Town seated otherwife commodiously, and withal it is the very key and highway that openeth passage into the country of the *Libetis*; within the realm of King *Gentius*, and where he kept his roial state. As he passed by a strong borough-Town well inhabited, named *Draucum*, one about him that was well acquainted with the coasts of that country put into his head, that bootless it was and to no purpose to win *Olenus*, unless he had *Draucum* also in his hands, as being a Town situate more commodiously in all respects. Whereupon he advanced forward, and so soon as ever he presented his army before it, incontinently all the inhabitants submitted and yielded. Being much animated and encouraged with this surrender of theirs, which they made far sooner than he hoped or looked for: after that he perceived how terrible this redoubled army of his was, all the way as he marched he brought under his subjection eleven other Castles and strong holds, upon the like fear that they were put into. Violence he used against very few of them: the rest yielded willingly: wherein were taken 2500 Roman souldiers, placed there in several garrisons. In great heed and to very good use served *Carvilius Spolentinus* in all their parties, who evermore gave it out that there had been no cruelty nor rigor exercised upon him and his fellows. At length the King came before *Olenus*, which could not possibly be won without a set and full siege. For the Town had far more youth and able men

A men within it then the rest, was fortified with a strong wall about it, and defended of the one side with the river called *Aratus*, and of the other with an exceeding high hill, and the same of hard and difficult access. All these things considered, the townsmen were in good hope to be able for to make resistance. *Perseus*, having entrenched the town and cast a rampier round about it, began likewise to raise a terrace & mount from the upper part thereof, to that height as might surmount and over-top the walls. But during the time that this peece of work was in hand and brought to perfection, a great number of the inhabitants within were consumed by divers and sundry adventures, whiles they skirmished oft and sallied forth, endeavouring both to defend their own walls, and also to empach the fabricks and devices of their enemies. And those that remained alive, what with toillome labour night and day, and what with many a wound, were past all service and good for nothing. So soon as the terrace and mount afore said was raised close unto the wall, both the Kings cohort (whom they call *Nicomers*) mounted up into it, and also with ladders the assault was given unto the City in many places at once. All that were above fourteen yeers old he put to the sword: their wives and small children he cast into prison. The rest of the booty and pillage fell to the souldiers share. As he returned from thence with victory to *Stuberæ*, he sent as Embassadors unto *Gentius*, *Pleuratus* the *Illyrian* (a banished person who sojourned with him) and *Apuleus* a *Macedonian* of *Berrhaa*. Them he gave in charge to declare unto *Gentius*, what he had achieved against the Romans and *Dardaniens* the summer past, together with the late exploits performed in that winter expedition; and withal to persuade the King, for to be knit in amity with him and the *Macedonians*. These Embassadors having transmounted the top of the hill *Sordus* and travelled the wilds and woods of *Illyricum*, which the *Macedonians* of purpose had laid waste and desert, to the end, that the *Dardaniens* might have no easy passage either into *Illyricum* or *Macedony* after much pain and travell they arrived in the end at *Scodra*. Now was *K. Gentius* at *Lissus*, and thither were the Embassadors sent for, where they delivered their message with gracious audience: but they went away with an answer to no effect; namely, that he wanted no will, and his heart was good enough to war upon the Romans; but his coffers were empty, and he lacked money especially, to go in hand and enterprise that which he desired. This answer they related unto King *Perseus* at *Stuberæ*, at what time as he was most busie in selling of his captives taken in *Illyricum*. Then forthwith were the same Embassadors addressed again unto him, accompanied with *Glaucias* one of the Kings guard and squire of his body, without any mention made of money, and that was the only means to induce the bare and needy barbarous Prince to levy war. After this, *Perseus* attacked the City *Aeneira*, and once again reduced his army into *Penestis* country, and having strengthened the garrisons in *Vlciana*, and in all the forts and peeces about it, he returned into *Macedony*.

*L. Calpurnius* a Roman lieutenant, lay in guard for the defence and rule of *Illyricum*, who durst not stir so long as King *Perseus* was in those quarters; but in the end after his departure, he endeavored to recover *Vlciana* in the *Penestis* country, but was repulsed from thence by the garrison of the *Macedonians* there, and carried away nothing but many a dry knock and bloody wound, & so retired with his force to *Lychnidum*: from whence, some few daies after, he sent *M. Trebellius Fregellanus* into the *Penestis* country, with a strong power, for to receive hostages of those Cities who faithfully had persisted in amity & friendship. He commanded him also to go forward to the *Partins* (for they likewise had covenanted to put in pledges) for that of both these nations, the said hostages might be gotten without any stir and trouble. The hostages of the *Penestis* were sent to *Apollonia*, but those of the *Partins* to *Dyrrbachium*, which in those daies was more usually called by the Greeks *Epidamnus*.

*App. Claudius*, desirous to raise out the blemish and make amends for the dishonour received in *Illyricum*, let in hand to assault *Phanotes* a sort of *Epirus*, having brought thither with him the *Arthimans* and *Theoprotians* (over and above the Roman army) to the number of 6000 men; but he got nothing there but travell for his paines, by reason that the place was valiantly defended by *Cleus*, left there with a strong garrison by *K. Perseus*. *Perseus* likewise made an expedition to *Elymea*, and after he had taken a solemne survey of his army about it, he conducted his power to *Stratus* at the request of the *Epirots*, near the *Stratus* then, was the strongest City of *Ætolia*. Situated it is upon the gulf of *Ambracia*, neer the river *Achelous*: he advanced thither with 10000 foot & not above 300 horse of them he took the fewer with him in number, by reason of the treight passages and rugged waies. Being come at the third daies end so far as to the mount *Citus*, after he had with much difficulty passed over it, the snow lay so deep, that hardly and with much ado could he find a convenient place to encamp in. From thence he returned, more for that he could not there abide and remain, then for any intolerable way and weather he met withal in his march and journey forward: so with passing great travell and trouble, of his beasts especially, the second day he arrived at the temple of *Jupiter* called *Niceus*, and there lodged. Then after he had taken an exceeding long journey, he abode at the river *Arachthys*, being staid there by reason of the deep water: during which time, he made a bridge over and transported his forces; and when he was gone a daies journey onward, he encountered on the way *Archidamus* a principall person of the *Ætolians*, by whose means the City of *Stratus* was to be delivered up unto him. And that day he lodged upon the frontiers of *Ætolia*: from whence next morrow he journeyed as far as *Stratus*, where having encamped neer the river *Achelous*, he looked that the *Ætolians* would run out unto him by heaps at all their gates, to yield themselves to his protection: but in

stead thereof he found their gates shut & garisons of the Romans received into the City that very night when he came, together with the lieutenant C. Popilius. For the chief of the City (who induced and enforced by the authority of Archidamus while he was present in place, had lent for the K.) became more slack and negligent, by occasion that Archidamus was gone forth to meet with him, and thereby gave advantage and opportunity to the adverse faction, to send for Popilius with a 1000 footmen from *Ambraeia*. In very fit time and to right good purpose came *Dinarchus*, also a captain of the *Ætolian* Cavalry, accompanied with 600 foot and a 100 horse. Known it was for certain, that he marched toward *Syracusa*, as intending to band and take part with *Perseus*; but changing his mind together with the turning of fortune, he joyined with the Romans, and banded against him for whom he set out at the first. Neither was Popilius, among these waverings and inconstant spirits, more secured then he should be; and therefore incontinently got the keys of the gates into his hands, and possessed himself of the guard of the walls. And for *Dinarchus* and the *Ætolians*, together with the youth and able men of *Syracusa*, he bestowed them all in the torresse, under a colour of guarding the same. *Perseus*, having assaied to parly with them from the his which commanded the higher part of the City, finding them perverle and obstinate, and seeing them ready to set him farther off with shot of their darts, encamped five miles off from the City, beyond the river *Prætorius*. There he called a councell; in which, *Archidamus* together with the revolts and renegats of the Epirots, exhorted him there to sojourn and continue: but the captains of the Macedonians contrariwise were of advice that there was no striving with that troublefome and dangerous lealon of the year, considering their provisions were not ready; and the assaiens were like looner to feel the laciacy and want thereof, then the defendants: in regard whereof, and especially for the enemies wintred not far from thence, he dislodged and removed to *Aperantia*. The *Aperantians* by reason of great credit of *Archidamus* among them, received him with a generall consent. And the same *Archidamus* was made captain there over a garriion of 800 souldiers. And so the King returned into *Macedony*, with lesse trouble both of his men and beatts, then he came thither. Howbeit the bruit blown abroad, that *Perseus* led his forces against *Syracusa*, caused *Appius* to levy his siege from before *Phanotis*. And *Cleus* with a brave regiment of lully men well appointed, followed hard after him, and at the foot of the hills which were almost unpaisable: but few well-neer a 1000 of them as they marched heavily ward, and took prisoners above 200. After that *Appius* was passed through streights & come into the plain called *Eteon*, he lay encamped there some few daies: mean while *Cleus*, accompanied with *Philoftratus*, the chief commander of the Epirots, passed over into the territory of *Anisigenes*. The Macedonians went about to rob and spoil: but *Philoftratus* with his cohort set him down in a wait, under a covert and hidden place for the purpose. And when as those of *Anisigenes* issued forth in arms & charged upon the foragers as they ranged over the fields, and dispersed in stragling-wise, pursuing them too eagerly in their flight, they chanced to engage themselves over far within the valley where the enemies lay in ambush: and there to the number of a 1000 of them lost their lives, and almost a 100 were taken prisoners. And so the enemies having sped well in all their enterprizes, removed their camp close to that of *Appius*, to the end that the Roman army might do no violence and outrage upon their friends and allies. Thus *Appius* spending the time in these parts to no purpose, and doing no good after he had discharged the companies of the Chironians, & as many of the Epirots as were with him, returned in *Thyrræum* with his Italian souldiers: and when he had distributed them among the confederat Cities of the Parthyriens, there to winter, returned himself to *Rome*: by occasion of a certain solem sacrifice, *Perseus* sent to *Cassandria* for to lie in garriion there, a 1000 foot and 200 horse, whom he had caused to come again out of the country of the Penellins. And they that returned from *Genius* related him the same long from him, yet never rested he nor gave over to tempt and importune him, sending Embassadors after Embassadors unto him, knowing right-well, that in him rested great importance: yet could not by any means possible bring the man to expend ought and to be at any charge, in a matter every way of great consequence.

## The four and fortieth Book Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the four and fortieth Book.

Quintus Marius Philippus passing through wilds and woods, entered into Macedony and surprised many Cities. The Thracians sent Embassadors to Rome, threatening to aid Perseus, unless the people of Rome would conclude peace and contract amity with him: whereat was taken great scorn and disdain. Now when the charge of this war was committed to L. Æmilius Paulus the Consul now the second time for the year following, Paulus before the publicke assembly of the people prayed unto the gods, that all infelicity and cursed fortune coming towards the people of Rome, might be

Averted from thence, and light upon his own house. And so having taken a voyage into Macedony, vanquished Perseus and subdued all Macedony. A little before he should strike a battell, C. Sulpitius Gallus a Martial Colonel, fore-warned the army that they should not wonder & be troubled in mind at the eclipse of the moon which was to happen the next night following. In like sort *Genius* the King, of the *Illyrians* having entered again into arms, was overcome in battell by *Antiochus* the Pretor: and having submitted himself to him, was with his wife, children and kindred, sent to Rome. From *Alexandria* arrived the Embassadors of *Cleopatra* and *Ptolemus* King and Queen of *Ægypt*, complaining of *Antiochus* King of *Syria*, for that he warred upon them. *Perseus* having solicited *Eumenes* King of *Pergamus*, and *Genius* King of the *Illyrians* to aid him, was abandoned, for that he made not true payment of money according to his promise.

## The four and fortieth Book of T. Livius.

In the beginning of that spring which immediately followed the winter wherein these occurrences hapned, Q. Marius Philippus the Consul came to *Brundisium* with five thousand men, whom he intended to transport over the seas for the supply of his legions. And M. *Peplus* (one who had been Consul) and other brave gallants of noble parentage as well as himself, followed after the Consul to be martial Tribunes in the Macedonian legions. Also about the same time C. *Marius Figulus* the Pretor, and Admirall of the navy, repaired to *Brundisium*. Who weighing anchor, looked to sea from *Italy* together, and arrived the next day at *Cospha*; but the morrow after that, they put within *Albanum*, an haven of *Acarnania*. From thence the Consul set sail for *Ambraeia*, where he disembarked and travelled by land to *Thessaly*. But the Pretor having doubled the point of *Leucas*, entered the gulf of *Corinth*; leaving his vessels at *Crusista*, journeyed likewise by land to *Chalcis* unto the naval forces, making such expedition that he crossed through the midst of *Bœotia* in one day. At the same time A. *Hofitimus* lay encamped in *Thessaly*, near to *Palepharsalus*. Who albeit he had performed no memorable exploit of warlike feats, yet he had reclaimed his souldiers from all licentious looseness, wherewith they were corrupted, and ranged them within good order of discipline. Also by his faithful corsage in government, he had entertained and kept the love of the allies still, yea, and protected them from all manner of wrong and injury. Now when he was advertised of the arrival of his successor, he assembled with all diligence his forces both men and horse, & gathered together all armor, as well offensive as defensive, and so with a brave army right well appointed, he went forth to meet the Consul upon the way. As their fit encounter and meeting was honourable, and befitting as well their own reputation as the great estate of the Roman name, so for the managing of the affairs afterward, it was very expedient to the Consul *Philip*. For the pro-consul turning to his own army, exhorted the souldiers to perform valiant service; and to when he had delivered it to the Consul, returned to *Rome*. Some few daies after, the Consul made an oration in a solem audience of all his souldiers: Wher-in first he began with the parricide of *Perseus*, committed upon the person of his own brother, but projected against his very father. Then he proceeded forward and declared the wicked and devilish means whereby he attained to the crown, also his practices of poisoning, his bloody murders, he laid wait for King *Eumenes* his life by way of detestable brigandage and robbery: moreover, the injuries offered to the people of *Rome*, and sacking of allied Cities against the covenants of accord. All which dealings of his he should find one day (quoth he) by the issue of his affairs, how odious and cursed they are in the sight also of these immortal gods. For the gods are evermore favourable and gracious to piety and fidelity, the only means whereby the people of *Rome* is mounted to that pitch and height of felicity. Then he compared the forces of that State which already compassed the round world, with the strength of *Macedony*; he let at times to armies, making remonstrances how far greater was the puissance of *Philip* and *Antiochus* before, and yet was it defeated utterly by no greater power then the Romans now were able to shew. Having thus enkindled and enflamed the courages of his souldiers by this manner of exhortation, he began to debate in counsel as touching the principal and main point of the whole war. And further repaired unto him from *Chalcis*, the Pretor C. *Marius*, after he had taken the charge of the armada and sea-forces. Resolved it was and concluded to make no longer abode in *Thessaly*, and there to lose time, but pretently to dislodge and remove directly into *Macedony*; that the Pretor also should endeavour and call, how at one and the self same time he might infect and annoy the sea-coasts of the enemies. Now after that the Pretor was dismissed sent away, the Consul commanded the souldiers to bring every man with him provision for a month: and to the tenth day after he had received the conduct of the army, he removed the camp and set forward. When he had gone a daies journey, he called together the guides, and after he had commanded them every one to declare before the Council there assembled, which way each of them intended to direct the army, he caused them to go aside; and then debated it was in council, which course to take above all others. Some were of opinion to lead by the way of *Pythion*; others advised to passe over the *Cambanian* mountains, like as the year before *Hofitimus* the Consul conducted his army: and there were who gave advice to go near to the moor of *Ascaris*. Now there remained yet some part behind of the way, which lay indifferent fill and common to all these places; and therefore their consultation of this point was put over to the time when they should encamp near to the parting and division of the said wayes. So from thence he led the army to *Perræbia*, and lat him down between *Azorus* and *Delicbe*, for to consult once again for all, which way to take.

The same time *Perseus* knowing that the enemy approached, but yet ignorant which way he meant to come, determined to beset all passages with strong guards. Whereupon he sent ten thousand young and lusty men highly armed, to the pitch of the Cambanian hills (which the inhabitants themselves call *Volustana*) under the conduct of captain *Ajclepiodorus*. But he commanded *Hippias* with a power of twelve thousand Macedonians to seize the heights of a certain fort situated upon the marsh *Aescrus*, and is called *Lapathus*. Himself in person accompanied with the rest of the forces, lodged full near to *Dium*: but afterwards seeming as if he were unprovided of counsel and void of sense and understanding, he with his light horsemen made rodes and courses along the strand, one while toward *Heraclea*, and otherwhiles to *Phila*; and so backward again the same way to *Dium*. In this mean time the Consul resolved fully to lead his army by that path where we said before that the army of King *Philip* encompassed sometimes near a place called *Olophus*. Howbeit he thought good to send out before four thousand armed men, for to prevent the enemies and be poised first of the most commodious places of advantage: this regiment was commanded by *M. Claudius* and *Q. Martius*, the Consuls son, and inconsequently all the *haras* in general followed after. But the way was so steep and difficult, for rough, uneven and rugged, that in two daies space, they which were sent before, albeit they were not charged with the carriage of any thing, had much ado to march fifteen miles: where they lodged, and the place which they made choice of was called the Tower *Edurnus*. From whence the morrow after they journeyed seven miles forward and seized a hill not far from the enemies camp: where they dispatched a courier back to the Consul, to give intelligence, that they were come near to the enemy, and sieled in a place of safety, commodious also for all purposes; and withall to advise him for to make all possible speed after, for to overtake them and join together. This messenger encountered the Consul at the Mear *Aescrus*, where he was greatly perplexed as well for the difficulty of the way which he was to enter himself, as also in regard of the danger of them whom in so few number he had sent before, even through the midst of the enemies *corps de guard*. Whereupon he took a better heart to himself; and having united all his forces, encamped upon the foresaid hill which his men already held, on that side which (considering the nature of the ground) was most commodious. And there they might discover within the view of eye, not only the enemies camp distant from thence a little above a mile, but also the whole countrey as far as to *Dium* and *Phila*; yea, and all the sea coast by reason that the high pitch and top of the mountain yielded a prospect far and near round about. And this was it that let on fire the soldiers hearts, when they beheld the whole weight of the war, the Kings forces altogether, and the enemies countrey so near unto them. In which spirit of cheerfulness when they were earnest with the Consul, and exhorted him to advance directly against the enemies camp, they had but one day granted them to rest after their wearisome journey. So upon the third day the Consul leaving part of his forces to guard the camp, led the rest against the enemy. Now had *Hippias* been lately sent from the King to keep and guard the passage, who since the time that first he espied the Roman campaign on the hill, had prepared the minds of his men to a battle, and so encountered the army of the Consul and met it half way. The Romans advanced forth to fight, nimble appointed; and the enemies likewise were highly armed, and by reason thereof most fit and provided for to give the charge and begin skirmish. So soon as they affronted and encountered one another, presently they fell to lancing of their darts on both sides. Many a wound was given and received of the one part as well as the other by their rash charging at random, and few of both sides were slain. Thus were their skirmishes whetted and edged against the morrow; and then had they skirmishes, and maintained fight with greater forces, and more deadly feud, if the ground would have served them to have displayed their battalions at large: but the top of the mountain was freight and croset to a sharp crest in form of a coin or wedge; and hardly afforded room enough for three ranks of armed men affront; and therefore when some few were in fight, all the rest and specially they that were heavily armed, stood as lookers on. As for the light armour of one part, they would run forth at the broken crags of the hill, and ever from the sides join battel with the like of the other part; yea, and find means to charge their enemies, where the place even or uneven, it skilled not whether. But after that more that day, no were wounded then killed, the night at length parted the day. The third day, the Roman General was to seek and wist not what to do: for neither could he stay any longer upon that hill, for want of all things; and retire back from thence it was not possible, without dishonour and danger both. Moreover, if he had retired, the enemy might press upon him from the upper ground with advantage. There remained therefore no other means to amend that which was the audaciously enterprised, with as resolute & hardy persistence in execution; a thing that otherwhiles proveth well in the end, as if it proceeded from wile and deliberat counsel. And verily to this hard paffe and difficult terms they were come, that if the Consul had been to deal with an enemy like to any of the Macedonian Kings in old time, he might soon have received a great foil and overthrow. But *K. Perseus* as he cosied and ranged with his cavalry upon the strand near *Dium* (albeit for the space of 12 miles well-near, he heard the cries and shouts of them that were in fight); neither reinforced the companies by sending fresh soldiers in place of the wearied, nor shewing himself in person at the battel (which had been a thing of assuredness of most importance); whereas the Roman General being above 60 years of age, corpulent besides, unwieldy, performed himself right lustily all military services of a valiant warrior; perishing in that to the very end most bravely, which he had begun and enterprised so boldly; and

and having left *Popilius* for to guard the hill top, called over places that had no tracks at all to direct them, by sending out before, certain men of purpose, to scout and prepare to make a path for *Astors* and *Majagans*, he commanded them both with the auxiliary footmen of their own nation to guard them that opened the way before. Then he putting before him in the march the horsemen with baggage, came behind with the legionary footmen in the rearward. No tongue is able to expresse what a toil and painful labour they found in going down the hill, the sumpter horses with their backs & carriages tumbled to down one with another: in so much as when they had scarcely gone four miles forward, they wished in their hearts nothing more, then to return the way they came, if it had been possible. The elephants troubled the march as much in manner, as the enemies could: for when they were come to a place where they could see no way, down they cast their riders and governors, laying them along on the earth, and with the horrible braying that they made, affrighted their horses especially, untill such time as a device was found for their passage. They began first to make the head or entrance of the bridge at the very bow and edge of a steep downslope, this done, in the lower ground beneath, they let fall in the earth good strong and long polls of wood, two by two distant one from the other, travell while little more then the largeness of one of their beasts. Upon which rested fast, joined [with ten on & more] certain jalters like wall-plats 30 foot in length, and those being couched with planks crosse over in form of a bridge, had earth and mould cast thereupon. A little way off beneath it, such another bridge was made; and so a third likewise, and many more, consequently according as the craggy ground was broken and uneven. Now the elephant from the firm ground entered upon the first bridge afore said; but before he was gone as far as to the foot and end thereof, the polls above named were cut in two underneath; to the end that the bridge might fall, and in the cable reeling thereof the beast also gently slide, as it were, and be carried therewith as far as the head of the second bridge. Thus some of them slid and kept themselves standing upright on their feet, others relied upon their buttocks. Again, when they were come to the plain and level floor of another such like bridge, by the fall of it in manner afore said they were driven unto a third bridge beneath it, untill such time as they were come to a more plain and even valley. In this order the Romans could rid little more then seven miles that day. And the least part thereof went they upright on their feet, but were fain most what to tumble and roll over and over with the armor and fardels about them; and thus they gat forward in all kind of pain and trouble, in such sort that he who induced them to this journey & conducted them therein, could not deny but the whole army (with a small power coming against them) might utterly have been defeated. By night they arrived at a pretty plain; but the place being enclosed on all sides, they had no space and room to view round about, whether it were dangerous or no. At length after much ado and beyond their expectation, they met with a firm piece of ground, whereas they might take sure footing; and there they were forced the morrow following to attend in the hollow valley the coming of *Popilius* and the companies left with him: who also were exceedingly sore vexed and plagued with the roughness of the way, albeit the enemies troubled and affrighted them no whit at all. The third day, after they had joined their forces together, they took their way through a pass, which the inhabitants call *Caliphenes*. The fourth day they passed over a place that had no more means to direct them, then the other before; but by use and experience there were grown more skillful: and better hope they had, for that the enemy in no place appeared, but approached near to the sea. When they were come once down into the plains between *Heraclea* and *Lebebrus*, the footmen (whereof the greater part kept the hills) pitched their tents and took up the valley, and a good part of the plain wherein the horsemen should quarter. As the King was bating himself, it is said that word came, How the enemies were near at hand: at which news he was so feared, that he leapt out of his bathing vessel, and in haste gat him out of the same, crying aloud, That he was vanquished without drawing sword and stroke given: neither will he for fear which way to turn him, taking sundry counsels, one of another, and commanding he knew not what, sometime this and sometime. In this perplexity he sent for *Ajclepiodorus* (one of his two especial friends) out of the place where he lay in garrison, to go to *Pella* where all his money and treasure lay; and by this means opened all the avenues for the Romans to make war. Himself, after he had had in great hat bestowed and piled up in his ships, all the gilded images at *Dium*, to the end that the enemy should make no prize of them, called with all speed possible to trudge up and to remove to *Pylus*; & hereby gave occasion, that the enterprize of the Consul which might have seemed rashness (in that he had engaged himself so far that he could not possibly to retire again without leave of the enemy) proved in the end no inconsiderate and unadvised designment. For now the Romans had the choice of two passages through which they might elcapse away, the one, by *Tempe* into *Thessaly*, the other into *Macedony*, by the way near *Dium*: both which before were held by the Kings guards. So as if a resolute and fearless captain could have held out and endured but one ten days the first appearance and shew of terror that approached the Rom, could never have returned into *Thessaly* by *Tempe*, nor found way for conveyance of provision & victuals to the place where they were. For *Tempe* is of itself a difficult passage, even without any force of arms to make it dangerous. And why? Besides the straight gullet five miles in length, yielding a very narrow way, for one beast to go charged with burden; the rocks of either hands are so steep and upright, that hardly a man is able to look down from them, but his eyes will dazle, his brain turn, and his head be giddy withall. Moreover, the sound and noise, yea, and the depth of the river *Pontus* running di-

rectly through the midst of the valley, encreased the fear so much the more. This place so perilous of its own nature, had been holden and guarded with the Kings' garrisons in four several & distant places. The one kept at the very first entrance, near to *Comini*; the second at *Candylis*, a fort impregnable; the third about *Lapatibi*, which also they call *Charax*; and the fourth was placed even upon the very avenue it self about the midst of the valley, where it is at the straightest, and which may easily be defended with ten men, if there were no more. In this manner (I say) the passage being stopp'd up by *Tempe*, as well for portage of provisions thither as for return from thence, the Romans must perforce have retired again up to the same mountains from whence they were defended. But as they come down and were not discovered, to being now desired, they could not possibly have gained them again in open view, considering that the enemies had possessed the tops of the mountains; and no doubt the difficulty thereof besides, which they had tried already, would have cut off all hope of that adventure: so as, being waded thus far into this rash enterprise, there remaineth no means else for them, but to have passed through the midst of the enemies, at *Diium*, for to escape and passe into *Macedony*: an adventure no doubt, (if the gods had not bereft the King of his right wits) most difficult and dangerous unto them. For it being so, that from the foot of the mountain *Olympus* unto the sea, there is little above a mile space between: the one half whereof, is taken up with the mouth of the river *Baphyrus*, which in this place spreadeth very broad and large; and another part of the plain, either the temple of *Jupiter* or the town it self occupieth: the rest besides, being but a very small place, might have been enclosed and made fast against them with a little trench and rampier: besides such store there was of stone ready at hand, and of timber out of the forest, that they might either have raised a mole, or framed turrets and such like fabricks in their way. But the King (whose spirit and understanding was blinded with Iudain fear) foreseeing none of all these things, but dissembling every sort of their garrisons, made open passage for the current of war, and fled himself to *Pydna*. The Consul perceiving that he had gotten great advantage and many hopes by the tolly and negligence of his enemy, dispatched a courier back toward *Larissa* unto *Sp. Lucretius*, willing him to seize those forts into his hands about *Tempe*, which were abandoned by the enemy: and after he had sent *Popilius* before in spiall to discover all the passages about *Diium*, and perceived that the avenues were open in all parts, he marched forwards himself, and the second journey came to *Diium*, where commanded to encamp under the very temple to the end, that no violent out-rage should be committed in that holy place. Himself in proper person entered into the City, which as it was not great, so it was garnished with fair publick buildings, beautified with a number of goodly images, and pasing well fortified besides: in so much as he could not well believe, that things of such importance were abandoned for nothing, but that there was some secret deceit and treachery lurking underneath. After he had staid there one full day, to espioe and see that all coasts were clear, he dislodged and marched on: & supposing verily that he should be provided of sufficient store of grain, he advanced forward that very day to the river named *Mysis*. The morrow after, he took possession of the City *Agassia*, which the inhabitants willingly rendered unto him. And to win the hearts of all other Macedonians, (contenting himself only with hostages) he promised to leave their City clear without a garrison, and to permit them to live under their own laws without payment of any tribute. Being marched onward one daies journey from thence, he pitched down his tents fast upon the river *Aegardus*: but feeling and finding still (the farther he went from *Thessaly*, more and more want of all things, he retired back to *Diium*; and then all men saw plainly & made no doubt, to what streights he should be driven, in case he had been clean shut out from *Thessaly*, considering that it was not late for him to remove far from thence, where he was *Perseus* having rallied all his forces, and assembled his captains into one place, checked and rated up the captains of the garrisons and guards aforesaid over the passages: but above all he rebuked *Alepiodorus* & *Hippias* most, saying, that those two had betrayed unto the Romans the portage to *Macedony*: whereas indeed no man was more justly to be blamed, for that than his own self.

The Consul after he had discovered a far off from sea a fleet of Roman ships, conceived good hope that vessels were coming charged with provision of victuals (for now in his camp the dearth was great, and brought they were already to extrem want and scarcity.) But he was advertised by them who were entred within the harbor, that the bulks and ships of burden were left behind at *Megastia*. Whereupon, being in great doubt what to do (so hard went all things with him for the present, that he had work enough to wreathe with that only difficulty, without being further encumbered with any empachment from the enemy) behold, in happy time, letters were brought unto him from *Sp. Lucretius*, importing thus much, That he was master of all the forts and holds placed upon *Tempe* and round about *Phila*, where he had found great plenty of corn and other necessaries. The Consul right joyous for these good tidings, set his army on foot from *Diium* to *Phila*, as well to strengthen the garrison there, as also to deal corn among his soldiers; which would have required a long time ere it could have been brought over to them at *Diium*.

That departure & journey of his was nothing well spoken of: for he gave out that the General retired from the enemy for very fear; because that if he had staid there still, he should have been forced to a battel: others said, that he had no skill in war, neither in those occurrences, which fortunes wheele turning about altered every day, offering one new thing or other; who when occasions and opportunities were presented unto him, let the same slip out of his hands, which soon after might not possibly be recovered again. And verily he had not so soon quit the possession of

of *Diium*, but he started and wakened the enemy, and put in his head now at length to regain those matters, which had been lost before through his own default. For hearing that the Consul was departed, he returned immediately to *Diium*: where he repaired whatsoever had been demolished and ruin'd by the Romans: the battlements of the walls which were cast down he set up again in the right place; and in all parts fortified the mole and bulwarks of the City. Which done, he encamped five miles off on this side *Enipeus*, intending that the river it self (which is very hard to be passed over, should serve in stead of a rampier and trench of defence. This river runneth out of the vale from under the mountain *Olympus*, and in summer season is small and shallow, but in winter it riseth high and spreadeth broad by reason of rain: running also with a forcible current and stream, it surmounteth great rocks, and among those stony crags and shelves maketh many whirlpools: by occasion likewise, that from thence it carrieth away with it into the sea, store of earth, there are many gulfs of exceeding depth: and by reason that it hath eaten a hollow channell in the mids, the banks of each side are very high and steep upright. *Perseus*, supposing that by the means of this river, the enemies were debarr'd from all passage, purposed in his mind to hold off, and drive out the rest of the summer in that sort.

But the Consul in the mean while sent *Popilius* from *Phila* into *Heraclea* with 2000 armed fighting men. This *Heraclea* standeth about five miles from *Phila*, situate in the mid-way between *Diium* and *Tempe*, upon a rock that commandeth this river, *Popilius*, before that he caused his men to approach the walls, sent certain persons of purpose to perswade the magistrats and chief of the City, to make proof of the useful protection and clemency of the people of *Rome*, rather then to trie their rigor and violence. But this motive and advice availed not, because they might discern the fires out of the Kings camp near to *Enipeus*, whereupon both from the land and sea-side (for the fleet also being arrived anchored near the shore) as well by force of arms as by fabricks and engines of battery, they began to assail the town. Moreover, certain young and lusty Roman soldiers (making use now in war of exercise which they had practised in the games *Circenses*) gat over the wall where it was lowest. The manner was in those daies (before this wast prodigality came up of filling the whole cirque or show-place with beasts set out of all countries) to devise and seek sundry sorts of publick lights & spectacles to behold, and not running one course with the chariot, and another on horseback, and so on end, to employ at both races the space of one full hour. Among others feats of activity exhibited, the masters and wardens of those exercises and games brought into the race commonly 60 (and otherwhiles more) lusty young men in arms well appointed. There training in part represented a shew and appearance of two armies encountering and encountering and charging one another, in part also the use and practise of a more gentle and elegant exercise then military profession, and coming nearer to the handling and managing of weapons after the order of sword-fencers. These young gallants, after they had performed other ordinary running courses, put themselves into a four-square squadron, with the bucklers or targets close couched and joined together over their heads, in this manner: they that were foremost in the front stood bolt upright; the second rank stooped somewhat lower under the other; the third course more then they; and so the fourth untill the hindmost kneeled on their knees: and by this means they resembled a pavoiade rising up higher & higher, like the pent-house or roof of edifices. This done, two men well armed, fetching their run fifty foot or thereabout backward from thence, and seeming to desie and challenge one another, mounted the foresaid pavoiade, ran from the nether end up to the top upon those targets so jointly united and set close and thick together: and one while they set their countenance as though they would defend the sides and edges thereof, otherwhiles in the mids they seemed to performed their devoir and maintain combat one with another, as upon firm and steady ground. Like for all the world to this, was there a pavoiade framed and brought close to that part of the wall: and when armed men were mounted upon it, they that stood upon the very ridge thereof, were as high full as the defendants which kept the walls who being once beaten back and turned down, two engines of soldiers gat over into the City. The only difference between this pavoiade and the other above described was this, that they only who stood in the front before and in the flanks, bare not their targets aloft above their own heads, because their sides and bodies should not be naked and exposed to hurt, but carried them before after the usual manner of fighting men in a battell. By which means, neither the arrows and darts discharged from the wall hurt them afront, nor the shot that light upon their target-tence took any hold, but glanced and slid down-ward from the top without doing any harm, like to rain water that shooteth from the ridge of an house, and runneth down the eves. The Consul likewise, now that *Heraclea* was won, advanced forwards with his army thither, pretending as though he marched toward *Diium*, and as it after he had chased and driven the King from thence, he minded to passed forward also into *Pieria*. But preparing now against winter, he commanded to make the ways fit and handsome, for the carriage of provision out of *Thessaly*, and to chuse out commodious places for garners: also to build certain houses, wherein they that brought the provision, might lie in covert and lodge commodiously. *Perseus* in the end having taken heart again and gathered his wits together, upon that late fright which had amazed his spirits, withed then withall his heart, that his commandments had not been obeyed, at what time as in a fearful fit he gave expresse charge to call the treasure into the sea at *Phila*, and to set on fire, the arsenal at *Thessalonica*. *Andronicus* being sent for to the same purpose to *Thessalonica* made no halt to execute his will, but rifled out the time for the nonce, leaving the King

some respite to repent, as it fell out indeed. *Nicias* was not so provident and well advised at *Pella*, in throwing away some part of the money which he there found: howbeit he thought himself such, as might in some sort be remedied and amended, for that, all the said treasure in manner was recovered by the means of certain dyvers that fished for it under water, and fetched it up from the bottom of the sea. But the King himself was so ashamed of this foolish fear, that in a melancholly he commanded those poor dyvers to be secretly murdered, yea, and afterwards *Andronicus* and *Nicias* also; the end that no person should remain alive that was privy to that foolish commandment of his.

Amids these affairs, *C. Martius* having looked to sea from *Heraclea*, and with his fleet sailed to *Thessalonica*, landed his armed souldiers in divers places of the shore, and made wait in the territory all about: and when they made sallies out of the City and charged upon him, after some forty skirmishes, he chased them back and beat them within the walls. So as at length he certified the town it felt: but not only they who ranged up and down here and there, unadvisedly approached the walls, were wounded with shot discharged out of instruments of all sorts, planned upon the walls; but those also who were in the ships, were hurt with stones, weighed and levelled from engines a far off. Upon which occasion he commanded his souldiers to retire a shipboard, and leaving the siege of *Thessalonica*, they sailed from thence to *Amis*, a City fifteen miles off, situate in a fertile soil just over against *Pydna*. When they had spoiled the territory lying to that City, they coasted along the shore and arrived at *Antigonis*. Where, being set a land, first they spoiled the country in every quarter, and brought good store of prizes to their ships: but afterwards, as they straggled out of order and disbanded, the Macedonians, as well footmen as horse, ran upon them, and chased them as they fled apace to the sea side: in which rout they slew about 500 and took as many prisoners. And nothing else provoked the courage of the Romans (in regard as well of utter despair otherwise to save themselves, as of the indignity it self, to hazard their honour) but only the exigent necessity wherein they stood, having no means to recover their ships in safety. Whereupon they turned head, and renewed the fight upon the very sea strand. They also who were a shipboard, succoured and helped them. In which conflict, two hundred Macedonians lost their lives, and as many were taken prisoners. From *Antigonis* the fleet weighed anchor, & made head toward the territory of *Palene*, where the souldiers were set on shore to spoil the country. The territory appertained to the confines of the *Cassandreans*, the most fruitful tract of those parts which they had coasted and sailed by. There, King *Eumenes*, being departed from *Elea* with twenty war ships met with them, & likewise five other covert ships were sent from King *Prusias*. The Pretor seeing this good encounter and addition of his forces, took a better heart unto him, even to besiege \* *Cassandrea*. This City was built by King *Cassander*, in the very freight & gullet which joineth the territory of *Palene* with the rest of the Macedonian country, enclosed on the one side with the Toronian sea, and on the other with the Macedonian. For there lyeth out a bank or shelf like a tongue into the sea, upon which the City standeth, and beareth unto the deep, no less in compass and quantity than is the mountain *Arko*. It butteth full against *Maquesia*, with two promontories of unequal bigness; of which the greater is called *Polydemon*; the lesser *Cavallarium*. This town they began to assail in two divers parts. The Roman (Pretor) drew his fortifications to a place called *Clitia*, opposing certain strong forked stakes for to debar and shut up the way from the Macedonian sea to the Toronian. On the other side there is an Euripe or arm of the sea, from which quarter *Eumenes* gave the assault. The most trouble and toil that the Romans found, was in damming and filling up the trench, which *Perseus* had cast against them a little before. And as the Pretor enquired where the earth was bellowed which was thrown out of the trench shoreward, because he could see no heaps thereof any where, there were shewed unto him certain vaults and arches within, which bewraied a new wall, not built to the thickness of the old, but with perpendicular wall, laid with one course of brick and no more. Whereupon he resolved to pierce through the said wall, and so to make way into the City. The which he thought to execute and perform without being discovered, in case he failed the wall in another quarter, and by making a shout and alarm there, withrew all the defendants of the City to the guard of that one place. There lay in garrison at *Cassandrea* (being a sufficient number of serviceable young men of the City) eight hundred Agrians, and two thousand Penitells of *Scythians*, sent from thence by *Pleuratus*; and both these nations are hardy warriors. Whiles they defended the walls manfully, and the Romans endeavoured withall their might to mount over the thin walls of the vaults and arches afore said were wrought and digged through in the turning of an hand, and gave entrance into the City. Now if they who brake in, had been armed (as they were but pioneers) the town had been taken at instant. But when as the souldiers heard news that the said work was finished, they suddenly let up a cheerful shout for joy, being ready some in one place and some in another to rush into the City. The enemies at the first wondered what the meaning should be of that sudden cry: but the captains of the garrison, *Pytho* and *Philippus* Proco being once adverted that the town lay open, supposing that herein consisted the vantage, who could first prevent the other and give the charge, sallied forth with a strong band of Agrians and Illyrians: and whiles the Romans rallied themselves some from this place, and others from that, and were called together for to enter the City with banner displayed, they set upon them unready as they were, and not ranged in any good order, put them to flight and chased them as far as to the trench, where they overthrew them one upon another by heaps: 600 or very were there killed; and

\* *Cassandria*

And in manner whom they could reach between the wall & the trench were sore hurt, The Pretor, thus overtaken in his own enterprize, was not so hasty to project any new designs; neither, *Eumenes* any better, albeit at one time he assailed the City both by land and sea. Whereupon they agreed both, to set strong guards, for to impeach the passage of all garrisons out of *Macedony* thither; and (since open force took no better effect) to assail the walls with fabricks & engines. As they were busie in preparation thereof, there arrived ten frigates of the Kings, sent from *Macedony* with certain select auxiliary Gauls. These when they perceived their enemies ships riding at anchor, sailed in single range one after another, as close as possibly they could to the shore in the dark night, and so entered the City. The bruit that went of this new succour and garrison, forced as well the Romans as the King to give over the siege; so fetching a compass about the promontory, they arrived before *Torone*. And when they began to lie against it, after they perceived once that there was a valiant company there to defend it, they abandoned their enterprize without effect, & sailed to *Demetrias*. Being approached thither, and seeing the walls full of armed men, they passed by and anchored at *Ioleos*: intending after they had spoiled the territory, to set upon *Demetrias*. Mean-while, they Consul also, because he would not sit still doing nothing in the enemies' country, sent *M. Popilius* with five thousand souldiers to give the assault to the City *Melbae*. Seated it is at the foot of the mountain *Ofsa*, on that side which looketh to *Thessaly*, and very fitly for the purpose commandeth *Demetrias*. The first arrival of the enemies put the inhabitants of the place in great affright; but after they had recovered their spirits daunted with so unexpected fear, they ran in arms to the gates, and up to the walls, where they doubted and suspected any place like to give entrance, not incontinently cut off all hope from the enemies, that it could possibly be forced at the first assault. Whereupon they prepared to lay siege unto it, & began to make fabricks and engines to batter the walls. *Perseus* having intelligence, that in one instant both *Melbae* was beleaguered by the Consul, and also that the fleet anchored before *Ioleos*, to the intent that from thence he might go in hand to assail *Demetrias*; sent *Euphranor* one of his captains, with a chosen regiment of two thousand souldiers to *Melbae*: with this charge and direction; That if he could raise the siege from *Melbae* and force the Romans to depart, he should march secretly to *Demetrias*, & put himself within the town, before the Romans could remove from *Ioleos*, and advance before the City. The assailants of *Melbae* discovering him with his forces all at once upon the higher places, quit their fabricks and engines in fearful haste, and let them all on fire; and thus they departed from before *Melbae*. *Euphranor* having levied the siege from the one City, forthwith led his army to *Demetrias*. And then the citizens assured themselves, that they should be able not only to defend the City against the siege, but also to save their territories from waste and spoil: and so they made sallies upon the foragers dispersed loosely here and there, not without drawing blood of their enemies. Howbeit the Pretor and the King rode about the walls, and viewed the situation of the town, in peradventure they could espie any one place which they were like to force, either with battery of engines or force of arms. The voice went, that by the means of *Cydas* the Cretanian, and *Antiochus* governor of *Demetrias* there was a treaty of peace and amity between *Philip* and *Eumenes*. But howsoever it was, this is certain, both *Eumenes* and the Pretor departed from *Demetrias*. As for *Eumenes*, he sailed to the Consul, and testified unto him the joy that he conceived for his safe and prosperous entrance into *Macedony*; and from thence returned to *Pergamus* into his own realm. But *Martius Figulus* the Pretor, when he had sent part of his fleet into the harbor of *Scythians* there to winter, with the rest of his ships went to *Oreum* in *Bessia*: supposing it a commodious City, from whence victuals and all provisions might be sent to the armies that abode either in *Macedony* or *Thessaly*. As touching *Eumenes*, sundry authors have written diversly. If a man should go by *Valerius Antias* and believe him, he reporteth that neither the Pretor had any help from him by his navy, notwithstanding that oftentimes he had lent for him by his letters; nor took his leave of the Consul in good terms with favour, at what time as he was to depart into *Asia*, as being highly displeased, that he was not permitted to quarter with him in one of the same camps, inasmuch as he could not possibly be entreated by him, to leave behind that Cavalry of Gauls which he had brought thither with him. As for *Antias* his brother, he remained still with the Consul (as *Valerius* saith) in continued lycence and faithful unto him without any change and alteration; yea, and performed right good service in all that war.

During these wars in *Macedony*, there came Embassadors from beyond the Alps to Rome, sent from a party K. of the Gauls (*Balonus*) he had to name, but of what lineage he was descended it is not recorded) promising aid to the Macedonian war. Thanked they were from the Senat, and presents were sent unto them: to wit, a chain of gold weighing two pound; certain golden cups of four pound weight, a brave courser barbed and trapped, and an horsemans armor. After these Gauls were gone out of place, the Embassadors of *Pamphylia* brought with them into the Senat a golden crown, valued at 30000 *Philip*-pieces of gold: their request was, that they might be permitted to set up the said present and oblation in the chappell of *Jup. Opt. Max.* and likewise to sacrifice within the Capitol. Their petition was granted: and when these Embassadors were desirous to renew the amity between them and the Romans, they received a gracious answer, and had of them a reward sent of two thousand Alises. Then the Embassadors of King *Prusias*, and anon after, others from the Rhodians had audience; who of one and the same argument discoursed diversly; for both tended to one thing, namely, a treaty for reconciliation of peace between the Rom. & K. *Perseus*. *Prusias* seemed to intreat rather than to demand; protesting that he



"had ever to that day stood with the Romans in that war; and willingly would friend them still  
to the very end thereof: but since that there came Embassadors unto him from *Perseus*, and  
dealt with him to make an end of the war between him and the Romans, and for that he pro-  
mised them to be a mediator and intercessor for him to the Romans: therefore his request  
unto them was, (if they could so find in their hearts) to stint their anger, & so they should be  
him in any service, as one that would acknowledge himself beholden unto them for a favor, in  
effecting this atonement and reconciliation. In this manner (I say) spake the K. his Embassadors.  
But the Rhodians contrariwise, in a proud humour of theirs, reckoned up a beadrill of their  
demerits towards the people of *Rome*, attributing the greater part (beleeve me) of the victory of  
K. *Antiochus* to themselves: moreover they added and said, that when the Macedonians and  
Romans were at peace, they began to enter into league and amity with K. *Perseus*: which they  
had interrupted and did continue against their will; not upon any defect or occasion given  
of his part, but only because it pleased the Romans to draw them into the association of the war.  
Three daies now already (say they) have we felt the smart of this war and lived by the souse-  
reason that the seas are shut up from us, and our land is decayed and distressed for need and  
want, having lost our tollage and customs issuing from the seas, which we are not able to en-  
dure any longer, have addressed Embassadors to *Perseus* into *Macedony*, to intimate unto him,  
that the Rhodians will and pleasure was, that he should grow to a close opinion and be at  
peace with the Romans. Our selves also are sent to *Rome* to declare the same: and likewise to  
denounce, that whosoever shall impeach and hinder this course tending to pacification, the  
Rhodians will consider of them accordingly & bethink how they are to proceed against them.  
I am verily persuaded, that there is no man at this day, who can hear or read this, but his stom-  
ack will rise therewith indignation; I guesse then thereby how the L.L. of the Senat of *Rome*  
were affected and touched as then, at the hearing thereof. *Claudius* mine author saith, that there  
was no aniver at all given unto them. Only an arrest or decree of the Senat was read before them,  
importing thus much, that by order from the people of *Rome*, the Carians & Lycians were made  
free: and presently were letters dispatched to both nations to signify so much unto them, which  
when the principal persons of the embassage once heard, even he, who's big and brave words a  
little before, the whole Senat-house was hardly able to contain, fell down flat before them in a  
tween and extasie. Other Historians write, that this answer was returned, "That the people of  
*Rome* at the very beginning of this war, knew assuredly (by intelligence given from persons of  
right good credit) how the Rhodians had secretly conspired with *Perseus* against the state of  
*Rome*: and if there had been some doubt thereof before, yet the words of the Embassadors ere-  
while delivered, made all clear and put it past peradventure: and no marvel, since that the  
most part it falleth out, that such cautelous practices, howsoever at the first they are covertly &  
cleverly carried, yet one time or other are bewrayed and discovered. Let the Rhodians send their  
messengers over the world and spare not; let them make themselves judges to determine of  
war and peace at their pleasure: as for the Romans they will take arms in hand, and lay them  
down again at the will and appointment of the gods in heaven. We are well holpen up now in  
deed, if we must have the gods no more to be witnesses of our accords, but the Rhodians for-  
sooth. And must the Romans (I would not else) be ruled by them, and withdraw their forces  
out of *Macedony*? They will consider and advise themselves how to proceed against us! How  
shall we do then? What the Rhodians will see to, we'll may they perhaps themselves know:  
but the people of *Rome* (that is certain) will consider indeed and resolve after that *Perseus* is  
vanquished (which they hope will not be long first) to recompence and requite every City and  
state according as they have deserved in the service of this war. As sharp as this answer was, yet  
they sent a reward to these Embassadors, to every one of them 2000 asses: but none would they receive.

After this, were the letters read of *Q. Marcius* the Consul, containing thus much namely,  
How he had passed over the ftreights of the forrest, and was come into *Macedony*, where he had  
provision of victuals which the Pretor had given order for out of other places to serve for winter:  
and besides had taken up of the Epirots twenty thousand Modii of wheat and ten thousand  
of barley, for which corn they should make money ready at *Rome* to content their Embassadors.  
Also that they must send from *Rome* four diers liveries and other apparel: and need he had besides  
of 200 horie or thereabouts especially of *Nomidia* for in those parts he had no plenty of any thing.  
Hereupon an act was granted out of the Senat. That all these things should be done according to  
the tenor of the Consul his letters. So *C. Sulpicius* the Pretor bargained for the transporting over  
into *Macedony* of 600 fide callocks and 3000 short coats or jacks, together with hories: for  
to be disposed and distributed at the discretion of the Consul: and besides paid the Embassadors  
of the Epirots good money for their grain. He brought also into the Senat *Oscennius* the son of  
*Pytho* a noble personage of *Macedony*. This man was evermore of counsel with the K. persuading  
him to peace: and admonished him as his father *Philip* before him observed an order even to the  
time of death to read over twice a day from point to point the instrument of the accord & over-  
nans between him and the Romans; so he also would take up that good, wholesome and profitable  
the same. It not so continually yet at leastwise many a time and often. But when he could by no  
meanes care him nor avert his mind from war, he began at first to withdraw and absent him-  
self, alledging for his excuse one while this occasion, and otherwhiles that, because he would  
not be present at the debating of those matters which he approved nor and in the end perceiving  
that

A that he was had in some jealousy, & otherwhiles charged to be a traitor, he changed his allegiance  
revolted to the Rom. and served the Consul in right good stead. This *Oscennius* being brought into  
the Senat house, related all these premises: whereupon the Senat ordained, that he should be en-  
rolled formally in the number of allies: also, that he should be provided of a lodging, and his or-  
dinary expenses for the time allowed at the Cities charge. Moreover, 200 acres of land in the ter-  
ritory of *Tarentum*, which was confisic to the people of *Rome*, should be let out for him; and a  
messuage in *Tarentum* bought for his habitation. To see all this performed, *C. Decimus* the Pretor  
had in charge.

The Censors upon the \* thirteenth of December, took a survey of the number of citizens and  
an estimat of their goods, more strictly then aforesime. Many were unknowned and had their  
B hories taken from them; and *P. Rutilius* among the rest, who when he was Tribune of the Com.  
had been their accuser and called them to violently to reckoning; degraded he was besides and  
displaced out of his own tribe, & made no better then a very labourer in the Cities works. Where-  
as the one moiety of the Cities renews and profits for that year, was set by and allowed unto them  
by the treaters (according to an ordinance of the Senat) *Tib. Sempronius* out of the money assign-  
ed unto him, purchased the house of *P. Africanus* on the back side of the old *Carra* near the  
image of *Fortunus*: the shops also wherein they sold wool and the other adjoining thereto, all to  
the use of the City. He caused likewise the stately palace to be built, which afterwards was called  
*Sempornia Basilica*.

Now was the year come about and well near at an end, when by reason of the great care prin-  
C cipally about the Macedonian war, men began to talk, whom they were to create for Consuls a-  
gainst the next year, to achieve and end the said war? Whereupon there passed a decree of the Se-  
nat, that *Cn. Servilius* with all speed possible, should make hast to *Rome* for to hold a general assem-  
bly of election. This decree *Sulpicius* the Pretor within few daies after read to the Col. to the end  
that he should repair home into the City before the day preixed. Whereupon both the Col. haired;  
& the said election was also furnished by the day appointed. C. all, there were created, *L. Emilius*  
*Paulus* the second time (even 14 years after his former Consulship) with *C. Licinius Crassus*.  
The day following were the Pretors also chosen, to wit, *Cn. Babius Tampilis*, *L. Anicius Gali-*  
*lus*, *Cn. Octavius*, *P. Fonteius Balbus*, *Mar. Eburius Hilva*, and *C. Pappyrus Carbo*. The careful  
regard of the Macedonian war caused every thing to be done with greater expedition. And there-  
fore it was thought meet, that these new elect magistars should call lots out of hand for their pro-  
D vices, that might be known to whether Col. *Macedony*, and to which Pretor the conduct of the  
navy should fall; that thereupon they might presently consider and provide for all things requisite  
to the war, & require the advice of the Senat as need required. O. I. said it was when the Consuls  
were entered into their office, to solemnize the Latine festival holidays as soon as they might con-  
veniently, without offence of the gods and breach of any religious order that the Consul whose lot  
fell to go, into *Macedony*, were not detained behind upon any occasion. After these ordinances,  
*Italy* and *Macedony*, were nominated for the provinces of the two Consuls; and for the Pretors, the  
two civil jurisdictions within the City of *Rome*, the navy, *Spain*, *Sicily*, and *Sardinia*. In fine,  
*Macedony* fell to *Emilius* the Consul, and *Italy* to *Licinius*. Of Pretors, *Cn. Babius* was lord chief  
justice of the pleas of citizens, and *L. Anicius* of aliens. And if the Senat thought good to send  
E the navy any whither, *Cn. Octavius* had the charge thereof as L. admiral. *P. Fonteius* was ap-  
pointed by lot L. Deputy of *Spain*, *M. Eburius* of *Sicily*, and *C. Pappyrus* of *Sardinia*.

All men soon saw, that *L. Emilius* intended not to go coldly about the managing of that war;  
both for that he was not an ordinary man, but singular above all other, and also because that night  
and day he mused and studied upon nothing else, but that which was requisite and pertinent there-  
unto. The first thing of all wherewith he went in hand was this; a request to the Senat for to  
dispatch certain elegant commissioners into *Macedony*, to visit the armies there and the armados  
to make true report upon their certain knowledge, what was needfull to be done for the supply of  
the forces as well by land as sea; also to lie in espial, & estimate as much as possibly they could, the  
F Kingspower; moreover, what quarter of the province were taken by our men, and which the  
the enemies kept; whether the Romans lay encamped still within the forrest, or if they were paid  
beyond the ftreights and come into the even ground; who continued traitly allies, who were  
suspected, who hung in doubtful terms, as whose faith depended upon fortune: who seemed to  
be professed enemies, how great the provisions were of victuals; from whence they were conveyed  
by land; from what places transported by water: & lastly, what exploits had been done the sum-  
mer past both by land and sea: supposing, that for a light given and certain intelligence delivered  
of these things, he might be sure, y directed in the casting and laying of future plots & designs.  
So the Senat granted out a commission to *Cn. Servilius* the Col. for to send the delegates into *Ma-*  
*cedony*, such as *L. Emilius* thought good of. Whereupon within two daies after, *Cn. Domi-*  
*tius Enobarbus* and *A. Licinius Nerva*, took their journey as legats and commissioners. News  
C came into the latter end of this year, that it rained stones twice, namely in the territory of *Rome*,  
and likewise about *Vulvi*; and therefore a novendiall sacrifice was celebrated. This year there di-  
ed certain priests, namely, *Pub. Quintilius Varus*, a flamin of *Mars*, and *M. Claudius Marcellus* in  
December, in whose room was substituted *Cn. Octavius*. And now noted it was, that the magis-  
trificence and part of the people of *Rome* encreased, for that in the places called *Circenses* ex-  
hibited by *Publius Cornelius Scipio Nasica*, and *Publius Lentulus* Ediles Cible, threecore and

\* Idibus Decem-  
bris.

\* Pore Vltimis.

3 wild beasts out of *Africa*, with 40 bears, & elephants, were baited to make sport to the people. When *L. Emilius Paulus* and *P. Licinius* entered their Consulship upon the fifteenth of *March*, which was the beginning of the year following, the *LL.* of the *Senat* were in great expectancy, and especially what the *Consul* would propose unto them as touching the *Macedonian* war, which was his proper province. But *Paulus* said that he had nothing to propound and put to council, seeing that the *Delegats* aforesaid were not returned. And at *Brunndisium* (quoth he) they now are, having twice in their voyage upon the sea been driven back by tempest and cull upon *Dyrhachium*. But so soon as I am once advertised and have perfect knowledge of those things that first are to be known, I will then consult; and that will be within very few daies. Now to the end that nothing may stay and hinder his journey, he told them, that the even before the Ides of *April*, was appointed for the solemnity of the *Latine* festival holidays. And after sacrificiously performed [upon the *Albane* hill] the *Senat* should no longer ordain, but he and *Cn. Octavius* would set forth and put themselves on their way. As for *C. Licinius* his colleague, his charge should be in his absence to provide and send all things requisite and needfull for this war. Mean while (quoth he) the embassies of forraign nations may have audience given. So when he had sacrificed as the manner was, before they took in hand the great affairs of State, the Embassadors of *Alexandria*, from King *Ptolomeus* and queen *Cleopatra*, were called in. Clad they were in poor array, the hair of their head long, their beards full and overgrown; and carrying in their hands branches of the *Olive*-tree, they entered into the *Senat*, and fell grovelling and prostrat upon the floor. Their habit and apparel was not so simple and mournfull, their look and countenance not so heavy and sorrowfull, but their speech was more piteous and lamentable. *Antiochus* now King of *Syria*, and who had sometime been hostage at *Rome* under a colourable pretence of honesty and equity to restore *Ptolomeus* the elder to his Kingdom, made hot war upon his younger brother, who then held *Alexandria*; and after a victory obtained in sea-fight near *Pelufium* he made a bridge of holly work upon the river *Nilus*, over which he transported his army, & now laid siege to *Alexandria*: so as by all likelihood he would shortly by way of conquest be lord of a most rich and wealthy Kingdom. In which regard, these Embassadors made pittifull moan and grievous complaint, beseeching withall the *Senat*, of their aid and succour to that realm and those Kings, who were their friends to their feignory and dominion. For perlawded they were that the people of *Rome* had done so much for *Antiochus* in particular, & were of that account & authority with all other Kings and nations, that if they would but send their Embassadors to intimate thus much, that the *Senat* was not well pleased with waging war upon confederat Kings, he would presently raise his siege, depart from before the walls of *Alexandria*, and withdraw his army clean away into *Syria*. But if they protracted the time long and delayed thus to do, then should *Ptolomeus* and *Cleopatra* within a while be driven out of their realm, and forced to come to *Rome*, with some shameful spot of dishonour to the people of *Rome*, in that they had noisier their helping hand in that extreame danger of all their fortunes. The *LL.* of the *Senat* moved with compassion at the prayers of these *Alexandrians*, sent incontinently *C. Popilius Lenas*, *C. Decimius*, and *A. Hostilius* as Embassadors to determine and make an end of the war between those two Princes. In commission they had first to go unto *Ptolomeus*, and then to *Antiochus*, and to let them both understand, that unless they forceced and gave over arms, they would take him neither for friend nor confederate, whom it was long of that the war was not given over. So these three together with the *Alexandrian* Embassadors, took their leave within three daies & departed. Then the forsaide *Delegats* returned from out of *Macedony*, the last day of the festival games to *Minerva* called *Quinquaginis*, and not before they were welcome; for so looked for they were, had it not been eventide when they came, the *Consuls* would immediately have called the *Senat* together. But the morrow after the *Senat* sat, and those commissioners had audience given. Report they made first, that with more danger then profit ensuing, the army entered into *Macedony* over those passes and freights, whereas was no way nor passage at all. Item, that the King kept the countrey of *Pieria*, into which the *Roman* army was now advanced, and were so neer encompassed one to the other, that nothing but the river *Enipeus* between kept them asunder; that neither the King, made offer of battell nor the *Rom.* were of sufficient strength to challenge & force him to fight; moreover, that the winter had overtaken them (a time unreasonable for warlike exploits); that the soldiers were muzzled and nourished in idleness, notwithstanding they had victuals to serve no longer then six daies; also, that by report the *Macedonians* were thirty thousand strong. Were it so that *Ap. Claudius* had a good and sufficient power about *Lychnidum*, he might be able to trouble the King, and put him to his trumps in a battell; but now both *Appian* and the garrison with him, are themselves in extreame jeopardy, unless with speed either a complete army be sent thither, or else they draw from thence where they are, into *Macedony*. Over and besides they related, how from the camp they went towards the fleet, where they heard say, that some of the sea-faring men and mariners were dead of sickness, others, and namely, those of *Sicily* above the rest were gone home again to their own homes, inasmuch as there were not men enough to serve the ships; & those that remained, had neither their wages paid & money to put in their purse, nor liveries & apparel to hang on their backs. As for *Emmenus* & his fleet, they (like ships driven to a coast by force of wind and weather, without any other errand or cause else) were come and gone again, and it seemed the mind of that King was not well settled and resolved. But as they reported also of *Emmenus* suspiciously & in doubtful terms, so they assured them of the singular fidelity & constancy of *Antiochus*

his brother. When these *Legats* had spoke, then said *L. Emilius*, Let us debate now in council what is to be done as concerning the said war. So the *Senat* ordained, that for eight legions, the *Consuls* and the people should elect an equal number of martiall Tribunes or Colonels, the one as many as the other; and that none should be created and advanced to that place for that year, but such as had borne some honourable dignity: then, out of all those Tribunes thus elected, that *L. Emilius* should make choice for those two legions which were to go into *Macedony*, of whom he would himselfe; also, that after the solemnity of the *Latine* feasts performed, *L. Emilius* the *Consul*, and *C. Octavius* the *Prator* and *Admirall* of the fleet, should depart into their Province. A third was joynt in commission with them, to wit, *L. Anicius* the *Prator* and *L. chief Justice* for strangers. And ordained it was, that he should pass into *Thyrricum* about *Lychnidum*, for to successe *Ap. Claudius*. The charge of taking musters was put upon *C. Licinius* the *Consul*. He had commandment to enroll eleven thousand [foot] Citizens of *Rome*, and two hundred horsemen and to charge the *Latine* allies with a levy of seven thousand footmen, and four hundred horse. Also to send letters unto *Cn. Servilius*, who governed the Province of *Gauls*, to enroll six hundred men of arms. This army he had commandment to send with all convenient speed to his Colleague into *Macedony*, so as in that Province there should not be above two legions, and the same full and compleat, containing six thousand foot, and three hundred horse apiece. As for the increase, as well of the *Cavalry* as *Infantry*, they should be disposed and bestowed inundry garrisons. And all such as were unmeet for service, were to be casted and sent away. Moreover, the allies were put to rest out and find 10000 foot, and 800 horse. And those were to lerve in garrison under *Anicius*, over and above the two legions (which he was commanded to lead into *Macedony*) consisting of 2000 foot, and 300 horsemen either of them. Also for the navy were enrolled 5000 mariners and rowers. *Licinius* the *Col.* was appointed to defend and keep in obedience his Province with two legions, and to take besides of allies ten thousand foot, and six hundred horse.

After these ordinances of the *Senat* were accomplished, *L. Emilius* the *Col.* went forth of the *Senat* house into the common place before the assembly of the people; where he made a speech unto them in this wise following: "Me thinks I perceive and see, my good friends and Citizens of *Rome*, that ye have shewed more apparent tokens of joy and gratulation in my behalf, for that the Province of *Macedony* is faine to my lot; than either at the time that I was declared and saluted *Col.* or that day whereupon I first entered into government: & for no other reason in the world, but upon the opinion which you have conceived, that the *Macedonian* war, which hath so long continued, may be brought by my means to such an end as becometh the greater's and majesty of the people of *Rome*. And for mine own self I have good hope, that as the gods in favour have directed this sortilege, so they will be present and propitious unto me in performing the service. In these matters, I say I am but carried partly with conceit and partly with hope. But this one thing I am assured of; yea and I dare affirm and promise on my own head, that I will endeavour my self and employ all that is in me, that this your good opinion of me may not be in vain conceived. As for all things necessary and requisite to this war, both the *Senat* hath ordained; & also, for that they have thought good I should depart immediately (for which my self am well pleased and contented, neither in me there shall be any delay) my Colleague *C. Licinius*, a singular man, and of great valour, will provide with as great care and diligence, as if himselfe had the full conduct of this war. For the effecting whereof, see that whatsoever I shall write either to the *Senat*, or to you, ye beleefe for true: as for running rumours which have no certain author, give no ear and belief thereto; neither feed them with your foolish credulity. For now, adiaze verily, (a thing that I have observed to fall out ordinarily in this war) there is no man so feth so little by the common bruits that are blazed abroad, but his spirit and courage may be thereby quailed and danted. In all meetings now, yea, and at every board (I would not else) ye shall have them, that in their table talk will lead your armies into *Macedony*: that know where they are to lodge and encamp; what commodious places are to be seized and kept with garri-fons at what time and through which pass the entry must be made into *Macedony*; where the gamers and storehouses for corn should be built and set; which way by land and sea both, the provisions of victuals ought to be brought, when the time serveth to encounter and fight with the enemy, and when to sit still and rest. Neither are they content to let down and pronounce what is to be done for the better: but if ought hap to be managed otherwise than they have judged expedient, they are so bold as to controll the *Col.*, yea, and ready to commence procs against him judicially. These are shrowd hindrances, I may tell you, to warriors & men of action. For all men have not the gift of resolution and constancy to neglect the speech and talk of men, as sometimes *Eabius* had, who chose rather to have his authority & command diminished and impaired by the folly and vanity of lewd people, than with their favourable applause and good opinion to manage his affairs but untowardly. Yet take me not so, as if I were a man that would have no captains to be admonished and advised by others; nay contrariwise, of this judgment I am, that he who worketh all by his self-wit & followeth only his own head is self-willed and proud, and nothing sage & wise. What is then to be done? First in mine opinion, Generals and Commanders of armies, are to be instructed by discreet and prudent men; by such as are skillful by profession in feats of arms and military science; by those also that by long practice are thoroughly experienced; nay, more than that, they are to be taught and counselled by them, that are usually present and conversant in the execution of affairs, who daily see the advantage of

The Orator of *L. Emilius* to the people of *Rome*.

"places, mark the proceeding of the enemies, and observe the opportunities of times : those (I say) H  
 "who as passengers in one ship, are partakers of the same danger. If there be any man therefore,  
 "who is yet perswaded of himself, that he is able to direct me and give me any counsel (in the  
 "conduct of this war which I have in charge) for the good of the Common-weal, let him come  
 "forth, and not deny his helping hand to the weal publicke, and go along with me into Macedonia.  
 "Furnish him I shall with ship, with horse, with tent-room, with conduct-money, and all things  
 "necessary for his voyage. If any be loath so to do, and had rather sit warm at home, preferring the  
 "ease and repose of the City before the travel and pain of warfare, let him not here on the land  
 "take upon him to play the pilot and steersman at sea, Matter he shall find enough within the Ci-  
 "ty to talk of, and seek no farther : let him hold him there & keep his babbles and prattle to him-  
 "self : know he (whoever he is) that we will content our selves with our own counsell about us :  
 "in the camp, And this oration ended, and the Larine festivals solemnized the day before the Ca-  
 "lends of March, together with the sacrifices duly celebrated upon the Alban mount : the Col,  
 "and the Prætor Cn. Octavius departed incognito into Macedonia. It is recorded in the Chroni-  
 "cles that the Col, was honoured with a greater frequency that accompanied him, than usually had  
 "been known : and that men prelaged in manner assuredly, the end of the Macedonian war : how  
 "the Col should have a speedy return, and obtain a brave and glorious triumph.

the Col should have a speedy return, and obtain what was due to him. But he was to be at the charges of disturbing money never thought of, to go through with that which before he had begun, namely, to ad-  
join unto him *Gentius* King of the Illyrians: so soon as he perceived that the Romans were en-  
tered the Straights, and the war came now to this extremity of hazard: thought good now to make  
that sure and put it off no longer. Whereas therefore he had covenanted & promised by his Em-  
bassador *Hippus* three hundred talents of silver, with condition also, that for security hostages  
should be put in of both parties interchangeably: he sent *Pantaneus* one of his most truly friends  
to dispatch and make an end of this affair. This *Pantaneus* met the Illyrian King at *Medon* in the  
Country of *Laberis*: where he both took an oath of the King, and also received his hostages.  
*Gentius* likewise sent his ambassador, named *Olympio*, to demand the flemblable oath of *Perseus*,  
and require hostages accordingly: with him were certain persons sent of purpose to receive the money,  
who also by the advice of the said *Pantaneus* were to go in embassage with the Macedonians to  
*Rhodes*: and the men hereto appointed were *Parmenio* and *Morcus*. But they had in charge and  
commission after the oath taken, after hostages & money received, to go to *Rhodes*, & not before. I  
Good hope they conceived that the Rhodians might be solicited and induced to take arms a-  
gainst the Romans, by using the name of these two KK, at once: and this account they made, that  
if this State which carried the renown and honour above all others for sea-service, would once  
combine and band with them, they should leave the Romans no hope at all, either on land or sea.  
When these Illyrians arrived, *Perseus* departed with all his Cavalry from before their *Empeus*  
where he was encamped, and encountered them near *Dium*. There were all the complements per-  
formed according to the covenants, in the light and midst of the Cavalry, whom the K. of purpose  
would needs have to be present at this accord of association made between him and K. *Gentius*,  
supposing that it would comfort & encourage them the more. So the hostages were given and ta-  
ken in the presence of them all. They also who were to receive the money were sent to *Pella*,  
where the K. his treasure lay: and thence that should go to *Rhodes* with the Illyrian ambassadors  
had commandment to embark at *Thessalonica*. Now was *Metrodorus* there, lately come from *Rhodes*:  
who assured them by the means of *Dyon* & *Polyaratus*, two principal personages of that City, that  
the Rhodians were preit and ready to war. Whereupon the said *Metrodorus* was appointed the  
chief in this embassage of Macedonians and Illyrians together. At the same time likewise was ad-  
dressed and imparted both unto *Eumenes* & also unto *Antiochus*, such advice and counsel in com-  
mon, as the present condition wherein their affairs stood, might minister & afford argument name-  
ly, "That a free City and a K. were two; by nature, enemies that possibly could not sort together:  
"That the people of *Rome* went in hand with them severally one after another: & that which was  
"a greater indignity & unimportable, used the force of KK to overthrow the state of KK. For, N  
"by the aid of *Attalus* he had brought his father *Philip* to ruin: by the help likewise of *Eumenes*,  
" & partly also of his father *Philip*, *Antiochus* was defeated; & even now against himself both *E-*  
"umenes and *Prusias* were put in arms. If the kingdom of *Macedony* were once subverted have at  
"affair next; which the Romans have in some part seized already for their own under a colour  
"of enfranchizing Cities, & setting them free: & then they will not leave untill they have Syria  
"too. For now is *Prusias* preferred in honour before *Eumenes* & *Antiochus* for all his conquest is  
"chased & debared out of *Asyria*, which ought to have been the recompence of the war by him  
"enterprised & achieved. In these regards *Perseus* advertised of them to consider & provide  
therefore either to force the Romans to make peace with him, or to hold them for the com-  
mon enemies of all KK, in case they perished fill in so unjust a manner, as should position that the em-  
bassadors had to *Antiochus* was apt & open; but unto *Eumenes* was that his ambassador sent under  
presence of ransoming certain captives: but praised there were under hand more leetles compasses  
which caused *Eumenes* even then to be implicated & odious unto the Romans, yea, & charged after-  
ward with more grievous matters, although untruly. For he was reputed little better than a traitor  
& a professed enemy to their state, whereas indeed both he & *Perseus* strove who could compass  
surprizes & overtake one another better in fraud & avarice. Now there was one *Cydas* a Cretan

An inward & more secret friend to *Emmenes*: this man had communed first at *Amphipolis*, with one *Chimæra* a confidant of his, who served under *Perseus* in the wars; and afterwards at *Demetria* conferred with another named *Macron* also, with a certain third person, called *Antiochus*, all captains to *K. Perseus*, even under the very walls of the forefaid City. Over and besides, *Ezropus*, who at this time was sent, had, beforetime, been employed in two severall embassies to the same *Emmenes*. These secret communications and embassages were badly spoken of; but no man knew what was concluded between the two *KK*. However, thus the case stood; *Emmenes* as he had no mind nor intension to war upon *Perseus*, so he was not desirous in his heart that he should have the victory of the Romans: not so much for the old enmity which had been between both their fathers, as for the hateful quarrels kindled among themselves. For this concurrence & emulation there was between these two Princes, that *Emmenes* could never abide to see *Perseus* for to purchase so great wealth, & so much honour, as he must needs acquire by the conquest of the Romans; he saw moreover, that *Perseus* from the first beginning of this war fought by all means possible for peace; the nearer he was to danger & distaste, aimed thereat every day more than other; employing his whole study & care about nothing else. He perceived also that among the Romans, because the war grew to be longer than they hoped and looked for, as well their captains as the Senat were well enough content and very desirous to see an end once of so troublesome, hurtfull, and difficult a war. Knowing thus as he did, the mind and will of both parties, he inclined & framed to that which of it he less he thought might fall out, where the stronger was weary and the weaker in fear; and therein desired he to shew his double diligence, thereby to win a thank & purchase favour of both parts. For he entered into bargain with *Perseus* for a sum of money, one while not to aid the Romans either by land or sea; another whiles to be a means for peace and to treat with the Romans thereabout, and not to meddle at all in the war; but to sit still: he capitulated (I say) for 1500 talents, making semblance and shew, that for the assurance both of the one and the other, he was not only to treat, but also to put in good and sufficient hostages. *Perseus* was the willingest man in the world to set in hand with this, as being driven thereto by the exigent of fear; and presently without delay dealt with him as touching the hostages which were to be received: and in fine concluded it was that they should upon their delivery and receipt be sent into *Crete*. But when they came once to talk of the money forefaid, he hasted and fluck at that: and to say a truth, either of these two lums (between Princes of so great name and honour) was but a base and dishonour consideration; a thing much unfitting (I wis) the giver, and more the receiver. *Perseus* verily for his part, in hope to purchase peace with the Romans, was willing enough to be at the expence of so much money: marry, he said that he would make payment thereof when the thing was done, and accomplished: & in the mean time lay it up, as for that purpose within the temple of *Samarabracia*. *Emmenes* again, considering that the said Island was an appurtenance to the dominion of *Perseus*, could not see but that it was all one for it to lie there and in *Pellæ*; and therefore was eagred to have part thereof in hand. Thus between them there was nothing but lying in the wind for the vantage, who could over-reach the other: & what was gained in the end but infamy and discredit? As for *Perseus*, he not only let fall this design and lost this opportunity, (and that by his pigardice only) when by the means of *Emmenes* he might have had either his money (sure enough) for peace for it, (which indeed he should have bought, if he had cost him the one half of his kingdom); and being once received into grace & favour [of the people of Rome] he might have defamed and brought into obloquy and danger his concurrent, by charging him to have received a piece of money for a bribe, and so justly have set the Romans upon his top: but also the association with *King Antiochus* which now was at the point of a contract was neglected; yea, and a mighty army of Gauls pressed at that time all over *Illyricum* and presented unto him, was even then refused and discharged by this pinching and saving of his money. For there came and offered their service ten thousand horsemen, and as many foot, and those of well practised and so good of foot-manship, that they were able to hold out & keep pace with horses; yea, and run by their sides; such (I say) as when the riders were unhorsed and slain, could vault & mount on the empty horse backs ready to fight in their turns. These had bargained to have for pay every horseman ten *Philippic* pieces [of gold] paid down aforehand, and a footman five, and their Captains a thousand. *Perseus* departed from his leaguer lying near the river *Enipeus*, and with the one half of his own forces met these, coming upon the way, and caused proclamation to be made in all towns and villages near the high waies, To made ready and bring abroad their provision of victuals, and see that there were plenty of corn, of wine, and cattell. Himself brought with him horses and trappings, and fine soldiers casocks, to bestow as presents upon the chief of them, with some little sprinkling of gold to deal among a few of them; supposing that all the rest besides of common soldiers, might be drawn on and retained with bare hope. Thus he came to the City of *Alamanda*, and encamped upon the bank of the river *Asius*. But the army of these Galatians, were lodged about *Defudaba* in the country of *Media*, and rested there expecting the payment of the money aforefaid, according to covenant. But *Perseus* sent unto them. *Antiochus* one of his gallants and contrivers, to will and command the multitude of the army to dislodge and remove to *Bylazora*, a place so called in *Paronia*, and a good sort of their chief to repair unto him. Now were they three-score and fifteen miles from the river *Asius* and the Kings camp. And when *Antiochus* had delivered unto them this mandat as he had in charge, and added besides, with what care and diligence the King had laid his provisions by the way of all things in great plenty for the army, and

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with what gifts of apparell, silver, and horses, he purposed to receive and entertain their Captains at their first coming unto him: as for that (say they) we shall take knowledge thereof when we are in presence personally: but now for this time, we demand, Whether ye have brought with you in ready coin according to bargain, that gold which is to be paid to the soldiers, as well horse as foot? And when he could make no answer thereto, but was *let nuplus*: then the said *Clondius* their Prince, Go your waies then (qd. he) and tell your King and Master, that the Gauls unless they may receive the gold, and hostages besides for their security, will not stir one foot toward Relation being made hereof unto the K. he called his Council: and when it was soon seen what they all would advise him to do himself, who could skill better to keep his money together, than hold the roya estate of his kingdom, began to enter into a discourse of a disloyalty and savage nature of these Gauls; making remembrance, how he had experience by the calamities and losses of many before him, that dangerous it was to receive so great a multitude of them within *Macedony*, for feare the Gauls would be found worse neighbors than the Romans were enemies. Five thousand horsemen are sufficient (qd. he) and so many well we may have good use of in wars, and need not be afraid of them for their number. But every man saw well enough, that it was the waging of such a number that he feared, and nothing else: but when no man durst give him counsel, albeit he seemed to ask their advice, *Antigonus* was sent again with a message unto the Gauls. That the King stood in need of five thousand horsemen and no more, as for all the rest he weighed them not. When these Barbarians heard that, all the rest began to mutter and grumble, and to take great scorn and indignation, that they were levied and departed out of their native country for nothing: but *Clondius* redemanded, Whether he would make present pay to those five thousand according to covenant, *yes*, or *may*? but seeing that he was to seek, and made shifts to avoid a direct answer, he let this deceitfull messenger go his waies, and did no harm unto his person (a thing that *Antigonus* himself would scarcely have thought could possibly have been): And so after they had given the walle unto those parts of *Thracia* which lay near to their way, they returned back again to the river *Ister*. Which power of men, if it had passed the Straights of *Perthia* into *Thessaly* against the Romans (although *Perseus* had not stirred at all; but sitted still at *Enipeus*) might not only have spoiled and laid bare the territory all about, and empeached the Romans for expecting any victuals there, but aulso destroyed the towns utterly, whilst *Perseus* held the Romans play at *Enipeus* that they could not relieve and succour the Cities of their allies and confederats. Nay, the very Romans should have enough to do to look unto themselves, considering, that there was no tarrying for them, after that *Thessaly* was lost, which nourished and maintained their army: and pass forward they could not possibly, having the Macedonian camp to affront them. But *Perseus* by that deed, as he confirmed the hearts of the Romans, so he quailed not a little the courages of the Macedonians, who depended upon the hope and expectancy of their aid. By the same miserable pinching of his, he estranged also the heart of *K. Gentius* from him. For when as at *Pella* he had paid 300 talents unto those that were sent of purpose from *Gentius* to receive the same, well content he was that they should deal up that money. Afterwards he sent unto *Pantaneus* ten talents, and commanded him to deliver the same to the K. in person: as for the rest signed up with the sale of the Illyrians, he commanded his own men who had the convey thereof, in going with it to take small journeys, and when they were come to the utmost frontiers of *Macedony*, there to rest and attend the messengers from him. *Gentius*, after he had received as earnest that small portion of the whole sum aforesaid, being called upon continually by *Pantaneus* and set on to provoke the Romans by some hostility or other, made no more ado, but committed to prison *Ad. Perseus* and *L. Petilius*, who chanced at that time to come unto him in embassage. Which when *Perseus* once heard, he had enough, and thought verily that *Gentius* had done that, whereby of necessity he must be forced to wage war with the Romans; and thereupon sent out presently to call those back who had the carriage of the foresaid talents; as if he had studied and sought for nothing more, than to receive as great a booty as possibly he could, for the Romans to enjoy, after that they had vanquished and subdued him, *Eropon* returned likewise from *Enmenes*, and with not what had been contrived secretly between them. That their treaty was about certain captives, they themselves had given forth abroad, and likewise *Enmenes* advertised the Consul so much, for avoiding of all suspicion.

*Perseus* after the return of *Eropon* from *Enmenes* was much dismayed and cast down. Whereupon, he sent *Antenor* & *Callippus* (admirals of his navy) to *Tenedos*, with forty pinnaces, unto which number five Gallions were adjoynd: who from that coast dispersing themselves all about the Islands *Cyclades*, might wait and guard the lighters and hoies charged with corn, as they sailed to *Macedony*. These ships were put to sea at *Cassandrea*, and first they fell with the havens that lie under the foot of the mountain *Athos*, and from thence passed to *Tenedos* with pleasure in calm sea: where finding certain Rhodian open ships riding in the harbour, they spake courteously to *Endemur* their Admiral, and let them alone without any hurt at all done unto them. But afterwards upon knowledge, that fifty hulks of theirs on another side were shut up and pent in by the war-ships of *K. Enmenes* (which rid in the mouth of the haven, and were commanded by *Damius*) he turned about in all haste, & dispersed the enemies ships with a sudden terror that he put them in, & sent the said hulks & vessels of burden into *Macedony*, with a convoy of ten brigantines to wait them over. With this charge, That after they had conducted them past all danger into place of safety, they should return again to *Tenedos*. After nine daies they retired toward the fleet anchoring then

in the rode of *Siguum*. From whence they crossed over to *Sabota*, an Island lying between *Egea* and *Athos*. It fortuned that the morrow after the fleet, was arrived at *Sabota*, five and thirty ships which they call *Hippagoge* [serving for the transporting of hoies] which came from *Egea*, having aboard certain horsemen of *Gaul* and their horses, made head toward *Phana*, a cape or promontory of the Chians, from whence they might cut over into *Macedony*. And these were sent from *Enmenes* to *Attalus*, *Antenor* being advertised by a signal given him from a watch-tower, that those ships were discovered under sail in the open sea, looked from *Sabota*; and between the cape of *Erythraea* and *Chios*, where the sea is most narrow, he encountered them. The admirals of *K. Enmenes* thought nothing less, than that any fleet of Macedonians were abroad in those seas; but imagined one while they were Romans, otherwhiles, that it was *Attalus* or some sent back from *Attalus*, who from out of the Roman camp were sailing toward *Pergamus*. But as they approached nearer, they took knowledge by the form and fashion of their pinnaces who they were, by their hally rowing also and making head full against them they were out of all doubt that their enemies were at hand. Then were they mightily afraid, as having no hope to resist and withstand them, considering the ships were unwieldy and unhandsome, and the Gauls besides could hardly brook the very sea without any other trouble. Some of them therefore, who were nearer to the firm land saved themselves by swimming to *Erythraea*; others set up their sails, and being cast upon the Island *Chios*, forsook their horses, and ran as fast as they could for refuge to the City. But the barks discharged their armed soldiers nearer to the City in a more commodious place for landing, where the Macedonians overtook the Gauls and slew them: some in the way, as they fled, others before the very gate of the City, being kept out and excluded from thence: for the Chians not knowing either who fled or who pursued, had shut their gates upon them. Nine hundred & Galligrees, or very near, lost their lives and were hewn in peeces, and 200 taken alive. As for the horses, or perished in the sea after the ships were split and broken, and the Macedonians hought and cut the strings of their gambrels of as many of them as they found upon the shore. Twenty of the best and fairest horses, together with the prisoners, *Antenor* commanded that those ten barks which he had sent before, should transport to *Thessalonica*, and return again with all speed to the fleet for that he would expect their coming at *Phana*. The fleet abode but three daies under the City side, but afterwards went forward to *Phana*: and when the ten pinnaces aforesaid were returned sooner than they looked for, they set up sail in the *Egean* sea for *Delos*.

In this while the Roman Embassadors, *C. Popilius*, *C. Decimus*, and *C. Hostilius*, departed from *Chios*, and arrived with three Quinquagene galleaces at *Delos*, where they found forty Macedonian pinnaces, and five royall Quinquagene galleaces of *K. Enmenes*. The holiness of the Temple and Island wherein it stood afforded security to them all, so as there was no hurt done nor violence offered from one to another. And therefore, as well Romans as Macedonians, and besides, the sailors and mariners of *K. Enmenes* conversed together, intermingling one with another in the Temple, and the religious devotion of the place yielded them truce and surcease of hostility. *Antenor* the admiral of *K. Perseus*, when he was advertised from the watch and sentinell, that certain ships of burden were seen a far off in the sea, set sail & made after them himself with part of his pinnaces, and part of them he bestowed in wait among the *Cyclades*, and saving those that directed their course toward *Macedony*, he either drowned or spoiled them all. *Popilius* did the best he could, and *Enmenes* with his ships likewise, to save some; but the Macedonians, who failed by night with two or three pinnaces at the most, deceived them and were not discovered. Much about this time the Macedonian and Illyrian Embassadors came together to *Rhodes*, who carried the greater authority and credit with the Rhodians, by reason not only of the coming of their brigantines, which sailed to and fro ranging over the *Egean* sea, and among the *Cyclades*, but also by the conjunction and association of the two *K. Perseus* and *Gentius*, together with a rumor that ran of the Gauls, who were coming with a great number, as well of horse as foot. And now both *Dion* and *Polyarchus*, who took part with *Perseus*, took more courage and heart unto them: Fed openly it was, that by their authority they would make an end of the war: in regard whereof, the Kings also for their parts were to be disposed, and well willing to accept of peace.

Now was it the prime of the spring, when as the new generals were arrived into their Provinces: *Emilius* the Col. into *Macedony*; *Octavius* to the navy at *Oreum*; and *Anticius* into *Illyria*, whose commission was to levy war against *Gentius*. This *Gentius* was the son of *Pleuratus* K. of the Illyrians, and *Euridica* was his mother: two brethren he had, to wit, *Plator* of the whole blood by father and mother both, and *Caravanus* only by the mothers side. This half brother he suspected, by reason of his base parentage from the father; but as for *Plator* he murdered, together with two especial friends of his *Ettrius* and *Epicadus* (brave men of action) to the end that he might reign in more safety and security. The voice goeth that he carried an envious eye to that brother of his, for that he had espoused *Erma* the daughter of *Homonus* the Prince of the Dardanian nation: and the more likelihood this carried, with it after he married the damoell, indeed, he began to molest and oppress his own naturall subjects: and as he was by nature given to riotous, hence, to that indisposition of his he set on fire with untemperat drinking of wine. But as we said before, being moved and incited to war against the Romans, he assembled all his forces together.

unto *Lissus*, to the number of 15000 armed men, and sent his brother from thence with 1000 H foot and 50 horse against the Carians, for to subdue that nation either by force or war, whiles himself led his army five miles against the City *Bassania* from *Lissus*. Now were the Bassanians confederate allies of the Romans: and therefore when they were first solicited by messengers to yield, they resolved rather to endure a siege than do so. As for *Caracanthus*, he was peaceably and friendly received at his first coming into *Durium*, a town of the Carians: but *Caracanthus*, another City, made the gates fast against him: and as he gave the waile to the territory about it, certain of his souldiers straggling here and there, were by the peasants and villagers killed, who came forth and made head against them.

And now by this time *Appius Claudius* having taken with him, over and above his own army, the auxiliaries of the Bullians, Apolloniats, and Dyrrhachians, dislodged out of the place where I he had wintered, and encamped near the river *Genujus*. For hearing of the alliance made between *Perseus* and *Gentius*, and incensed besides with the outrage committed upon the Roman ambassadors, whom *Gentius* put in prison, he resolved certainly to war upon him. *Anicius* the Prator being at that time at *Apollonia*, and advertised in what terms the affairs stood in *Illyricum*, dispatched letters beforehand to *Appius*, willing him to attend at *Genujus* for his coming; and so within three daies after came himself to the camp there; and to those aids which he had of his own he took with him two thousand foot, and two hundred horse, drawn out of the youth and flower of the Partins. Of the Infantry *Epicadus* had the conduct, and *Agathus* commanded the Cavalry. With this power he prepared to go into *Illyricum*, principally for to levy the siege before *Bassania*: but this design projected by him, was empeached by the coming of a tempest of certain K pinnaces which waisted and spoiled the sea-coasts. A fleet they were together of eighty sail, sent from *Gentius* by the instigation of *Pantaneus*, to forrage the territories of *Apollonia* and *Dyrrhachium*. Then the fleet

Which being surrendered, they submitted also and yielded themselves. And so consequently other Cities of that country one after another did the semblable: and the inclination and disposition of mens minds that way, was much set forward by the clemency and justice of the Roman Prator which he used towards all. Then they marched to *Scodra*, the capital place and seat-town of the war: not only for that *Gentius* had seized upon it for his own self, as the chief strength and fortrefs of all his realm but also because it was the strongest peece of all the Libeats nation, and very difficult for access. Enclosed it is with two rivers: to wit, *Clansula* which runneth along the East side of the City, and *Barbana* on the West, arising out of the marsh *Labacis*. These two rivers joyn in one, and are discharged together into the great river *Oriundus*: which springing from the mountain *Scodrus*, and creased still with the confluence of many other warfers and rivulets, falleth at length into the Adriatick sea. This *Scodrus* is the highest hill by odds of all other in those quarters: on the east it hath *Dardania* under it, on the South *Macedony*, and *Illyricum* on the West. Albeit, this town was strongly fortified, by the natural site of the place, and defended by the whole nation of the Illyrians and the King himself in person: yet the Roman Prator (discouraged with the good success he had at the first, and supposing the fortune of the total war would be answerable to his happy beginnings, and that a sudden terror all would serve him in much stead and prevaile) approached the wals of the town with his army ready embattelled, and displayed his banners against it. Now if they had shut their gates, and defended their wals and turrets over the gates, with armed guards bestowed accordingly surely they had repulled the Romans from the wals, and defeated them of their enterprise clean: but they issued forth of the gate, and in the plain and even ground gave battell with more animosity and courage than they maintained it with persistance. For being discomfited and driven back, and in the chaie huddled by heaps together as they fled, after 200 & above were slain in the very straight entrance of the gate, they put the rest within in such a fright, that *Gentius* incontinently sent unto the Prator as Orators, *Tentius* and *Bellus* the principall persons of that nation to treat and intreat for a luscate of arms, that in the mean while he might debate in counsel and be advised as touching: the main estate of his affairs. And when for this purpose he had obtained a grant for three daies, and the Romans lay encamped from the City half a mile: *Gentius* took a barge, and sailing along the river *Barbana*, passed into the lake or mear of the Libeats, as if he had sought some secret way to consult in. But as it appeared afterwards, he was moved upon a certain vain hope of his brother *Caracanthus* his coming, who was said to be near at hand accompanied with many thousands of fighting men, whom he had levied and brought out of that quarter into which he was sent. But when this rumour was over-blown & vanished to nothing, down the river he went again with the stream the third day after in the same vessel to *Scodra*, and sent couriers before him to the Prator, requiring leave to parley & commune with him: which being granted, he entered into the camp. First, he began his speech with accusing and condemning his own folly: in the end his last refuge was to pour out prayers and shed tears: and so humbling himself at the Prator his feet, he submitted to his devotion. The Prator at the first bad him take a good heart unto him and be of good cheer, and invited him to supper: and so he returned to his own people into the City, where he was honorably feasted that day by the Prator. But afterwards he was delivered to the guard and keeping of *C. Cassius*, a martiall Colonell: and thus received he of *K. Perseus* only ten talents (a mean reward and hardly sufficient to content a simpleword-plaier) to engage himself into a world of danger: and being a K, as he was, to fall into this extreme calamity and misery. *Anicius* having entered upon *Scodra*, sitt before all other things, took order that

that the two Embassadors, aforesaid, *Perseus* and *Perpenna* should be fought out and brought unto him: whom after he had restored to their prime estate and reputation, he sent *Perpenna* presently to apprehend the friends and kinsfolk of the King: who took his way directly to *Macedoy*, a City of the Libeats, and brought with him into the camp at *Scodra* *Elleus* the Kings wife, with her two sons, *Scerdidatus* and *Pleuraus*, together with *Caracanthus* the K. his brother. Thus *Anicius* having ended the Illyrian war within the compass of thirty daies, sent *Perpenna* to Rome with tidings of this victory: and within few daies *Gentius* himself after him together with his mother, his wife and children, his brother, and other LL of the Illyrians. This was the only war achieved and brought to an end, before they heard at Rome that it was begun.

During the management of these affairs, *Perseus* also was in great fear and affright, by reason of the coming of *Lucius* a new Consul (who as the voice went, marched against him with great menaces) together with *Octavius* the Prator. Neither was he le's terrified with the Roman navy and the danger of the sea-coasts. *Eumenes* and *Athenagoras* had the keeping and command of *Thessalonica* with a small garrison of two thousand targettiers. Thither he sent Captain *Androcles* also, with one commandment to encamp close to the very harbor where the ships lay in trade. Unto *Enia* he sent one thousand horsemen under the leading of *Antigonus*, to guard the sea-coast to the end that in what part soever they heard the enemies ships were arrived, they might incontinently advance to the succour of the peasants and country people. Five thousand Macedonians were likewise sent to lie in garrison at *Pythium* and *Petra*, under the conduct of *Hilpinus*, *Theagenes* and *Midon*. After these were departed, he went in hand to fortifie the bank of the river *Enipeus*: because it was passable over the very channell on dry foot. And to the end that all the multitude should be employed hereabout, the very women were compelled out of the towns adjoining, to bring victuals into the camp. The souldiers were commanded from out of the woods near by

Finally, the water-bearers in leather bits or bottles, were commanded to follow him to the sea, which was a quarter of a mile off: and thereupon they stood to dig pits, some in one place, and some in another, a pretty distance asunder. The exceeding high hills all about put him in good hope (& the rather because they sent out from them no rivers to be seen in open view) that they contained within them some hidden springs, the veins whereof draining into the sea, were intermingled with the sea-water. They had scarcely sunk through the uppermost course of sand above, when they might see small fources to boil up at the first troubled, but afterward they began to yield shier and clear water in great abundance: by a spee which (as it were) of the gods above. And even this occurred also encreased the name and reputation of the Captain with his souldiers. Then after he had commanded his men to make ready their armour, himself with the martiall Tribunes and the principall formost ranks, marched to recognize and view the passages, and to see where the armed men might defend with ease, and where they might with least trouble mount up the bank on the farther side. When he had taken a sufficient survey hereof, he forecast & gave direction aforehand, for all things to be done in the army in good order without trouble and tumultuous noise, even at the very beck and commandment of their leaders. For when a thing to be effected is pronounced to all at once, it falleth out that every man is not within the hearing: and so receiving an uncertain signall and commandment, some put more of their own head to that which was commanded, and others do less again for it: and so there arise from all parts dissident cries, and by this means the enemies know sooner whereabout they goe, than many of themselves. Therefore to avoid this confusion, he ordained that every martiall Colonell should give a secret watch-word to the principall Centurion of the legion, and round him in his ear what he would have done: then he and so forth every one should deliver unto each Centurion as he is next in rank and place, what was to be executed: whether it were that the commandment was to be carried from the front of the army to the tail, or from the rereguard behind to the vanguard before. He brought up a new order and custome, forbidding the watchmen to carry with them any targets to their sentinels: for that the watchman went not out to fight, whereby he he needed any armour, but to keep watch: that when he desired the enemies coming, he might retire himself, and raise others to take arms. Item, he ordained that the helmettiers or morioners should stand upon their feet, having their shields upright before them: and when they were weary, to lean and bear upon their javelins, and resting their head upon the edge of their shields so to take a nap and sleep: to the end that their glittering armour might be discovered afar off by the enemy, whereas himself could not see far before him. The manner also of warding in the day time, and of the corps de guard he altered clean. For whereas they were wont to sit and take the day long armed, and the horsemen holding their horses bridled; it fell out so, that in summer daies when ordinarily the sun is extrem and scorching hot, both horse and man became weary and languished again with abiding so many hours in the heat, and oftentimes the enemies being fresh, although they were but few in number, set upon them and put them to trouble and hazard enough. Hereupon he commanded that the morning guard should break up at noon, and others succeed in their places for to ward in the afternoon. By this means the enemy fresh and in heart could never take them weary and so charge upon them. When he had pronounced in a publique assembly gathered together that his will was, that these orders should be observed accordingly he delivered unto them a speech, much resembling the former Oration which he used before to the people within the City of Rome. Namely, "That the Generall of an army ought only to foresee and provide for all that is meet to be done, sometime by himself, otherwhiles with those whom he hath joyned."

"assistants





"time will come when you will be of that mind, of which I am now. Taught I am by experience  
 "of many adventures and casualties in war, to know, when it is good time to fight, and when it is  
 "better to forbear and sit still. For this present needles it is and bootles (standing as we do now  
 "arranged in order of battell) to tell you what motives they be, that induce me to think it better  
 "to be quiet and not to stir this day: another time demand the reasons thereof: and let content  
 "ed I advise you, with the authority and credit of an old warrior and experienced Captain. The  
 "young man was blank and said not a word: perwaded he was doubtes, that the Co. law bore  
 "impediments to stay the battell, which to himself appeared not. *Paulus*, when he perceived that the  
 "camp was let and quartered out, & the carriages bestowed accordingly, drew first out of the re-  
 "guard the *Triarii*; then afterwards the *Principes*, whiles the *Hastati* or pikes kept their standing  
 "still in the vanguard (if haply the enemies should offer battell;) at the last he withdrew them al-  
 "so, beginning first at the right point, taking by little and little the souldiers from every ensign one  
 "after another. By this means were the footmen had away without any trouble and tumult, and the  
 "horsemen together with the light armour opposed against the enemy in the front and head of the  
 "main battell before the enemies: neither was the Cavalry called back from those stations where  
 "in they were placed, untill the forefront of the rampier and trench was fully fulfilled. The *K*, like-  
 "wise, who without any refusal of battell had stood ready that day to fight, contenting himself with  
 "this, that he knew the stay thereof was occasioned by the enemy, led his companies back into his  
 "camp. After the Romans were encamped and well fortified, *C. Sulpicius Galba* Matull Colonell  
 "of the second legion, who had been Prætor the year before by permission of the Council called the  
 "souldiers to a general audience, and before them all declared and pronounced, that the next night  
 "following there would be seen an eclipse of the moon, from the second hour of the night untill  
 "the fourth: and this he did, because no man should wonder thereat, as if it were a prodigious to-  
 "ken. Also he made demonstration unto them, that it might be well fore-known and fore-told,  
 "because it is a thing coming at certain times by the ordinary course of nature. For like as they  
 "nothing marvelled at the rising and going down both of sun and moon at set hours, nor to see the  
 "moon sometimes shine bright out at the full, otherwhiles in the wain, giving light only with the  
 "small tips of her horns: even so they ought not to make a wonder and miraculous matter of it,  
 "that she should be dark, when as her body is hidden by the shadow of the earth. Thus the moon  
 "was eclipsed at the hour before prognosticated, overnight before the *even* of the Nones of *September*.  
 "by occasion whereof, the Roman souldiers held *Gallus* for a deeply learned sage, and a *Li-*  
 "vine Philosopher: but contrariwise, the Macedonians were troubled with the sight thereof, as an  
 "heavy prodigy, portending and prefiging the ruin of that realm and the utter destruction of the  
 "whole nation. And surely the howling and yelling which they made in their camp all the while,  
 "untill the moon recovered her full light again, was a very prognostication and prediction of no  
 "leis. The morrow after both the armies were to hot let and greedy of fight, that both *K*, and *Co*,  
 "were blamed by some of their own souldiers, for that they went out of the field the day before,  
 "and struck not battell. As for the *K*, he had his excuse and defence ready: not only because the en-  
 "emy refused the fight first in open view of all men, and so retired his forces into his camp, but also  
 "in that he had pitcht and ranged his ensignes in such a place, unto which the Macedonian battell,  
 "called Phalanx, could not advance, considering that with the smallest disadvantage of the ground,  
 "there is no use at all thereof. The *Co*, for his part, as the day before he seemed to have pretermi-  
 "ned and lost the opportunity of a combat, yea, and to have given the enemy advantage to depart in  
 "the night (season if he had to list) so now also he trifled out the time making semblance of sacri-  
 "fice, whereas the signall of battell at the point of day was put forth for the souldiers to enter into  
 "the field. Well, at the last, when the sacrifice was duly performed, about the third hour of the day,  
 "he assembled his Council about him: where, some there that thought he prolonged the  
 "time on set purpose, with his discourses and unseasonable consultations, and spent that opportu-  
 "nity so, which should be employed better in fight and execution of some worthy exploit. Howbeit,  
 "after some speeches passed, the *Co*, made an Oration unto his souldiers in this wise. "*Pub. Nafica*  
 "O (qd, he) right valiant young gentleman, of all those that advised to give battell yesterday, was *N*  
 "the only man that uttered his mind, and acquainted me with his counsell; yet afterwards, even  
 "he held his peace and kept silence, in such sort, as he seemed to change his opinion, and to be of  
 "my mind in the end. Some others there be that have taken a several course by themselves, and  
 "thought it better to carp at their General behind his back than to demonstrish him to his face. As  
 "for me I will not think much nor make it dainty, to render a reason both to you. *O. P. Nafica*,  
 "& so to them also who have thought the same that you did (although they carried it more secre-  
 "tly) why I made such stay and deferred battell. For so far off am I of repenting for our yesterdays  
 "repose, that I am of this belief rather, how by that means and policy alone I saved the whole ar-  
 "my. And because none of you may think that I have taken such a pitch, and hold that opinion  
 "of mine without just cause, let him consider & discourse together with me (if he think so good)  
 "what advantages the enemies had, & how many things made against us. First and foremost, how  
 "far they surpass us in number, assured I am that none of you either was ignorant before, or  
 "could chuse but observe and mark yesterday, seeing their army how it was thrust and thronged  
 "together. And of that small number which we are, the fourth part of our fighting men was left  
 "behind to guard the carriages, & we yet wot, that we set not the most cowardly to the keeping of  
 "our baggage. But suppose we had been all there together. How then? think we, I pray you, that  
 "we

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The Orator  
of L. Emilius  
unto his army.

"we have not enough of it, even out of this very camp wherein we have rested one whole night,  
 "to go either this day or tomorrow at the farthest, with the leave and power of the gods into  
 "the field, if you shall so think good? Skillett it not indeed, and is it all one, to bid a souldier  
 "take arms, whom neither the travel of this daies journey, nor toil of laborious work hath  
 "tainted and wearied, but is at quiet yea, and fresh within his tent, & to bring him forth into  
 "the field for a battell lusty and strong, full of bodily vigour of heart? or to offer and expose unto  
 "the enemy who is heary and fresh, who hath taken his rest and ease, & hath brought with him  
 "to a fight, his strength entire and whole, not soiled or spent upon any occasion: to present, I say,  
 "unto such an enemy, a souldier tired out with long journey upon the way, wearied with carry-  
 "ing his burden all molten to sweat and dropping therewith, his throat scorched for thirst, his  
 "face and eyes full of dust, and all his body raised against the noon-sun? now tell me, by the  
 "ye ow to the gods, what is he that being in this so good a plight, were he the vertiest beast and  
 "coward otherwise in a country could not foil and beat out of the field the hardiest & most val-  
 "iant man that is? Moreover, what should I say how material & important this also was that our  
 "enemies had marshalled their battallions with great leisure after long time of rest; that they had  
 "repaired and refreshed their own strength, & stood ranged every man orderly in his own rank;  
 "whereas we were at one instant both hastily to embattel and let our men in array, yea, and also  
 "to fall to skirmish pell mell without all order? But may some men say, True it is, our battell in-  
 "deed we should have had much out of square and thrust in great confusion: yet our camp was  
 "well fortified: we had forecast and provided for good watering, the passage thereto was good  
 "and safe by reason of strong guards placed every way; & all coasts were cleared about us by bur-  
 "elias. Nay, I wis, but contrariwise, nothing (to say truly) was ours, but the bare & naked plain  
 "field where we were to fight. Your ancestors in times past, esteemed a camp fortified with ran-  
 "piers and trenches, as good as a port and harbor of sure refuge, for an army against all chances;  
 "and misfortunes whatsoever: from thence to issue forth, & thither to retire for safety, after they  
 "had been tossed and beaten with the tempest of a battell. And therefore when it was em-  
 "paled round about with good defences, they had a care also to re-enforce & strengthen it with strong  
 "guards: forasmuch as he that hath lost his camp & is turned out of it, is ever holden for vanqui-  
 "shed, notwithstanding he won the day & had the better in the field. The hold of a camp serveth  
 "for a place of retreat to the conqueror: & of refuge to the conquered. How many armies could  
 "I reckon, which having sped but badly in the battell, were driven to take their leaguers; yet after-  
 "wards seeing their time, and spying their vantage, otherwhiles lalled forth, & in the turning of  
 "an hand repulled and discomfited the enemy for all his former victory? This feat and retreat of  
 "souldiers in time of war, resembleth as a man would say, another native country of theirs: the  
 "rampier serveth instead of walls, the tent and pavilion is to every souldier his house and home.  
 "And should we have fought indeed like vagabonds without any place of mansion wherunto we  
 "might betake our selves after victory? But against these difficulties and emplacements of giving  
 "battell, this one thing is objected: How and if the enemy (say some) had gone his waies last night  
 "between: what a foul deal of trouble & sorrow should we have endured again in pursuing him  
 "as far as to the heart, may to the farthest frontiers of *Macedony*? But I for my part verily hold this  
 "for certain, that if he had ever meant to have flatted from hence, he would never have staid thus  
 "here as he hath done, nor brought his forces out into the field. For how much more easie was it  
 "for him to depart & be gone when we were farther off, than now when we are ready to tread  
 "upon his heels, and go over his back? Surely he could not possibly have given us the slip, but we  
 "should have been aware of his dislodging, either by day or night. But, say he had gone his waies,  
 "what could we have wished more at the gods hands, than to set upon the back part of the ene-  
 "mies in the open plain ground, departing in disarray disbanding one from another, as they aban-  
 "doning their fort and strong hold, and whose camp situate most sure upon an exceeding high and  
 "steep bank of a river, fortified also with a rampier, and many a fence and turret beside, we gave  
 "the venture to assault? Lo, what the causes were, why the battell was put off from yesterday to  
 "this present. For I must tell you, I am as willing my self to try the fortune of a field as any other  
 "and to that end (because the adventures to the enemy over the river *Enipeus* were stopped up a-  
 "gainst us) I have found a new way through another pass and straight, by disfiguring the guards of  
 "the enemies there left; and never will I give over untill I have dedicated him quite, and brought  
 "this way to an end. After this oration all kept silence, partly for that many of them were won to  
 "his opinion; and partly because they feared to find fault to no purpose & so to give offence, when  
 "a thing howsoever once past, cannot be recalled and amended. But that day neither, was there  
 "battell fought, for any great desire that the Consul or King had thereto. The King wished it not;  
 "because he was now to charge his enemies, not weary of their way as the day before, nor trou-  
 "bled about their embattelling in such sort, & hardly at the last brought into order. The Consul  
 "again had no great Romack thereto, for that his camp newly pitched, was provided neither of fel-  
 "low nor forrage brought in and laid up already: and for the purveyance thereof, out of the villa-  
 "ges and fields near at hand, many of the souldiers were gone abroad forth of the camp. And thus  
 "when neither of the Generals were willing thereto, mere chance and fortune (which is more po-  
 "werfull than all the counsell and policy of man) made means and gave occasion of a battell. There  
 "was a river not very great, near to the enemies camp, whereas both Romans and Macedonians  
 "watered: and on either bank side certain guards kept their stations, for the safety and security

as well of the one part as the other, Two Cohorts there were for the Romans of Marrucines and Pelignians, footmen; two troops or cornets besides of Samnit horsemen: all commanded by *M. Sergius Sylva* a lieutenant. Over and besides, another standing *corps de guard* quartered before the camp, containing three cohorts, namely, of Firmian, Vestine, and Cretanion footmen, together with two troops of Placentine and Esernian horsemen, all conducted by lieutenant *Clavius*. Now when all was well and quiet about the river, and no side provoked or challenged other; it occurred that a sumpter horse [of the Romans] about the fourth hour of the day brake from the hands of those that had the tending and keeping of such, took the river and made toward the bank of the farther side: & when three soldiers followed after cros the water almost knee-deep to catch him, the Thracians began to train the jade from the midst of the river to their bank side: but after one of them was slain, the Romans recovered the beast again & retired to their own guard. Now there was a strong *corps de guard* of 800 Thracians upon the bank which the enemies kept, from whence some few at first, taking it to the heart that a countriman of theirs should thus be killed before their face, travelled over the river in pursuit of those that had slain him: afterwards more and more, and in the end all followed after, and together with that guard

leadeth to the battel. Men were moved with a reverence of the majesty of his place, as he was *L. General*; also with respect of the honour and glory of the man otherwise; and above all, with the regard of his age: for that being about threecore years old he did undergo the offices and parts of young men in the adventures of greatest travell and danger. That void space which was between the light targetiers, called *Cetrati*, and the thick battailions named Phalanges, the legion took up clean, and broke within the battell of the enemies. Behind the *Cetrati* was this legion, and had against them the Pavoiirs called *Aglaipides*, with resplendent or shining shields, *L. Attilius*, who had been Consul beforetime, was commanded to lead against the battailion of other Pavoiirs called *Caenapides* with white shields. And that was the main battell of the enemies. Against the right flank from which quarter the skirmish first began about the river, the Elephants were conducted together with a wing of confederat horsemen, and from thence began the Macedonians to fly. For like as many new devices and inventions of men, carry some shew in apparance of words when they are first spoken of; but come to practise and try them once, and not to argue and dispute how they should be put in execution, they vanish away without effect and prove just nothing: even so at that time, the Elephants bare a name only in the battell, without any use and service at all. That violence of the Elephants (such as it was) the Latine allies seconded immediately, and forced the left flank to retire. Then the second legion was put forth, and in the midst entered upon the Phalanx and put it to flight; neither was there any cause of victory more evident than this, namely, that many skirmishes there were in divers places, which at the first troubled the Phalanx, and afterwards discomfited it. True it is, that to abide the force thereof it is impossible, so long as it keepeth close united together & putteth forth their sharp pointed pikes bent thick couched together breast-high: but if a man by charging the same here and there, force them once to turn about those pikes, which for their length and heavy weight are unwieldy and hard to guide, they soon are entangled and catch one within another untowardly: but in case it fall out so, that there be any tumult made either askant or behind, then there ensueth a general trouble and confusion of all, as if they all at once came tumbling down: like as it happened then, when as against the Romans, who assailed them by troops in sundry parts, they were driven to break their battailion into many pieces, as it were, and so to make head & affront the enemy. But the Romans espied where there was a breach made and lane left between, and there they would insinuat and wind in with their ranks and files: who, if they had run upon the front of the Phalanx closed ranged altogether with their whole battailion, they had enwrapped and entangled themselves within their pikes: which in the beginning of the conflict happened to the Peligni, as they unadvisedly dealt with the targetiers, called *Cetrati*, and had never been able to sustain that battailion united thick and couched together. But as there was a cruel slaughter committed upon the companies of the infantry in every place, save only those that flung away their weapons and fled: so the soldiers of the Cavalry departed in manner safe and sound out of the conflict. The *K. himself* was the first man that fled: and now by this time was escaped beyond *Pydna*, and with his cornets of horsemen which they call, *Sacred*, made haste to *Pella*. Anon after followed *Cassand*, and the Cavalry of the Odyrians: consequently, other troops and companies of Macedonian horsemen departed and kept their arrais unbroken: for that the Phalanx or battailion of the footmen between which kept the conquerours occupied in execution, put them quite out of remembrance to pursue the men of arms. A long time continued the massacre of this Phalanx askant, askant & behind. In the end, they who escaped the hands of the enemies, fled without weapons to the sea: some took the water, and stretching forth their hands to them that were aboard in the ships, most humbly besought them for to save their lives: and when they saw the small pinnaces and cockboats making space on all hands toward them from the ships, they imagining that their coming was to catch them for their prisoners rather than to kill them outright, waded farther into the water: yea, and some swum forward: but when they saw they were by the means of the boats slain in all hostile manner like enemies, as many as could, swam back again to land: where they met with a fouler mischief, and were worse plagued than before: for the Elephants (driven by their government to the shore) trode them under foot and crushed their guts out. All men generally agreed in this point, That never at any one field, were so many Macedonians defeated and killed by the Romans: for 20000 men were

As were there slain, and to the number of 6000 (who fled to *Pydna* out of the battail) came alive into the enemies hands: 5000 besides were taken prisoners, as they fled scattering and disbanded here and there. Of the victors, there died not above an hundred, and the more part by far of Pelignians; but a greater number (somewhat, were hurt and wounded. And if the battail had begun sooner, that the winners might have had day enough to follow the chase upon their enemies, all their forces had been utterly defeated and deavoured by the sword: but now the night coming upon them, as it covered and shadowed the enemies that fled, so it caused the Romans not to be so hasty and forward in pursuit: considering they were not acquainted with the coasts of the country. *Perseus* fled to the forest *Pieria* by the port road way, with a great number of horsemen and his royal train about him. So soon as he was entered the forest where the way divided into sundry and divers parts, seeing that the night approached, he turned out of the high beaten way with very few of his most loyal and faithful friends. The horsemen being thus abandoned and left destitute of their leader, slipped some one way and some another home into their own Cities: certain of them (but very few) recovered *Pella* before *Perseus* himself, because they rode a direct and ready way. The *K.* was much troubled and vexed until midnight almost, what with fear and what with difficulty to find out the way. When he was come to *Pella*, *Enthus* the Governour thereof, and the Kings pages, were ready attendant at the court to wait upon him and do him service: but contrary-wise, of all those friends who escaped safe out of the battail and chanced by variable adventures to come into *Pella*, there would not one come at him, notwithstanding they were oftentimes lent for. Three only bare him company in that flight of his, to wit, *Evanor* of *Crete*, *Nean* of *Caerotic*, and *Archidamus* the *Etolian*. Fearing therefore lest they who refused to come unto him, would soon after enterprize some greater matter against him: with those three he fled still forward, about the fourth watch of the night. After him there followed upon 500 Cretans, toward *Amphipolis* he went; but he departed in the night from *Pella*, making all the haste he could to pass over the river *Axius* before day-light, supposing that the Romans would give over the chase there, by reason of the difficult and dangerous toord.

The Consul being returned into the camp with victory, (because he should not have the fruition of sincere and perfect joy) was greatly disquieted and troubled about his younger son, and that was *P. Scipio*, furnished also afterwards *Africanus*, because he raised the City of *Carthage*: the natural son he was of the Consul *Paulus*, and the adopted nephew or grand-child of *Africanus*: he was at that time 17 years of age, and (which augmented the sorrow of the father) whilst he followed in chase the enemies upon the spur, was carried by the press contrary way, in such sort, as it was late ere he returned: and then the Consul having recovered him again safe and sound, felt the joy of it great a victory, and not before.

When the bruit and news of this battail was arrived at *Amphipolis*, and that the dames and wives of the City ran flocking into the Temple of *Diana*, whom they call *Taurapolos*, to beseech and call for her aid, *Diodorus* the chief Governour of the City, fearing the Thracians (who were 2000 in garison) left in that tumult and garboil they would spoil and rife the City: craftily furnished a fellow on set purpose in guise and shew of a letter-carrier, and received from him letters in the midst of the market place: wherein it was written, That the Roman fleet was arrived in *Emathia*, and that the territories all about were pitifully wasted by them; and therefore the rulers and captains of *Emathia* requested him to send a garison to succour them against these foragers. When he had read these counterfeited letters, he exhorted the Thracians to undertake this expedition and to go into *Emathia* for to guard the coasts thereof: giving them to understand, that considering the Romans were loosely stragling and scattered about the fields and villages, they might make a foul hayock and laughter of them, and besides raise and bring away with them a great booty: withal, he forgot not to elevate as much as he could, the fame of the forsaide unhappy field, saying, That if it had been true, there would have been messengers coming thick one after another upon their flight, to bring fresh tidings still thereof. Under this pretence he sent away the Thracians: and so soon as he saw they were passed over the river *Strymon*, incontinently he shut the gates. The third day after the battail fought, came *Perseus* to *Amphipolis*, and from thence beset Orators to *Paulus* with an herald of peace. Mean-while *Hippias*, *Midon*, and *Pantacrus* the Kings principal friends, went themselves to the Consul, and surrendered unto the Romans *Berthea*, whither they had retired and fled immediately out of the field. Other Cities also stricken with fear one after another, prepared to do the like.

The Consul, after he had sent to *Rome* with tidings and letters of this victory, *Q. Fabius* his own son, together with *L. Comulus* and *Q. Metellus*, gave the spoil of the enemies army thus lying defeated, unto his brother: but the horsemen he allowed the booty of all the territory round about, with condition, that they should not be absent from the camp more than two nights. Then he removed nearer unto the sea, and lodged about *Pydna*. First, *Berthea* (as is before said) yielded, then *Thessalonica* and *Pella*: and consequently, all *Macedony* well-near within two daies was surrendered. But the *Pydneans* who were next unto him, as yet were behind with sending their Embassadors: the reason was, for that the confused consequence thither of many nations, and the disordered multitude of those that fled out of the field, and were all mixed together, hindered the counsel and conference which the City: so as the gates were not only shut, but also mured up. Now were *Midon* and *Pantacrus* sent to par with *Solon*, who lay there with a garison: by whose means the whole troop, and multitude of armed men was sent away, the City rendred up and the pillage given to the souldiers.

Perseus, whose only hope was in the aid of the Bithyians whom he had assailed and solicited, and for which purpose he had sent his Embassadors (although in vain) held a publick assembly, and bringing his son Philip with him, came forth before the people: to the end that he might by some exhortation confirm and strengthen the hearts, as well of the Amphipolitans as the companies of foot and horse, who either at all times continually had followed him, or were retired thither by flight for refuge. But ever as he was about to make a speech unto the audience (which he oft began to do) he could not proceed for tears. Now for that himself was not able to speak, he came down from the pulpit, and imparted unto Evander the Cretensian those points, which his will was to be delivered and propoed unto the congregation there assembled. The multitude, as they lamented and wept again to see the King so piteously shed tears: so they regarded not the speech of Evander: nay, some of them were so bold as to cry out aloud from the midst of the assembly, A. I way, away, and get ye gone from hence that the final remnant of us here perish not for your sakes. The stout resolution of these men stopped Evander his mouth, that he could not say a word and reply again. The King by this time was gotten to his lodging, and having conveyed into certain bottoms upon the river *Strymon* all his money, gold, and silver, went also in person down to the waterside. The Thracians durst not go aboard and commit to sea, but slunk every man away to his own home: and so did all the sort of souldiers besides. The Cretensians only (for greedy hope of gain) accompanied the King, who became in sharing & desling money among them. he should incur more offence than win thanks laid out fifty talents among them upon the river side to scamble for. When they had made quick riddance and a clean hand with it, they went aboard in a great hurry so as one barge overcharged with a multitude of passengers was cast away and sunk in the mouth of the river. That very day they arrived at *Galipus*, and the morrow after at *Samothrace*, the very place that they intended; and thither (by report) were conveyed 2000 talents. *Paulus* after he had sent presidents to govern every City surrendered, to the end that no injury should be offered in this new peace to the conquered, and detaining with him still the Kings heralds and Orators, not knowing any thing of the Kings flight and departure, sent *P. Nasica* to *Amphipoli* with a main regiment of foot and horse, to ruinat and destroy at once *Simica*, and also to impeach all the designments and enterprises of the Romans.

In this time *Melbaa* was forced and ranfackd by *Cn. Octavius*: but at *Aginum* (to thegege whereof *Cn. Anticius* the Lieutenant was sent) 200 men were lost by a fallly made out of the town, for that the *Aginians* heard not the news of the late defeat.

The Consul departed from *Pydna* with his whole army, and the morrow after came before *Pella*. Where having encamped within a mile of the City, he made abode there for certain daies to view on all sides the situation of the City, which he perceived and marked full well, to have been chosen not without good cause, for the imperial fear of the Macedonian Kings. Situat it is upon an hill that lieth to the Southwest enclosed round with meers so deep as they cannot possibly be waded and passed though: and these marishes are bred and fed both winter and summer by waters overflowing out of certain lakes. Within the very marsh next unto the City side, there standeth a strong Tower by it self, bearing up above the rest, as it were an Island raised upon a terrace, made with exceeding labor of mans hand, which terrace both fustaineth a wall, and is not hurt with the moisture of the marsh round about it; and a far off seemeth close joined to the City wall. Howbeit, divided it is by a river between it and the wall, and yet united to the City by a bridge over it: so as, whosoever assaileth the same without, can have no access any way to it. neither, if the King be disposed to shut and enclose any man within, can he possibly make an escape and get forth but over the said bridge: which a few men may keep and guard with ease. In this place the Kings treasure used to lie, but at that time there was no more found but the 300 talents which were sent to King *Gentius* first and afterward staid and detained. During the time that the Consul remained about *Pella* in his standing camp many embassages had audience given them, who repaired thither out of *Thessaly* especially to congratulate with him, testifying their own joy and wishing his. But the Consul after that he had intelligence that *Perseus* had crossed over to *Samothracia*, departed from *Pella*, and at the fourth gift and journey that he made, came to *Amphipoli*. The whole multitude went forth of the City in great numbers to meet him, which gave testimony to every man, that neither a good nor just King

## The five and fortieth Book

### Of the Histories of T. Livius of Padua, from the Foundation of the City of Rome.

The Breviary of L. Florus upon the five and fortieth Book.

*Perseus* was taken prisoner by *Emilius Paulus* in *Samothracia*. When *Antiochus* King of Syria besieged *Ptolemaeus* and *Cleopatra*, King and Queen of *Egypt*, Embassadors were sent from the Senat of Rome, willing *Antiochus* to give over, and beseege no more an assaiant King unto them: but when

A when he made answer to this their message delivered, that he would consider better what he had to do. *Popilius* one of the said Embassadors with his rod that he had in his hand drew a circle about the King, and charged him in this manner: before he went out of that circle: by which rod, roughness, and blunt behavior, he forced *Antiochus* to lay away arms and forsake war. Divers Embassies of States and Kings came with eager petition, and were admitted into the Senat. As for that of the Rhodians, because the late war they stood out and took part against the Romanis was excluded. The morrow after, when it was debated in council what making war upon the Rhodians, the Embassadors pleaded the cause of their country in the Senat: so they neither had a friendly speech and farewell, as allied societies nor were sent away as reputed enemies. *Macedony* was now reduced into the form of a Province. *Emilius Paulus* triumphed, and having the consent of his own souldiers, consented for that they were pinched & cut short in the pillage. & although *Sej. Sulpicius Galba* interposed himself & gained it. He led before his chariot, *Perseus* with his three sons. And that the joy of this triumph of his should not be ending and accomplished, he wished only it was with the death of his two sons: the one died before, the other after the triumph of his father. The Consul took a review of the City, in which were assessed, and enrolled in their *tribus* books 312805 citizens. *Prusias* King of *Bithymia* repaired to Rome, to rejoice with the Senat in their behalf for the victory and conquest of *Macedony*, where he, commended unto the Senat his son *Nicomedes*. This base minded King, made all of flattery, named himself the enfranchised and all of the people of Rome.

## The five and fortieth Book of T. Livius.

Q *uintius Fabius*, *L. Lentulus*, and *Q. Metellus*, the messengers of the late victory, albeit they made all the hast that possibly they could, and came speedily to Rome, yet found the joy thereof to have prevented them: for the fourth day after the battail fought with the Kings, even as the playes and games were exhibited in the shew-place, there was heard suddenly at first, a confused humming noise, which spred over all the companies of the spectators. That a field was fought in *Macedony* and *Perseus* vanquished: afterwards arose a more clear and evident voice, which grew at length to an open shout and clapping of hands, as if certain news had been brought of the said victory. The magistrats wondered hereat, and made search after the author of this so suddain gladness, but none would be found: and then verily it passed away as the momentary joy of some vain and uncertain occurrence: howbeit a joyfull preface of some good luck settled in mens hearts and remained behind. But after that this was confirmed by the true report and relation of *Fabius*, *Lentulus*, and *Metellus*, which they made at their coming, all men rejoiced as well at the fore-giving of their minds, as for the victory itself. This joyous conceit of this assembly in the shew-place, is reported otherwise, and carrieth with it no less probability and likelihood of truth, in this manner: Upon the 23 of September (which was the second day of the solemnity of Romans games) as the Consul was going up to the lists for to set out the running of the chariots, a post, by report, (who said he was come out of *Macedony*) presented letters unto him into his own chariot: and as he rode through the shew-place toward the common scaffolds, he shewed unto the people the said laureat letters: which being once seen, the people presently (forgetting all their sports and fights) ran out into the mids of the cirque & thither the Consul followed the *Sequitimus* whom when he had read the letters, by the advice and allowance of the LL. even before the publick stages and scaffolds, he published the contents thereof to all the people in this manner. That *L. Emilius* his colleague had fought a set field with *K. Perseus*. That the army of the Macedonians was discomfited and put to flight, That the King himself was fled with some few of his train, and that all the Cities of *Macedony* were subdued and brought under the subjection of the people of Rome. These tidings were no sooner heard, but there arose a shout with exceeding great applause, in so much as many men there, left the fight of these disports, and carried their joyfull news home to their wives and children. This was the thirteenth day after the battail given in *Macedony*. The morrow after the Senat assembled in *Curia* ( *Hofilia* ) and ordained it was that publick processions should be solemnized: an Act also passed, that the Consul *Emilius* should dismiss all those that had taken the military oath, excepting only the sea-souldiers and mariners: and as for the discharging of those souldiers, agreed it was, that it should be moved in the Council-chamber: when the Lieutenants were arrived and come from *L. Emilius* the Consul, for they had dispatched a courier with letters before them. Now these messengers afore said entred the City the 25th of September about the second hour of the day, and drew after them a mighty train of those who accompanying them upon the way wherefoever they went, accompanied them to Rome and so directly went to the market-place and tribunal seat. Infortun that the Senators far then in the ordinary *Curia* or Council-house, and thither the Consul brought the Embassadors. Where they were received and held so long only as they might declare these points. How great the Kings forces were, as well in foot as horse: how many thousand were slain, how many taken prisoners: what small lots of Roman souldiers that great defeat of enemies could leave: how few they were in number that the King fled with: that it was supposed he would pass into *Samothracia* that the fleet was in readines to make way after them in chase: and that it was not possible for him to escape either by Land or Sea. And then anon they were brought forth before the general assembly of the people, where

\* ad decembris,  
Calendas Octobris.

\* ad Septembris,  
Idus Octobris.





once published, they all immediately revolted to the Romans, and entred their names with C. Poff-  
*humus*, a martial colonel. Likewise *Ion of Thessalonica*, delivered into the hands of *Otharius*, the  
 young infants of the King, and not one of them all was left with *Perseus*, but *Philip* his eldest son:  
 and then he yielded both himself and that son into the hands of *Otharius*, crying out upon for-  
 tune, and blaming the Gods in whole Temple they were, for that he received no aid and succour  
 from them, notwithstanding he humbly craved and besought the same. Then commandment was  
 given, that he should be embarked in the admirals ship: and thither also was brought aboard all  
 the money that remained, and then forthwith the fleet retired to *Amphipolis*: from whence *Otha-  
 rius* sent the King to the camp unto the consul, but first he had dispatched his letters to give him  
 knowledge, that he was sure enough under his hand, and that he was at the point to be brought  
 unto him. *Paulus*, reputing this for a second victory, (as it was no less indeed to be effected) *P*  
 presently upon the receipt of the messages, killed beasts for sacrifice: and when he had called his  
 council about him, and read the letters of the Pretor before them, he sent Q. *Elms Tiberio*  
 meet the King upon the way, and commanded the rest in good frequency to remain in his capital pa-  
 villion, and give attendance upon him. Never was there seen before, so great a multitude to run  
 out for to see any solemn fight or pageant. In their fathers daies King *Sylax* was taken prisoner  
 and brought into the Roman camp: who besides that there was no comparison between him and  
*Perseus*, either in regard of his own name or the renown of his nation, was then also but an ac-  
 cessary as it were to the Punick war, like as *Geminus* now to the Macedonian. *Perseus* was the very  
 head of this war, neither was it the fame of his father and grandfire only (whom he neerly touch-  
 ed in birth and blood) that made him renowned, but the resplendent glory of *Philip* and *Alexan-  
 der* the Great, who brought the sovereign empire and monarchy of the whole world to the Mac-  
 donian nation. Well, *Perseus* entred the camp arrayed in a black cloak, without any one of his  
 own train to accompany him, who partaking his misery, might cause more compassion to behold  
 of him. The assistance of the people was so great who went out to see him, that for the very pres-  
 he could not march forward, untill such time as the consul sent his sergeants and husbands to void  
 the thronging of the multitude, and make way for him to go to the consul his pavilion. The con-  
 sul arose, and (giving commandment to the rest for to sit still) advanced forward a little, and  
 raught out his hand to the King as he entred into the pavilion; and when he bowed and debased  
 himself to his very feet, he took him up again and would not suffer him once to touch his knees,  
 but led him into the tent and caused him to sit down right over-against those whom he called thir-  
 ther to council. The first question that he demanded of him was this: "What wrong he had  
 sustained at the hands of the people of *Rome*, that he should be constrained to encrope and be-  
 gin the war against them with so malicious a mind as he did, and so to hazard himself, his whole  
 state and Kingdom, in such extremity of danger? And when every man attended what answer  
 he would make, he staid a good while without utterance of one word, calling his eyes wistly  
 upon the ground, and shedding tears withal: "Then spake the consul again: "If you had been but  
 "young (qd, he) when you came to the crowd, I would verily for my part marvel the less, that you  
 "should be ignorant as not to know how important it was, to have the people of *Rome* either  
 "for a friend or an enemy: but now, since you both had your hand in that war which your father  
 "waged against us and also could not chide but remember the peace afterwards made with him,  
 "and which we observed most faithfully, What policy was it for you to entertain war rather  
 "than peace, with them, whose force you had tried in war and whose fidelity you had found in  
 "peace? Whenas he would yet make no answer at all either to question or accusation, the consul  
 went on and said: "Well, howsoever these things are thus fallen out and come to passe, be it through  
 "the error and frailty of man by adventure of fortune and hard hap, or fatal necessity of the des-  
 "nies, be of good cheer yet, and take a mans heart unto you: the gracious clemency and mercy of  
 "the people of *Rome*, well known and proved in the misfortunes of many Princes and States, al-  
 "ford unto you not only hope, but certain assurance of safety. Thus much spake he to *Perseus* in  
 the Greek tongue: then, turning to his own assistants and company about him, he directed his  
 speech to them in Latine as followeth. "A notable example and rare mirror you see (qd, he) of  
 "the changeable variety of this world: to you I speak especially, my masters here that are  
 "and youthful gallants in the heat of your young blood. And therefore let no man in time of his  
 "prosperity, carry himself proud and violent against another, nor yet confidently to trust upon  
 "the present state wherein he is, for who knoweth what may hap once yet before midnight? But  
 "him alone will I hold for a man of valour indeed, whose heart neither the gentle gale of this  
 "flawing and flattering world is able to lift aloft, nor yet the blustering blasts of frowning fortune  
 "cast down or dash upon the rocks. After the consul was risen and departed, he committed the  
 charge and custody of keeping the King to *Quintus Elms*. But for that day *Perseus* was not only  
 invited courteously to sup with the consul, but respected also in all kind of honor, as he might  
 be done unto him in that state and condition of his.

After this the army was divided here and there into garrisons for the winter time. The greatest  
 part thereof was received into *Amphipolis*, and the other cities neer adjoining entertained the  
 rest. This was the end of the war between *Perseus* and the Romans, which had endured four  
 years one after another continually: and here an end withal of the most flourishing Kingdom of  
 the greatest part of *Europe* and of all *Asia*, *Perseus* was counted the twentieth King after *Carranus*,  
 who was the first that reigned there. This *Perseus* began his reign that year wherein Q. *Fulvius*  
 and

A and L. *Manlius* were Consuls. In the time of M. *Junius* and A. *Manlius* Consuls of *Rome*, the Se-  
 nat entruled and honoured him with the name of King, and eleven years his reign continued.  
 The name of these Macedonians was very obscure and base, untill the daies of *Philip* the son of  
*Amynas*. From that time and by his means it began to grow and was great: howbeit, contained  
 it was within the compass and precincts of *Europe*, comprehending all *Greece*, and part of *Thrace*  
 and *Illyricum*. Afterwards it spread into *Asia*, and in thirteen years space, during the reign of A-  
*lexander*, it subdued and brought under subjection, first all those parts whereunto the empire of A-  
 the Persians extended, which was an infinite dominion in circuit: afterwards it reached to *Arabia*  
 and *Indi*, even to the end of the earth, bounding and confining all about upon the red sea. At that  
 time was the monarchy and name of the Macedonians the greatest in the whole world, but upon  
 the death of *Alexander*, distracted it was and divided into many and sundry Kingdoms. And  
 whilst each one endeavoured & strove by force to draw unto him more and more puissance, they  
 dismembred and rent the whole: & so from the highest top & pitch of prosperity, brought it down  
 to a most base and low condition, after it had continued in good estate a hundred and fifty years.  
 When the bruit of the Romans victory was blazed and blown as far as to *Asia*, *Antenor* who  
 with a fleet of barks and pinnaces tid in the harbour of *Phara*, sailed from thence to *Cassandrea*,  
 C. *Popilius*, who was in *Delos* to guard and wait those ships which were bound for *Macedonia*, after  
 he heard say that the war in *Macedonia* was brought to an end, and the enemies vessels removed out  
 of their rode, dismissed also for his part the Athenian ships, intending to go forward in his voyage  
 for *Egypt* to accomplish that embassage which he had taken in hand: to the end that he might  
 encounter *Antiochus*, before he approached the walls of *Alexandria*. As these Embassadors coasted  
 along the river of *Asia*, and were arrived at *Laryma* (a port somewhat more than twenty miles  
 distant from *Rhodes*, and situate just over against the city) the principal States of *Rhodes* met him in  
 the way (for now by this time was the fame of this victory flown so far) requesting him to set sail  
 thither and there to land: for that it concerned their city much in fame and reputation, yea, and  
 was expedient for their good and safety, that they should be made acquainted with all that either  
 had been done or was now in hand at *Rhodes*, and so to make report thereof at *Rome* upon their  
 own knowledge, and not as things were voiced by the common bruit. They refused a long time;  
 but in the end they were so importuned, that content they were to sail a little farther, and spend  
 some small time for to gratify and benefit a city associat unto them. When they were come to *Rho-  
 des*, the same principal citizens aforesaid urged them instantly with much prayer and entreaty to  
 come into their general assembly of the people. The arrival of those Embassadors rather augmen-  
 ted than empaired the fear of the city. For *Popilius* made rehearsal there in open audience, of all  
 which had been done or spoken (sounding any way to hostility) either in particular or in general  
 by them; during the late war. And being as he was a grim face, tough and fierce by nature, he aggra-  
 vated all that he spake, with his four visage and sharp language, like an accuser at the bar: insomuch  
 as they might well conjecture and guesse, how the whole body of the Senate flood affected unto  
 them, by the bitterness of one only Senator, who otherwise for himself had no occasion of particu-  
 lar ill will and malice against the city. But the speech of *Decimius* was more temperate, who said,  
 that the blame of those imputations for the most part which were objected by *Popilius*, was not to  
 be laid upon the people, but upon a few persons, who had solicited and stirred the multitude: for  
 those having their tongue at hire, and using to speak for gain, had made decrees full of flattery  
 to please the King, and sent such embassages, as the Rhodians at all times were no less ashamed than  
 repented of. All which practices of theirs no doubt would fall upon their heads who were faulty,  
 in case the people had the government and rule in their own hands. Audience he had with great  
 assent and applause: not more for elevating the fault and trespass of the common people, than for  
 laying the weight upon those that were the authors culpable. And therefore when the chieftien  
 among them made answer to the Romans, their words, who went about to excuse and save in  
 some sort as well as they could the articles objected by *Popilius*, were not so well taken, as their  
 speech who accorded to *Decimius*, in delivering the guilty persons and offenders to be punished  
 according to their demerits. Whereupon there passed presently a decree, That all those who might  
 be convicted of any deed done or word spoken in favour of *Perseus* against the Romans, should be  
 condemned and have sentence to lose their heads. Some of these persons were departed out of the  
 city upon the coming of the Romans, others laid violent hands upon themselves. These Embassa-  
 dors or delegates having sojournd no longer than five daies at *Rhodes*, departed and made sail for  
*Alexandria*. And notwithstanding their absence, the execution of judicial proceeding was no less  
 hotly followed at *Rhodes*, according to the decree made in their presence. For the moderation and  
 gentle carriage of *Decimius* was the very cause that they persisted resolute, and gave not over untill  
 he had gone through with it, and dispatched all.

While these affairs were thus managed, *Antiochus* after he had assailed in vain to force the walls  
 of *Alexandria*, was departed from before the city, & having possessed himself of all *Egypt* besides,  
 and left the elder *Prolemaus* at *Memphis*, (for whose behoof he pretended by his own forces to  
 reconquer the Kingdom, to the end that soon after the conquest obtained, he might set upon him;  
 likewise) withdrew his army away into *Syria*. *Prolemaus* for his part was nothing ignorant of his  
 disengagement and intention, making full account, that whilst he kept his younger brother affrighted  
 with the fear of siege, by the help of his sister he might be received into *Alexandria*: considering  
 withal, that his brothers friends were not opposed against him, first he sent unto his sisters  
 after.

\* For Pelusium  
is called Clau-  
via Egypti, as  
Ortelius no-  
teth out of  
Suidas.

\* Pharsamice.

\* Nibala.  
\* Carabii.

\* V. de di  
Mun. iron.

afterwards to his brother and his friends, and never gave over to write and send, before he had concluded and established a peace with them. The thing that made him to suspect *Antiochus* was this, for that when he had made over all the rest of \* *Egypt* unto him, he left yet a strong garison behind at *Pelusium*: and well he knew, that he held still the frontier Towns as the very keys of *Egypt*, so the end that he might with an army enter and invade again, whensoever he would. And thus he conceived of it, that this would be the issue of the civil and domestic war between brethren. That the victor wearied with war, should not be able to make head against *Antiochus*. These things wisely foresaith and seen by the elder brother, were received with assent of the younger and those that were assitant about him: and the sister between stood in very good stead, not by her good advice and counsel only, but also by her effectual prayers. And therefore by a general accord of all a peace was concluded, and the elder *Ptolomæus* received into *Alexandria*, without any gain- saying or resistance at all so much as of the very multitude; notwithstanding that during the war they were much decayed and weakened (not only by the siege, but also after it was laid, and the army gone from *Alexandria*) for want of all things, by reason that no provisions were brought thither from out of *Egypt*. Now, where as *Antiochus* should have taken great contentment and rejoiced much for this, in case he had brought his forces into *Egypt* for to restore *Ptolomæus* into his own estate (which was the goodly pretence and colourable shew that he made to all the States of *Asia* and *Greece*, when he received their embassages, or sent forth his letters into all parts) so it fell out, that he was so highly offended and displeased hereat, that he went in hand and prepared to make war now against them both much more eagerly and with greater malice than before against one alone. Presently he rigged and sent out his navy at sea to *Cyprus*: himself in person at the beginning of the spring minding to invade *Egypt*, marched forward with his army as far as into *Calo-Syria*. The Embassadors of *Ptolomæus* encountered him in his journey about *Rhinocorura*, and gave him thanks in behalf of their King, and master, for that by his means he had recovered the inheritance of his fathers Kingdom: requesting withal to maintain that benefit and good deed of his, to declare rather by word of mouth what he would have done, than deal by sword in hand and force of arms, and not of a friend and ally to become a mortal enemy. His answer was, that he would neither call back his fleet nor withdraw his army upon any condition, unless he quit unto his life as well the whole life of *Cyprus*, as the City \* *Pelusium*, together with the territory about the mouth of *Nilus*, called \* *Pelusiænum Osium*. And therewith he set him down a day, before which he expected to receive his answer as touching the accomplishment of the said conditions. After the day prefixed for the truce was past, as they sailed in the mouth of *Nilus* near *Pelusium*, the States along the deserts of *Arabia* yielded. Then, being received of them that inhabit about *Memphis*, and the rest of the Egyptians, partly with favor and good will and partly for fear and constraint: by small journeys he proceeded toward *Alexandria*. When he was pressed over the river at *Leontis* (a place about 4 miles distant from *Alexandria*) the Roman Embassadors met him upon the way. After greetings and salutations at their first coming, he put forth his right hand to *Popilius*: but he delivered unto him a scroll written, and willed him before he did any thing else to read that script. After he had read the writing through he answered that he would devise with his friends and consider what was best to be done. But *Popilius* according to his ordinary blunt manner of speech which he had by nature made a circle about the King with the rod that he had in his hand, and withal, "Make me an answer (qd, he) I advise you such as I may report to the Senate, before you pass the compass of this circle." The King attended at this so rude and violent a commandment, after he had staied and paused a while: I will be content (qd, he) to do whatsoever the Senat shall ordain. Then and not before. *Popilius* gave the King his hand as to a friend and ally. Afterwards when *Antiochus* was departed out of *Egypt* by the day prefixed, the said Embassadors having by their authority established concord also between the two brethren (who as yet were not thoroughly agreed) some of them failed to *Cyprus*, and from thence they sent away the fleet of *Antiochus*, which already had given an overthrow in battail to the Egyptian ships. This was a noble embassy and much renowned among those nations, for that thereby *Egypt* was undoubtedly taken from *Antiochus*, who was as good as possessed thereof already, and the inheritance of the Kingdom restored again to the race of *Ptolomæus*.

Of the two Consuls that year, like as the one was famous in his place by this notable victory, to the other was little or nothing spoken of, by reason he had not matter of any great exploit to be employed in. And first of all when he was assigned a certain day for the legions to meet, he entered into the temple without the lucky approbation of the auspices. And when the Augurs were moved and their advice required therein, they declared, that there was an error committed in the appointment of the said day. In his voyage for *France* he kept his standing leaguer for the summer time about the mountains *Scimiana* and *Papinius* near the plains called \* *Macri*. And afterwards he win-tred about the same places with the allies of the Latine nation. For the Roman legions because the day was not rightly appointed for the assembly of the forces at the *Rendevous*, remained behind at *Rome*. Also the Pretors, save only *C. Pappi*, *Carbo*, unto whose lot *Sardinia* was fall, went forth into their Provinces: and him the LL. of the Senate had ordained to attend upon his civil jurisdiction at *Rome* between citizens and forrainers, *Popilius* likewise, that embassy which was sent to *Antiochus* returned to *Rome*: where he made relation that the controversies between the two Kings were decided & the army of *Antiochus* retired out of *Egypt* into *Syria*. After this, came the Embass, also of the Kings themselves. Those of *Antiochus* made report that the King their

A master effected more of the peace approved by the Senat, than of any victory whatsoever: and obeyed the orders for down by the Roman Embassadors, no less than the very messengers coming with commandments directly from the Gods: and finally they testified their own contentments, and wished them great joy of their victory obtained, saying that the King himself would have been with all his power in the achieving thereof, in case he had been enjoined to perform any service. The Embassadors of *Pelusium* in the name jointly of their King and of *Cleopatra*, rendered thanks unto them, acknowledging themselves more bound & beholden to the Senat and people of *Rome*, than to their own parents, yes, & more than to the immortal Gods, for by their good means they were first delivered from the most lamentable miseries of a siege, and had recovered their fathers Kingdom, which they were at the point to have lost for ever. The Senat returned this answer again, That whereas *Antiochus* had been ruled by the Embassadors, therib he did well and as it be- seemed him, and in so doing, he highly contented and pleased the Senat and people of *Rome*. Again, if *Ptolomæus* and *Cleopatra* the King and Queen of *Egypt*, had found any goodnels and com- modity by them, the Senat was very glad therefore and rejoiced thereat and would endeavour and work it so, that they might be persuaded that the greatest assistance and safeguard of their realm, rested at all times most in the faithful protection of the people of *Rome*. This said, the Pretor *C. Pappi* had in charge to see that presents and gifts were sent to these Embassadors according to the ancient custome. Then were letters brought out of *Macedony* to redouble the joy of the vi- ctory, importing that *Perseus* was sure enough in the hands of the Consul.

When those Embassadors were dismissed and gone, much debate and argument there was be- tween the Embassadors of the Pisans and Lunelices. They of *Pisa* complained that they were dis- seized & driven out of their territory by the Roman coloners: contrary while those of *Luna* plain- ly averred, that the Land in controversy had been set out and assigned for them by the Triumvirs. The Senat hereupon sent five men as commissioners to make inquisition into the limits of the said territory and to determine accordingly, and those were *Q. Fabius Buta*, *P. Cornelius Blaps*, *T. Sempronius Malvæ*, *L. Naevius Balbus*, and *C. Apuleius Saturninus*. There came likewise a solemn em- bassage sent in common from *Emmenes*, *Attalus*, and *Asander* all three brethren to notify the joy and contentment which they took for the Romans victory. Moreover, *L. Manlius* the treasurer was ready at *Puteoli* to receive and welcome *Masagabæ* the son of *K. Masaniissa*, as he should disbarke and set on land: for sent he was of purpose with money to meet him upon the way, to conduct him also and bring him to *Rome* at the cities charges. He was no sooner come, but immediately au- dience was given him in the Senat. "This young Prince spake in such sort, as the things which of themselves were acceptable enough indeed, he graced and made more worthy of acceptance by his good words. He rehearsed what forces of foot and horse both, how many Elephants, what quantity of corn for that four years space (during the war) his father had sent over into *Mace- dony*. But two things there were for which he was disclaimed and could not chide but blush: the one that the Senat by their Embass, had made request unto him, and not commanded father to furnish them with necessities for the war: the other, that they had sent him money to pay for their corn. For *Masaniissa* was not forgetful, but bare well in mind, that he held his Kingdom as he first conquered for him, afterwards augmented and amplified many waies unto him by the peo- ple of *Rome*, and for his own part, he could content himself with the use and occupation thereof, as a tenant in fee-farm, acknowledging the propriety and possession thereof to be in them, who as Lords of the fee possessed him therein. Good reason therefore and meet it was that they also should be bold with their own, to take and not to ask, to have and not to crave, much less then to buy the commodities & fruits issuing out of the lands by them demised given & granted. As for *Masaniissa* sufficed he was, and evermore would rest contented with that overplus which the people of *Rome* might leave and spare for him. Thus much (qd, he) I had in charge and commis- sion from my fathers own mouth, when I departed and took my leave of him: but afterwards certain horsemen riding post overtook me, so let me understand that *Macedony* was subdued, and to charge me, that after I had signified our joy in your behalf I should then unto the Senat, that my father took such contentment therein, that he would gladly come to *Rome*, to offer sacrifice and tender thanks to *Jup. opt. Max.* in the Capitol: which to do he requested leave of the Senat, to sit might stand with their good liking, and be no trouble unto them. The Prince received this answer from the Senat. That his father *Masaniissa* did as befieemed a good man and thankful per- son, to do in giving such a grace and honor over & above, to benefit of duty required. More- over, that the people of *Rome* acknowledged how they had received great help at his hands in the punishment war by his valiant and loyal service, as well as he obtained his Kingdom through the favour of the people of *Rome*, yes, and afterwards according to equity and justice, had born himself right worthily in all sorts of devoirs and duties during the wars of three Kings one after ano- ther. Neither was it any marvel at all that he rejoiced at the victory of the people of *Rome*, be- cause a King who had engaged, hazarded and entangled all his own fortunes and the whole estate of his Kingdom with the Roman affairs. As for rendering thanks to the Gods for the victory of the people of *Rome*, let him do that himself in his own house at home; for it should suffice, that his son for him performed that duty at *Rome*. That he and his father both had sufficiently for their parts testified their joy. As for *Masaniissa* in proper person to leave his realm and depart or- out of *Africa*, over and besides that it was in no wise profitable to himself, the Senat deemed it not expedient for the weal-publick of the people of *Rome*. *Masgaba* further more requested, that

that Hanno the son of Amilcar should be sent hostage in place of another Carthaginian (whose name is not known) but the Senate answered, That they thought it better to meet to demand hostages at the pleasure of *Mafiniffa*. The treasurer was commanded by *Publius* the Senate, to buy certain presents for to bestow upon this young Prince, namely as much plate as might weigh out of a 100 pound weight of silver: also to accompany him as far as *Ardea* to deliver all his baggage, and his abode within Italy, and to hire two *Magistris* of his own and conduct him to his friends by train into *Africa*: To all his request as well bound as free, there was allowance made of apparel. Not long after, were letters brought as concerning *Publius*, the second son of *Mafiniffa*, who after that *Paulus* had vanquished *Perseus*, was taken home by the late *Publius* with three ships only, Cavalry: but as he sailed, was driven back as he was upon *Brundisium* with three ships only, for that the rest of the fleet was dispersed in the Adriatic Sea. *Scipio* the treasurer was sent to him at *Brundisium*, with the like gifts as were bestowed upon his brother at *Rome*, and a charge to see to his lodging.

By virtue of an act granted out of the Senat, the Libertines, the sons of freed men, were enrolled into the four tribes of the City: all save those who had a son above five years old, which express commendation, that when they were to be enrolled in the review fleet enrolling their goods also should be valued, and they accordingly entered into the subsidy books; namely, that as many of them as possessed any manor or manors in the country, esteemed better worth than 30000 Sesterces, should be enrolled and assessed. This ordinance being thus observed, *Claudius* denied flatly, that the Censor had authority to take from any particular persons and much less from a whole state and degree of men, the right and liberty of citizenship; without the warrant and ordinance of the people: for say that he have power to take a man out of his tribe, (which is nothing more than to command him to change his tribe) it followeth not thence, that he may dispossess and exile him to command him to change his tribe: it followeth not thence, that he may dispossess and exile him out of all the 35 tribes, which is as much as to strike him out of the number of citizenship, and deprive him quite of his freedom and bourgeoisie, and is not (say) to him and let down in what rank he shall be enrolled, but to exclude him full and wholly out of all enrollment.

This dispute and debate passed between them: until at last they grew to this point, that of the four City tribes, they should call lots openly in the Hall and Cloister of *Libertus* for one tribe, in which all they should be registered and comprised, who had been villanous sometimes and were afterwards freed. Now this lot fell to the tribe *Esquilina*. Then *Tib. Gracchus* pronounced, That ordained it was to enroll in all the Libertines. Great honour and reputation with the Senat gained the Censors by this act: *Sempronius* likewise was much thanked therefore, because he had persisted constantly in that good enterprise to well commended: and *Claudius* went not without his due thanks, for that he was no hindrance to this proceeding. In this review and survey taken by the Censors, more Senators were removed and put out of the count: yet, and more Gentlemen commanded to sell their houses of service, than by other Censors in former time. And all those by both of them joyfully were not only displaced out of their tribes, and made no better than *Strutii* (i. to lose their voice) but also to pay all taxes whatsoever to the utmost. And look who was noted and disgraced by the one, had no relief nor hope to recover his credit and place by the other. Now when these Censors demanded, that according to a custom and order, they might be allowed a years space and two months, to look into the reparations of the public edifices, they were maintained wind-tight and water-tight: as also to see whether they who had undertaken to finish certain works at a price, had performed their bargain accordingly: *Cn. Trebellius* a Tribune interpolated himself and denied this demand; for anger that he was not chosen and taken into the Senat. The same year *C. Cicerelius* dedicated a chapel in the Alban mount, which he had vowed five years before. Also that year was *L. Postumius Albinus* entailed a Plague of Mice. The Consuls *Q. Aelius* and *M. Junius* propounded in the Senate, as touching the government of their Provinces: and the LL. ordained, that *Spain* should be divided again into two Provinces, which had been united in one during the Macedonian war: also that the same *L. Paulus* and *L. Atilius* should defend and keep in obedience as before; *Macedony* and *Illyricum*, until such time as they by the advice of certain deputed commissioners, had both composed all matters and affairs disordered and troubled by the wars; and also reformed the estate of that realm, by inducing it into a new form. The Provinces assigned unto the Consuls were *Pisa* and *Gallia*, and they had the command of two legions of footmen, and four hundred horsemen apiece. The Pretors had their lots for government as followeth: The civil jurisdiction over citizens fell to *Q. Cassius*, and over strangers to *M. Juvenius Tullus*: *Tib. Claudius Nero* was *L. deputy of Sicily*, *Cn. Fulvius* of the hither Spain, and *C. Licinius Nervus* of the farther: last of all, *A. Manlius Torquatus* was appointed to the government of *Sardinia*; but into his province he could not go, by occasion that he was detained at home by virtue of an act of the Senat, to make inquisition into certain felonious and capital crimes. After this, consultation there was in the Senat as touching the prodigies which were reported. The chapel of the *Pennines* (protectors of the City) in *Pila* was smitten with thunder and lightning. Also in the Town *Minervina* two gates and a good part of the wall fell the like harm. At *Anagnina* it had rained earth, and in *Lavinium* there appeared in the sky a burning flame. Moreover, *M. Valerius* a citizen of *Rome* gave knowledge, that in *Celtaria* within the public territory of that City, for the space of three days and two nights together, blood gushed out in his chimney hearth where he kept fire: and for this strange sight above all the rest, the Decemvirs were commanded to have recourse unto the books of *Sibylla*: who

A proclaimed a public supplication of the people for one day, and sacrificed fifty goats in the common market place of the City. Also in regard of the other prodigies, a supplication was holden another day, and men did their devotions at every altar of the Gods: greater beasts were killed for sacrifices, and the City was solemnly cleaned and purged. This done, as touching the honor of the immortal Gods, the Senat ordained, that inasmuch as the two Kings *Perseus* & *Genius* their enemies were overcome, and now at the devotion of the people of *Rome*, together with *Macedony* and *Illyricum*, *Q. Cassius* and *M. Junius* the Pretors should give order for as great oblations to be offered unto the Gods at every shrine and altar, as had been heretofore (when *App. Claudius* and *M. Sempronius* were Consuls) for the defeat of King *Antiochus*. Then they ordained certain delegats, by whose advice *L. Paulus* and *L. Atilius* the two Generals, might let all affairs in order, namely, ten into *Macedony*, and five into *Illyricum*. For *Macedony* were nominated *A. Posthumus Lucius* and *C. Claudius*, (who both had been Censors) *C. Licinius Crassus*, late companion to *Paulus* in the Consulship, and who at that present had the government of *Gaul* continued him. To these delegates above-named, men of Consular dignity all by their calling, were adjoined in commission *Cn. Domitius Enobarbus*, *Ser. Cornelius Sylla*, *L. Junius*, *C. Antistius Labeo*, *T. Numisius Targuinius*, and *Aulus Terentius Varro*. For *Illyricum* were these named, *P. Aelius Ligus*, one that had been Consul, *C. Cicereius* and *Cn. Babius Tampilus* (this *Babius* had been Pretor but the former year, and *Cicereius* many years past) *P. Terentius Tufreivianus*, and *P. Maecilius*. Then the Consuls being advertised by the LL. of the Senat, that (inasmuch as one of them mult succeed *C. Licinius* in *Gaul*, who was nominated one of the delegats) they should part their Provinces between them either by accord and agreement, or by lot make choice of the fortune of lottery. So *Pisus* fell to *M. Junius* (but before he went into his province, he had in charge to bring into the Senat, those embassies which from all parts were come to *Rome* for to declare their joy in the behalf of the people of *Rome*) and *Gaul* to *Q. Aelius*.

Albeit such personages were sent, as by whose sage counsel good hope there was, that the chief commanders of the Roman armies would pass no decree unbefitting either the clemency or Majesty of the people of *Rome*, yet debated it was in the Senat about the sum and principal points of all their counsels and designs: to the end that the said Legats might carry unto the Generals all things plotted already and begun to their hands at home in the City. In the first place ordained it was, that the Macedonians and Illyrians remain free and enjoy their liberties; that all nations of the earth might see, that the drift of the Roman armies and forces was not to bring free states into servitude, but contrarywise to reduce those that were in bondage to liberty, to the end that those nations which now enjoyed freedom, might be secured under their safeguard and protection both of surety and of perpetuity, and such as lived in subjection under the Kings, might both for the present time find their government more mild and righteous for that respect which the Kings have of the people of *Rome*, and also if it fortune hereafter, that there should be war between the people of *Rome* and their Kings, they might be assured that the issue of those wars would bring victory to the Romans, and procure liberty to themselves. Also agreed it was that there should be no more farming out of the metal mines in *Macedony*, albeit they yielded a great revenue; nor yet of public lands and possessions in the country: for possible it was not that these matters should be practised and followed without publicans: and where those intermeddle & have ought to do, then it must needs follow, that either the public right and prerogative of the State be annulled, or the liberty of allies come to nothing. Neither were the Macedonians themselves able to exercise the same: for look where the ministers and managers of any thing see a booty presented before their eyes, there, occasions of sedition and contention will never be wanting. Moreover, concluded it was, that there should be no common and general council of the whole nation, for fear lest at any time the low vulgar people having by the Senat liberty granted unto them tending unto a good and wholesome moderation and equality of the State, should abuse the same and draw it to a mischievous and pestilent licentiousness. But they thought it good policy to divide *Macedony* into four quarters and counties, that each one might have their several counsel: likewise it was supposed to stand with good reason and equity, that they should pay the one moiety of that tribute which they were wont to yield unto their KK. Semblable commission and like directions they had for *Illyricum*. As for all other matters, referred they were to the discretion of the Generals and the Delegat commissioners, who might be better able to determine more certainly of particulars, according to the occurrences presented unto them in the managing of their affairs.

Among many and sundry Embassadors of Kings, nations, and states, *Aulus* the brother of *K. Eumenes* most of all others amused mens minds, and drew their eyes upon him: for by them who had born arms together with him in that war, welcomed he was much more heartily, and received with greater courtesy than if *Eumenes* the K. himself had come. Two occasions there were outwardly pretended, and those carrying a good shew of honesty and credit, which brought him to *Rome*: the one, a gratulation or testimony of joy (as meet it was) for that victory, wherein himself being his helping hand, the other, a complaint of French tumultuous wars and the bloody hostility of *Adoratus* their King, by which means his brothers Kingdom was in great jeopardy. But there lay another thing hidden underneath, namely, an inward and secret hope that he conceived of honors and rewards from the Senat, which hardly he could seem to aim & reach unto, without some unkindness and violence offered to brotherly duty and affection. For sojourne there were even of the Romans also, who did him no good, but gave him bad counsel, drew on his appetite with false hopes,

hopes, and set him a longing, feeding him with these and such like conceits, That in Rome this was the opinion entertained of *Attalus* and *Emmenes*, as if the one of them were a friend fast and sure to the Romans; the other an ally, sound and faithful neither to the Romans nor yet to *Perseus*; and therefore hard it were to let down and say, Whether of the twain would be more easily obtained at the Senates hands, namely, a suit made in his own name for his preferment, or a demand of some hard course against his brother: for both were all men in general to grant any thing to *Attalus*; and to deny every thing to *Emmenes*. *Attalus* (as the sequel and proof shewed) was pliant to those persons whose desires reach at all that hope promise, had not the sage admonition of one friend come between to bridle his affections, ravished and transported so as they were with the amiable aspect and flattering flattery of his own good fortune. He had about him at that time one *Siracusa* Physician, sent by *Emmenes* (who rested not secure of his brothers loyalty to Rome, I of purpose for to lie in espial and observe all that *Attalus* did: and to advise him faithfully, if he saw him tread away and practise ought against his duty and allegiance. When he came unto him, he found his ears already possessed, and his spirit tempted and solicited beforehand: howbeit taking his times and waiting opportunities, he went roundly to work and stuck to it close, until he had set all up again which was at the point to run on end and fall to the ground. He alleged and laid these remonstrances before his eyes, saying, "That Kingdoms have grown mighty, some by one means, some by others: but as for theirs, being but newly erected, & grounded upon no strength of ancient foundations, it stood upright only by the mutual concord of him and his brethren, in that one of them beareth the name and title of King, wearing the diadem and crown alone upon his head, but in effect all three brethren be KK, As for you *Attalus* (qd. he) who are the eldest brother (as one, who is it that reputeth you for less than a King, not only for that he seeth you so mighty at this present, but also the next heir apparent, and without all doubt like shortly to reign indeed? considering the feeble body and craggy age of *Emmenes*, who hath besides, no issue of children to succeed him in the royal throne? (for as yet he took no knowledge of him that reigned afterwards.) What need then is there to use violence, and to force that which of its own accord will shortly be devolved upon you & fall into your hands? Moreover, a new tempest and storm is risen of French wars, threatening peril unto the realm, which it will be hard for you princes to withstand, agree as well as you can in all brotherly love, unity and concord. But if it for a time abroad, there should arise a domestic and civil dissension between you at home, what remedy then but utter ruin and destruction? Neither shall you (*Attalus*) purchase any good, but this, first to prevent that your brother be not King, and then to disable and disappoint your self, of that near and assured hope you have to be K. But say, that to preserve a Kingdom for a brother, and to wrest a Kingdom from a brother, were honorable and glorious deeds both the one and the other: yet surely, of the twain, to have saved a Kingdom deserveth greater commendation and praise, in that it forth so well with piety and kindness. And certainly, seeing the one is a cursed and detestable part, even next neighbor to parricide; what trouble and doubt remaineth now which needeth any farther deliberation? For tell me, I beseech you is it one parcel of the Kingdom that you reach at, or shoot you at the whole? If you aim at a part only, then upon the dismembering and distraction of your puissance, you shall be both twain much weakened and exposed to the danger of all injuries: if you would have all, what shall become of your brother? Would you wish him being your elder, to live a privat person? or so far sleep in years as he is, a banished man; and namely, with those infirmities of body which he carrieth about him? or would you command to take his life away and rid him out of this world at once? Now truly, to say nothing of the unhappy and miserable issue of such craftless and wicked brethren delivered unto us in fained fables, you see what a goodly fair end *Perseus* is come unto, who being in the Temple of *Samothracia* was constrained lying prostrate upon the ground to prostrate himself at the feet of the enemy his conqueror, the crown and diadem which he came unjustly by, even with the unnatural murder of his own brother: as if the Gods in heaven had been there present, to require due punishment for his horrible fact. To conclude, they also themselves, who in no friendly love and affection to you, but in anger and hatred to your brother *Emmenes*, have put these designs into your head, and prick you on to execute the same: even they. I say, will praise your kindness, your piety and constancy, in case you persevere true and truly to your brother; to the very end. These and such like important persuasions prevailed with *Attalus* and sated deeply in his mind. Therefore being admitted into the Senat, after he had wished joy unto them, and protested his own for the late victory, he laid abroad and declared his own demerits and good service in that war, the favors also (such as they were) done by his brother, and last of all, the revolt of the Gauls lately broken out with great troubles and commotions. His petition to the Senat was, for to send their Embassadors unto them, by whose countenance and authority they might be reclaimed, and so lay arms aside. Having declared this message which concerned the profit in general of the realm; he made a special suit for himself, and demanded to have *Enus* and *Armonia* given unto him. And thus, when he had put them besides their hope, who thought verily, that after he had secured his brother, he would have required the kingdom to be divided peacemal & dismembered, he departed out of the Council house. Seldom had been known at any time before any man whatsoever, King or subject, to have had the like audience with so great favour and applause of all men, as he: received and entertained he was right honourably with gifts & presents of all sorts whilst he was at Rome, and with the like they accompanied him at his departure.

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Among many Embassies of *Afia* and *Greece*, the Rhodian Embassadors were most marked and looked upon throughout all the City: for whereas at first they were all trim and goodly to be seen in their white and bright apparel, as decent it was for them that would seem to congratulate for the victory (for if they had worn black or been poorly arrayed, it might have been construed, that they mourned for the misfortune and calamity of *Perseus*) after that *M. Junius* the Consul brake with the LL. of the Senat (and all that while the said Embassadors stood without in the common place *Comitium*) to consider and advise, whether they would allow lodging, presents, and give audience in the Senat unto them: they resolved and were of opinion to observe no rights nor customs of hospitality with them. Then went the Consul out of the Senat: unto whom when the Rhodians said that they were come to rejoice in their behalf for the late victory, and withal to answer in the name of their City to certain crimes wherewith they were charged, requesting that they might speak before the Senat and be heard with indifference: the Consul pronounced aloud unto them, That the custome indeed of the Romans was, to entreat their allies and friends graciously, and among other matters of courtesy and hospitality which they afforded unto them, to grant them also a day of hearing in the Senat: but the Rhodians had not demeaned themselves during the war, in such sort, as to be reckoned in the number of lovers and associates. At the hearing of these words they cast themselves all prostrate on the ground, beseeching the Consul and all those that were present, not to suffer that false imputations of late furnished should against a reasoner prejudice the Rhodians more, than their good deserts of old (whereof themselves were sufficient witnesses) stand them in stead. And presently after they had put on simple apparel and mourning weeds, they went about from house to house visiting the principal persons of the City, humbly beseeching them with tears, to hear their cause before they were condemned. *M. Junius* I doubt not, the Pretor or L. chief justice for the pleas between citizens and strangers, was the only agent that provoked and incited the people against the Rhodians: nay, he had promulged and published a bill to this effect, That war might be denounced against the Rhodians; also, that out of the Magistrats for that year they would make choice of some one to be sent as Admiral with a fleet for the managing of that war: hoping that himself should be the man. But this action and proceeding of his was crossed by *M. Antonius* and *M. Pomponius*, two Tribuns of the commons. Over and besides, the Pretor, to say a truth, had broached this matter after a new and strange fashion; and to the evil example of future times, in that he preferred a bill unto the people of his own head alone, without asking the advice of the Senat, or making the Consuls acquainted therewith: and that in this manner and form. Pleaseth it you, and is it your will, that war be proclaimed against the Rhodians? whereas always before-time, in question of war, the Senats advice was first taken; and then the thing was propoled unto the people. Likewise the Tribuns or the commons for their part did more than they might, and a thing not warrantable by any precedent. For it was a custom and tradition observed ever of old, that no person should interpose his negative to cross any bill, before that privat men in particular had their course and turn granted, both to perswade or dissuade the same: by which means many a time it fell out, that even they who never protested nor meant to oppole themselves, being moved and induced by the reasons of those that stood up to dissuade, and perceiving also by them the inconveniences of such a bill, would step between and dash all: yea, and contrarywise such as came of purpose to cross and nip the thing, being convinced by the authority and born down by the important arguments alleged by those that enforced the said bill, would desist and successe. Thus the Pretors and Tribuns strove much who should do every thing more unseasonably than others. The Tribuns impeached and staid the halftines of the Pretor, interposing their negative before the time, and desisting the matter until the coming of the L. General.

"Whether we have transgressed and offended yea, or no, that yet remaineth doubtful: but sure we are of this, that we suffer all punishments and shameful ignominies already that can be devised. Heretofore, when the Carthaginians were vanquished, when *Philip* when *Antiochus* was overthrowen we came to Rome from our public lodging provided for us at the charges of the City, we presented our selves (my LL.) into your Council house, to testify our great contentment for your conquests: from the Council house we went directly to the capitol, carrying with us presents and oblations to the honor of your gods. But now we the same Rhodians are come unto your Senat clothed in this poor habit and array: as you see, from out of a base hostility and common inne, where hardly we could have lodging for our money: being commanded in manner of enemies to make our abode without the City walls: we Rhodians (I say) whom but lately ye scoffed with the grant of two Provinces, *Lycia* and *Caria*, and whom ye graced with a kind of honors; and enriched with all manner of gifts and rewards. You ordain as we hear say, that the Macedonians and Illyrians should live free, notwithstanding they were in servitude before they levied war against you. Neither speak we this in envy & repine for any mans welfare and good estate: nay, we acknowledge therein the rare clemency of the people of Rome: and will ye then make the Rhodians our friends, enemies, who during this war did no more but sit and muddle with neither part? Now surely ye Romans are the men that pretend and give out ordinarily, that your wars have good success and speed well, because they be just and righteous: neither do you glory so much in the event and issue thereof, whereby ye are revengers and conquerors, as for the beginning and first enterprises, in that ye undertake them not without good cause. The besieging of *Messana* in Sicily by the Carthaginians, was the cause that the people of Rome repented their enemies.

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"enemies. The assailing of Athens by Philip his intent and purpose to bring Greece into servitude, his relieving of Annibal with men and money, caused him likewise to be holden for their enemy. Thus Antiochus brought upon his own head the Roman war, for that he being solicited by the Aetolians your enemies came willingly out of Asia and with a fleet sailed over to Greece: and when he had seized upon Demetrius, Chalcis, and the streights of Thermopylae, went about to dispose of the empire. And last of all, Perseus by levying arms against your allies, by killing some of their petty kings and princes, by murdering other chief persons of sundry nations and cities, gave you just occasion to make war upon him. But what colourable cause can there be pretended of our calamity, if needs we must miscarry and perish? All this while I make no difference between our cities safe and that of Polyaratus and Dion our citizens, even those persons whom we have brought to deliver into your hands. For suppose that the cause were all one, and that we Rhodians were all faulty and culpable alike, what might that crime be for which we are touched in this war? We favoured Perseus and that side (you will say) and like as in the war of Antiochus and Philip, we stood with you against those kings, so now we took part with the K. against you. Was that all? well, in what sort we are wont to aid our allies, and how lustily to enterprise wars, do but ask of C. Livius and L. Emilius Regillus, the Admirals of your fleets in Asia. Your ships never fought at sea without us: yet we with our Armado alone fought a battail once before Samos, and a second time in Pamphylia against General Annibal: which victory there achieved was unto us by so much more honorable and glorious, for that after we had in an unfortunate fight near Samos lost many of our ships & the very choice and flower of our youth, we nothing terrified and dismayed with so great an overthrow, durst turn again to make head, yea, and were so hardy as to encounter the Kings royal navy coming out of Syria. And all this have I related not by way of boast & to glorify our selves (for we are not now in case to stand upon those terms) but to give you a taste by the way and put you in mind, in what manner the Rhodians have used evermore to succour their confederates. And for the better proof thereof, after the defeat of Philip and Antiochus we received at your hands right great rewards & recompence for our service. In case the fortune of Perseus had been so happy as yours is at this present (praised be the Gods for their grace and goodness & thanked be your own valour withal) and we had come into Macedonia to the King upon his victory to require & demand rewards, what could we allege therefor? Might we say that he had bin maintained by our money, or relieved with our corn: with land forces, or strength at sea? Was there any place by us kept and held with a garrison for his use? were we able to tell where we fought, either under the conduct of his Captains or upon our own leading and direction? If haply he should demand in what quarters our soldiers kept? in what coast our ships lay in guard for his defence, what could we answer? Peradventure we might plead our cause & excuse our selves in the presence of him, supposed conqueror, like as we now do before you here in place. For by sending our Embassadors to and fro unto you as well as to him about a treaty of peace, this is all the good we have got, that in stead of winning the love & favor of both parts, we incur the heavy displeasure of the one: being thus charged with crimes and wrapped in dangers. And yet my good LL. and honorable Senators of Rome: Perseus might truly object that to us, which you in no wise can, namely, that we in the beginning of the war sent Embassadors to you making promise in our name of whatsoever was needful thereunto: also that we would be ready at all assaies to furnish you with ships strongly rigged and with our youth well appointed, like as in the wars aforesaid. That we performed not their promises of ours, you only were the let and hindrance, who (whatsoever the cause was) refused our offered service & rejected all our succours. Well then, neither have we attempted ought as enemies, nor failed in the duty of good friends and allies: but impeached have we been by you for effecting that which we intended. How now? may some man say: Hath there been no thing done or said in your City (O ye Rhodians) that you with unfaith or undone, & wherewith the people of Rome may justly take exceptions and be offended with you for it? Undertake to justify and make good whatsoever hath been done, I will not; neither have I so little wit I trust, but sever I will the publick cause of the whole state, from the privat offences committed by particular persons: for no City is there under the sun, but may otherwhiles have lewd and naughty citizens some or other, and evermore a rude and fottish multitude. I have heard say, that even amongst you here at Rome, some have sought to advance and set themselves aloft by currying favor and flattering the common people: and that the time was, when the commons rose and departed from among you, so as the rule of the common-wealth and people of Rome was out of your hands, as in a very Anarchy. If such a thing as this might chance in this your City (so well qualified & ordered as it is) how can any man make a wonder, that among us there have been some, who (affecting and seeking for the amity and friendship of the K.) might haply corrupt and seduce our commons with their naughty counsel? And yet when all is said, they prevailed no more than thus, that we sat still and failed in doing our devoir to you: for I will not over-pais in this place the greatest and most grievous crime of all other wherewith our City is charged during this war, and that is this. At one and the same time we sent Embass. both to you and Perseus about a peace. This designment so untoward and unlucky as it was, a furious and brainick orator and agent of ours (as afterwards we understood) handled as foolishly: who (as it is for certain known) framed his language in that manner, as if he had been C. Popilius the Roman Embassador, whom ye sent to the two KK. Antiochus and Ptolemus, to warn them both to lay down arms &

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A "surcease war. But that behaviour of his, (call it what you will, either pride or folly) was no worse before you than it was to K. Perseus. Every City hath their conditions and qualities by themselves, like as particular and several persons: and semblably it is in whole nations: some are terry and cholerick, bold and audacious; others again be fearful and timorous: some are given to wine and drunkenness, others to women and wantonness. The people of Athens (by report) are too hasty, hot, and forward to enterprise any thing even beyond their power. The Lacedaemonians again, be as slow and backward, casting many doubts & difficulties to enter upon the very things which they are assured of. I cannot deny, but that all the country of Asia in general breedeth many a mad brain and vain spirit: and I will not say, but that our people are jolly fellows of their tongue and can speak big, for that we seem (among other cities and states bordering upon us) to excel and surpass: and that no so much in the confidence we have of our own forces, as for the honorable regard ye have had of us, and the great testimonies and judgments ye have given out of us. But that foolish embassy of ours even then at the very time had punishment sufficient, being sent away (as it was) with so heavy an answer of yours: and if we were not then disgraced and shamed enough, now surely this present embassy so humble and pitiful, were able to make full satisfaction for a more insolent embassy than it was. All pride (and arrogancy of words especially) cholerick persons indeed hate, while men deride, and namely, from an inferior to his better: but no man ever judged it a mortal sin and worthy of death: many, here with us, all in danger, lest haply the Rhodians might seem thereby to despise the Romans. How then be there not some also that cannot rule their tongue, but will be railing & uttering blasphemous words against the Gods: yet we never heard of any that have been therefore smitten dead with a thunderbolt. What remaineth then for us wherewith we should purge and clear our selves, if we neither can be charged in fact with hostility; and if our Embassy hath used some proud and presumptuous words more than became him, which deserve not the total ruin of our City but some sharp checks and hard rebukes on both sides of our ears? But I hear (my good LL.) that in your ordinary talk among your selves when ye are together, we are censured for our inward affection only & secret thoughts, and condemned no less than for some deed, namely, that in heart we favoured the K. and wished him rather than you to obtain the victory; and therefore they deem us worthy to be persecuted with fire and sword. Some there be again of you, who think verily that thus indeed we should be affected, howbeit they would not have us for it to be warred upon as enemies: for that it standeth not with the custom or law of any City in the world, that if a man with a mischief to his enemy, he should be straightwaies condemned therefore to die, so long as he hath not entered into any action tending thereto. And verily these men we have to thank, who free & quiet us yet from punishment, although they clear us not of guilt: howbeit this sentence we pass against our own selves. That if it can be proved, that we were all of us so minded and disposed in affection as we are burdened, (for content we are that all go under one heart and hand, will and deed, without distinction) then let us all be punished for it and feel the smart. But if of the great men and chief among us, some affected you & others the King: we require not, that for the love of us who sided with you, the Kings supporters should fare the better and escape clear: but we request and beseech rather, that for their fakes we perish not and be quiet undone. And certainly, your own selves are not worse affected and more set against them than our very City is, which they knowing well enough, most of them either fled away, or else killed themselves: others of them (such as we have condemned and passed judgement against) shall be at your pleasure (my LL.) to do with them what you will. All the rest of us Rhodians, as thanks we have merited none in this war, so we have deserved as little punishment. Lay the over-deal and surpluage of our former good deeds and demerits to this want of duty now, and let the heap of the one make up the scant measure of the other. With three Kings of late years ye have maintained wars: let not our slackness and sitting still in this one, endamage and hurt us more, than our devoir and employment in the other twain may seem to satisfy and countervail. Set Philip, Antiochus and Perseus, for three verdicts and sentences as it were passed upon us: two of them acquit us clear: the third is doubtful whether it will go against us or no. Indeed if they themselves were to sit upon us, we should no doubt be cast and condemned: but you (my good LL.) that are our competent judges determine now at once. Whether there shall be a City of Rhodes remaining upon the face of the earth, or be rated utterly & destroyed from the very foundation for ever for ye are not to debate in council about making war upon us: which we may begin and go in hand with at your pleasure; but follow and manage you never shall, because there is not a Rhodian that will take arms and come into the field against you. Will you not be pacified but persist still in your choler and anger? then will we crave at your hands some respite of time, whiles we may go home and report there how we have lived in this lamentable embassy of ours. And then, all of us in Rhodes frank-born and of free condition, every one, I say, man and woman with all our wealth and substance will embark our selves: for like we will our privat houses and publick edifices: and to Rome straight will we all come: and when we have laid on heaps here in your common hall, and at the porch and entree of your council-house, whatsoever gold and silver we have either in privat purse or common chest: commit we will to your devotion and mercy our own persons, together with the bodies of our wives and children; and never will we go further but even here: in this place will we suffer and abide that which we have to undergo and endure. Let our City then be sacked, rifled and burned, so it be far enough out of our eye that we see it not. The Ro-

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"mans may (if it please them) judge the Rhodians enemies; yet you will give us leave to pass in  
 "some sort a doom of our own, that we in our consciences never condemned our selves for such,  
 "nor ever will enter in any hostile action against you, come what will, even the utmost extremity  
 "that can be suffered. After their oration in this manner uttered, they fell down again all prostrate,  
 "and as humble suppliant citizens put forth and shook their branches of the olive, until at length  
 "they were raised up on their feet, and so departed out of the Senat. Then began the LL. within, to  
 "give their opinions and pass their sentences of them. The heaviest enemies and most maliciously  
 "bent against the Rhodians, were those, who had conducted the war of Macedonia, as Consuls, Pre-  
 "tors, or Lieutenants; but *M. Porcius Cato* was their only patron that stood to them and supported  
 "their cause right earnestly; a man otherwise by nature low and severe, but as then he shewed him-  
 "self a mild and gracious Senator. I will not infer here the lively portraiture and resemblance of  
 "that copious and eloquent person, by relating the flowing speech which he then delivered; his very  
 "oration is extant in writing, and contained in the fifth book of his *Origines*. In fine, the Rhodians  
 "received such an answer, as they neither were concluded enemies, nor yet remained in the nature  
 "and quality of friends. The principal persons of this their embassy, were *Philocrates* and *As-  
 "ymedes*. Ordered it was & agreed between them, that *Philocrates* (with some of his fellows) should  
 "report this answer at Rhodes; and that *Asymedes* (with the rest) should stay behind at Rome, to  
 "to know what was practised and done there, and give intelligence thereof accordingly to their  
 "citizens at home. For that present the LL. of the Senat gave them in charge, to remove their Cap-  
 "tains and Governors by a certain day out of *Lycia* and *Caria*. These news related at Rhodes, im-  
 "porting matter (in it self considered) of grief & heaviness, turned into joy, in regard that they were  
 "eased from the fear of a greater mischief, for they doubted sore that they should have had hot war.  
 "And therefore presently they ordained for the Romans a crown amounting to the value of 20000  
 "pieces of gold, and with this present they sent *Theodorus* the Admiral of their navy in embassy.  
 "A will and desire they had to make suit unto the Romans for association: but so far as no act and or-  
 "dinance of the people should be entered thereof, nor any instrument engrossed as touching it, and  
 "this they did, to avoid the greater shame and ignominy of repulse, if haply they missed of their  
 "purpose, and could not obtain. The Admiral alone had this privilege, and was permitted to treat  
 "of that matter, without any bill at all either published or enacted by the people. For in so many  
 "years before they had continued in amity with the Romans in such sort, as they never linked and  
 "tied themselves unto them by any formal deed and covenant upon record, and that for no other  
 "reason in the world, but because they would neither cut the strings off from all hope of their aid,  
 "it haply any of them might stand in such need, nor disabie them selves of the possibility they had to  
 "reap some fruit & receive good of their bounty and prosperity. But surely at this time (me thinks)  
 "they ought to have fought sadly and in good earnest for their society, not so much for safety and  
 "security against others (for none they feared at all but only the Romans) as to be rid of the suspi-  
 "tion and jealousy which the Romans had of them. About the same time the Carians also revol-  
 "ted from them, and they of *Mylissa* took certain Towns of the Epirotesians. Now were the  
 "hearts of these Rhodians within the City not so much broken or abated, but they lay well en-  
 "ough that if the Romans took from them *Lycia* and *Caria* all the rest would either by way of re-  
 "volt put themselves in liberty and shake off the yoke of their subjection, or else be surprised and  
 "seized by the neighbour nations bordering upon them: and that then they should be pent up and  
 "shut within the compass of a small Isle and the strands of a barren soil, not able to nourish and  
 "maintain the inhabitants of so great and populous a City. Therefore with all speed they dispatch-  
 "ed and sent forth their youth, and not only forced the Carians (notwithstanding they had joined  
 "unto them the aid of the Cybirs) to their obedience, but also in battle near *Orthosia* overcome  
 "the Mylissians and Alabandians; who having seized the Euronians of their province, ad-  
 "vanced jointly with their united armies against them.

While these affairs thus passed there, while some occurrences fell out in Macedonia, and others  
 "likewise at Rome, *L. Anicius* having subdued King *Gentius* (as is before said) and brought him under  
 "his own hand, placed a garrison in *Scodra*, the Kings royal seat, and appointed *Gabinus* the Cap-  
 "tain thereof: but in *Rhizon* and *Olcinia* two commodious cities of good importance, he ordained  
 "*C. Licinius* the Governor. Having thus made over the rule of *Illyricum* unto these twain, himself  
 "with the rest of the army went into *Epirus*. Where the Town *Phanota* was the first that yielded  
 "unto him and the whole multitude of the people came forth to meet him with their intreats in  
 "token of submission. After he had put a garrison in this place also, he passed over into the country  
 "of *Malsia*, where he received the surrender of all the Towns thereof, excepting *Passaron*, *Tegmon*,  
 "*Phylacum*, and *Horreum*. And then he led his army first against *Passaron*. The principal men and  
 "rulers of that City were *Antinous* and *Theodorus*, men of mark and name, as well for the favor they  
 "bare to *Perseus*, as the hatred they carried to the Romans: the only persons who had conspired  
 "and perwaded the whole nation to revolt from the Romans. These two having guilty consciences  
 "within them for their private treasors, and being past all hope of finding any grace and pardon, shut  
 "the gates of the City, to the end that they might perish with the overthrow of all, and be over-  
 "whelmed with the total ruin of their own country; and therewith they exhorted the multitude to  
 "prefer present death before servitude and slavery. No man durst once open his mouth to contra-  
 "dict this to great and mighty persons. At length a certain noble young Gentleman, named also  
 "*Theodorus*, with whom the greater dread from the Romans abroad prevailed more, and overcame the

At the less fear of the rulers at home, "What all ye my masters (quod he) and fellow citizens, what rage  
 "and madness haunth you, to enwrap and intercell the whole City in the fault and folly of these  
 "two persons? Certainly, I have often heard of men that for their country have willingly lost  
 "their lives; but to think it meet, that their country should perish for them, these are the first  
 "that ever were known. Why rather open we not our gates and submit our selves to that empire,  
 "into which the whole world besides is subject. As he spake these words, the multitude followed  
 "him toward the gates: which when *Antinous* & *Theodorus* saw, they made no more ado, but brake  
 "upon the first corps de guard of the enemies which they came unto, and exposing their bodies to the  
 "swords point, were soon killed, and the Town was yielded into the hands of the Romans. *Tegmon*  
 "also, upon the like wilful obstinacy of Prince *Cephala*, had shut their gates, but after that he was  
 "slain, the Town was taken by surrender. And neither *Phylacum* nor *Horreum* would abide the assault.  
 "Having thus quieted *Epirus*, and bestowed his forces by garrisons in divers commodious Towns  
 "for the winter time, he returned into *Illyricum*: where he held a general assembly at *Scodra*, to  
 "to which he had summoned the principal States of the whole nation, and whither also there were ar-  
 "rived five delegates from Rome. And there in this frequent and solemn session he pronounced from  
 "the Tribunal seat, by the advice of the counsel assistant unto him, That the Senate and people of  
 "Rome ordained the Illyrians to live free and enjoy liberty, and that himself would withdraw the  
 "garrisons out of their Towns, Fortresses and Castles. As for the Iseans, Taulantians, Tiritians in the  
 "Dassaretians country, Rhizonis and Olcinians (for that whiles *Gentius* his fortune stood up-  
 "right, they had ranged with the Romans) he declared them not only free, but also exempt and pri-  
 "vileged from all tributes. The Dassarians also, for leaving *Cirraonius*, and passing with their arms  
 "to side with the Romans, he endowed with the like immunity. They of *Scodra*, *D. Jfara*, and  
 "*Selepis*, with the rest of the Illyrians, were to pay the one moiety of the tribute which they had  
 "yielded to the King. After this he divided *Illyricum* into three cantons: the one of them he made  
 "of those before named: the second, all the Labets; and the third, of the Agrionis, Rhezonis,  
 "Olcinians, and those that bound and border upon them. Having let down this order in *Illyricum*,  
 "he returned to *Passaron* a City in *Epirus*, there to lie for the winter time.

While these things happened in *Illyricum*, *Paulus* before the coming of the ten Legats, sent *Q.  
 Maximus* his son (who was now lately returned from Rome) to the charge of *Regnum* and *A-  
 gassus*. The quarrel against *Agassus* was, for that they having delivered the Town on e to *Martius*  
 "the Consul, and therewith of their own accord craved the alliance of the people of Rome: revo-  
 "ted notwithstanding afterwards to *Perseus*. As for the *Reginians*, they had committed a late and fresh  
 "treason, for giving no credit to the fame that was voiced of the Romans victory, they cruelly hand-  
 "led certain Roman soldiers, who were entered into their City. Moreover, he sent *L. Posthumus*  
 "likewise to ransack in hostile manner the City of the *Enians*, for that they had perfited in arms  
 "more slyly than the other neighbour Cities. Now was it about that season of the year which men call  
 "Autumn in the beginning whereof, so soon as he had determined to ride a circuit and visit all  
 "Greece round, and to see those places whereof there went so great a name, and which were more  
 "renowned by hear-say than known by sight of eye: he left *C. Sulpicius Gallus* for the command  
 "and guard of the camp, & set forward in his progress, accompanied with no great train. And being guar-  
 "ded of the one hand with his own son *Scipio*, and on the other, with *Achseus* the brother of King  
 "*Eumenes*, he passed through *Thessaly*, toward the famous Oracle at *Delphos*. Where, after he had  
 "sacrificed to *Apollo*, he defined and appointed those Columns & Pillars (which were begun in the  
 "porch of that Temple, and wherupon the statues of King *Perseus* should have been erected) for to  
 "sustain and bear the statues of himself with the title Victorious. He visited also the temples of *J. p.  
 Trophon* in *Lebadia*: where, after he had seen the mouth of that peackish cave into which they use  
 "to defend that would have the benefit of the Oracle, and know the will of the Gods: after sacrifi-  
 "ce also done to *Jupiter* and *Hercinna*, whose temple there is to be seen he went down to *Cladus*,  
 "to behold the frith of *Euripus*; and that Island which in times past was united & joined to the firm  
 "continent by a bridge. From *Chalcis* he crossed over to *Aulis* three miles distant from thence, a port  
 "famous for the rode home time there of *Agamemnon* fleet, consisting of a thousand sail. Being  
 "there, he went to the Temple of *Diana*, where that King of Kings (*Agamemnon*) offered his own  
 "daughter in sacrifice upon her altar, to have a prosperous voyage for his fleet intending to sail to  
 "*Troy*. After this, he came to *Oropus* a Town in *Attica*, where *Amphilochus* the Prophet is worship-  
 "ped as a God. There, was to be seen an ancient Temple, most pleasant to behold for the goodly  
 "Fountains and Rivers round about it. Then went he forward to *Athens*: a City likewise for anti-  
 "quity of fame much spoken of, and highly renowned time out of mind: wherein were many mo-  
 "numents also worth the seeing; namely, the citadel, the havens, the walls that reach from the City  
 "to *Pyramus*, the theatres made by great Captains and Commanders, the images of the Gods and of  
 "men likewise, so rare & excellent, as well for the artificial workmanship, as the matter whereof they  
 "were made. When he had sacrificed within the City to *Minerva* the goddess and patroness of the  
 "said citadel, he kept on his journey, and the next day following arrived at *Corinth*. A fair & beauti-  
 "ful City this was in those days. before it was destroyed, the fortels there and the *Isthmus* were  
 "things of especial mark and worth the sight: for the said fortels notwithstanding it be mounted  
 "up to an exceeding height above all yet is it full of fountains; and the *Isthmus* by a narrow ride  
 "of land divided into two seas near together, the one lying East, and the other West. From thence he  
 "went to *Argos* and *Argos*, two noble Cities, and so forward to *Epidaurum*, nothing in wealth com-  
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parable to the rest, yet of great name for the famous temple of *Esculapius*, which standeth 5 miles from the City, where at this day are to be seen the marks and tokens of the empty places from whence the oblations have been plucked away: but then a rich place it was and full of those offerings and gifts, which diseased persons had consecrated to that God in recompence and reward for those sovereign salves and whole some remedies which they there found. From thence he came to *Lacedaemon*, a City memorable not for any magnificence of stately works and buildings, but for good discipline and orders there observed. From whence passing through *Megalopolis*, he ascended up to *Olympia*: where among other things there to be seen, he beheld *Jupiter* as it were represented even before his eyes, whereat he was much moved in spirit. And therefore as if he had been to sacrifice in the capitol, he commanded a sacrifice to be prepared with more state and magnificence than ordinary. Thus having visited all *Greece* over without any search and enquiry made, how men either in general or particular stood affected in the war against *Perseus*, (because he would not trouble and disquiet the minds of the allies with any fearful occurrence) as he returned toward *Demetrius*, he was encountered by the way with a number of *Ætolians* all clad in doleful & mourning array. And when he wondered and asked what the matter might be, he was given to understand that 550 of their principal men of name, were by *Lyciscus* and *Tisippus* massacred, who with the help of certain Roman souldiers sent from *Babius* the Governor, had beset their Senate: that the rest were driven into exile: and the goods as well of those who were murdered, as also of the banished persons were now possessed by their accusers. He commanded them to attend upon him at *Amphipolis*, and when himself had communed & conferred at *Demetrius* with *Cn. Octavius*, after he once heard that the ten legats had passed the seas, he laid aside all other affairs, and went directly to *Apollonia* there to meet with them. To which place when *Perseus* came to meet him, for he having over-large liberty of poison, was come from *Amphipolis*: & that was a daies journey off: unto the K. he shewed good countenance and gave him good and gracious words. But after he was returned to the camp at *Amphipolis*, he sharply checked and rebuked, as men say, *C. Sulpicius*, first for suffering *Perseus* to range so loosely and so far off from him, all over the province: secondly, for giving his souldiers so much liberty as to pluck the tiles from off the walls (and houses) of the City, to cover the places of their winter harbour: and therewith he commanded that the tiles should be carried thither again where they had them, and the houses to be repaired as sufficiently as before. As for *Perseus* and his elder son *Philip*, he delivered unto *A. Possidimus* to be kept in safe custody: but his daughter and younger son, he sent for to *Amphipolis* from *Samothrace*, and used them with all courtesy and kind intertainment as possibly he could. When the day was come, on which he appointed that ten principal burgeses out of every City should repair to *Amphipolis*: & that all the Kings letters and writings in what place soever to be found, should be sought up & re-presented there together with all his money: he sat him down upon the tribunal seat, together with the ten legats from *Rome*, and the whole multitude of the Macedonians were gathered round about him. Albeit they had been used to subjection under the King, yet this new Tribunal carried with it a form and shew of a terrible government, namely, when they saw the tipstaves & buisiers to keep the doors and places of entry, the publick crier and the sergeant: strange matters all unto their eyes and ears: & whereto they had not been accustomed, able to strike a terror to allies much more then to conquered enemies. After silence made by the crier, *Paulus* pronounced in the Latine tongue, what the Senate's pleasure was to be done, and what himself with the advice of his Council assistant about him had thought upon and set down: all which points *Cn. Octavius* the Pretor (for he also was in place) interpreted and related again in the Greek language. *Timotheus*, they ordained the Lacedaemonians to be free, to have and enjoy the same Cities and territories, to use and exercise their own Laws to create yearly Magistrats, and to pay half of that tribute to the people of *Rome*, which they used to pay unto their Kings. *Item*, to divide *Macedonia* into 4 quarters: The one, and that the principal, for to contain all the country between the 2 rivers *Strymon* and *Nessus*: to which part there should be laid the tract on the farther side of the river *Nessus* Eastward (where *Perseus* held Towns, Castles and Cities) excepting *Ænus*, *Maronea*, and *Abdera*: also beyond *Strymon* Westward all the Bisaltique territory, together with *Heraclea*, which they call *Synice*. For the 2 second, all those parts which on the East-side the river *Strymon* encloseth, except *Synice*, *Heraclea*, & the Bisaltæ: also on the West, whatsoever is bounded with the river *Axis*, together with the *Pæonians* lying to it, who inhabit upon the river *Axis* Eastward. The third quarter was that, which *Axis* from the east and *Peneus* the river from the west do compass: and to the north-side is limited with the mountain *Bora*, and to this portion was adjoined the tract of *Pæonia* which the coasteth along the river *Axis* toward the west: *Edessa* also and *Berhaa* were annexed thereto. The fourth was beyond the mountain *Bora*, confining on the one side upon *Illyrium*: & on the other upon *Epirus*. The head cities of every quarter where they should hold their sessions and councils he appointed these: For the first, *Amphipolis*: The second for the second: In the third *Pella*: & the fourth in the fourth. To these places he ordained that by summons they should repair, to be created assemblies of each quarter: thither the money to be brought: and there the magistrats to be created. *Item*, he declared and pronounced that it should not be lawfull for any person to contract marriage, neither to have commerce & traffick together in buying or selling of lands or remedies without the limits of their own division. *Item*, that in their mines they should no more dig for silver and gold: but for Iron and brasse they had permission. And those that had the profit thereof, were to pay the one half of the old rent, which they were wont to yield and grant unto the King. *Amphipolis* bad

A bad them to use any more sovrain salt brought from out of other parts. When the *Dardanians* put in their claim for *Pæonia*, for that it had sometime been their appurtenance, and also confined upon their country: he pronounced freedom to all those who had been subjects to *K. Perseus*. But afterwards, when they could not obtain *Pæonia*, he granted unto them the commodity of the traffick for salt: and he charged the inhabitants of the said country to carry it to *Stobi* in *Pæonia*, and he set them down a certain price. *Item*, he debarrd them from selling any ship-timber themselves, and from suffering any others. Unto those countries which bordered upon the Barbarians (and except the third quarter all the rest confined upon them) he granted that they might keep armed garrisons upon their frontiers and marches. These Acts and ordinances thus published the first day of the session, wrought diversly in the minds of men. Freedom granted beyond their expectation, and the easment in the yearly tribute, comforted their spirits and made them look up. But by the interruption of the commerce & traffick one region with another, they seemed like creatures dimmed and pincked alunder joint-meal, so as having need one of another, yet they had no mutual & reciprocal use and intercourse. In so much as the Macedonians themselves knew full little how big and large *Macedonia* was, and how commodiously it was divided, so as each part was sufficient in it self without the help of others. The first region containeth the Bisaltæ who inhabit beyond the river *Nessus* and about *Strymon*, the most valiant men of all the rest: besides, it hath many proper commodities by it self as well fruits of the earth as mines of metals, together with the opportunity and commodious situation of *Amphipolis*, which as a frontier-bar stoppeth all avenues on the east side into *Macedonia*. The second quarter hath in it two most famous and frequented cities, *The Salonica* and *Cassandria*: & *Pallene*, a fertile & fruitful land. Besides, the maritime commodious which the havens at *Torone* and the head of *Archo* (and it they call the port or rode of *Æneades*) do yield to lay nothing of other bayes lying hand somely, some toward the land *Eubæa*, others toward *Hellefium*. The third country containeth the famous cities *Edessa*, *Berhaa*, and *Pella*: the warlike nation of the *Vetei*, and many Gauls and Illyrians besides who there inhabit, notable men all of action & execution. The fourth region is peopled with the *Eordians*, *Linceians*, and *Pelagonians*: unto whom, the provinces *Atintania*, *Strymphalia*, and *Elimia* are adjoynd. All this quarter is cold, rough and hard to dwell in. The nature of the inhabitants is likewise fittable to the soil: the fiercer they are by reason of the barbarous nations their neighbours, who one whole find them occupied with war, and otherwhiles mingle their rites and fashions with theirs in time of peace. When *Macedonia* was thus divided and each part distinguished by their several uses & commodities, he appointed a general review to be made and enrolment of all the Macedonians: having declared unto them before, that he purposed to give laws unto them.

This done, the *Ætolians* were cited and called next: and in the whole course of the commission as touching them and their affairs, more inquisition there was, who favoured the Romans, and who affected the King, than of any that either had done or suffered wrong. The murderers were found unguilty and absolved, and the banishment of the exiled was as much avowed, as their death justified who were massacred: *A. Babius* only was convicted and condemned, for that he had sent Roman souldiers to execute the said butchery. This issue of the *Ætolians* cause, passed up the spirits of all those who had sided with the Romans, throughout all the nations and cities of *Greece*, in such sort as they grew to a pride intolerable: but contrarywise put down & abased under their feet: as many as were suspected any waies to have cast a favor and born good will to the King. The principal states-men of their cities were of three sorts: two of them were skillful in the art of soothing, & either by submitting and subjecting under the Roman Empire, or winding within the favor and friendship of the KK. grew infinitely rich and mighty themselves in privat, with the publick oppression and undoing of their country: the third between, sung a mean, and was crois to the othermen that stood for the defence of their liberties and maintenance of laws, who as they were more dearly beloved of their neighbours at home, so they were less gracious and of credit with strangers abroad. The favoritis and supposts only of the Romans, were advanced by their prosperity: they alone lay in place of government, they were employed in all embassages, and none but they. These being there present in great number coming out of *Poloponnesus*, *Bætiæ*, and from other frequent assemblies of *Greece*, filled the heads of the ten delegats and high commissioners: buzzing into their ears, that not they alone who openly were seen in their bravery and vanity of spirit, vowing themselves for the hosts and friends of King *Perseus*, but many more besides under-hand took part with him and favoured his proceedings: as for the rest (under a colour of maintaining liberty) practised in all their counsels and comploted against the Romans what they could: and never would the Greek Nations abide long in their allegiance, unless the hearts of that side were taken down and broken: and their authority only cherished, confirmed, and strengthened, who regarded nothing else but the empire and sovereignty of the Romans. When these had informed and presented divers by name: sent for they were by the letters missive of the General, out of *G. Ætolia*, *Acarnania*, *Epirus*, and *Bætiæ*, to give their attendance and follow him to *Rome*, there to answer the cause. But into *Achaæ* two of the high Commissioners were sent, namely, *C. Claudius* and *Cn. Domitius*, who personally should summon them by vertue of their edit. And this was done for two considerations: the one, because they thought verily that the Achæans were more confident and courageous, and therefore would not obey the summons by letters, and peradventure also. *Callierides* and other the informers and accusers who made presentment of their names, should be in some danger of their lives: the other cause why they would be present

to give them summons was this, that amongst the Kings records and rolls they had found the letters of the principal Statemen of other nations; but of the Achæans there appeared no writing at all under their hands, and therefore the imputations charged upon them were nothing evident.

After the Ætolians were dismissed, the nation of the Acarnanians was cited and called into place: as for them, there was no change nor alteration; only *Leucus* was exempt from doing service to the high court and general assembly of the Acarnanians. As they followed the inquisition still farther and farther, making enquiry who either in publick or private had taken part with the King, they extended their commission as far as into *Asia* and sent *Labeo* to demolish and raze *Aurissa* a City in the Isle *Leibor*, and to translate the inhabitants thereof to *Methymna*: the pretence was, for that they had given harbor in their haven to the provisions of *Antenor* the Kings Admiral, at what time as he hovered and ranged about *Leibor* with his pinnaces. Two there were that lost their heads, men of quality and great worth, to wit, *Andronicus* the Ætolian son of *Andronicus*, for that he followed his father and bare arms against the people of *Rome*; and *Nœna* a Theban, by whose advice and perswasion they had contracted a society with *Perseus*.

After this enquire of straine causes interposed and coming between, the assembly of the Macedonians was called again: wherein as touching the state of *Macedony*, pronounced and published it was, That there should be certain Senators chosen, whom they call *Synedrî*, by whose counsel the common-weal should be managed and governed. After this, were the names read of the principal Macedonians, whom he appointed (together with their children as many as were above fifteen years of age) to go before into *Italy*. This at first was thought to be an hard and cruel course, but anon it appeared to the multitude of the Macedonians, that it was all done for their liberty. For nominated there were, the Kings friends and gallants of his court, the commanders of armies, the Admirals of the fleets, and the Captains of the garrisons, who were wont to serve the King basely, but to over-rule others proudly and imperiously: some exceeding rich and wealthy, others depending above the proportion of their revenues and living: all faring at their table, and arraigned apparel like KK, not one carying with him the civil mind of a good citizen, nor one that could abide to hear of laws, or of equal liberty. All these therefore, who had been employed in any ministry or service about the King, even they also who had been used in the least embassages that were, had commandment to depart out of *Macedony* and to go into *Italy*: and look who obeyed not this edict, were threatened with death. Unto *Macedony* he gave laws, with such diligent care and good regard, as if he had reckoned them not for enemies vanquished, but for allies of good deed: such laws (I say) as the very practise and tryal of long time (the only corrector of all statutes) was not able upon that experience, to check and control.

After these serious affairs were finished, he exhibited with great furniture and preparation, a solemnity of game and disport at *Amphipolis*, which long before he had intended, and for the termination whereof he had both sent out his messengers to the States of *Asia* and to the KK, and also himself in his circuit and visitation of the Grecian Cities, had given warning to the great men and principal citizens. And thither repaired out of all parts of the world, a number of cunning, dextrous, and artificial actors, that made profession of such plaies and pastimes: besides a sort of wrestlers, champions, and brave horses of the best kind & breed. Also divers embassages with their beafts for sacrifices, and whatsoever else was usually done of custome, at the great and solemn games in *Greece*. Thus it came to pass, that men admired not only his magnificence, but his wisdom also in exhibiting these shews and fights, wherein the Romans at that time were altogether rude and ignorant. Moreover, he feasted and banquetted the Embass, in the same sumptuous manner and respective consideration. And this (by report) was an apothegm and common saying of his, That none could make feasts and set forth plaies better than he who had the skill to win a field. Having represented these solemnities of all sorts, and bestowed all the brazen shields on shipboard, all other armor and weapons of fundry kinds, he piled upon a mighty heap, and after his praises made to *Mars*, *Minerva*, dame *Luna*, and other Gods and Goddesses, unto whom of right and duty appertained to consecrate and dedicate the spoils of enemies: himself the General with his own hands put under a burning torch, and kindled the fire, and after him all the marshal-colonels standing round about, cast every man his fire-brand, and set all a burning. This was a thing noted in that great assembly of *Europe* & *Asia*, where there was such a confluence of people from all parts, as well to testify their joy in his behalf as to see the shews and disports: in that meeting, I say, of so great armies of sea-servitors and land-souldiers, there was that plenty of all things, and cheapness of victuals, that *Æmylius* the General, of that exceeding store and abundance, gave much away freely to privat persons, to cities and nations, not only for their present use, but also to cary home with them into their countries. And this multitude there assembled took no more pleasure either in beholding the stage-plaies acted, or seeing men practise feats of bodily strength and activity, or the running of horses in the race, as in viewing the Macedonian booty and pillage laid all abroad to be seen: namely, of Statues, and painted tables, of rich cloth of tissue, of vessels in gold, in silver, in copper, and ivory, most curiously wrought in that royal seat and City of *Pella*, not only reserved for a present shew and no more (like those that the Kings Palace of *Alexandria* was replenished with) but also for continual and everlasting use. These were all embarked, and committed to the charge of *Cn. Octavius* to be transported to *Rome*. *Paulus* after he had given the Embassadors a gracious and courteous farewell, passed over the River *Strymon*, and lodged within a mile of *Amphipolis*. From thence he dislodged, and journeyed until he came on the fifth day as far as

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*Pella*. And passing by the City, he abode two daies at a place which they call *Speleum*, and then helent *P. Nasica*, and *Q. Maximus* his own son with part of the forces in an expedition, to give the waite unto those Illyrians, who had succored *Perseus* in his wars, but he commanded them to meet him at *Oricum*. Himself marching toward *Epirus*, at the fifteenth remove arrived at *Passaron*. Not far from thence lay *Anicinus* encamped: unto whom he dispatched his letters, to the end that he should not be troubled at those designs which were to be put in execution, signifying therein, that the Senat granted to the army the pillage of all the Cities of *Epirus*, which had revolted unto *Perseus*: which done, he suborned certain Centurions, and sent them into all the Towns with instructions, to give out that his coming was to withdraw all the garrisons from thence, with an intent that the Epirots should enjoy their freedom as well as the Macedonians; & so he summoned out of every City ten of the chief to repair unto him. And when he had charged & commanded them to bring abroad into the market place all the gold and silver which they had, he sent out certain cohorts and companies of souldiers to every of the said Cities: they who were assigned for the places farther remote went before them which were appointed to the nearer, and this was ordered so, that upon the same day they should enter into them all at once. Now the Colonels and Centurions had their errand delivered them what to do. In the morning betimes all the gold and silver was brought forth together accordingly, and that at the fourth hour of the day a signal was given to the souldiers to fall to ransack and rife the Cities. Wherein they found great store of pillage, that every horiman had for his part \* 400 Denarii, and the footmen 200 apiece, and a hundred and fifty thousand poles were led away into captivity. Then the walls were rased of the said Cities thus spoiled, and those were to the number of seventy. All the booty and prizes were sold, and out of that mass of money were the souldiers paid. From thence *Paulus* went down to the Sea side, unto *Oricum*. But the souldiers minds were nothing so well satisfied, as he supposed they had been, for discontented mightily they were and angry, that they had no share at all in the Kings pillage and treasure, as if they had made no war in *Macedony*. At *Oricum* he found those forces which he had sent under the conduct of *S. Nasica* and *Maximus* his son: there he shipped his whole army, and sailed over into *Italy*. In like manner a few daies after, *Anicinus*, when the session and general meeting of the other Epirots and Acarnanians was ended, having given commandment, that their principal persons should follow him into *Italy* (the knowledge and deciding of whole causes he reserved and referred thither) himself attended the ships which the army had used in *Macedony*, and passed over likewise into *Italy*.

At what time as these affairs were thus managed in *Macedony* and *Epirus*, the Embassadors who had been sent with *Atalus* to end the war between the Gauls and King *Eumenes*, arrived in *Asia*. A sickness of arms for the winter time, was agreed upon between both parties, during which cessation the Gauls departed home, and *Eumenes* was retired to *Pergamum* there to winter, where also he lay grievously sick. The spring was no sooner come, but the Gauls began to stir and look abroad: but by that time they were come as far as the *Synedrî*, *Eumenes* had assembled his forces from all parts to *Sardis*. There at *Synedrî*, the Romans parled with *Solovirtius* the General of the Gauls: *Atalus* also went with them: but thought good it was not, that he should enter within the Gauls camp, for fear of stirring coals in heat of argument, and raising choler of the one side or other. So *P. Licinius* communed with the Duke of the Gauls asforesaid: and when he had done, he brought word back, that the more he was entreated, the worse he was and less tractable: inso-much as it might seem a wonder, that the words of the Roman Embassadors were so powerful and effectual with *Antiochus* and *Ptolemeus* (two mighty and puissant Kings) as to make peace so presently between them, since they prevailed so little or nothing at all among the Gauls.

To return again to *Rome*. First, the two captive Kings, *Perseus* and *Genius* were sent thither, and committed there to ward they and their children: after them, the multitude besides of prisoners, then consequently those Macedonians, as also the other chief peers of *Greece*, who were warranted to repair unto *Rome*. For not they only were summoned to make appearance there, who had been present in place, but also all those were sent for by letters missive preemprory, who were reported to have been with the Kings. Then *Paulus* himself a few daies after embarked in a ship of the Kings, a Galeace of a mighty bigness, making way with sixteen banks and rows of oars to a side, and the same set out and adorned with the Macedonian spoils; not only of brave gorgeous armour, but also of rich hangings, silke & cloth of gold out of the Kings wardrobe, came up the *Tyber* against the stream: where great numbers of people went forth to meet him, and filled the banks on both sides of the river. Some few daies after *Anicinus* and *Octavius* arrived also with their fleet. And to all three, by an act of the Senat was triumph granted. *Q. Cassius* the Pretor had commandment to deal with the Tribunes of the Commons by warrant from the Senat, that they should prefer a bill unto the common people, that those three should be in full commission of command and government that day when they were to ride triumphant into the City. See, how mean things escape the touch of envy, but the highest commonly are met with: No doubt was made at all of the triumph of *Anicinus*, nor yet of *Octavius*. But *Paulus*, with whom even they themselves would have been ashamed to compare, could not avoid the backbiting of slanderous & malicious tongues. His souldiers according to the ancient discipline of war, he had held hard to their service. And to them he had given a donative indeed out of the booty, but more niggardly & with a lighter hand than they hoped for, from out of so great wealth and riches of the Kings: and yet in good faith to say a truth, full well he knew that if he had satisfied their greedy desire, and dealt

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kill amongst them till they had cried Ho, he should have left himself just nothing to have brought into the common treasury. So that all this Macedonian army gave a shew by this time, as they had but cold devotion to their General, either to appear, or to give their voices for the setting forward of the bill aforesaid, as touching his triumph and plenary power of command, when the day of assembly should come. Over and besides, *Ser. Sulpitius Galba*, who had been a martial Colonel in the second legion in Macedonia, and in private enmity with the General; both himself in person was in hand with him, and by the soldiers also of his own legion solicited and spurred on the rest to appear in sufficient number, there for to give their suffrages against him, and check the bill, saying, "That as he was an imperious and Lordly commander, so he was as miserable a pinch-penny withal, and a good deed it were to deny his grace and to cross the law proposed for his triumph, & so to be revenged of him thoroughly: for no doubt the commons of the City would go that way that they should see the soldiers to lead before. He could not forthwith (say they) give money among his soldiers liberally: well, he shall surely know, that his soldiers yet can give him honour; but never let him look for the fruit of pay or grace, where he hath deserved none. These words set them agog; and when *Tib. Sempronius* a Tribune of the Commons read out and published the foresaid bill in the Capitol, and that by permission of law any private person might have spoken thereto, and no man came forth, as being a matter whereof no doubt & question was to be made: then *Servius Galba* indignantly stepped forth, and required of the Tribune, "That (inasmuch as it was so far forth days, as being the eighth hour thereof, so that he had not time enough to declare and shew at large, what allegations he had why they should not grant *L. Emilius* a triumph) they would adjourn the assembly to the next day, and betimes in the morning let the matter on foot again; for that he had need of a whole day and no less, to plead that cause to the full as he should do. But when the Tribune willed him again to speak his mind that day, if he had ought to say; he made a speech, and with his long oration held the court until it was within night: putting them in mind and alledging, "How precisely and rigorously he had exacted at their hands all military duties; how he had imposed upon the soldiers more painful and dangerous labour than need was: but contrary-wise in dealing rewards and bestowing honourable recompences for good service, he was over-strait-laced & too short in every point: and verily soldiery and warfare, if it continued still under such Captains, will be more hard, tedious, and rough to soldiers and warriors: but when all is done and victory obtained, rewarded it shall be with bare poverty and neglect of honour. Certainly, the Macedonians are in better case yet than the Roman soldiers. But if they would be present in great frequency the next morrow (to deny and revoke this bill, then these rich and mighty men shall know full well, that all lieth not in the hands of the Captain and Commander, but that the soldiers also can do somewhat. The soldiers animated and induced with these perilous words, reformed the day following in so great multitudes, and pestered the whole Capitol so full, as none but they could come in to give their voice. The first tribes that were called in, clearly called the grace: which when the principal and chief men of the City lay ran all into the Capitol with open mouth crying out upon this indignity offered, that *L. Paulus* a conqueror in so great and dangerous a war, should be deprived of his due triumph; and the great Commanders and Generals of the field were now subjected and enthrall'd to the loose licentiousness and greedy avarice of their soldiers. In this one thing (say they) have we too too much faulted, such hath been our favour and partiality, and so loth have we been to displease any: but what will become of us in the end, if soldiers once may come to be Lords and masters, and thus to crow over their Generals? And every man railed and cried out upon *G. Iba*. In the end after this garbail was appealed, *M. Servilius* who sometime had been Consul and great master of the horse under the Dictator, requested the tribunes that they would begin all again annulling that which was pass'd, and give him leave withal to make a speech before the people. The Tribunes went aside to consult of this matter; and in fine, over-ruled with the authority and countenance of the nobles and peers of the City, began to treat afresh and go in hand with all matters anew, making it known openly that they would recalc back those first tribes, in case *M. Servilius* and other private men who were willing to enter their mind to the cause had once spoken. Then said *Servilius* as followeth, "Masters and friends, citizens here of Rome, if and by nothing else it might be judged, how singular & how excellent a Commander *L. Emilius* was in the field, his only (if there were no more) may suffice, that having in his camp such seditions and light-headed persons for his soldiers, and an adversary of his own among them so noble of birth, so rash of action, and withal so arrogant and self-conceited, ready to incite and stir up a multitude to commotion, yet troubled he never was with any mutiny at all in his whole army. "The same severity it was in government & conduct, that held them in awe and good order, which now at this present they hate & detest. And so long as they were managed by ancient discipline, they durst not quench nor give offence. As for *Sergius Galba* if (like a new barrister who is to shew the first proof, & to give the assay and haniel of his eloquence) he would have made choice of *L. Paulus* to begin withal and accuse him at the bar, he should not yet have hindered his triumph, which (if there were nothing else to dissuade and draw him back) the Senate had judged to be just & due: but the morrow after his triumph (when he had seen him a private man again) he might have given presentment of his name, & by order of law ministered interrogatories unto him and entered process: or rather he might have staid a little longer, namely, until himself had been a Magistrat in place, and then have gone roundly to work, arrested him upon an action

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to answer at a day, and so accused him judicially before the people. Thus should *L. Emilius* have had his triumph for reward and recompence of his well-doing, in that so nobly & valiantly he had conducted this war: thus likewise should he have suffered condign punishment, if he had committed ought unworthy either of his ancient glory or this new honor. But will you have the truth? when he could find no matter of crime to reproach him with, he sought by wiles and indirect means to detract his well deserved praises. He demanded yesterday, one full day to accuse *L. Paulus*: and 4<sup>th</sup> four hours, even all the day time that was left he spent in making an invective against him. What prisoner was there ever brought to the bar so culpable and sinful, but all the faults of his whole life might be ripped up, deciphered, and painted forth in so many hours space? But what objected he all that while, that *L. Paulus* if he were to frame his defence, would wish to deny? O that some man would procure me here for the while, two assemblies and counts, the one of Roman soldiers employed lately in Macedonia, the other more pure and uncorrupt of the twain, namely, of citizens sounder in judgment, void of all favor, & clear from hatred. And the people of Rome I would have to be the judge. First, let *L. Paulus* be accused in the grand assembly & court of these citizens. Tell me O *S. Galba*, what would you say against him before those Quirites of Rome. For there you should have been cut off and lost all this discourse & special part of your oration, carrying these terms, You looked too freightly & precisely to the corps de guard in their stations; you held the soldiers too hard to their watch and ward; the sentinels were neerer and narrowly looked unto; & you were over curious about going the rounds & relieving the watch in the night seasons about the works and fabrics you put the soldiers to more toiling & moidering than heretofore; whilst you, my *L. General*, their surveyor, over-icer, and task-maker, rode all about to exact the utmost with all extremity; in one & the same day when you had the army on foot, presently from a journey you led them forth to battle; when the victory was got, you would not suffer the soldier to breathe and take repose, but caused him to march immediately & to follow the enemy in chafes also, whereas the booty to be parted & shared out, might have enriched your self, yet will you carry the Kings treasure in shew of triumph & then lay it up in the chamber of the City. As these be shrewd matters, like sharp goads to prick those soldiers & set them on, who think they have not scope enough to serve their dissolute loomes or too small allowance to content their covetous appetites: so, with the people of Rome they would have nothing at all prevailed: who if they should not call to mind examples & stories of old, which they have heard their fathers talk of, namely, what overthrows have been received through the indulgence and popularity of Generals; and contrarywise what victories have been achieved by their severe discipline and government; yet at leastwise they cannot chuse but remember what odds & difference there was in the late Punick war, between *M. Minucius* General of the horse, and *Q. Fabius Max.* his Dictator. And therefore since the accuser might know all this, the defence of *Paulus* in this behalf, was altogether needless and unnecessary. Let us go now to the other audience and assembly of the Macedonian soldiers. But now me thinks I must not call you Quirites any more, but soldiers; if haply there be so much grace in you, as that this name yet may cause you to blush, & be ashamed for very shame of the world, to offer abuse unto your Generals. And verily for mine own part, I find a great change in my self, & am otherwise affected in my mind, now that I seem to speak unto an army of soldiers, than ere-while I was, when my Oration was accommodated and framed to the commons of a City. Now soldiers, what say you to the matter? Is there any one at Rome (but *Perseus* again) that would not have a triumph over the Macedonians? & are you not ready to pull such a one in pieces with those very hands, wherewith you vanquished the Macedonians? He, who soever he is, that impeacheth you for entering into the City in triumph, trust me truly, would have debarr'd you of victory if it had bin in his power. To how foolish are ye deceived (soldiers) and far out of the way, if ye think that the triumph is the honor, only of the General, and not of the soldiers likewise, and consequently of the whole people of Rome? This is not *Paulus* his case alone. Many others likewise there have been, who when they could not obtain triumph at the hands of the Senate, triumphed nevertheless upon the Alban mountain. As impossible it is for any man to bereave *L. Paulus* of the honor due for the finishing of the Macedonian war, as it was to disappoint *C. Lucullus* of his glory for ending the first Punick war, *P. Cornelius* for the second; or others besides who after they triumphed, it is not strumpth that can make *L. Paulus* better or worse, either the greater captain or the less. Herein consisteth the credit, renown, & reputation of the soldiers and of all the people of Rome more than his: for fear lest they be reputed & noted either for envious & malicious, or else unthankful for their best members & noblest citizens; therein seem to imitate the people of Athens, who evermore persecute and plague with envy their best men that live amongst them. Your ancestors and forefathers when time was (hailed this wales enough I wis) in the person of *Camillus*, whom they offered abuse unto, before the City by his means was recovered out of the Gauls hands. Much you were to blame your selves here, & overmuch too in *P. Africanus*, that in *Literum*, his mansion house and place of habitation (who was the conqueror of *Africk*) should be shewed: that in *Literum* (I say) the sepulchre of *P. Africanus* should be seen. Let us blush for very shame, that *L. Paulus*, as he is equal to them in glory and honor, should likewise go with them and have his part of your hard and wrongful dealing. The first thing that ye do then, let this be: Our with this spot & stain of infamy which ye have caught so reproachful in regard of other nations, lo hurtle to your selves. For, who will ever hereafter wish to be like *Africanus*, who will endeavor to resemble

\* By this it is to be collected, that they counted the day 6 hours, from 6 to 6, & not from sun to sun, as some would have it.

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resemble *L. Paulus*, in a City so unthankful, nay, so spiteful and malicious to all good men? Say it there were no question at all of infamy and obloquy, but of honour only and reputation, tell me (I beseech you) is there any triumph that compels not the glory also of the Roman name? So many triumphs over the Gauls, so many again over the Spaniards, and so many over the Carthaginians: are they reputed and called the triumphs of the Captains alone, and not likewise of the people of Rome? And like as we say, that we triumphed not over *Pyrrhus* only, nor over *Antiochus*, but over the Epirotes likewise and the Carthaginians: even so neither *M. Curius* alone, nor *P. Cornelius*, but the Romans also have triumphed. True it is, and I must needs say, that the soldiers have a proper interest and part by themselves, in that they alone (dight with branches and chaplets of laurel, and every one bravely to be seen and adorned with the gifts that have been given them) respond *Jo Triumpho*, and as they pass along the City sing and chant the praises of themselves and of their Captain-Generals. And if it fortune at any time that the soldiers be not brought home out of the province to the triumph, they grumble & are discontented: yet notwithstanding, absent though they be, they think it is their due, and so long as their General and leader triumpheth, they triumph also, because the victory was achieved by the strength of their arms. Good soldiers, it a man should ask you, for what intent you were recruited into Italy, and wherefore so loon as the service was performed and the war brought to an end, ye had not presently your coney of discharge? moreover to what purpose ye came by companies and squadrons under your ensigns and colors? for what cause ye stay and remain here, and go not every man his waies to his own home? what answer would ye make, else, but That ye would be seen in triumph? And to say a truth, since ye have won the victory and are conquerors, I cannot blame you, nay, ye ought to desire for to be seen and seen again. It is not long since we triumphed over *Philip* (this mans father) and over *Antiochus* likewise: and reigned both they did as KK, when the triumph was: and shall there be no solemnity of triumph over *Perseus*, taken prisoner and brought captive with his children into the City? If *L. Paulus*, standing beneath as a privat person (one amongst the company of gown'd citizens) seeing *L. Anicius* and *Cn. Octavius* array'd sumptuously in cloth of gold, and in their rich purple robes and mantles of estate, mounting up the Capitol in their triumphant chariots, should ask them the question and say in this manner: Tell me, *O Lucius Anicius* and you *Cn. Octavius*, judge ye in your own conceit that you are more worthy of a triumph than I? They would no doubt come down each one out of his chariot and yield him their place, yea, and for very shame deliver up all their ensigns and ornaments unto him. And you *Quirites*, had you rather see *Centius* than *Perseus* led in triumph? would you wish indeed to triumph for an accidental appendant only of the war, rather than for the main substance of the war? Shall the legions coming out of *Sclavonia*, and the mariners at sea, enter the City crowned with laurel garlands: and the legions out of *Macedony*, being denied their own triumph stand still and behold others to triumph? Moreover, what shall become of that rich booty? what shall be done with the spoils of that great and wealthy victory? where shall be bestowed and laid up so many thousand costlies and armors plucked from the bodies of enemies slain? Shall they be sent back again into *Macedony*? Those costly images of gold, of marble, of ivory, those goodly fair pictures, those precious clothes and hangings of purple, scarlet, and lilue: that mighty quantity of gold and silver wrought into vessels chased and engraven: that huge mass of the Kings money and coin, what shall we do with it? What shall it be carried all by night as stolen goods into the publick treasury and City Chamber? The goodliest sight of all the rest, what say you to it? A most noble & puissant King is taken prisoner, where shall he be shewed to the people of Rome his conqueror? What running what concourse there was of people to see *K. Syphax* captive (& yet he was but an accessory to the Punicke war) most of us do well remember. Shall *P. Perseus* then, a prisoner and captive, shall *Philip* and *Alexander* his sons, (persons of so great name) be hidden and kept from the sight and eyes of the City? And there were no more but *L. Emilius* himself, twice Consul, the conqueror & induer of *Greece*, all men would desire to see him enter the City in his triumphant chariot. We created him Col. for this intent that he should finish and determin this war, which to your dishonor and great shame had hung for the space of 4 years. To him then who (at what time as the lot of that province fell unto him and when he departed on his voyage from Rome) had all our hearts to prestage victory and triumph, shall we now deny triumph when he hath the victory? And verily in so doing, we shall not only defraud men but rob the gods also of their honor; for due it is to the very gods also, and not to men alone. Have not your ancestors ever used to enterprize all great affairs in the name of the gods first & therein also to end last? The Col. or Pretor, when he is to take his journey into his province, or to levy war, with his Lictors before him clad in their coats of arms is ever wont to make his solemn vows in the Capitol: after he hath acquit himself of his charge and obtained victory, when as the triumpheth, he transferreth in pomp the rich presents of the people of Rome so well deserved and offereth them to the same gods in the said Capitol, unto whom there first he pronounced his vows. And the heasts for sacrifice going before the pomp of triumph, are not the least part of this solemnity: that it may appear, how the General in his return is mindful of the gods, & rendereth thanks unto them for the happy managing of the affairs of Commonweal. As for those beasts for sacrifice which he hath appointed to be shewed in the pomp of triumph, say they neither makes it matter whose hand doth sicome kil one & some another, but those sacred viands of the Senat, which are not to be eaten in any privat house, nor in publick place unhalloed,

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but only in the Capitol; and there, not for the pleasure of men, but of Gods and men together, will ye trouble and impeach at the suggestion of *Servius Galba*? Shall the gates be shut against the triumph of *L. Paulus*? shall *Perseus* King of the Macedonians, with his children and the multitude besides of captives, with the spoils of the Macedonians, be left behind at the river side? shall *L. Paulus* go directly from the City gate home to his house as a privat person, like one that hath been abroad in the country to see his farm, and is newly returned? But thou *Centurio* and thou souldier, give ear, I advise thee, to the ordinance which the Senat hath decreed as touching the General *Paulus*, rather than to the vain speech of *Serv. Galba*: hearken to this, that I say the word, rather than he. As for him, he hath learned nought else but to prate and talk, and that to the depraving of others full maliciously. I tell thee, fought have I with mine enemies even upon defiance given twenty times and three; done I have my devoir, and from them all that were in combat with me, I never failed but carried away their spoils: I bear the marks about me of many a wound, and the honorable scars thereof are to be seen, all of them in the breast and forepart of my body. At which word, they say, he bared his naked skin, and related withal in what battel he had received this or that wound. Now as he shewed these scars, and chanced to discover some parts that better I wis and more honestly had been unseen, and therewith, a bunch of swelling of a rupture that he had in his groin, wherof some of them that stood next unto him took up a laughter, then (qd, he) even this that you have espied here and make such game at, I caught with a strain, riding continually as I did, and never from my horseback day nor night: and no more ashamed I am and displeased with my self for that infirmity, than for these scars which you here see: since that it never was any impediment unto me in performing my service to the Commonwealth, either in civil affairs of City, or in warfare abroad. Well, I an old servitor, have been content here to shew unto young men and raw souldiers, my body, many a time and often hacked, pierced and slashed with the sword. Let *Galba* now lay bare that whole skin of his own to sicken and fair. Now my masters, you that are Tribuns, call the tribes again to the scrutiny, and take their voices. As forme [down I will, and go after the souldiers hard at heels. Know I will which be those lewd and unthankful companions that had rather be footed up and flattered in the wars by mutinous persons, than serve under the martial discipline of their General.]

All within these marks is supplied out of Plutarch. Somewhat more besides immediately after this Oration; namely, part of the description of *Paulus* his triumph.

*V. Iulius Antias* reporteth, That the sum of all the gold and silver taken in pillage and carried in the pomp of this triumph, amounted to the worth of 120 millions of Sesterces. Which mals, no doubt, ariseth much greater by the proportion of the number of wains, and the poises both of gold and silver by the same author is set down in general sums. And as some have recorded, he spent in the war next before, or else scattered and lost in his sight when he made halt to *Somothrace*, as much again as that came to. And the more wonder it was, that so mighty a mass of money had been gathered and heaped up within thirty years after the war between *Philip* and the Romans, raised part out of the issue and incomb of his metal mines, and part out of other profits and tributs. Thus *Philip* very bare of money, and *Perseus* contrary-wise exceeding rich, began to make war with the Romans. Last of all, *Paulus* himself rode in his chariot, carrying a great port and majesty with him both for his comely and personable body, and also for his reverent old age. After his chariot, among other honorable personages rode his two sons, *Q. Maximus* and *P. Scipio*. Then followed the horsemen by troops, and the footmen by their cohorts and companies, every one keeping their ranks full decently. The footmen had given them a hundred Sesterces apiece, the Centurions double, and the horsemen triple so much. And it is thought, that he meant to have given the footmen as much as the most, and to the rest in proportion, in case they either had not denied his honour by their voices, or if in token of thankfulness and joy, they had but willingly and cheerfully shewed, when this sum which they received was pronounced and related unto them. And not *Perseus* alone (led as he was through the enemies City in chains before the triumphant chariot of the conqueror) but also *Paulus* himself the conqueror glittering so gloriously in his cloth of gold and costly purple, was a mirror to the word in those few daies, of the transitory and mutable state of mans life. For of those two sons, whom (after he had given the other two by way of adoption from himself) he kept alone at home as heirs to bear his name, to maintain the sacred rites and sacrifices of his family, and to uphold the house it self, the younger a tripling under twelve years of age, five daies before his triumph died, and the elder full fourteen years old and more, departed within three daies after the triumph. Which two youth indeed ought to have been array'd in their embroidered robes of purple, and so to have ridden in the chariot with their father, predestining and aiming to themselves the like triumphs another day.

Some few daies after, *M. Antonius* a Tribune of the Commons assembled a solemn audience of the people for his sake, wherein when after the manner and custome of other Generals he should discourse of his own exploits and worthy acts, he made unto them a memorable Oration and well becoming a noble Roman Prince, to his effect. "Albeit I suppose (quoth he) my neighbors and friends, the citizens of this noble City, you be not ignorant, both how happily I have adorned the weal publick, and also how unfortunately within these few daies two thunderbolts have shaken my private house, as having one while beheld the goodly shew and pomp of my triumph testifying the one, and seen another while the woeful funerals and obsequies of my two sons declaring the other; yet I beseech you suffer me with that singleness of heart and affection, as I ought, to make a brief comparison between mine own particular private fortune, and the publick

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The Oration of *L. Emilius* to the people of Rome.



"publick felicity of the City. At my departure from *Italy*, I looked from *Brundisium*, and set up sight at the sun-rising: by the ninth hour of the same day I arrived safe with all my ships at *Corphu*. The fifth day after I came to *Delphi*, where I sacrificed unto *Apollo*, for my self, for your armies, and your navy. From *Delphi* I departed, and within five daies was in the leaguer. Whereafter I had received the charge of the army, and altered some things which might greatly have hindered the victory, I marched forward, for that the enemies camp was inexpugnable, and the King could not be forced by any means to fight: and piercing through his guards that kept the passage, I went as far as *Petra*: so as by this means having perforce drawn the King to fight, I vanquished him in plain field and ranged batell. *Macedony* I subdued, and brought it in subjection to the people of *Rome*. Finally, that war which for four years together other Consuls before me I managed, as each one left it ever to his successor worse than he found it, I achieved, and brought to a final end in fifteen daies. I followed then in this train other prosperous affairs, as as the fruits ensuing of that victory. For all the Cities of *Macedony* yielded unto me, The Kings treasure I seized upon: the King in person (as if the very Gods themselves had delivered and put him into my hands) I took prisoner, with his sons in the Temple of the *Samothracians*. But then my heart mitigated me, and even then I suspected the surpassing favour of my good fortune: then cast I doubts, and began to fear the dangers at sea, having so mighty a mass of the Kings treasure to transport, and my victorious army to reconduct back into *Italy*. But seeing all things fall out to hearts desire, a prosperous voyage, a safe arrival and whatsoever I could pray for at the Gods hands: this I wished in my heart, (as knowing full well the wonted manner of fortune, when she is at the highest pitch, to turn back again and come as fast down) that mine own house, rather than the Common-weal, might feel that change and alteration, whensoever it came. And therefore I hope that this so notable a calamity of mine own, shall excuse the City for having any other misfortune, since that my triumph (as it were to check and mock the changes of this world) hath fallen so just between the funerals of my two sons. See how I and *Perseus* are represented above all others for two notable examples of the frail and unstable condition of man. To how he, who being a prisoner himself, saw his sons likewise led captives before his face, hath them yet living found and safe: and I, who have triumphed over him, came from the burial of one of my sons to ride in my chariot up to the Capitol, and from thence descended again to find the other lying at point of death: neither is there of all that fair issue that I had, one left to bear the name of *L. Paulus Emilius*. For two of them the house of the *Corneii* had, and the *Fabii* have, unto whom I gave them in adoption, as out of a great race and breed of children: so as now, in the family of *Paulus* there is not one left but himself. Howbeit for this calamity and ruin of my house, your felicity and the happy estate of the City is a great comfort and consolation again. These words delivered with such a magnanimity, troubled the spirits of the auditors, and alienated them more, than if he had lamentably mowed himself unto them with piteous tears, for his childless estate and desolat condition.

*C. Octavius* solemnized his naval triumph over King *Perseus* the first day of *December*: in which solemnity, he neither had prisoners led in shew, nor spoils carried in pomp. He gave to his mariners and sailors seventy and five Denarii apiece: to every pilot double, and to the ship-masters four times as much. After this, the Senat assembled, and the LL. ordained, that *Q. Cassius* should lead King *Perseus* with his son *Alexander*, together with his train that accompanied him, as also, bring all his money and goods, silver, or what moveables and furniture soever he had to *Alba*, there to be kept in sure custody. *Bitus* the Kings son of *Thrace*, with the hostages was sent to *Carsoled*, there to lie in safe ward. As for the rest of the captives who had been led in triumph, thought good it was they should be clapt up fast in prison.

Some few dayes after these things, there arrived Embassadors from *Corys* King of the *Thracians*, bringing with them money for the ransom of his son and the other hostages. Into the Senat they were brought: where, by way of preamble they laid this for the ground of their speech, That *Corys* had not sided with King *Perseus* in the war, upon his own motive and accord, but was compelled to give hostages: then they besought the LL. of the Senat to suffer them to be redeemed at what price soever they would let down, were it never so high. Unto whom this answer was returned by authority of the Senat, "That the people of *Rome* bare well in mind the amity which they had with *Corys*, with his progenitors, and the whole nation of the *Thracians*. As for the giving of the hostages, it was rather an evidence to prove, than an argument to excuse their trespass and fault: considering that when *Perseus* was quiet, the *Thracian* nation stood in no fear and awe of him, much lesse then, when as he was troubled and occupied in war with the *Romans*. Howbeit although *Corys* preferred the favour of *Perseus* before the friendship of the people of *Rome*, yet they would consider of the matter, and respect more his quality and what was meet for his estate, than his desire and what he was worthy to have; and therefore they would release his son and the hostages, and send them home again. As for the people of *Rome*, their manner is to bestow their favours and benefits freely without regard of recompence: the worth and estimation whereof they had rather leave to the consideration and minds of the receivers, than require and demand the same presently. So there were Embassadors nominated to reconduct the hostages into *Thrace*, to wit, *T. Quintius Flaminius*, *C. Licinius Nero*, and *M. Catinus Rebilus*. And to those *Thracian* Embassadors were given by way of presents 2000 asses apiece. So *Bitus* with the rest of the hostages was sent for from *Carsoled*, and with the fore-named Embassadors returned again to his father.

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A The Kings ships taken from the *Macedonians*, of an extraordinary and monstrous bignes, bestrid time, were landed upon *Mari* field and there laid up drie. Whiles the late remembrance of the *Macedonian* triumph remained still not in the minds only, but as it were in the very eyes of men, *L. Anicius* triumphed over King *Gentius* and the *Illyrians* upon the very day of the least *Quirinalia*. It was generally thought that all things therein rather resembled some likeness in shew, than otherwise countervaild in substance the former triumph. The General himself *Anicius* was inferior to *Emilius* both in nobility and also in quality of person: and setting together their places of command, the one being but Pretor, and the other Consul: neither was *Gentius* equal to *Perseus*, nor the *Illyrians* to the *Macedonians*. Spoil for spoil, money for money, gifts for gifts, there was no proportion nor comparison between them. And therefore as that their late triumph was more refulgent and glorious than this, so considered in it self without other respect, it was not to be found fault withal and despised. *Anicius* within few daies had vanquished and thoroughly tamed the nation of the *Illyrians*: both by Sea and Land proud and mighty, bearing themselves stout and bold for their strong and fenced forts. The King he took prisoner, and those of the Kings race and roial blood. He shewed in triumph many field-ensigns, besides other spoils and moveable bloods of the King. Likewise of gold seven and twenty pound weight, and of silver nineteen: besides 3000 Denarii, and a hundred and twenty thousand peeces of *Illyrian* silver in coin. Beside his chariot were led King *Gentius* with his wife and children: *Caradonius* also the Kings brother, and certain noblemen of *Illyricum*. Out of the pillage he gave unto his footmen 45 Denarii apiece, to every Centurion a double proportion, and unto the horsemen a triple. To the allies of the *Latine* nation he allowed as much as to citizens: the sailors and mariners he made equal with the footmen. Herein he surmounted the triumph of *Emilius*, for that his soldiers followed after his triumphant chariot more jocund and merry, and the General was praised and extolled in many a dirty and ballad. *Anicius* writeth, That of his booty there was raised as much money as came to twenty millions of *Setertii*, over and above the gold and silver that went into the common treasury. But because I could not see how possibly such a sum should be made, I have set down mine author for the thing, now, chuse you whether you will believe him. King *Gentius* with his wife, children, and brother, was by order from the Senat led to *Spolegium*, there to be kept in ward: all the captives besides were at *Rome* cast into prison, and there lay. But when the *Spoleins* refused to take the charge and custody of him and the rest, these Princes were translated from thence to *Iguurium*. There remained besides of the *Illyrian* prizes two hundred and twenty barks, which being taken from King *Gentius*, *Q. Cassius* by the ordinance of the Senat gave and distributed among the citizens of *Corphu*, *Apollonia*, and *Dyrrachium*.

The Consuls that year after they had only walked the territories of the *Lignrians*, because they could never train the enemies forth to fight, having done no memorable service, returned to *Rome* for the choice of new Magistrates in the room of the old. And so the first comitial or court day that came, they created Consuls *M. Claudius Marcellus* and *C. Sulpitius Gallus*. The morrow after were elected for Pretors *L. Livius*, *L. Apuleius Saturninus*, *A. Licinius Nero*, *P. Rutilius Calvus*, *P. Quintilius Varus*, and *Marcus Foveius*. These Pretors had their government in this manner: two for the jurisdiction within the City, two for *Spain*, the other for *Sicily* and *Sardinia*. This year leapt, and the leap day was the morrow after the feast *Terminalia*. That year died *C. Claudius* the Augur, and in his place the collegd of the Augurs chose *T. Quintius Flaminius*. Also *M. Fabius* Pretor the Flamin of *Quirinus* the same year departed this life. This year also came King *Prusias* to *Rome* with his son *Nicomedes*. He entered into the City with a great train attending upon him: from the gate he went directly to the common place and the tribunal of *Q. Cassius* the Pretor. And when there was a great concourse of people about him from all parts: he said that his coming was to worship the Gods which are the presidents of the City of *Rome*: as also to salute the people of *Rome*, and wishal to shew his own joy and to wish theirs for their happy victory over the two Kings *Perseus* and *Gentius*, and for that by subduing the *Macedonians* and *Illyrians*, they had enlarged their signory and dominion. And when the Pretor made an offer to call a Senat for him even that present day if he would to himselfe he desired two daies respite to see the Temples of the Gods, to view the City, and to visit his good friends and acquaintance. *L. Cornilius Scipio* the treasurer was appointed to go about with him and shew him all: who also had been sent as far as to *Capua* for to meet him upon the way: also for him and his train about him, there was a sufficient house taken up, where he was kindly and liberally entertained. The third day after he came into the Senat: where after he had congratulated in their behalf for their late victory, he recounted his own demerits and good delects during the war: and then requested, that he might have leave to pay his vows and namely, to sacrifice at *Rome* in the Capitol, ten head of greater beasts, and one at *Prenefte* to *Fortune*. For that he said those vows were made for the victory of the people of *Rome*. Also that the league and alliance with him might be renewed. Item that the Land won by conquest from King *Antiochus*, which being not by the people of *Rome* given unto any, the Gauls notwithstanding held in possession, might be conveyed unto him by a deed of gift. Last of all, he recommended his son *Nicomedes* to the Senat. He found much favor among all them, who had been Generals of armies in *Macedony*. And therefore he obtained directly all other suits that he made: only as touching the said lands, this answer he had. That they would send certain commissioners to see and view the thing. And if it appeared and fell out, that the foresaid land "appertained to the people of *Rome*, and was not passed away by gift to any already, they would

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"repute King *Prusias* the worthiest man of all other, to receive that donation at their hands. H  
 "But if it never belonged to King *Antiochus*, and so was plain and evident that the people of  
 "Rome had no right unto it, or if the Gauls had a grant thereof already, *Prusias* then must be con-  
 "tent and pardon them, if they were unwilling to gratify him with any gifts prejudicial and in-  
 "jurious to another. Neither could a thing never so freely given, be an acceptable gift, which he  
 "knew the donor may take away from the donee at his pleasure. As for *Nicomedes* his son, they  
 "would willingly receive him into their protection at his hands so recommended. And how  
 "careful and tender the people of Rome was over Kings children committed unto them to keep,  
 "may appear by *Protonotus* the King of Egypt. With this answer was *Prusias* dismissed. Order was  
 "given that he should be presented with a certain summe of sesterces, and with silver plate to the  
 "quantity of 50 pound weight. Also they ordained that his son *Nicomedes* should have gifts por-  
 "tionable to that sum which was given *Masgaba* the son of *Masaniassa*; also that beasts and all  
 "other things appertaining to sacrifices, should be allowed unto the King out of the City-chamber,  
 "like as to the magistrates of Rome, chuse whether he would stay and offer them at Rome or *Perseus*.  
 "Also that out of that fleet which rid in the harbor of *Brundisium*, there should be twenty gallees  
 "assigned him to use, until such time as the King were arrived at the fleet which was given him.  
 "Finally, that *L. Cornilius Scipio* should accompany him and never depart from him, but bear the  
 "charges both of him and his retinue about him until they were embarked and on shipboard. It  
 "is said, that the King joied wonderfully at this courtly and kindnes offered him by the people  
 "of Rome and that he would needs pay for those presents which were given him: only he com-  
 "mended his son to take a gift at the hands of the people of Rome. Thus much have our Historians writ-  
 "ten as touching *K. Prusias*. But *Polybius* reporteth, that this King was unworthy the Majesty of so  
 "honorable a name, for that he was wont to meet the Embassadors of Rome with his head shaven  
 "and a cap upon it, to acknowledge and call himself the freed villain and vassal of the people of  
 "Rome, and to testify so much, he wore the badge and token of that degree and condition. At Rome  
 "likewise when he entered the Council-house, he stooped down and kissed the very door-sill, calling  
 "the Senators Gods, his Saviors, yea, and to have used other speeches not so honorable to the hea-  
 "rers, as base and unfitting his own person. When he had so journeyed in and about the City not a-  
 "bove thirty daies, he took his leave and departed into his own Realm.

### To the Reader.

FROM the five and fortieth book forward, all the rest of Livy (to the great  
 main and blemish of the Latine tongue, and no small grief of learned  
 men) is lost, even 100 books wanting five, like as those ten between the  
 tenth and one and twentieth books, commonly called the second Decad. For as it  
 appeareth by L. Florus the Epitomist, there were in all 140: and the arguments  
 of so many remain at this day, by him collected. But if it be true that Francis  
 Petrarch saith, Levy wrote in all 142: and as Charles Sigonius probably con-  
 jectureth, the 36 and 37 Breviaries of L. Florus be wanting of this later number.  
 How all these complete books of T. Livius should miscarry, it is not certainly  
 known. Some hope there is that they are but mis-cast and laid out of the way. For  
 like as within these hundred years some fragments of the story were discovered  
 in Mogunce: and the last five books now extant, found by Simon Grineus in  
 the Library of a monastery over-against the City of Worms, and dedicated by  
 Erasmus of Rotterdam unto Charles, the son of William Lord Montjoy, in  
 the reign of Henry the eight of famous memory K. of England, &c. so we are  
 not to despair of the rest. In the mean time, we must make much of these brief  
 summaries left unto us. Even as therefore I have inserted those ten Breviaries in  
 stead of the books: so I thought it not amiss (in hope that one day the very books  
 themselves will come to light) to proceed in the rest following: and the rather for  
 that neither he that translated Livy into the Tuscan language, nor they who have  
 done him into French (as far as I could ever see) have taken that pains.

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## The Breviaries of L. Florus upon the rest of T. Livius his Books, which are not extant.

### Of the XLVI. Book.

EUMENES came towards Rome. Now because in the Macedonian war he had carried himself in-  
 different between Perseus and the Romans, there passed a law in general terms, That no King  
 might repair to Rome; so the end, that if he were excluded, he should not be reputed an enemy;  
 nor if he were admitted, acquit and cleared of all fault. C. Marcellus the Consul sub-  
 dued the Gauls inhabiting the Alps, and C. Sulpitius Gallus the Ligurians. The Embassadors of King  
 Prusias complained of Eumenes, for that he invaded and wasted their borders; and they informed be-  
 sides, that he had conspired with Antiochus against the people of Rome. At the earnest suit and entrea-  
 ty of the Rhodians, a league was contracted with them. The Censors took a review and survey of the City,  
 wherein were enrolled and sessed 327022 citizens of Rome. M. Aemilius Lepidus was elected presi-  
 dent of the Senat. Ptolemaeus the King of the Egyptians, was by his younger brother expelled out of  
 his realm, but by the means of Embassadors (sent from Rome) he was restored to his Kingdom. Upon the  
 death of Ariarathes King of Cappadocia, his son Ariarathes came to the crown, and by entercourse and  
 mediation of Embassadors, renewed amity with the people of Rome. This book containeth besides, the  
 wars against the Ligurians, Corsians, and Lusitanians, fought with variable fortune: the troubles also  
 in Syria after the death of Antiochus, who left behind him Antiochus his son a very child. This young  
 Prince (together with his guardian Lysias) Demetrius the son of Seleucus (who had been sent in ho-  
 mage to Rome) murdered privily, because he was not yet at large and dismissed by the Romans: and so him-  
 self emred upon the Kingdom. L. Aemilius Paulus who had conquered Perseus, departed his life; whose  
 incorruption and abstinence from the publick treasure was such, that notwithstanding he had brought  
 both out of Spain and Macedony so great store of wealth and riches, yet when his goods were prized and  
 sold, there would be hardly raised thereof sufficient to repay his wife her dowry. The Pompeian mari-  
 nes were drawn drie by Cor. Cethegus the Consul (unto whom that obarge was by lot fallen) and the same  
 mured into firm ground.

### Of the XLVII. Book.

CNEUS Tremellius a Tribune of the Commons had a fine set on his head, for that he had contended  
 in a wrongful cause with M. Aemilius Lepidus the sovereign Pontife. The power and authority of  
 the chief Magistrats, was greater and mightier then before. A law was enacted as touching inordi-  
 nate suits for offices. In the survey of the City, there were taxed in the subsidy book 328314 Roman ci-  
 tizens. L. Aemilius Lepidus was chosen again president of the Senat. Between the two brethren Pto-  
 lemaeus, who were at variance, there passed this accord and agreement, That the one should reign in  
 Egypt and the other in Cyrene. Ariarathes King of Cappadocia, by the politick plot and forcible  
 power of Demetrius King of Syria dispossessed of his Kingdom, was by the Senat set into it again. Cer-  
 tain Embassadors were sent as delegates from the Senat to determine of the litigious ground between Ma-  
 tanissa and the Carthaginians. C. Martius the Consul fought against the Dalmatians, at the first un-  
 fortunately, but afterwards achieved the victory. The occasion of the war with them was this: for that  
 they had made wast upon the Illyrians, who were allies of the people of Rome. The same nation Corne-  
 lius Nasica the Consul brought in subjection. Q. Opimius the Consul subdued the Ligurians beyond the  
 Alps, who had spoiled Antipolis and Nicæa, two towns belonging to the seignory of the Messians.  
 Moreover, there are contained the adventures of many Captains in Spain, with no good success. In the 398  
 year from the foundation of the City, the Consuls so soon at the assembly for election was pitted and other  
 Consuls chosen for the year following, began their office. The cause of this alteration was, because the  
 Spaniards were entered into rebellion. The Embassadors aforesaid who had been sent to take up and de-  
 cide the controversy between Matanissa and the Carthaginians, made report, That they had found great  
 store of ship-timber and other matters for a navy at Carthage. Certain Pretors accused by the provinces  
 for avarice, were condemned.

### Of the XLVIII. Book.

THE Censors took a review and tax of the city, wherein were reckoned three hundred four and twenty  
 thousand polls of citizens. The causes of a third Punic war be here recorded. Upon a report that  
 there was a right puissant army of Numidians upon the borders of the Carthaginians, conducted by At-  
 chobazanes the nephew of Syphax, M. Porcius Cato perswaded in an oration to proclaim war against  
 the Carthaginians, for that they interlined such a power within their frontiers under a colour against  
 Matanissa, but in truth raised against the Romans: to witte Publius Cornelius Nasica gainst him  
 and dissuaded the matter, whereupon ordained it was, that Embassadors should be sent to Carthage in  
 special to observe what they did, and whereabout they went. Who after they had given the Carthaginians  
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**T**heffaly at what time as the for-said counterfeiter Philip would have invaded and kept it by force of arms, was by the means of the Roman Embassadors, together with the aid of the Achaean defended, Prusias King of Bithynia, a favourer of the basest persons and lowest vices, was by his own son Nicomedes murdered, with the help of Attalus King of Pergamus. Another son he had, who in stead of his upper row and course of distinct teeth, is reported to have had one entire bone for all, growing out at his upper jaw, and the third reputed both locky of spirit by nature, and none of the wisest: Cato said, That there was an embassy head-l-ss, foot-l-ss, and heart-l-ss. In Syria, which at that time had for their King, one indeed of the line and race of Pericles K. of Macedony, but another Prusias up and down, for cowardise, idleness, and base mind; it so fell out, that while he haunted taverns, stews, and brothel-houses, and lay there altogether, Ammonius son of the Scepter and reigned as King: by whose practise he was killed, Malanilla King of Numidia, a man above fourscore and ten years old, a famous Prince and every way excellent, yielded to nature and died. Among other youthful parts which he performed to his dying day, this is one, That in this old age of his he was so lusty, that after the fourscore and sixty year of his life he got a boy. Among his three sons, Mycilla (the eldest) Gullussa and Manafabai, who also had knowledge in the Greek tongue, Publius Scipio Aemilianus divided the administration of the Kingdom: for their father had left it in common for them all, and had given order to part it at the discretion of the same Scipio. Likewise, he persuaded Phamias the commander under Himiko of the Carthaginian Cavalry, (a valiant warrior, and whom the Carthaginians employed most of all others in service) to revolt with his men of arms and to turn Roman. Of those three Embassadors above said who were sent to Malanilla, Claudius Marcellus was cast away in a tempest upon the sea, and swallowed up; the other two, the Carthaginians murdered in their Council-chamber Aldrubal nephew of Malanilla, and their Pretor for the time being, upon suspicion of treason. This jealousy of theirs arose hereupon, for that he was near in kindred and blood to Gullussa, who friend and aid succoured the Romans, Publius Scipio Aemilianus, when he sued to be led to, was by the people propounded and nominated for Consul: and when as by law he might not for his young years be created Consul, hard bold there was about him: while the common Labourd with might and main for him, and the nobles and Lords of the Senat gained it a good while: but in fine, he was dispensed with, notwithstanding the law in that behalf, and created Consul, Marcus Manilius (Pro-consul) forced certain Cities situate about Cathage. Counterfeiter Philip, after he had slain M. Iuventinus the Pretor and Q. Caelius, and together with them defeated the army, was in Macedony vanquished himself and taken prisoner, and so Macedony was recovered again which had been left before.

**C**arthage, which took up in circuit the compass of four and twenty miles, was with exceeding pain and travail besieged and won by piece-meal: first, under the conduct of Mancinus the Lieutenant afterwards of Scipio the Consul, unto whom without the province of Africk was extraordinarily granted. The Carthaginians having made a new peer, (for that the old haven was choked and stopped up by Scipio) and gathered secretly in a small time a good fleet, fought a battail at Sea unfortunately. Moreover, the camp of Aldrubal their General, pitched in a place of most difficult access near the Town Netheris, was forced, and his army defeated by Scipio: who also in the end won the very City of Carthage, in the seven hundred year after it was first founded. The greatest part of the spoil and pillage there found, was restored to the Sicilians, from whom it had been taken. In the utmost extremity and final destruction of that City, when Aldrubal had yielded and submitted to Scipio: his wife (who some daies before could not obtain at her husbands hands to abandon the Town and flee to the conqueror) cast her self with her two children headlong from the Castle into the mids of the flaming fire, where with the City burned. Scipio, following the example of his father Aemilius Paulus who had conquered Macedony, let forth certain solemn plays and pastimes: wherein the reuegats and fugitives be presented and objected to certain savage beasts. The causes of the Achaean war be here reported. The Roman Embassadors who had been vexed and ill treated by the Achaean, were sent unto Corinth to sever and disjoin those cities (which had been under the signory of Philip) from the general diet and parliament of the Achaean.

**Q**uintus Caelius Metellus fought a battail at Thermopylae with the Achaean, that had to aid them the Boetians and Chalcidians: who being overcome, Critolaus their chief Captain (shortened his own life by poison: and in his place \* Drachus the first author of the troubles in Achaean) by the Achaean chosen General of the field, and by L. Mummius the Consul vanquished near to Ithmos: who having received all Achaia by surrender, sacked and destroyed utterly Corinth, by an act and commission diving restituted out of the Senat: because the Roman Embassadors were there abused. Thebes also and Chalcis which had aided the Achaean, were overthrown and pulled down. Mummius for his own part, bare himself

himself most abstinent and uncorrupt: for of all that wealth, and those goods and ornaments wherewith Corinth was mightily enriched, there came not one parcel into his house. Quintus Caelius Metellus triumphed for the conquest of Andricus, and Publius Cornelius Scipio Africanus Aemilianus likewise over Carthage and Aldrubal. Viriatus in Spain, first of all herdmans chosen an hunter, and of a hunter proved to be a very thief and robber: and within a while after, was chosen General of a complete and main army, and seized to his own use all Portugal. He took prisoner M. Villius the Pretor, when he had first discomfited his host in the field. After whom C. Plautius the Pretor sped no better in fight. This enemy so terrified the Romans, that to make head against him they found it necessary to employ a full consular army, and a Consul Commander. Moreover, in this book be recorded the trouble of Syria, and the wars between the Kings. Alexander an obscure person and base born, having slain (as is before said) Demetrius the King, reigned in Syria. His Demetrius (the son of Demetrius) flew by the help of Ptolemus King of Egypt, whose daughter Cleopatra he had espoused and married. This Demetrius in times past had been sent out of the way into Gnidos by his father, fearing the doubtful chances of the war: and he entered upon this action by occasion of the contemptible sloth and cowardise of the said Alexander. Ptolemus was grievously wounded in the head: and in the cure, while the Chirurgians went about to \* trypanize the bones of his skull, died under their hand. And in his stead Ptolemus his younger brother who reigned in Cyrene, succeeded and took upon him the crown. Demetrius for his cruelty which he exercised upon his people by racking and other torments, was vanquished in battail by Dionysus, one of his own subjects: who made claim to the Kingdom in the right and title of Alexander's son, a young child barely two years old: whereupon he fled to Seleucia. Lucius Mummius triumphed over the Achaean, in which solemnity he carried in pompous strew sundry images as well of brass as marble, besides pictures and painted Tables.

**A**ppius Claudius the Consul subdued the Salsatian nation inhabiting the Alps. A second Mock-Philip there was in Macedony, who by L. Tremellius the treasurer was with his army defeated and slain. Q. Caelius Metellus the Pro-consul gave the Celtiberians an overthrow. The most part of Portugal was regained by Q. Fabius the Pro-consul, and many Cities thereof by assault forced. C. Julius a Senator by calling, wrote the Roman History in the Greek tongue.

**Q**uintus Pompeius the Consul subdued the Ternesians in Spain: with whom verily as also with the Numantians, by occasion of his infirmity and sickness, he concluded peace. A review and numbering of the citizens was taken by the Censors: wherein were enrolled four hundred twenty eight thousand and three hundred forty two polls. At what time as the Macedonian Embassadors came to complain of D. Junius Syllanus, the Lord Deputy over them, for that he took their money, and where he felt, made an hawk of the Province, and thereupon the Senat was willing to have the hearing of their complaint: T. Manlius Torquatus the father of Syllanus, exhibited a request, and obtained, that the inquiry and decision of such a matter as this might be referred over and committed unto him. And after he had siven upon this commission at home in his own house and found his son guilty, he both condemned him and put him away: \* when afterwards he had hanged himself, for that was his end, he would not be so much at present at his funeral, but according to his ordinary manner and custome, sat in his house, attending all clients and commens to him for counsel. Q. Fabius the Pro-consul, after he had managed the war in Spain right prosperously, married all with this fount blot and spot of dishonor, in that he contracted a peace with Viriatus upon even and equal conditions. This Viriatus by a practise plotted by Servilius Caelio, was treacherously murdered by traitors, and of his own army was much bewailed. At his death he was rung out of this world with a notable peal of \* farewell, and right honourably entered: an excellent man, and most brave Captain for the space of thirteen years, during which time he warred with the Romans, and ever for the most part went away with the winning hand.

**W**hiles P. Cornelius Nasica, who by way of mockery was surnamed Serapio, by seccessing Curatius a Tribune of the Commons, and D. Junius Brutus the Consul took the musters, there hapned in the very sight of the new and raw souldier an occurrent of great consequence, and for example sake exceeding profitable. For C. Marius was judicially accused before the Tribunes of the Commons, for that he had abandoned and forsaken his own army in Spain, whereupon he being convicted was condemned and scourged a long while with rods, carrying a fork or cross upon his shoulders, and in the end sold as a slave for a small peece of silver of \* three half pence farthing cue. The Tribunes of the Commons, because they might be allowed to exempt from military service ten souldiers apeece, whom it pleased them to choose, \* sententia nuntius commended the Consuls to prison. Jun. Brutus the Consul, while he was in Spain, ended those souldiers part of Decimus M. Popilius, together with his army was foiled and put to the rout by the Numantians, with whom the place that was concluded, the Senat had passed an act that it should not stand in force. The occasion was: this

\* The law Anacrisis, made by Lucius Villius Anacrisis, whereby no man was capable of a Consulship, under 43 years of age, and this age was now but 37.

\* Pseudo-phili-

lippus.

\* Or rather Diuus, Person in Achaia.

\* Ammonius he is called De-

\* To perforce and bore with an instrument called cyru-

\* raver or cyru-

drum.

\* Pseudo phi-

lippus.

\* Or rather 344

\* Adus, edus.

\* sententia nuntius

part of Dec-

imus.





**A**urelius the Consul subdued the Sardinians, Fulvius Flaccus was the first man that vanquished in fight the Ligurians beyond the Alps, being sent to aid the Massilians against the French Salses, who lay force upon the borders of the Massilians, and spoiled them. Lucius Opimius the Pretor received under his subjection the Eregellans who had revolted, and destroyed the Town Eregella. Here is reported a pestilence in Africa, by an exceeding multitude of locusts, killed and lying dead afterwards upon the ground. A survey was taken of the City by the Consuls, wherein were numbered 390736 citizens. C. Gracchus, brother of Tiberius, a Tribune of the Commons, but of the wisest and eloquent, preferred certain dangerous laws: and among the rest, one as touching grain, namely that the Commons should be served in the market, at the rate of one half, and a third part of the Asses, a Modium; another concerning division of lands, the same which his brother before him had published, and a third (whereby he meant to corrupt the order of Gentlemen, which then accorded with the degree of Senators) namely, that from out of the Gentlemen, 600 should be taken into the Senat: and forasmuch as in those days, there were but 300 Senators, those 600 Gentlemen should be entangled with the said three hundred, that is to say, that the order of Gentlemen should be double in number to the Senators, and twice as strong. This Gracchus having continued his Tribuneship another year, by proposing still the Agrarian Laws, prevailed that many Colonies more should be planted in Italy, and one besides, upon the very plot of ground where Carthage lately destroyed, had stood: and there himself (chosen Tribune therefore) served a Colony. Moreover, this book containeth the exploits of Q. Metellus against those Baleares Island, which the Greeks call Gymnesie, because the people go naked all the summer time. But Baleares they are named either of stinging darts, or of Balcus the companion of Hercules, whom he left behind there at what time, as he sailed to Geryon. Also, the troubles in Syria be here reported, wherein Cleopatra, sister to her husband Demetrius and his son Seleucus: taking great indignation, that when his father was by her killed, she with her warrants had taken the diadem upon him.

## Of the LXI. Book.

**C**aius Sextius the Pro-consul, after he had conquered the nation of the Salves, built the Colony Aquæ Sextiæ, so called of the plentiful abundance of waters, by reason of springs both hot and cold, and also of his own name. C. Cominius the Pro-consul fought fortanally against the Allobroges, near the Town Vindalium. The cause why he loved war against them was for that they had received and relieved by all means they could, Teutomalus the King of the Salvi when he fled unto them, and had wasted also the territories of the Hedunians, who were the allies of the people of Rome. C. Gracchus, after he had born his Tribuneship with much sedition, and kept the Aventine hill with a multitude of the Commons in arms, was by L. Opimius the Consul (who by virtue of an act of Senat had put the people in arms) seized of his hold and slain; and together with him Fulvius Flaccus a Consular man, his associate and companion in his furious outrage. Q. Fabius Maximus the Consul, and nephew of Paulus, won a field of the Allobroges, and Bituitus King of the Arverni, Of Bituitus his army were slain a hundred and twenty thousand. And when himself in person was gone to Rome to satisfy the Senat, he was committed toward in Alba for that it seemed dangerous and hurtful to the peace, for to send him back again into France. Also there passed a decree, that Congentianus his son should be apprehended and sent to Rome. The Allobroges submitted and were received. L. Opimius being accused before the body of the people by Q. Decius a Tribune of the Commons, for imprisoning certain citizens uncondemned, was acquit.

## Of the LXII. Book.

**C**aius Marcius the Consul vanquished the Stomii, a people dwelling upon the Alpes, Micipsa King of the Numidians died, and left the Kingdom unto his three sons, Adherbal, Hyemphal, and Jugurtha his brothers son, whom he had adopted for his own child. L. Cæcilius Metellus subdued the Dalmatians. Jugurtha levied war upon Hyemphal his brother, overcame him in fight, and slew him: Adherbal his third brother, he drove out of the realm, but by the Senat of Rome restored he again. L. Cæcilius Metellus, and Cn. Domitius Ahenobarbus the Consuls, deprived 32 Senators of their place and dignity. Besides, this book containeth the troubles of the Syrian Kings.

## Of the LXIII. Book.

**C**aius Porcius the Consul fought with the Scordisci in Thracia, and lost the field. The Consuls took a survey of the City: in which were enrolled 394336 souls of Roman citizens. Amylia, Licinia, and Marcia, three vestal virgins were convicted and condemned for incest. The manner how this their fornication was committed, detected, judged, and punished is here set down. The Cimbrians, an huge and mighty nation, invaded Illyricum and put it to the waile: by whom Papirius Carbo the Consul was defeated, both he and his army. Livius Drusus the Consul, warred in Thracia upon the Scordisci, (a people descended from the Gauls) and won much honour.

**A**dherbal warred upon by Jugurtha, was within the City Ciria besieged, and by him slain, notwithstanding the commandment of the Senat to the contrary. For which cause war was proclaimed against Jugurtha himself. Calpurnius Bestia had the commission and charge to manage this war: who made peace with Jugurtha, without warrant from the people and Senat. Jugurtha being cited and called forth under safe conduct, to appeach and bewray the authors of his plots and designs, for that the voice went, that he had bribed and corrupted with sums of money many of the Senat, came to Rome: where he was in trouble and jeopardy for a murder committed upon the person of a certain Prince, called Massiva (who seeing him to be hated of the Romans, sought for his kingdom) whom he slew at Rome. Being commanded to answer for his life in regard of this murder, he secretly fled, and as he departed from the City, muttered (by report) these words, O corrupt City and set to sale: how soon will it perish, if it may meet with a champion? A. Pothumius a Lieutenant General, after he had likewise sought an unfortunate battell against Jugurtha, amended the matter full well by making an ignominious and dishonourable peace with him, which the Senat judged not meet to be observed and kept.

## Of the LXV. Book.

**Q**uintus Cæcilius Metellus the Consul, in two battels discomfited Jugurtha and over-ran all Numidia. M. Jun. Syllanus the Consul, notwithstanding in a battell fought against the Cimbrians: whose ambassadors demanding of the Senat a place of habitation and land to occupy were denied. M. Minucius Pro-Cosul had good success in fight against the Thracians. L. Cæsius the Consul, together with his host, was defeated and cut in pieces in the borders of the Allobroges, by the French Tigurini a country of the Helvetians, who had divided themselves and were departed from the rest of the State. The soldiers remaining alive after that overthrow, capitulated with the enemies for safety of their lives, to put in pledges for to part with the one moiety of all that ever they had unto them.

## Of the LXVI. Book.

**J**ugurtha driven out of Numidia by C. Marius, had the help and aid of Bocchus King of the Moors: but when the power of Bocchus also was defeated in battell, and himself unwilling to maintain the war any longer (so unfortunately begun) Jugurtha was overcome, and delivered up to C. Marius. In which exploit the service of L. Cornelius Sylla treasurer unto Marius, was singular above the rest.

## Of the LXVII. Book.

**A**urelius Scaurus lieutenant to the Consul with his army overthrown by the Cimbrians, and himself taken prisoner. When by them he was called forth to council (at what time as they intended to advance into Italy in which he seemed to fright them for passing over the Alps, saying, That the Romans might not possibly be overcome, he was by Bolus their King, a proud and fierce prince, killed. At the same comb he had C. Manlius C. and Q. Serv. capto, Pro-consuls, received an overthrow in the field and lost both their camps. Slain there were 8000 soldiers of porters, soldiers, slanders, and such followers of the camp besides 40000. By the verdict and censure of the people of Rome capto (through whose faults this loss and overthrow happened) was condemned: and he was the first after K. Tarquin who lost his life in conflict: and finally deprived he was of his government. In the triumph of C. Marius, Jugurtha with his two sons was led before his chariot: and afterwards murdered in prison. Marius entered into the Senat, with his triumphant mantle of estate, which never any man before him had done, and for fear of the Cimbrians war be continued in his Magistracy many years together. To his second and third Consulship he was chosen absent, and he attained to be Consul the fourth time: which he gaped for, albeit he dissembled the contrary. C. Domitius was by the suffrages of the people created the chief Pontiffe. The Cimbrians having laid waste all the parts about the river Rhodanus and the mountain Pyreneus, passed over into Spain through the streights: where after they had spoiled many places, they were by the Celtiberians chased away: and being returned into France, they joined with the Teutons, a warlike nation.

## Of the LXVIII.

**M**arcus Antonius the Pretor persecuted the robbers at sea, and chased them as far as into Cilicia. C. Manlius the Consul manfully defended the camp, assailed with all most forcible means by the Teutons and Ambroses. Afterward in two battels one after another about Aquæ Sextiæ he utterly defeated those enemies: where (by report) were slain 100000, and 90000 taken prisoners. Marius in his absence was created Consul the fifth time: and when a triumph was offered unto him, he deferred and put it off until he had made a full and final conquest also of the Cimbrians. The Cimbrians repelled and drove from the Alps Q. Catulus the Pro-consul, who had best the narrow gullet of the Alps, and kept a Castle highly mounted over the river Athens, which he now abandoned: and when by their valour they had cleared the passage, they pursued the Pro-consul with his army and passed over into Italy, where in battell they were overthrown by the same Catulus and C. Marius, who had joined their forces together: in which (they say) 140000 men were slain, and 60000 taken prisoners. Marius was honourably received at his return with a general accord of the whole City: and whereas two triumphs were offered unto him, he was content with one. The principal peers and nobles of the City, who along with before had received him as a man newly started up risen, and advanced to great honours, confessed now share to common weal by him was preserved. Publius Metellus for murdering his own mother, was the first man followed up in a leather bag and so thrown into the sea. Here is recorded how the sacred shield Ancilla stirred of themselves with a great rushing noise before the Cimbrians war was finished. Finally this book comprehendeth the wars between the two Kings of Syria.

## Of the LXXIX. Book.

**C**neus Apuleius Saturninus, by the help of C. Marius, and by occasion that A. Nonius his competitor and concurrent was by his soldiers slain, was by forcible means created Tribune of the commons, and bore the Tribuneship as violently as he got it. And when he had proposed an Adgrary law and passed it by force, he arrested Metellus Numidicus to answer at a day, for that he had not subscribed and sworn to the said law: who being maintained and defended by the Citizens of the better sort, because he would give no occasion of unseemly debates and civil contentions, went in voluntary exile to Rhodes: and there he employed his time in reading of books, and giving audience to great and famous men. After he was departed, C. Marius the captain and author of that sedition, who now had purchased a sixth Consulship by a large sum of money scambled amongst the tribes, proclaimed him as excommunicated and interdicted from fire and water like an outlaw. The same Apuleius Saturninus, Tribune of the commons, then C. Memmius in his white gown standing to be Cof, for that he feared him above all others to cross his proceedings: whereupon the Senat was exceedingly moved in the cause and behalf of C. Memmius: and when C. Marius a man by nature mutable and in his counsel variable, one who ever loved to be on the better side of the bridge, as to band with the mightier, was not able to bear him out and protect him: the said Saturninus together with Glauca the Prator and other his complices in that outrage, was slain by one Rabinius. Q. Cæcilius Metellus was recalled out of banishment with exceeding great love and favour of the whole City. Manius Aquilius the Pro-cof, dispatched and ended the slaves-war raised in Sicily.

## Of the LXX. Book.

**V**hen Manius Aquilius should plead his own defence, or answer in case of extortion, he would not himself invent and crave the favour of the Jury. But M. Antonius his advocat, who pleaded for him at the bar, slit his coat down along his breast, to shew the honourable scars received in the forepart of his body: which being by the Judges seen, they made no doubt, but acquit him. Of this thing Cicero is the only author. Didius the Pro-cof, managed his wars against the Celtiberians happily. Ptolemaeus King of Cyrene, furnished Apion, when he died, left the people of Rome his heir: and the Senat decreed that the cities of his realm should be free. Ariobaranes was restored to his kingdom of Cappadocia, by L. Cornelius Sylla. The Parthian ambassadors sent from their King Artabanus came unto Sylla, to treat and sue for amity with the people of Rome. P. Rutilius a man of uncorrupt and innocent life, who (being lieutenant under L. Mucius the Pro-cof,) had defended Asia from the wrongfull dealings of the Publicans or common farmers (being odious to the order of knight hood or gentlemen of Rome, who now as Judges had the jurisdiction in their hands) was condemned for extortion and banished. C. Geminius the Prator fought untowardly against the Thracians. The Senat would no longer abide the unruliness and willfull abuses committed by the gentlemen in exercising of their jurisdiction, and therefore began by all means possible to endeavour for to reduce and translate their prerogative again to themselves: in which enterprise M. Livius Drusus a Tribune of the commons stood in their behalf: who to gain more strength to the cause, raised the commons by proposing unto them a pernicious hope of a large sum. Moreover in this book are comprised the first and troubles of the Kings in Syria.

## Of the LXXI. Book.

**M**arcus Livius Drusus, a Tribune of the commons, for the better maintenance of the Senat's cause, in which he had undertaken, solicited the allies and the nations of Italy, upon hope to enfranchise citizens of Rome: by whose assistance having gone through by strong hands, with the Agrarian and Frumentarian laws, he obtained also the foresaid law Judicialis, in this manner. That all judgments should pass indifferently and equally by Senat and Gentlemen. After this, when the freedom of Rome promised to the allies could not be compassed and performed, the Italians in a chafe and heat of choler began to conspire to revolt: whose conventicles, conspiracies, and orations delivered in the assemblies and diets of their Princes, are in this book reported: In regard whereof, Livius Drusus became hateful even to the Senat: as the author of a social war, and in his own house was murdered, but by whom God knoweth.

## Of the LXXII. Book.

**T**he Italian states revolt, namely, the Picentes, Vestins, Marfians, Pelignians, Marrucians, Lucanis, and Samnites. The Picents first entred into arms and began the war. Quintus Servilius the Pro-cof, was slain in Asculum, together with all the Roman citizens which were in that town: whereupon the whole people of Rome put on arms and soldiers coats. Servius Galba being surprised by the Lucanis, escaped captivity by the means of one woman, in whose house he took up his lodging. Efernia and Alba, two Colonies, were by the Italians besieged. After this, here are reported the aids of the Latins and other foreign nations sent unto the people of Rome: moreover, the expeditions and alternative winning of cities, as well by the one side as the other.

## Of the LXXIII. Book.

**L**ucius Cæsar the Cof in a battell against the Samnites went down and had the worse. Nola the Colony fell into the hands of the Samnites, together with L. Posthumus the Prator, who there was slain. Many more nations revolted to the enemies, for that P. Rutilius the consul had fought with loss against the Marfians, and lost his life in the battell. C. Marius his lieutenant had a better conflict with the enemies in the end and upshot. Servius Sulpicius vanquished the Pelignians. Q. Cæpio, another lieutenant of Rutilius, who having been by the enemies besieged, had fallen forth upon the enemies and got the upper hand: for this good success he was made equal in government and command with C. Marius. But hereupon he grew to be too rash, and being overtaken by an ambush of the enemies was slain, and the army defeated. L. Cæsar the consul won a field of the Samnites, for which victory the soldiers coats were laid off again at Rome, yet because the fortune of the field would shew her self variable, the Colony Effer-

nia, together with M. Marcellus, was taken by the Samnites. On the other side, Marius in a battell vanquished the Marfians, and slew Hermus Adimius the Prator of the Marfians. C. Cæcilius overcame the Salvi: that rebelled in that Province of Gaul beyond the Alps.

## Of the LXXXIV. Book.

**C**neus Pompeius discomfited the Picenes in battell and held them besieged: for which victory the embroidered purple robes, with other ornaments and badges of the Magistrats were taken up again, and put on. C. Marius fought against the Marfians with doubtful event. The Libertins then and never before began to serve in the war. Aurel, Plotius the lieutenant, in a battell overcame the Umbrians: likewise L. Porcius the Prator vanquished the Marfians, when at both these nations had rebelled. Nicomedes was placed again in the kingdom of Bithynia, and Ariobaranes of Cappadocia. Cn. Pompeius the Cof, covers brow the Marfians in a pitched field, when the City was deeply engaged and plunged in debt. A. Sempronius Aclius the Prator, because he gave sentence respectively in the favour of the debtors, was slain in the market-place by their creditors the Usurers. Moreover, this book relateth the invasions and invasions of the Thracians into Macedony together with their wasting of those parts.

## Of the LXXXV. Book.

**A**ul. Posthumus Albinus a lieutenant General, being Admiral of the fleet, was upon an infamous imputation of betraying his soldiers wallaced by his own army. L. Corn. Sylla, a lieutenant, overthrew the Samnites in fight, and won two camps of theirs. Cn. Pompeius received the Vestins upon their submission. L. Porcius the Cof, after fortunate success in battell, and that he had sundry times discomfited the Samnites, as he assayed to force their camp left his life: which accident gave away the victory of that battell to the enemy. C. Cofonius and Lucius overcame the Samnites in battell, slew Marius Egnatius, a most noble and renowned commander of the enemies, and had many of their towns surrendered up into their hands. L. Sylla tamed the Hirpines, and defeated the Samnites in many battels: and certain States submitted unto him: who having achieved so worthy and brave exploits before his Consulship (as seldom any other man besides the like) repaired to Rome for to be Consul.

## Of the LXXXVI. Book.

**A**ulus Gabinius a lieutenant, having fought fortunately against the Lucanis, and won from them many towns: as he laid siege to the enemy's leaguer was cut off and slain. Sulpicius in quality of lieutenant had the execution of the Marfians, and the surrender of that whole nation. Cn. Pompeius the Pro-Consul took the submission of the Vestins and Pelignians. The Marfians likewise having been in certain battels quelled by L. Muræna, and Cæcilius Pinna lieutenants, craved peace. Asculum was won by Cn. Pompeius: and the Italian people by Mamerus Æmylius the lieutenant were put to the sword. Silo Papedius, General of the Marfians, and the author of the willay, was slain in battell. Ariobaranes of Cappadocia, and Nicomedes of Bithynia were driven both out of their kingdoms: by Mithridates King of Pontus. Last of all, this book discomfith of the incursions and spoil that the Thracians made in Macedony.

## Of the LXXXVII. Book.

**V**hen P. Sulpicius a Tribune of the Commons, by the advice and instigation of C. Marius had promulged certain pernicious laws, that the banished should be restored, and new Citizens together with Libertins be sorted into Tribes: also that Marius should be chosen General against Mithridates King of Pontus: and when he offered violence against Q. Pompeius and L. Sylla the Consuls, who contradicted his proceedings: and had slain the son of Pompeius the Consul, who had married Syllas daughter: then L. Sylla Consul entred Rome with an army, and within the very City fought against the adverse side of Sulpicius and Marius, and drove them forth: of which faction twelve were by the Senat judged enemies, and amongst them C. Marius both father and son. As for P. Sulpicius, when he layked in a certain farm-house of the country, was betrayed and betrayed by his own bond-servants: and so pulled forth from thence and killed. The slave, because he might seem to be rewarded for revealing his Master according to promise, was manumitted and left free: but for his wicked treachery in betraying his own Master, he was thrown down the rock Tarpeia. C. Marius the son crossed the sea into Africa. C. Marius the father lay hidden amongst the masses of the Marmarum, and was plucked out from thence by the townsmen: and when a certain bondslave, and a Frenchman born, was sent to kill him, he was so affrighted at the Adgessy and countenance of so brave a man, that he went back and would not do the deed: whereupon Marius was embarked at the charges of the City, and carried into Africa. L. Sylla reformed the State of the City, and drew out from thence inhabitants to people the Colonies. Q. Pompeius the Cof, took his journey to receive the army of Cn. Pompeius the Cof, and by his counsel was slain Mithridates King of Pontus seized upon Bithynia and Cappadocia: drove out Aquilius the lieutenant, and with a mighty army invaded Phrygia the Province of the people of Rome.

## Of the LXXXVIII. Book.

**M**ithridates held Asia with his garrisons: he cast into prison Q. Oppius the Pro-Consul, and likewise Aquilius the lieutenant. Also by his commandments, all the Roman Citizens to be found in Asia were in one day massacred. The City Rhodes, which only continued true and kept allegiance, he assailed, but being in certain battels at sea overcome, he gave over and retired. Archelaus a chief governor and commander under the King, entred Greece with an army, seized upon Athens and held it. Moreover, this book containeth the fearful troubles of certain Cities and Islands: whilst the Inhabitants endeavoured to draw their states, to side with the King: others, to take part with the Romans.

## Of the LXXIX. Book.

**L**ucius Cornelius Cinna, at what time as by force and arms he published dangerous laws; was thereupon by his Colleague Cn. Octavius, driven out of the City with six Tribunes of the commons besides; and being thus deprived of his rule and authority, he became commander of Ap. Claudius his army by corruption; and joining with C. Marius and other banished persons, out of Africk he marched in like manner against the City of Rome. In which way, it happened that two brethren, the one of Pompeius his army, and the other of Cinna's, encountered in fight and knew not one another. Now when the encounter was in disarming and spoiling him whom he had slain, he saw what he had done, and took knowledge that it was his brother: whereupon he fell into an exceeding piteous fit of weeping and lamentation: made a funeral fire for his brother's corpse, bled himself through thereupon, and in the same fire was burnt and consumed to ashes. Now whereas these civil wars might have been suppressed in the beginning (such was the fraudulent dealing of Cn. Pompeius, who seeming to maintain both parties against strength in Cnna, and set not to his helping hand before that the Nobles side went down: such also was the faintness and coldness of the Consul, that Cinna and Marius took heart and grew strong: and so with four armies, whereof two were committed to the conduct of Q. Sertorius and C. Carbo, they invaded the City of Rome. Marius won by force the Colony Ostia, and most cruelly ravaged it.

## Of the LXXX. Book.

**T**he Italian nations were by the Senat enfranchised, and obtained the freedom of Rome. The Samnites who only continued in arms banded again with Cinna and Marius. By them was Plancius slain and his army defeated. Cinna and Marius together with Carbo and Sertorius were possessed of Iulicolum, and being discomfited and repelled by Octavius the Consul, retired and departed. Marius fled and laid desolate Aemilia, Aricia, and Lavinium three Colonies. When as now the nobility and Lords of the Senat had no hopes at all life to withstand the contrary faction, by reason of the cowardice and treachery as well of soldiers as leaders, who upon corruption either would not fight at all, or else went over to the adverse part; Cinna and Marius were received into Rome: who as if it had been an empty City forced by assault, made havoc of all with massacre and massacres. In this garbail Cn. Octavius the Consul lost his life, and all the nobility of the other side were murdered: and among the rest, M. Antonius a most eloquent Orator, and C. Caelar: whose heads were set upon the Palpis Rostra, and Cn. Crassus the son was by the horsemen of Fimbria killed: and Crassus the father, because he would not endure any indignity unworthy his virtue, fell upon his own sword. Without any assembly or election at all, Cinna and C. Marius declared themselves Consuls for the next year: and the same day whereon they entered into their Magistracy, Marius caused Sex. Licinius a Senator to be thrown down the rock Tarpeia: and after many wicked and heinous outrages committed upon the Ides of January, he departed out of this world: a man whose vices (if they were weighed together with his virtues) hardly could it be determined, whether he were in a better soldier, or in peace a more dangerous Citizen. For the Commonwealth which he in his armour saved, the same in his long gown he overthrew: first, with all manner of envy and deceit; and lastly, by plain hostility and force of arms.

## Of the LXXXI. Book.

**L**ucius Sylla straightly beleaguered Athens, which Archelaus a governor under King Mithridates held with a garrison: and after much toil and labour won it. To the City he granted their liberty again, and restored unto the Citizens all that was their own. Magnesia the only City in Asia that remained true and loyal was most valiantly defended against Mithridates. Over and besides, here ye shall read the exploits performed by the Thracians in Macedonia.

## Of the LXXXII. Book.

**S**ylla vanquished in battel the power of King Mithridates, which having kept Macedonia in obedience, was now come into Thracia. He slew one hundred thousand of his enemies, and was Master of the Camp. Afterwards when the war was renewed, he discomfited and defeated quite the Kings whole army. Archelaus together with the Kings fleet yielded to Sylla. L. Valerius Flaccus the Consul and companion in government with Cinna, being sent to succed Sylla, was (for his covetousness) so odious unto his army that he was slain by C. Fimbria his own lieutenant, a most audacious and desperate person: and so the conduct and command of the army was transferred to Fimbria. Moreover, here is recorded what Cities in Asia Mithridates won: how cruelly he spoiled and vexed the Province; and how the Thracians made roads and invasions into Macedonia.

## Of the LXXXIII. Book.

**C**aius Fimbria after he had discomfited certain forces of Mithridates won the City Pergamus, besieged the King there, and missed but a little of taking him prisoner. The City Ilion, which stood up and refused it self to the bobow and devotion of Sylla, he forced and destroyed, and the greater part of Asia he recovered. Sylla in many battels defeated the Thracians. When L. Cinna and C. Pappius Carbo who for two years together were Consuls of their own making, prepared war against Sylla, by the means of L. Valerius Flaccus the President of the Senat (who made an Oration in the Council-house) and his love of concord and sought for amity, effected it was in the end, that Embassadors should be sent unto Sylla to treat about a peace. Cinna was murdered by his own soldiers, whom he forced against their will to be embarked and to take a voyage against Sylla: by which occasion Carbo alone bore the Consulship. Sylla being passed over into Asia, made peace with Mithridates upon this capitulation. That the King should quit these Provinces, namely, Asia, Bithynia, and Cappadocia, Fimbria being forsaken of his own army, which revolted unto Sylla, gave himself a sore wound, and yielding his neck unto his own bravado, obtained this favour at his hands, as to dispatch him outright.

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## Of the LXXXIV. Book.

**S**ylla returned this answer unto the Embassadors sent unto him from the Senat, That he would be Sordered by them, in case those Citizens who sign the hard usage of Cinna) fled unto him, might be restored. The Senat thought this a reasonable condition and just demand: but by means of Carbo and that faction, who made reckoning that war would be more commodious unto them, there ensued no agreement and accord. The same Carbo when he was minded to exact hostages of all the towns and colonies of Italy, thereby to bind them upon their allegiance against Sylla, was by a general consent of the Senat crossed and inhibited. The new enfranchised Citizens, by virtue of an act by the Senat granted, were allowed the privileges of their suffrages and voices. Q. Metellus Pius, who had sided with the nobility, while he lived war in Africk, was by C. Fabius the Prator discomfited: and by the faction of Carbo and those that followed the part of Marius, an act of Syllas passed. That all armies and forces whereof ever should be raised and discharged. The Libertines were distributed indifferently throughout the five and thirty tribes. He sides all this, here is specified the preparation of war which was raised against Sylla.

## Of the LXXXV. Book.

**S**ylla crossed the sea with an army over into Italy: and when those Embassadors which he sent to treat for peace were by the Consul C. Norbanus evil entreated, he overcame the said Norbanus in a battel. And when he was about to assault the camp of L. Scipio the other Consul, with whom he had travelled and assayed all means to conclude peace, and could not compass it: the whole army of the Consul in generally being solicited by soldiers whom Sylla had sent out under-hand to that purpose, turned their engines unto him, and followed his standard. Scipio, when he might have been killed as yet, got Cn. Pompeius, the son of that Cneius who won Asculum, enrolled an army of voluntary soldiers, and came unto the City they repaired to the camp. Finally, in this book report is made of the expeditions performed by Captains of both sides throughout all Italy.

## Of the LXXXVI. Book.

**T**his year wherein C. Marius (the son of C. Marius) was by forcible means and strong hand created Consul before he was twenty years of age: C. Fabius in Africk was burnt quick in his own passion for his bloody cruelty and greedy avarice. L. Philippus, lieutenant unto Sylla, seized Sardinia, after he had discomfited and slain Q. Antonius the Prator. Sylla contracted a league with the states of Italy, to put them out of fear that he would not bereave them of their freedom of Rome and liberty of suffrages lately granted unto them. In like manner, upon assured confidence (that he had already) of undoubted victory, he commanded all those that were in suite and referred unto him for jurisdiction to adjourn their appearance in Court, and to appear at Rome. While the City yet was divided and distracted into wares, L. Damagippus the Prator, having according to the will and pleasure of C. Marius the Consul, gathered the Senat together, massacred all the nobility of the City. One of which number Q. Mutius Scævola the arch-Pontife, as he fled was in the very porch and entry of Vettius Temple murdered. Besides, this book containeth the war renewed by L. Murena against Mithridates in Asia.

## Of the LXXXVII. Book.

**S**ylla after he had discomfited and overthrown the army of C. Marius, near a place called Sacripontus, besieged him within the town Praeneste. The City of Rome he recovered out of the hands of his enemies: and when Marius made an offer to ally himself, he repelled him. Moreover, this book containeth the exploits achieved by his lieutenants, with the like fortune of that side in all places.

## Of the LXXXVIII. Book.

**S**ylla after that he had defeated and put to the sword the army of Carbo at Clusium, Faventia, and Fidentia, chased him forth of Italy. With the Samnites, who alone of all the Italian Nations had not yet laid down arms, he fought one final battel, and vanquished them near the City of Rome, even before the gate Collina: and thus having recovered and got into his hand the absolute managing of the state, he polluted and stained this most goodly and beautiful victory with the foulest cruelty that ever man committed. He cut the throats of 8000 in the great hostility called Villa Publica, even those that had yielded themselves. He set up the tale of proscription and outlawry. The City of Rome and all Italy throughout filled with massacre. Among the rest he caused all the Praefects, disarmed as they were, to be slain. Marius, a Senator by calling, he killed in this manner, by breaking his arms and legs, by cropping his ears, and digging out his eyes. C. Marius besieged within Praeneste by Laetretius Aella and that side with Sylla; when he sought means of evasion by a mine under the ground, seeing how he was environed by the army, flew himself within the said mine: for perceiving that he could not escape, he and Pontius Telesinus, that accompanied him in this flight, as one at the other with their drawn naked swords: and when he had killed him, and was himself hurt, he found so much kindness at the slaves hands as to make an end of him quite.

## Of the LXXXIX. Book.

**L**ucius Butus sent from Cn. Pappius Carbo, who was arrived at Corcyra in a fisher boat to Lilybaeum, in quest to see whether Pompey were there: being compassed and hemmed in round about by those vessels which Pompey had sent out, turned his sword point to his body, and set the point-mall against a seat within the boat and so bending forward with the poise of his body was pierced through and divided. Cn. Pompeius sent by the Senat with full commission of rule and command took Cn. Carbo prisoner, who was arrived in the Islands Coslura, and slew him, who kept a pining and weeping like a woman, when he should die. Sylla became Dictator, and that which never any man had done before him, kept his port abroad with 24 Officers or Editors going before him with their rods and axes. He altered the States,



## Of the CI. Book.

**C**neus Pompeius vanquished Mithridates in a battell fought by night, and compelled him to flee. \* Or Bolphorus. Cneus Pompeius, He received Tigranes upon his submission; and when he had taken from him Syria, Phœnicia, and Cilicia, he gave him again the kingdom of Armenia. Their conspiracy, who having been condemned for the inordinat and ambitious suit of the Consulship, were confedered to kill the Consuls, was surprised and dast. Cn. Pompeius following the chase after Mithridates, entred into a far remote country, and unknown nations. The \* Iberians and Albans who would not grant him passage, he overcame in battell. Over and besides this book sheweth how Mithridates fled by Colchii and Heniochi, and what his gifts were in Bolphorus.

## Of the CII. Book.

**C**n. Pompeius reduced the realm of Pontus into the form of a Province. Pharnaces the son of Mithridates made war upon his own father, by whom Mithridates was besieged within his own royall Court and Palace. Whereupon he drank poison, and seeing it was not \* effectfull and strong enough to dispatch him, he was killed by a French soldier, named Bitocrus, whose helping hand he requested for to rid him out of the world. Cn. Pompeius subdued the Jews: their famous Temple of Jerusalem, which untill that day never had suffered abuse and violence, he forced and won. Catiline, by occasion that he had twice suffered a repulse in suing to be Consul, conspired together with Lentulus the Prator, Cethegus, and many others, to massacre the Consuls and the Senat, to set the City on fire, and to subvert and overthrow the State of the Common-wealth, and to this purpose he levied an army in Tuiciana. This treason and conspiracy was by the industry of M. Tullius Cicero detected and found out. Catiline was banished the City, The rest of his complices and adherents every one suffered death accordingly.

## Of the CIII. Book.

**C**atiline, together with his army was by C. Antonius the Pro-Consul defeated and slain. P. Clodius was accused for entering (in the habit and apparel of a woman) that \* Chappel which it was not lawful for a man to go into, and notwithstanding he had committed adultery with the archpriestess wife, yet he was acquit and went clear away. Cn. Pompeius the Prator vanquished at Solone the Allobroges, who had rebelled. P. Clodius left the nobility, and ranged himself with the Com. C. Cæsar subdued the Helvetians, a vagrant and wandering nation in those daies, who seeking a place to inhabit, intended through the Province of Cæsar to travell into \* Narbo. Moreover, it containeth the situation of France. Pompeius triumphed over the children of Mithridates, also over Tigranes and his son, and by one voice and generall consents of the whole assembly was saluted by the name of \* Magnus.

## Of the CIV. Book.

**T**he forepart of this book compriseth the site and description, together with the manners of Germany. C. Cæsar at what time as he led his army against the Germans, at the request of the Helvians and Segvians, whose territory by them was possessed, and who under the conduct of Ariovistus were come down into France, by an Oration to his army shaid the timorous disposition of the soldiers, which arose upon the fear they had of new and strange enemies, vanquished the Germans in plain fight, and drove them clean out of France. M. Cicero, by means of Pompeius (who among others made an Oration in his behalf) and of T. Annius Milo, a Tribune of the Commons, who likewise pleaded his cause, was with the exceeding joy of the Senat and all Italy called home from exile. Cn. Pompeius had commission for five year space, to look unto the provision of corn and vittuals. Cæsar overcame in fight the Ambians, Succians, Viramandians, Atrebatians (nations all of the Belge) of whom there was an exceeding multitude, and received them upon yielding to his protection. Afterwards he fought with passing great hazard and jeopardy against the Nerviones of the foreland States, and in fine utterly destroyed and extinguished their whole generation: for they had waged war so long, untill of 60000 armed men there remained but 300, and of 95 of their Noblemen there only escaped and no more. There passed a law for to reduce Cyprus into the form of a Province, and to confiscate the Kings treasure: by vertue whereof, the managing of that affair was committed to C. Cato. Ptolemæus King of Egypt suffered many wrongs and injuries at his own subjects hands, and being by them expelled out of his kingdom came to Rome. Cæsar in a battell at sea vanquished the Venetians, a State and City seated in the very Ocean. Last of all, it repeateth exploits by his Lientenants performed with like good fortune.

## Of the CV. Book.

**A**t what time as the assembly for election of Magistrates might be holden, by reason of the negotiations and inhibitions of C. Cato a Trib. of the Com. the Senat generally is taken of sorrow put on mourning weeds. M. Cato in his sute for a Praetorship suffered a repulse, and Vatinius was preferred before him. The same Vatinius when he would have impeached the law, whereby were granted to the Consuls the Provinces for five years, unto Pompey the government of both Spains, unto Cælius Syria and the Parthian war, and unto Cæsar France and Germany, was by C. Trebonius a Tribune of the Commons, and the first maker of the said law, committed to prison. M. Gabinius the Pro-Consul established Ptolemæus again in the kingdom of Egypt, and dispossessed Archelaus whom they had set up for their King. Cæsar after he had vanquished and put to sword the Germans in France, crossed over the Rhene, and subdued that part of Germany which is next thereto: which done, he sailed over into Brittain with much trouble and damage, by reason of the cross and contrary winds whilst he was at sea: and he sped little better when he was there: but after he had slain a mighty great number of men, he brought into subjection the rest of the Island.

## Of the CVI. Book.

**I**ulia daughter to Cæsar and wife to Pompeius departed this life, and had this surpassing honour done unto her by the people, as to be enterr'd in Mars field. Many of the States of France revolted by the leading of Ambiorix a Duke of the Eboracis, by whom Cotta and T. Aurunculeius the Lientenants of Cæsar were by an ambuscado surprised and environed, and by means thereof they and the armies whereof they had the conduct were put to the sword. And at what time as the camp of the other legions also was besieged, assailed, and with difficulty defended, and among them Q. Cicero, who was Lord President of the Treveris: the enemies were by Cæsar himself in person overthrowen in fight. M. Crassus intending to war upon the Parthians passed over the river Euphrates, and being vanquished in battell, wherein his son was slain, after he had valied the broken ends of his army, and retired them to a little hill, he was retained forth by the enemies (whose Captain was Surenas) to a parley and treaty of peace, and thereupon attacked: but because he would not suffer any indignity and villany alive, he made resistance and in that struggling of his was slain; and there an end of him.

## Of the CVII. Book.

**C**aius Cæsar having vanquished the Treveri in Gaul, passed over the second time into Germany, but finding no enemy there to make head, returned into France, where the Eburones and other Cities which had conspired, he overcame, and their King Ambiorix to fight, and followed him in chase. The body of P. Clodius slain in the high way Appia near Boville by T. Annius Milo a competitor of the Consulship, the Commons of Rome burnt in a funeral fire within the Curia Hostilia. By occasion of a seditious variance between two Candidates for a Consulship, namely, Hypæus Scipio, and Milo, who with force and arms tried the issue by the ears: Cn. Pompeius was sent out of the Senat to suppress such a enormous debate. Created Consul he was the third time in his absence, and (which prerogative no man by vertue whereof Milo was judicially condemned, and had his judgment to be banished. A bill was proposed, that C. Cæsar notwithstanding he was absent should be accepted in the election of Consuls, although M. Cato was unwilling thereto, and gained it. Moreover, this book containeth the warlike acts achieved by C. Cæsar against the Gauls (who generally in manner revolted) under the leading of Vercingetorix the Avernian: also the painful sieges of certain Cities, and namely, of \* Avarium in \* Bituriges, and \* Gergovia in Auvergne.

## Of the CVIII. Book.

**C**aius Cæsar vanquished the Gauls at \* Alésia, and received all the Cities in France which had been in arms, into his protection upon their submission. C. Cassius the treasurer of M. Crassus, put the Parthians to the sword, who had passed over into Syria: M. Cato sued to be Consul, and had the repulse, and Ser. Sulpicius with M. Marcellus were created Consuls: C. Cæsar subdued the \* Bellouaci, and other States and Cities in France. Also it containeth the strife and debate between the Consuls, for sending of a successor to C. Cæsar. For M. Marcellus the Consul was earnest in the Senat, that Cæsar should come to stand for a Consulship, considering that he by a law made in that behalf was to govern his provinces unto that time of his Consulship. Last of all, the martiall deeds of Mar. Bibulus in Syria are here reported.

## Of the CIX. Book.

**T**he causes of the civil war and their beginnings be here set down. The contentions likewise about a successor to be sent in lieu of Cæsar, who denied finally to dismise the armies, unless Pompey also did.



charged his forces. Moreover, this book treateth of the actions preferred by C. Curius, a Tribune of the Commons, first against Caesar, and afterwards for him. When there passed an act of the Senat, that one or other without fail should be employed to succeed Caesar, M. Antonius and Q. Cassius, two other Tribunes (for that by their negative and inhibitions they seemed to cross and stay that act) were expelled the City: and a commission was directed by the Senat to the Consuls, and to Cn. Pompeius, in this form, To see that the Common-wealth sustained no damage. C. Caesar intending to persecute his adversary, came with his army into Italy. Corninius together with L. Domitius and L. Lentulus he took prisoners; and let them go again: but Cn. Pompeius, and the rest of that side he utterly chased forth of Italy.

## Of the CX. Book.

C. Aius Caesar besieged Massilia, which had shut the gates against him: who leaving C. Trebonius and D. Brutus at the siege, took a journey into Spain, where he received upon submission Lu. Alitanius and C. Petreius, two lieutenants of Pompeius, together with seven legions at Ilerda, and dismissed them all with no harm done unto them. Vairo also a lieutenant of Pompeius, together with his army came under his obedience. The Gaditani he enfranchised and gave the City unto. The Massilians after two overthrowes in sea-fight, and a long siege which they had endured, submitted at last and were at the devotion of Caesar. C. Antonius a lieutenant of Caesar fought an unfortunate battle against the Pompeians, and in Illyricum was taken prisoner: during which war, the inhabitants of \* Opitergium, beyond the river of Padus (who were the auxiliaries of ships) seeing their chained bridge of boats, and lighters locked up and fast shut within the enemies' ships, rather than they would fall into the hands of their enemies, ran one upon another, and died every one. C. Curius a lieutenant of Caesar in Affrick, after he had fought against Varus a captain of the Pompeians, was together with his army defeated, and cut in pieces by Julia King of \* Mauritania. C. Caesar passed the seas over into Greece.

## Of the CXI. Book.

C. Aius Cecilius Rufus the Prator going about to raise commotions and seditions all that ever he could within the City, and having solicited the commons upon the hope of cancelling all debt-books, was first deposed from his Magistracy, and after driven out of the City. Then he banded with Milo a banished person, who had levied a power of fugitive outlaws: but both of them in this preparation of war came short of their purpose and were slain. Cleopatra queen of Egypt was by her brother Ptolemus expelled out of her kingdom. By reason of the avarice and cruelty of Q. C. Curius the Prator, the \* Cordubians in Spain, together with two Varian legions, revolted from Caesar and his side. Cn. Pompeius was besieged by Caesar at Brundisium: but having won his sences with the guards thereto belonging, and that with great loss of the adverse party, he was delivered from the siege. But after the war was transferred into Thessaly, he was at Pharsalia in a battle overthrowen. There remained still within the camp Cicerone, a man by nature framed for nothing more useful than war. Caesar pardoned all those of the adverse party, who after his victory submitted themselves to his mercy.

## Of the CXII. Book.

Herein is related the fearful condition of that side which was vanquished, and how they fled in sundry parts of the world. Cn. Pompeius being arrived in Egypt, by the commandment of Ptolemus the King, as yet an infant under age; and perjasion of Theodorus his teacher and schoolmaster, who might of all other over-rule the King, most of all one Ptothius, was killed by the hands of Achilla, one who had a warrant to execute that feat, even in the very charge before he was landed. But Cornelia his wife, and Sextus Pompeius his son fled back into Cyprus. Caesar three daies after the foresaid victory, pursued Pompeius: and when Theodorus presented unto him his head and signet of his finger, he was displeased in his heart and went withall. He entered Alexandria without any danger, notwithstanding the troubles and tumults therein, Caesar was created Dictator. He restored Cleopatra unto the kingdom of Egypt: and when Ptolemus made war by their advice and counsell who moved him to murder Pompeius, Caesar vanquished him, with great perill and hazard of himself. As Ptolemus fled, his vessel wherein he was embarked ran a ground in Nilus, and there stuck fast. Besides, this book sheweth the painful and toilsome journey of Marcus Cato with his legions, in Affrick through the deserts wilderness: and the war which Cn. Domitius fortunately managed against Phasartes the Parthian King.

## Of the CXIII. Book.

When the side of Pompeius had gathered heart and strength in Affrick, the sovereign command thereof was committed to P. Scipio: for Mato who before had equal power and commission with him, gave place and yielded his right. Now when it was debated in council as touching the subversion and utter ruin of Utica, for that the City was so inclined and favourable to Caesar: whilst M. Cato stood fast in this point, that it should not be destroyed; and Juba (the King) was earnest to have it raised: the guard and keeping thereof was committed unto Cato. The son of Pompey the great, having levied forces in Spain (the conduct and leading whereof, neither Afranius nor Petreius, were willing to undertake) and fresh war upon Caesar, Pharnaces King of Pontus and son of Mithridates, endured no time of war,

but was soon overcome. At what time as P. Dolabella a Tribune of the com. raised seditions in Rome, by means of a law by him published in the behalf of bankrupts, That the old debts should be stricken off, and new order taken with the creditors: upon which occasion there ensued a commotion of the commons. M. Antonius, General of the Cavalry, entered the City with a strength of soldiers; and eight hundred of the commons lost their lives. Caesar discharged all his old soldiers, who in a mutiny demanded the same: and having sailed into Affrick, he fought against the power of K. Juba with exceeding great jeopardy.

## Of the CXIV. Book.

C. Ailius Bassus a gentleman of Rome, and one of Pompeys side, levied war in Syria. Sextus Caesar was half forsaken by the legion which revolted and went to Bassus, and also slain. Caesar vanquished Scipio the Prator, Afranius, and Juba, near Tapis, and forced their camp. Cato hearing thereof, wounded himself at Utica: and when his son came between and staid his hand, his hurt was dressed, but in the very cure, as the wound was newly lanced again, he yielded up his vital breath and died, in the 49 year of his age. Petreius killed Juba and himself. P. Scipio in his ship was beset round, and at his death, which he took manfully, he uttered a brave speech: for when the enemies made search and enquiry what was become of the General, The General (quoth he) is well, Faustus and Afranius were slain. Cato's son had his pardon. Brutus, a lieutenant of Caesar vanquished the Bellonaci in France that rebelled.

## Of the CXV. Book.

Caesar rode in four triumphs over France, Egypt, Pontus, and Africa. A solemn feast he made, and exhibited unto the people (bens of all sorts. Thus M. Marcellus a man of Consular dignity, at the request of the Senat he granted leave to return, which Marcellus could not enjoy the benefit of this grace and favour, by reason that he was murdered at Athens by Cn. Magius Chilo, his own client and vassall. Caesar also held a review of the City, wherein were enrolled 50000 Citizens, whereas before there had been numbered 400000. See the calamity of civil war. He took a voyage into Spain against Sex. Pompeius: and after many rades and expeditions on both sides made, and some cities forced, in the end he attained one final victory for all before the City Munda, but with exceeding perill and danger. Sex. Pompeius escaped and fled.

## Of the CXVI. Book.

C. Aius Caesar triumphed a fifth time over Spain. When many honors and that right excellent, were by the Senat ordained for him, and namely, among the rest, to be called Pater Patrie; to be sacrosanct and inviolable; and withall to be Dictator for ever: he gave occasion to be envied and misliked: for in that when the Senat bestowed upon him these honourable titles, at what time as the late before the Temple of Venus Genetrix, he rose not up nor did reverence unto them: second for that when Mar. Antonius the Consul and his Colleague ran among the Luperci, he laid upon his ivory chair of estate the wreath or diadem which was by him set upon his head; thirdly, because he deprived from their authority Epidius Marullus and Cæcilius Flavius, two Tribunes of the Commons, who went about to bring him into hatred, as if he affected and sought to be King. Upon these causes, a conspiracy was contrived against him, whereof the principall heads, were M. Brutus, C. Trebonius, and C. Cassius, also one of his own side D. Brutus: by whom he was massacred in the court of Pompeius, and received 23 wounds: and by these murderers was the Capitol seized and held. But after that the Senat had passed a decree to forget this murder, the conspirators foresaid, having received for their security the children of Antonius and Lepidus, as hostages, came down from the Capitol, by the self will and testament of Caesar. C. Octavius (his father's son) was made his half heir, and adopted into his own name. The body of Caesar being brought into Mars field, was by the com. burnt in a funeral fire before the Rostra. The honour and dignity of Dictatorship was for ever abolished. Chameaces a person of most vile and base condition, avowed himself to be the son of C. Marius: and whilst he raised a sedition among the credulous common people, was cut off and killed.

## Of the CXVII. Book.

C. Aius Octavius came out of Epirus repaired to Rome: for Caesar had sent him thither before, when he minded to make war in Macedony, where he was received with good tokens and fortunate presages, and withall took upon him the name of Caesar. In this confusion of state and tumultuous trouble of all things, Lepidus attained by stealth to the highest pontifical dignity. But when M. Antonius the Consul demeaned himself most lordly and proudly in his place, and by force published a law as touching the exchange of the Provinces, and withall offered much wrong and abuse to Caesar, when he made request that it an Halo might make both himself and the common-wealth strong against him, raised and excited the old soldiers whom he had before placed in Colonies. The fourth legion also, and that called Marcella, fell from Antonius and turned their ensigns to Caesar. After this, more besides (by occasion that many through the cruelty of A. Antonius were murdered every where in their tents) because they were once suspected, revolted from him and ranged to Caesar. D. Brutus purposing to stop Antonius at he should pass into Lombardy, seized upon Mutina with an army. Finally, this book declareth the running to and fro of those on both parts, so be possessed first of the Provinces, and the preparation for war.

## Of the CXVIII. Book.

**M**ARCUS BRUTUS in Greece (under a pretence of maintaining the state, and enterprising war against Antonius) possessed himself of the army whereof Vercinus had the conduct together with the Province. Unto Cæsar, who first took arms in defence of the C.W. the government and command of a Pro-Prator was granted, with the Prætorian ornaments and ensigns thereto belonging, and withal he had this addition to be reputed 'Pro-Prator.' M. Antonius besieged D. Brutus in Mutina. Certain Embassadors were sent unto him from the Senat as concerning peace, but little availed they in the treaty and conclusion thereof. The people of Rome generally took them to arms and souldiers habit, Brutus in Epirus subdued C. Antonius the Prator together with his army.

## Of the CXIX. Book.

**C**NEUS TREBONIUS was by the guilfull practice of P. Dolabella, slain in Asia: for which said Dolabella was by the Senat judged an enemy to the State. When Pania the Cos. was at the point to lay the field against Antonius, A. Hirtius the other Cos. came with his army to the rescue, discomfited the forces of M. Antonius, and so made the fortune of both parts alike and equal. Afterwards, Antonius being vanquished by Hirtius and Cæsar, fled into France, and joyned unto him M. Lepidus with the legions which were under him. Both he and all they who were within his holds in garrison, were by the Senats attained. Aulus Hirtius, who after his victory was slain within the camp of the enemies, and L. Pania, who died of a wound received in an unfortunate fight, were both buried in Mars field. To C. Cæsar the only Captain of the three now remaining alive, the Senat was not so kind as they ought to have been: for having ordered that D. Brutus (who by Cæsar had been delivered from the siege at Mutina) should triumph, they made no thankful remembrance of Cæsar and his souldiers, as was meet and requisite. For which discourtesies C. Cæsar (being reconciled to M. Antonius by the means and mediation of M. Lepidus) came to Rome with an army: and when they were fore dismaied at his coming who had before intreated him so unkindly, creawd Counsel he was [with Q. Pædus] being but nineteen years of age, and full twenty for he wanted one day, as Velleius Paterculus saith.

## Of the CXX. Book.

**C**ÆSAR now Consul, proposed a law for an inquisition to be made of them by whose means his father Cæsar was killed, and by vertue of that law, M. Brutus, C. Cassius, and D. Brutus were ended, attained, and condemned in their absence. When together with M. Antonius, A. Iulius Pollio also, and M. Plancus had joyned their arms, and thereby much strengthened and augmented their forces, D. Brutus whom the Senat had sent with commission to pursue Antonius, being now forlorn of his own legions and souldiers, as at the commandment of Antonius (into whose hands he fell) killed by one Capenus a Burgonian, Caius Cæsar contracted a peace with Antonius and Lepidus, wherein it was capitulated between them: that those three should for five years have the sovereignty over all, only so to sit in order and establish the state of the common-weal: to wit, himself, Lepidus, and Antonius, and each of them prescribe and outlaw their own adversaries and enemies, in which proscription were contained the names of very many Gentlemen of Rome, and one hundred and thirty Senators, and amongst the rest were L. Paulus the brother of M. Lepidus, L. Cæsar the uncle of Antonius by the Mother, and M. Cicero, slain by Popilius an Egyptian souldier, in the 63 year of his ages, whose head and hands was set upon the Rostra. Moreover, this book sheweth the deeds by M. Brutus achieved in Greece.

## Of the CXXI. Book.

**C**ASSIUS who had in commission from the Senat, to pursue by force of arms Dolabella, judged an enemy to the common-weal, being born out by the authority and warrant of the State, possessed himself of Syria, and became Master of three armies which were in that Province. He besieged Dolabella within the City of Laodicea, and put him to death. C. Antonius was likewise taken prisoner, and by commandment from M. Brutus slain.

## Of the CXXII. Book.

**M**ARCUS BRUTUS had but bad success in fight against the Thracians. After that all the Provinces beyond sea, and the armies, were under his hands and Caius Cassius: they plotted both together at Smyrna, what course to take for the future war. Publicola the brother of M. Messala they vanquished, and yet by common consent they pardoned him.

## Of the CXXIII. Book.

**S**EXTUS POMPEIUS the son of Magnus, assembled together out of Epirus a number of outlaws and banished persons, and having a long time with this army robbed only by way of piracy, and settled as yet upon the possession of no piece upon the land, first seized Messina, a town in Sicily, and afterwards

the whole Province. And after that A. Pompeius Bithynicus the Prator there, was by Pompey slain; he the said Pompey in a battell at sea vanquished Q. Salvidienus, a Lieutenant of Cæsar. Cæsar and Antony with their armies sailed over into Greece with intent to wage war against Brutus and Cassius. Quintus Cornificius in Affrick overcame in plain fight T. Sestius, the Captain of the Cassian faction.

## Of the CXXIIII. Book.

**C**AIUS CÆSAR together with Antony fought at Philippi with variable fortune against Brutus and Cassius, in which sort, at the right points of both battells lay the better, and each of them won the other's camp. But the death of Cassius was it that turned the ballance and made the difference: who being in that point that retreated and went down, supposed that the whole army and main battell was discomfited and so killed himself. In another conflict afterwards, M. Brutus also was overcome, and there ended his life: for he intreated Strato (that accompanied him in his flight) to set his sword point to ward him, and so he ran upon it. The same did some forty more of the principall Romans: among whom was Q. Hortensius likewise slain.

## Of the CXXV. Book.

**C**AIUS CÆSAR left Antony (for to his share fell the Empire of some Provinces beyond sea) and returned into Italy. He divided lands among his old souldiers. The mutinies of his own army by occasion that the souldiers were seduced by Fulvia the wife of M. Antonius and rose against their General, he repressed with exceeding danger and jeopardy: L. Antonius the Cos. and brother to M. Antonius, by the ungracious counsel and persuasion of the said Fulvia, made war upon Cæsar: and having procured those nations to side and take part with him, whose lands had been made over and assigned to the old souldiers, dispersed: and withall, discomfited M. Lepidus, who with an army had the government and guard of the City, entered perforce by way of hostility into Rome.

## Of the CXXVI. Book.

**C**AIUS CÆSAR when he was but three and twenty years of age, besieged L. Antonius in the town Perusia: and when he made sundry offers to sally out and break forth, he repelled and chased him back, yea and for very hunger forced him to yield and come under his obedience. As for Antony himself and all his souldiers he pardoned, but Perusia he raised and destroyed. Finally, after he had brought all the armies of the adverse side to submit and to stand to his mercy, he first fed the war without effusion of any blood.

## Of the CXXVII. Book.

**T**HE PARTHIANS, under the conduct of Labienus, who had taken part with Pompey and that side, invaded Syria: overcame Didius Saxa, the Lieutenant of M. Antonius, and held all that Province to their own use. M. Antonius being solicited by the instigation of his wife Fulvia to make war against Cæsar, put her away, because she should be no let nor hindrance to the accord and agreement of the three rulers in their Triumvirat. Then made he a peace with Cæsar, and took to wife his sister Octavia. Q. Salvidienus who plotted mischief against Cæsar, he detested and bewrayed: who being thereupon condemned, wrought his own death. P. Ventidius a Lieutenant under Antonius, overcame the Parthians in battell, and chased them forth of Syria, having before slain their Leader Labienus. When as Sextus Pompeius held Sicily, and being a near enemy and ill neighbour to Italy, staid: he transporting of corn and victuals by sea: upon request Cæsar and Antony made peace with him for this consideration, that he should govern Sicily as his Province. Also herein are set forth the troubles and wars of Affrick.

## Of the CXXVIII.

**W**HEN SEXT. POMPEIUS infested the sea again with robbery and piracy, and would not make good, and maintain that peace, which he had accepted of Cæsar, he was forced upon necessity to undertake war against him, and in two naval battells fought with doubtfull event. L. Ventidius a Lieutenant of M. Antonius, vanquished the Parthians in Syria and slew their K. The Jews also were by Antonius Lieutenant subdued, herein besides is set down the preparation for the Sicilian war.

## Of the CXXIX. Book.

**S**UNDRY battels were fought at sea against SEXT. POMPEIUS with variable issue: so as, of Cæsar's two fleets, the one which was conducted by Agrippa, got the better hand: but the other led by Cæsar himself, had the overthrow: and the souldiers being set at shore were in exceeding great danger. But afterwards Pompeius was defeated, and thereupon fled into Sicily. Marcus Lepidus crossed the sea from out of Affrick, pretending to take part with Cæsar in his war to be made against SEXT. POMPEIUS. But when Cæsarwarded upon him also, he was abandoned of his army, and being content to resign up the honour and dignity of the Triumvirat, obtained life. M. Agrippa was by Cæsar rewarded with a navall crown, an honour to no man ever granted before him.

Of the CXXX, Book.

**M**arcus Antonius, in his rioting time with Cleopatra, entered into the Province of Media with eighteen legions, and sixteen thousand horsemen; levied war upon the Parthians; and after he had left two of his legions, seeing nothing prosper well on his side, he retired back. But still the Parthians followed him in chase: whereupon in exceeding fearful haste and great peril of the whole army, he returned into Armenia: so as in 27 daies he fled three hundred miles. About 8000 men he lost by tempestuous weather. But he was himself the occasion that he suffered these dangerous tempests; over and besides the Parthian war which unfortunately he enterprised, because he would not winter in Armenia for haste he made to his love Cleopatra.

Of the CXXXI, Book.

**S**ex Pompeius having once submitted whiles he was in the protection of M. Antonius, went about to lay war against him in Asia: but by his Lieutenants he was surprised and slain. Caesar said the mutiny of the old soldiers, which with great mischief was begun: he subdued the Iapides, the Dalmatians and Pannonians. Antonius having upon his word and promise of safety and protection trained unto him Artavasdes the King of Armenia, commanded him to be laid up fast in Irons, and gave the kingdom of Armenia to his own son, which he had by Cleopatra: for now by this time he began to avow her as his wife, upon whom long before he was enamoured and doted in love.

Of the CXXXII, Book.

**C**aius Caesar subdued the Dalmatians in Illyricum. When M. Antonius for the love of Cleopatra (who bare him two sons, Philadelphus and Alexander) would neither return to the City of Rome, nor after the time of the Triumvirat expired, resign up that dignity and government, but prepared for war, which he meant to levy against Rome and Italy: and thereto had raised a mighty power, as well of sea-forces as land; and withall, had renounced the marriage with Octavia, Caesars sister, and sent her a letter of divorcement, and so put her away: Caesar thereupon, with an army sailed into Epirus. The battles at sea afterwards, and the horse-fights, wherein Caesar had the upper hand, be here related.

Of the CXXXIII, Book.

**M**arcus Antonius was with his fleet overcome at Actium, and thereupon fled to Alexandria: where being by Caesar besieged, and in utter despair of recovering his former state, but moved especially upon a false rumour that was spread, how Cleopatra was killed, he slew himself. When Caesar was now Master of Alexandria, Cleopatra likewise because she would not fall into the hands of the conqueror, willingly procured her own death. Caesar upon his return to the City of Rome, had the honour of a triumph: the one over Illyricum, another for the victory at Actium, and the third in regard of Cleopatra: Thus when he had finished all civil wars which had continued 21 years, M. Lepidus, the son of Lepidus the Triumvir, conspired against Caesar: and whiles he went about to make war, was prevented and slain.

Of the CXXXIV, Book.

**C**aius Caesar having set the State in good order, and reduced all Provinces into one certain form, was surnamed also Augustus: and the month Sextilis to honour his name was likewise so called. Whiles he sat in visitation at Narbone, he took a review of the three Provinces of Gaul, which his father (Caesar) had conquered. The war which M. Crassus made against the Bastians, Medians, and other nations, is here reported.

Of the CXXXV, Book.

**T**he war which M. Crassus levied against the Thracians, as also which Caesar made upon the Spaniards is here set down. Likewise how the Salsians, a people inhabiting the Alps, were utterly subdued.

Of the CXXXVI, Book.

**R**hetia was conquered by Tiberius Nero, and Drusus his wives son. Agrippa Caesars son in law did: and by Drusus was the generall review and tax taken.

Of the CXXXVII, Book.

**T**he Cities of Germany situate on either side the Rhene, are by Drusus besieged and assailed. The tumult and insurrection which arose in France, by reason of the foresaid review or tax, was suppressed. An altar was erected unto Divus Caesar at the conjuncture of the two rivers, \* Arat and \* Rhodanus: and a Priest was created to offer thereupon, one C. Julius Vercondaridubius an Heduan.

\* Sirona.  
\* Rheanus.

Of

Of the CXXXVIII, Book.

**H**ere is shewed how the Thracians were by L. Piso named. Likewise how the Therapsi, Temachate, E. Rights Casti, and other nations of Germany beyond the Rhene, were subdued and brought under by Drusus. Octavia the sister of Augustus departed this life, having buried before, her son Marcellus: whose monuments still remain, namely, the Theatre and gallery bearing his name, as if they had been dedicated by Marcellus.

Of the CXXXIX, Book.

**T**he war which Drusus managed against the nations beyond Rhene is here reported. In which war the chief persons that fought were Senebrius and Anecbrius, Tribunes of the Nervian State. Nero the brother of Drusus subdued the Dalmatians and Pannonians. Peace was contracted with the Parthians: and upon capitulation the military ensignes were delivered up again to their King, which first under the conduct of Crassus, and afterwards of Antonius were lost, and by them taken.

Of the CXL, Book.

**I**n this book is related the war which Drusus fought against the Cities and States of Germany beyond the Rhene. Himself fell from his horse and brake his leg, by reason that his horse fell thereon: upon which fracture he died shortly after. His corpse was by his brother Nero (who being sent for him, Praised he was by Caesar Augustus his father in law and at his funeral for a small farwell, he was entreated with many honourable names.

To the Reader.

**T**he history of Titus Livius, as it was by him passing well penned otherwise, and none thereto in Latine comparable: so in the calculation and date of times, which they call Chronology (a singular light to give direction in a story) he is somewhat defective and unlike himself, so as he cannot be praised without exception. But if a man consider the huge volumes which he wrote, and namely, in his declining age; the variety and disagreement of former authors, whom he followed, who before him faulted also in this point, and whereof he much complaineth: he is to be pitied and pardoned if his memory failed somewhat in this behalf. For where shall we find a man that is *Annus, eoque, omnique ex parte beatus*? And indeed, if we weigh the thing aright, as it was a profession by it self, and required a whole man: so many travelled therein alone, and they that performed well but it only, deserved high thanks and commendation. And to let many others pass, how worthily is T. Pomponius Atticus praised by Cicero, who lived in the time of Augustus Caesar, he collected a catalogue and register of the chief Rulers of Rome, how they were chosen successively, and how they governed from time to time: which as he caused to be cut and engraven in a marble wall within the Capitol for a perpetual memory to posterity: so thereby he deserved also to have his own statue erected near the Temple of Vesta, for an everlasting memorial of so great a benefit. But what is there so durable, that time wasteth not? What so conspicuous and evident, but trouble some daies may overwhelm and hide in oblivion? Thus amidst that havock which the Goths and Vandals made in Italy, there remained in some fourth part extant of Livies story: thus in that general confusion of Rome, these records of *Verrins* discifces. But the revolution of times, as it hath brought to the ruins of the Capitoll and other stately edifices, hath discovered also the marbles of *Verrins*: for in the time of Paul the third, Pope of Rome, the fragments of the said stones were digged out of the ground between the Roman Forum and the broad Street *Via Sacra*: brought forth also & laid abroad in the Capitoll to the view of the world. To which as the true touch-stone certain learned men of late daies have laid to their own labours, in that kind, namely, Barbolomeu Marlian of Midian, Onuphrius Panvinus of Verona, Charles Sigonius of Modena, and Francis Robertellus of Udine: and comparing the same as also the annals gathered by Henry Glibreus beforetime, with the foresaid antiquities of *Verrins* late found, have recovered much light to the history of Livy, and supplied his wants in that behalf. I thought it not amiss therefore to gratifie my countyme in some measure this way also, and deliver the same in English which I found annexed to the best editions in Latine, is followeth,

# CHRONOLOGIE

## TO THE HISTORY OF TITUS LIVIUS;

Compiled according to the Tables and Records of *Verrum Flaccum* in the Capitol, and set out with most profitable Notes, shewing the variety and disagreement of Authors about the names of the Roman Consuls.

*The causes of dissent and repugnance in Historiographers, as touching the computation and relating of the years from the foundation of the City of Rome.*



Ince we intend to set forth a Kalender or Register of the Consuls mentioned in the History of *Livius*, which by reason of uncertainty, obscurity, and discordance of the times, is so dark and intricate, that not only the learned and most experienced Historians of our age, but the best writers of the Roman story in ancient time very often complained thereof; we think it not impertinent to our purpose, briefly to search into the causes of this dissent: which being once known, we may follow that account of the times, which seemeth to accord best with the Historical truth, and to be grounded upon the authority and testimony of the most authentical and approved writers. For seeing that an History (as *Cicero* hath most truly said) is the witness of times: what is more unfitting for it, than to mislead and want that which is the chiefest point therein, and without due and diligent reckoning made, to be ignorant what was first and what was last done? It seemeth therefore, that of this diversity in the account and computation of the Roman Consuls, there be three especial causes.

The first is, for that the year in which the first Consuls entered into that Magistracy, is by the Roman Historiographers, not after one sort but diversely set down. For *Dionysius* (a most diligent writer of the Acts of Romans) in his first book, in the end of the fourth and beginning of the fifth, reporteth, that the KK. reigned 244 years: which also is collected out of the yearly computation gathered by *Varro* and approved by the authority of others. For *Messala* reporteth, how upon the expulsion of the KK. which hapned in the 244 year after the foundation of the City, the Romans were ruled under the yearly government of Consuls. To which opinion *Livy* also subscribeth in the end of his first book, saying: that the regiment of KK. continued 244 years from the foundation of the City, unto the freedom and liberty thereof. But *Entropius* in his first book writeth that the severall Kings reigned in Rome 243 years: which account agreeth with *Sex. Rufus* in his abridgement. In which variety this is to be observed, that these two last named reckon the years only of every Kings reign, and out of the whole and grofs sum leave out the year of the interreign: which *Dionysius*, *Livius*, *Messala*, and the rest intertween, and that right truly and upon good reason: for after the death of *Romulus*, the interreign continued one year. Consider then and examine the thing diligently, and ye shall find, that in reckoning the years of every Kings reign in severall, *Entropius* and *Sex. Rufus* both, attribute as many years to the Kings government, as *Dionysius*, *Livy*, and the rest: so that this difference is not much. But others there be (as *Ensebius* hath delivered in his Chronicles) who write, that the KK. reigned but 243 years, and take the interreign withall: whose judgment, *Orosius*, *Jordanides*, and *Beda* seem to follow. For *Orosius* in the first chapter of his second book recordeth, that *Brutus* the Consul in that very year, namely the 244, put his own sons to death. The Kings reigned not precisely to many years just but, for that some (and namely, *Romulus*) went over some months and daies, *Dionysius* and *Livius* reckoned them for a full year, and laid it to *Tarquinius Priscus*: but the other above-named, together with *Ensebius*, left out those odd months and daies (because they made not up a compleat year) and assigned but only seven and thirty years to the reign of King *Priscus*. To this may be added another reason of the like nature: namely, that as divers authors have doubtfully reported the year, so they are no more certain of the month and day on which the first Consuls began their government. For *Plutarch* in his Problems writeth, that they entered upon the first day of *January*: but *Macrobius* in the first book of his *Saturnalia* and seventh chapter, seemeth to imply that they took their Consuls place the first of *June*, saying, (according to the opinion of others) That *Junus Brutus* for: for that in this month, and namely, upon the first day thereof (according to a vow whereto he was obliged by the banishment of *Tarquin*) he solemnized a sacrifice to the goddess *Carna* upon mount *Calvus*.

Others

Others again write, how this hapned the 24 of *February*: grounding herein upon the old antiquities and records of stone, together with the testimony of *Ovid*, who in the second book of his *Kalendar* thus writeth:

*King Tarquin with his sons then fled: The Consuls yearly bear  
The sovereign rule at Rome: since that, no King ever reign'd there.*

Some there are besides of opinion, that they entered the first day of *July*: and of their mind seemeth *Joachimus Perizonius* to be, in his third book of the Greek Magistrates. In this repugnancy therefore of opinions, very doubtfull it is which to follow. As for that of *Plutarch*, it hath long since been clearly and learnedly consulted by two great and excellent clarks, *Onuphrius Panvinius*, and *Sigonius*: since it is plain that it was the six hundred year from the foundation of the City, and not before, that the Consuls began their government the first of *January*. But in setting down the certain day, they themselves are not well agreed. For *Sigonius* after *Marlianus* inclineth this way and saith, That the first day of the Consuls government was the six and twentieth day of *May*. But *Panvinius* thinketh that the first Consuls were created the 26 day of *February*. And this diversity is found not only in the day when the first Consuls took their government, but also in the time after ensuing. What was the usual day of any month whereon the Consuls were wont to begin their Magistracy, a man can hardly find any certainty before the six hundred year from the Cities foundation. In the four and fortieth year verily after the Kings were exiled the first day of *July*, as *Livy* writeth, was the ordinary day for yearly Magistrates to take their place: but how many years following, that order continued, or at what time it was changed, he shewed not before he cometh to the three hundred and two year, and then he saith in his third book, That the thirteenth of *May* was the ordinary day for Magistrates to begin their government. Thus much at leastwise we may collect by him (when he saith that this time was solemn) that he meant not two or three years only, but many. For that is properly called solemn, which is by law usually observed. Again, we read a little after the beginning of the fifth book, that this time also was altered: for whereas the first day of *December* was the usual time that Magistrates began to execute their office, he saith, that it was changed, in these words, The principall Nobles and Lords of the Senat, were it upon the default or the infirmity of their Generals (that so shamefull an overthrow was received) joined and advised, not to expect and stay for the ordinary time of the election, but presently to create new military Tribunes in Consuls authority, who should enter into their government the first day of *October*. Sec. Which opinion of theirs imported, and the whole house accorded to it: whereupon the other Tribunes gaind it. But *Sergius* and *Reginns* withstood this Act of the Senat, and denied flatly to resign up their dignity before the eleventh of *December*, the ordinary day of taking their oath and beginning their Magistracy. And a little after, within one page, he sheweth that the usual day of entrance into government was altered from the eleventh of *December* to the first of *September*, saying, When this speech was received with a general applause of all men, and that the Nobles and Lords of the Senat. Sec. But this day was kept but a few years. For about six years after, he saith, by occasion that both Consuls lay sick, it was ordained that the first of *July* should be the ordinary day. And this also I find was changed to another, whatsoever it was, for named it is not: and therefore uncertain. But this hapned in the four hundred and thirteenth year after the Cities foundation: as *Livy* about the beginning of the eighth book sheweth in these words: And when the Consuls were commanded to resign up their Magistracy before the time, to the end that new Consuls might the sooner be created, against so great troubles of war, &c. For in these words [The sooner, &c.] he declareth that the usual day of entrance into government was then changed. But as it is not certainly set down what day this was: so the other was as well known: for soon after, and namely, the eighth year following it was appointed, to wit, the first day of *July*. Immediately therefore (quoth he) the new Consuls, *L. Amilius Marcellus* and *Cn. Plautius* were enjoined that day (even the first of *July*) on which they began their office, to agree and part between themselves their Provinces. As for the month, wherein for the most part the assembly for election of Magistrates was holden, were it was *February*: like as the thirteenth of *March* was ordinary for them to begin their government. For this day held always, during the second Punic war and the Macedonian, and longer than so. Thus *Livy* testifieth in the beginning of the first book as touching the Macedonian. By which, who seeth not that there is great variety in the month and day both, whereupon the Magistrates were wont to begin their rule? But whereas all the certainty in computation and account of the time dependeth upon a precise exact, firm, and settled reckoning of years, months, and daies: and seeing that in *Livies* story it is neither expressly shewed, what year, month or day the Magistrates began their government, nor precisely noted when the reckoning altered: considering also that nothing therein is more wavering and inconstantly delivered, than the very usual day of entering into Magistracy: what marvel is there, if authors dissent so much about the computation of the times? whiles one at this year, others attribute the same to another?

Thirdly, there being great difference between *Dionysius* and *Livy*, as well about the reckoning of the times and years, as the acts and affairs that therein passed; all seemeth to have risen hereupon, that the purpose of *Livy* was not to deliver exactly the acts and occurrences of greatest antiquity which hapned in the State of the people of *Rome*: and which by many writers aforetime had

been most diligently set down and penned to posterity: but to record and write those things especially, which from the time a little before the second Punic war had been achieved by the people of Rome, unto the age wherein himself lived, but because (as Polybius most wisely and pithily writeth) a general story cannot be understood by particular registers; and for that an Historiographer study & endeavour ought to be employed rather in an universall treatise, than in particular discourses: therefore, left to great a piece of work as his, wanting a beginning, should seem maintained & imperfect; in the form of 20 books he slightly & briefly ran over the deeds of the people of Rome from the foundation of the City, unto the beginning of the second Punic war. But Dionysius professing purposely to describe the ancient monuments of the Romans, thought it his part to overpass and omit nothing worthy of remembrance, but most curiously and exactly hath delivered all things pertinent, either to the calculation of the times or discourse of affairs; in so much as those things whereof Livy hath scantily made 3 books, he hath declared at large in eleven. Hereupon if a man read in Dionysius, the ancient beginning and original of the Roman Empire, and examine well the times how they are by him digested & compare the same with the brevity in Livy, no doubt he will prefer the diligence of the former before the overhastiness of the later. But if the indifferent reader consider the purpose and intent of them both, he will yield unto either of them their due praise; & whereas Livy making haste to other matters, hath either let pass or more slightly handled some things, he will judge him worthy rather to be excused than reproved for it.

To these three causes above rehearsed, others also might be adjoynd; namely, the ordering of the years by Romulus, and the variety as touching that year wherein Rome was founded: but it may suffice only to touch these & point unto them with the finger. Howbeit, this we think good to advertise and admonish the reader by the way; that albeit in the digesting and reckoning of the Coss, we have let before our eyes to follow the marble tables and monuments of Verrius Flaccus, and according thereto have framed and applied the computation of the years; yet that year before the 250 as also the other, which Verrius rejected, we have inserted with the rest, that our account might fall out just with the sum of the years, as they are collected by Varro. Which, before us, Onuphrius Pavoninus a most learned man, hath done in his Kalender, thinking that the year which Verrius and they that followed him rated out was the 423, and therefore he hath put it to the rest without Consuls, according to the Capitoline records.

*Of the computation of times usually observed by the Romans, and of the year of the Cities foundation.*

**T**he calculation of years was taken and observed by men in old time divers and sundry waies. The Achæans (as we read) received it from the revolution of the Stars: the Argives from their women Priests: as for example, if Chrysis such a year were chief Priest to offer sacrifices, they counted the number of years from the said Chrysis. But many have derived and fetched the course and consequence of their acts and affairs, from the years before Troy was built, or else after the winning thereof. Howbeit, from the 408 year after the captivity thereof, by occasion of the Olympian games, which Hercules first instituted in the honour of his great grandire by the mothers side and which by his son Iphiclus (or Iphius, as some will have it) were renewed that year from that time (I say) they began to number the years by the Olympiads, especially among the Grecians, whose story (as Eusebius affirmeth) is not of any credit but from the time of the first Olympiad. The Hebrews (like as other nations in the East) received the denomination and reckoning of the years from their KK. The Athenians, from their Epouymy (as they called them) but that in their Archæologia, [that is the election of their Magistrates] which were wont to hold for certain daies about the beginning of the year, they counted in this wise, *ἐν ἡμέραις ἀρχαίας τῆς δεκάτης τῆς ἐπομένης*, i.e. the tenth or eleventh of the first Prytænea. And hereof it seemeth, that the name cometh *τῆς ἐπομένης*, as if from thence, their acts received both the time and also the name. After the example of the Athenians and others, the Romans reckoned their daies, made their Kalender, and registered their acts by such and such Consuls: noting thereto otherwhiles the year from the Cities foundation. But about it there is much more diversity in authors, than about that wherein the first Consuls took their government. And seeing the clearing and declaration of that point is not impertinent to this place, briefly we will rehearse the opinions of authors as touching the time when the City of Rome was founded.

To begin therefore at them, who (according to the common received opinion of others) have written longer ago and further off, *Timæus Siculus* (I know not upon what reason induced) hath recorded, how the City was built by Romulus much about the time that Carthage in Affrick by the Tyrians, namely, in the 38 year before the first Olympiad.

*L. Cincius* (a Senator of Rome by calling) saith it was in the fourth year of the twelfth Olympiad. *Q. Fabius Pictor* (a most ancient writer of the Roman story and of greatest credit) attributeth it to the first year of the eight Olympiad.

*Pollius Megapolitanus*, and *Dionysius Siculus* quote the second year of the 7 Olympiad. *Appollodorus Q. Lucianus Canules*, *Cornelius Nepos*, *Eratosthenes*, *M. Porcius Cato*, *Dionysius Halicarnassensis*, and *Iscapollus Antiochenus* name the first year of the 7 Olympiad.

*M. Verrius Flaccus* (the avoucher of the Capitoline stone-records) *T. Livius*, *C. Julius Solinus*, *Clement Alexandrinus*, and others, will have it to be the fourth year of the 6 Olympiad.

*L. Taruntius*

*L. Taruntius Eirmannus*, *M. Terentius Varro*, *T. Pomponius Atticus*, *M. Tullius Cicero*, *Augustus Caesar*, *C. Plinius Secundus*, *Plutarchus Chæronæus*, *Domitianus Caesar Augustus*, *P. Cornelius Tacitus*, *Cassius Dio*, *A. Gellius*, *L. Septimius Severus Augustus*, *Conferius*, *M. Julius Philippus Augustus*, *Eusebius Pamphilus*, *Cassiodorus*, *Eutropius*, *Paulus Orosius*, *Paulus Diaconus Longobardus*: and after the time of *C. C. Julius Dictator*, the common opinion of the people of Rome (which we also go by) will have the City to be founded the third year of the six Olympiad.

But by what motives and reasons each one of these authors is induced, & whereby they would seem to confirm their several opinions, needles it is in this place for to declare: both because the speculation hereof pertaineth properly to another profession, and also for that (besides *Plutarch* in *Romulus Solinus* in the 1. chapter of his Polyhistor, and *Cæsar* in his annotation thereupon) the question hath been so thoroughly handled by *Onuphrius Pavoninus* in the first book of his Kalender, that the thing requireth no further examination.

Now for the day on which the foundation of the City of Rome was laid by Romulus, it was the eleventh day before the Calends of May, called *Parilia* or *Palia*. Now was this a festival day to *Pales* the goddess of shepherds, celebrated by the said shepherds upon the eleventh Calends of May, in the fields and country villages, for the chasing away of wolves, for the preservation of their ship and cattell from diseases, or for the safe yeaping and bringing forth their young: whereupon they were called *Parilia*. Of this matter writeth *Propertius* in his fourth book, in this wise:

*A fessis there was, Palilia, our fathers did it call,*

*And on that day they first began, for Rome to build a wall.*

*Ovid* also in the fourth book of his *Fasts*:

*A time full meet they chose, with pough the plot to mark,*

*Dame Pales was hand, and so began the work.*

The same is avouched by *M. Tullius*, *Plutarchus*, *Solinus*, and others. And that these *Palilia* were solemnized ordinarily the eleventh day before the Calends of May, appeareth as well by the old marble Calendars, as also by the same authors before rehearsed.

### *Of the first sovereign Magistrates of the City of Rome, namely, of the KK, who were in number seven.*

**A**LL sorts of policies and governments in a Common-weal which are set down and named by ancient Writers, the City of Rome (were it by the fatal course of destiny or upon some troubles in the State) hath received and endured every one: so as no Common-weal in manner there can be found, wherein they succeeded to one after another, as they did in the very City of Rome. For in the beginning, the KK, ruled it; but when they for their excessive outrage and inordinate lust exercised upon their Citizens and subjects, were deposed and expelled, the Coss, (and after them the Tribunes military in Coss. authority) held the sovereignty. But in process of time, when this frame and form of Common-weal (simply the best) was by the outrage of the two *Gracchi* (*Saturninus* and *Drusus* Tribunes of the Commons) put out of joynt and troubled, untill such time as their power and authority was by *Sylla* rent in twain, and the Commons diseized of their lands and killed: then the administration of the Common-weal was restored again to the Nobles and principal persons of the City. But at length, when it was oppressed again by the civil war of *Pompey* and *Cæsar*, the sovereign rule of the State was devolved upon the Empire of *Cæsar* alone: wherein, being first shaken a few years before, through the wicked insolvency and lust of the three Triumvirs, it continued untill the time that it fell to utter ruin. We therefore will briefly go through all these sorts of government, in that successive order as they followed one after another, and first begin with the KK.

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*Romulus the first King of the Romans, reigned 37 years.*

**R**omulus, the founder of the City, reigned 37 years: for so many *Livy* assigneth unto him. Likewise *Dionysius* in the first book, which he repeateth also in the second; and *Plutarch* in *Numa* dissenteth not from them, howsoever in *Romulus*, he writeth, that he departed this world in the 37 year of his age. *Solinus* in like manner rehearsing his worthy acts attributeth unto his reign 37 years. Only *Eutropius* 1. book 4. chap. alloweth unto him 39 years: but *Cuspinian* thinketh very well that the Copy is corrupt. This Prince having reigned (according to the more common received opinion of au-

thors) 37 years: in which times, he laid the first ground-work of the Roman Empire, with excellent laws and ordinances, and established both civil and also military discipline. departed this life upon the Nones of July, which day was called afterwards, *Nones Capovine*: by occasion that he in mustering and reviewing his army at the lake of *Capra*, was conveyed out of mens sight: whereupon the people sate as amazed at the sudden death of their King, as *Plutarch* & *Dionysius* do witness. This *Romulus* after his dedication was named *Quirinus*, of *Quirinus* which surname *Ovid* in his 1. Kalender giveth these reasons,

*Sine*



Some read thus,  
\* Latinis.  
\* Arma.  
\* Romanis vic-  
terat, but cor-  
ruptly.

*Sive quod basila quiritia est dicta* \* Sabini  
Bellum ius a quiritia \* *affra* Venus:  
Sive (suo) nomen possidere Quiritis,  
Sive quia \* Romanus iunxerat ille Cures.

A spear-old Sabins Quiritia call'd, which Romulus us'd in  
fight.

This martial man a god became, and so Quiritis high;  
Quiritis eke his subjects liege, their King this name  
might give:

Or eke the Cures, whom he brought with Romans  
for to live.

That he was base born, and could not avouch  
his own father, beside other writers, *Plutarch*  
especially affirmeth in his *Thesius*. Howbeit,  
the old opinion went current, that he was by  
*Mars* begot in stealth of a vestal virgin, *Ilia*,  
*Rhea*, or *Sylvia*, for so many names there go of  
herand that first he was called *Romus*, of *Ruma*,  
which signifieth a teat or pap, and afterwards  
by way of flattery, *Romulus*.

## I

## Interregents.

For one year after the death of *Romulus* the  
nobles fell to variance, & strove who should  
be King, but by reason, that no one person excelled  
above the rest in that state so newly founded,  
there grew several factions & debates in their  
head-corporations. They who were defended  
from the Sabins (because after the death of *Tar-  
tius* none of them reigned with *Romulus* in  
equal society) were desirous to have a King, cre-  
ated out of their body, because they would not  
forgo their hold and possession in the Empire.  
But the old Romans could not away with a  
stranger-King. Howbeit, as different as they  
were in affections, all were willing to set up a  
King, as having not tasted yet the sweetness of lib-  
erty. The Peers moreover mightily leared (by rea-  
son that the neighbour States bordering round  
about were provoked against them) lest some  
forraign force might assail their City left thus  
without sovereign government, and the army  
without a leader. Whereupon the two hundred  
Nobles agreed among themselves to enter into  
an association of rule, and made ten Decuries:  
and in every Decury created one to have the  
sovereignty over the rest. These Senators were  
then 100 in number, as *Livy* saith, and accord-  
ing to *Plutarch* a hundred and fifty. But *Dionysius*  
writeth, that there were two hundred of  
the Sabins & as many Romans. After this they  
cast lots; and their Decury unto whom the lot-  
tery first fell, ruled the City: howbeit, not all of  
them at once, but one alone had the regal or-  
naments, and the Lictors going before him.  
Five daies he governed and no longer: and so  
by this order in course, the nobles of every Dec-  
ury governed the City fifty daies. For after  
five daies determined, he whose lot was first to  
govern that Decury, delivered up unto the  
second the imperial dignity together with the  
ensigns thereof: and he again, when his five  
daies were expired, unto a third, and so to the  
tenth. Thus when these ten first Interregents  
had passed one 50 daies a second Decury of Sen-  
ators in like manner ruled the City other 50  
daies; and thus they went round through all

untill they had fulfilled a years space in this re-  
gency. This government was of the thing it self  
called *Interregnum*, which name it still retained  
afterwards, and the men likewise were named  
*Interreges*. In this year therefore was the Magi-  
stracy of the Interregents first derived among  
the Romans. And not only after the death of  
*Romulus* the State was ruled by Interregency,  
but also after the decease of *Numa*, *Tullius*, and  
*Ancus* Kings. In like manner during the time of  
the free State and Common-weal, after the time  
of yearly Magistrates expired, the said govern-  
ment took place very often before the creation  
of new: for they held the assembly for elections,  
wherein new governors were by the people  
created. Now the office and charge of this in-  
terregent was, during the time of his regency  
(which ordinarily lasted not five daies) to ex-  
ecute all those functions in the City which be-  
longed either to King, or Coss, namely, to mini-  
ster justice, to rule the Common-weal, to hold  
a Senat, and there to propound the affairs of  
State, and lastly to summon the generall assem-  
bly for chusing new Magistrates. As touching  
the beginning of Interregents, *Dionysius* in his  
second book, *Livy* in his first, *Plutarch* in *Numa*,  
*Sext. Rufus*, *Eusebius* and other old writers,  
have written at large.

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*Numa Pompilius* the second King reigned 43 years.

One year of Interregency being thus ac-  
complished, the people of *Rome* thought  
this a grievous and heavy manner of govern-  
ment; and the Commons grumbled that their  
servitude was manifold more than before, as  
having two hundred Lords over them instead  
of one. Which when the Senators perceived,  
they agreed at last upon this point, That the  
old Senators should create a King, whom they  
would, so he were not one of their own body  
and degree. Whereupon *Numa Pompilius* (for  
that in justice & wisdom he excelled all other)  
was called out of *Cures* a City of the Sabins, to  
be their King. That he reigned three and forty  
years, all accord, save *Eutropius*, *Eusebius* and  
*Cassiodorus* (late writers) who let down but one  
and forty, as *Onuphrius* and *Sigonius* have ob-  
served. Of this King, *Dionysius* in the second book,  
*Livy* in his first, *Salinus* in his second chapter,  
*Plutarch*, *Pliny*, and *Eutropius* in his life: in like  
sort, *Valerius Maximus* have delivered much in  
record. He died not much above the age of 80  
years, as *Plutarch* writeth: for born he was (as  
he testifieth) the same day whereon *Romulus*  
laid the first foundation of the City, namely, the  
twelfth Calends of May. Now for the name of  
*Numa*, some say it was the forename of *Pompi-  
lius*. But out of *Sextus Pompeius* it appeareth,  
that neither *Tullius* nor *Numa* were fore-  
names, as also by this conjecture, for that the  
sons of *Numa* are by *Dionysius* called by other  
sundry names divers from the family. Some  
thought therefore that *Numa*, *Ancus*, *Arant*,  
*Volsus*, *Drusus*, *Fausus*, *Julus*, *Mammurcius*, and  
certain other surnames, were at first forenames,  
as *Marcius* in his Annals hath very well no-  
ted,

## 32

*Tullus Hostilius* the third King of *Rome*,  
reigned 32 years.

*Numa* being deceased, the Interregency took  
place again: during which time an Act of  
Senat passed, wherein by the approbation of the  
Commons and advice of the Nobles, *Tullus*  
*Hostilius* was created the third King of the Ro-  
mans, in the 81 year after the foundation of the  
City. Who having translated *Alba*, commanded the  
*Albanos* to be translated to *Rome*. Their Com-  
mons he made free denizens, and the principall  
Nobles he took into the order of Senators. Af-  
ter *Numa* he reigned 32 years, as all writers  
most constantly affirm. He perished, as *Dionysius*  
witnesseth, by occasion that his house was on  
fire, wherein his wife and children and all their  
household besides were consumed and burnt.  
Some say, that his palace took fire by lightning  
through the ire of the gods, for that he had for-  
let some sacrifices and holy rites: others write,  
that it was occasioned by the treacherous pra-  
ctise of *Ancus Martius*, who reigned next after  
him. Of him *Dionysius* writeth in his 3 book:  
That he carried before him the name of *Hostilius*  
it appeareth by this, that both his father and  
grandfather bare the said name. A Prince he was,  
not only far unlike to *Numa*, but also more  
fierce and stout than *Romulus*.

## 24

*Ancus Martius*, the fourth King of *Rome*,  
reigned 24 years.

King *Tullius* being departed this life, there  
was an Interregent by the Nobles declared,  
who held the assembly for election in the 114  
year from the foundation of the City: wherein  
the people created *Ancus Martius* the fourth  
King of the Romans, and the Senators approved  
the same. He built *Hostilia* a town 16 miles di-  
stant from the City of *Rome*; and fought seven  
battles, *Livy*, *Dionysius*, and *Salinus* say, that he  
reigned 24 years; but *Eusebius*, *Eutropius*, and  
*Cassiodorus*, 25. What death he died, neither  
*Livy* in his first book, nor *Dionysius* in his 3 do  
set down: notwithstanding that by them his  
noble acts are set out at large. Now *Ancus* (as  
*Sext. Pompeius* hath reported) is he called, who  
hath an arm bowing inward, so as it cannot be  
put straight forth.

## 38

*L. Tarquinius Priscus*, the fifth King of *Rome*,  
reigned 38 years.

This *Tarquinius* being left by *Ancus* (when  
he died) guardian to his children, was the  
first that ambitiously intercepted the kingdom  
to himself: he sent the sons of *Ancus*, during  
the time of Interregency, out of the way, as it  
were to hunting, and made an oration unto the  
people to win their hearts & affections to him:  
and so with the suffrages of the people, and au-  
thority of the Nobles, he was by the Interre-  
gent declared King in the 170 year after the foun-  
dation of *Rome*, and in the 41 *Olympiad*. This  
noble Prince as well for warlike prowels as  
peaceable policy and government, at the length  
(being above fourscore year old) was forelaid  
by the secret trains of one of the two sons of *Ancus*

*Martius*, in the eight and thirty year of his  
reign, according to *Livy* and *Dionysius*, whose  
judgment we follow: or in the 37, as *Salinus*,  
*Messala*, *Ruffus*, *Eutropius*, *Cassiodorus*, *Eusebius*,  
and *Bedus* write: like as we have before shew-  
ed. *Priscus* he was surnamed afterwards, because  
he lived before *Tarquinius Superbus*, laith *Sex-  
t. Pompeius*, unto whom accord *Dionysius* and  
*Laurentius Vallis*: who writeth, that the addi-  
tion of *Priscus* was given unto him, not by men  
of that time wherein he lived, but by the age  
following. But *Livy* sheweth plainly, that he had  
the surname of *Priscus* given him, even then  
when he came first into the City, because he  
was born before *Superbus*. He also was called  
*Lucumo*, and was the son of *Demaratus* the Co-  
rinthian, descended from the family of the Bra-  
chiades.

## 44

*Servius Tullius* the sixth King of the Romans, reigned  
four and forty years.

After *Priscus Tarquinius* was slain present-  
ly *Servius Tullius* was the first that (with-  
out any election of the people, yet with the ge-  
nerall consent of the Nobles) took upon him  
the Roman kingdom, in the year from the  
foundation of the City 176. Concerning whose  
conception, we must not let pass that which *Pliny*  
writeth in the 36 book after this manner:  
During the reign of *Tarquinius Priscus*, there  
appeared suddenly the genital member of the  
masculine sex upon the hearth where the fire  
was kept, & thereupon presently a captive wo-  
man and bond-servant of *Tarquius* the Queen,  
named *Oersia* sitting there by the fire side, con-  
ceived and was with child: and so was *Servius*  
*Tullius* born, who succeeded in the kingdom.  
Afterwards as the boy lay asleep within the  
King's palace, his head was seen on a light fire,  
and supposed he was the son of the laminal *Lar* of  
that house. In which regard, he instituted first  
the *Complutia* and plates to the *Lars*. Concern-  
ing his birth, *Plutarch* hath written more in his  
book of the Romans fortune. By the crafty and  
subtile device of his wives mother *Tanagril*, he  
attained to the Crown in the fourth year of the  
first *Olympiad*, and reigned 44 years: but by the  
villanous complot of *Tarquinius* his son in law,  
and *Tullia* his own daughter and *Tarquinius* wife,  
he was most impiously slain in the very Reet:  
which thereupon was called *Sceleratus*. As touch-  
ing the years of this Kings reign, some con-  
trovercie there is among writers: for *Livy*, *Dionysius*, and *Salinus* (whom we have followed)  
write, that he reigned 44 years: but *Messala*,  
*Corvinus*, *Sex. Rufus*, *Eutropius*, *Eusebius*, *Cassio-  
dorus* and *Bedus* 34 and not above. Howbeit,  
in adding those ten to the reign of *Tarquinius* af-  
terwards, they hinder not this great sum and  
computation of the years: for they set them  
down 35, which *Livy*, *Dionysius*, and *Salinus*  
make but 25. This King took the name of *Ser-  
vius*, by occasion of his own fortune, for that  
his mother *Oersia* a captive (but a most beau-  
tiful and wife woman of *Corniculum*) bare him  
during her bondage; but *Tullius* he was called,  
by the name of his fathers kindred, as *Dionysius*  
writeth.

writeth in his fourth book, reckoning up many acts by him achieved.

25

L. Tarquinius Superbus, the seventh King of Romans, ruled 25 years.

IN the two hundred and twentieth year after the foundation of the City, L. Tarquinius the younger, having killed Servius Tullius, entered upon the Roman kingdom with force of arms, nor by Interregent, nor yet any right of law. Superbus he was named for his cruel demeanour, in that he forbade to commit to earth the dead corps of his father in law, by him murdered: giving out that Romulus likewise died and lay unburied. He was the son of L. Tarquinius Priscus the King; as Q. Piſtur, An. Gellius, Licinius Macer, Verrinus Flaccus, and Livius have written. Howbeit, Dionysius out of L. Piſo

in his Annals, by most strong reasons disproveth their error, and by the certain computation of the year sheweth how it cannot possibly be so, but rather that he was the son of Tarquinius Priscus his son, who died in the life of Priscus. Five and twenty years he reigned according to Livy in his first book. Dionysius in his fourth, and Solinus in his Polyhistor. But Castellorum, Eusebius, Eutropius, and Bede ascribe unto him five and thirty years, adding unto his reign those ten years which they took from Servius Tullius, and thereby giving occasion of error to the later writers. Of him Dionysius, Livy, both the Plinies, Gellius, Macrobius, and Eutropius, have written much. Collected then, into one sum the year of these Kings reign, and thereof will arise the number of two hundred forty four.

### Of the first Elections of Consuls.

THIS is the second change of the Common-weal, by occasion that Superbus the King, as well for his insolent and proud government, as for the villany offered by Sextus the Kings son to Lucretia, was expelled, and liberty recovered: whereupon the sovereign government year by year was committed to two men, who first were named Prætors, for that they were let over the people; then Judges, because they decided their controversies; and lastly, Consuls, in that they advised and provided for the good of the Common-weal: as Cicero in the third book of Laws declareth in these words: Let there be two invested in royall government; and of ruling, judging, and counsell-giving, be they called Prætors, Judges, and Consuls: let them also have the sovereignty of command in war. Now the first Consuls or Prætors were created by Sp. Lucretius (father of Lucretia, and Interregent for the time) in a general assembly by the voices of the Centuries, according to the commentaries of Servius Tullius the King. The first Consul had all the rights, prerogatives, and regal ensigns of the KK, this only provided, that both of them should not have the rods and axes carried before them, for fear of presenting any terrour to the people. Both of them were chosen out of the Patritii: which for this intent I advertise the Reader of, that the progress of the Common-weal might be known; seeing that in process of time they came to be created out of the Commons also. Moreover, as concerning the year month, and day, when as the first Consuls entered their government, something were to be said in this place: but because we have spoken before of the variety and dissention of Authors thereof: therefore letting pass these circumstances, proceed we to the very Consuls, who by the testimony of all writers were first chosen: namely,

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L. Junius Brutus, and L. Tarquinius Collatinus.

IT is recorded by all writers, that L. Junius Brutus, and L. Tarquinius Collatinus, were the first Consuls or Prætors of the Roman people: who in the end of the 244 year since the foundation of the City, and upon the first day of March (after the Tarquinius KK, the father & the son were expelled the City) in an assembly of the Centuries were solemnly pronounced and declared Consuls. But after that Brutus had compelled his Colleague Tarquinius to resign up his Consulship, either because he was suspected for the affinity and name of the Tarquins (as L. Piſo in Gellius the 15 book and 29 cap, Livy, Plutarch, and Cic. 3. Offic. do write: ) or by occasion of a variance between Brutus and Collatinus about the execution of Collatinus his sisters son, (as Dionysius reporteth) he subelected in his place Pub. Valerius Volusus the son of Volusus whose helping hand he had used especially in banishing the KK. Of whose Consulship, Po-

lybius in the third book, Dionysius, Livy, Valerius Max. 4. book 4. chapter, Plutarch in Poplicola, and Pliny 36 book, chap. 15, have made mention. But Valerius, after that Brutus in his Magistracy was slain by Aruns the son of Superbus (for the King his father had levied war against the Romans) in a general Court of all the Centuries, took unto him for his companion in government, Sp. Lucretius Tricipitinus the father of Lucretia; and to him (being the elder) submitted the preeminence of sovereignty. And soon after, within few daies upon his death, (for he was very aged) bequeathed unto him M. Horatius Pulvillus for his Colleague in the Consulship. The said Valerius was called Poplicola, for that during his Magistracy, he enacted certain laws very popular, and namely, concerning the appeal from the Consuls to the people, and the receiving of the state-government from the said people, as

Livius

Livius and Dionysius do witness. In the vulgar books, as also in the old written Copies (whether by error or of purpose) we not only read his name evermore Poplicola, but still in one and the same signification; Only the letters are a little altered, which otherwise have much affinity one with another; as Quintilian writeth, namely o with u, and p with b. For in antique titles and inscriptions, you shall read often Poplicola for Publius. To conclude therefore, in the fifth year after the Kings were exiled, Consuls at Rome were these, L. Junius Brutus, and L. Tarquinius Collatinus, B. Valerius Poplicola, Sp. Lucretius Tricipitinus, and M. Horatius Pulvillus.

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P. Valerius, II. T. Lucretius.

THE Consulship of these two is recorded unto us by Dionysius, Livius and Castellorum, Omphrius Parvinius, given unto Lucretius the surname of Tricipitinus, both for that it was a peculiar addition to that house; and also, because by an ancient Chronologer in the records of Cyprianus, he is named Tricipitinus. Now for Publius the Etymology thereof according to Sextus, is twofold: For some call him Pub, who hath been brought up at the publick charges; others again name him so, who was a ward before he had his name given him.

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P. Lucretius, P. Valerius Poplicola.

LIVIVS calleth this Lucretius by the forename L. of P. but other books of Titus, Dionysius writeth, that P. Valerius Poplicola the third time, and M. Horatius the second time were Consuls. Plutarch speaketh of the third Consulship only of P. Valerius, Omphrius and Sigonius follow Dionysius. As for Castellorum, he leaveth out altogether these Consuls.

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Sp. Lartius, T. Herminius.

AFTER Poplicola the third time, and Pulvillus the second time Consuls, Dionysius hath placed Sp. Lartius and T. Herminius. The same doth Castellorum. And the book noted by Cyprianus, under an unknown author, hath in it thus written, Poplicola III. & Pulvillus: Ruffo & Aquilino: Valerio & Tuberto. Livy omitteth these Consuls, and in their place putteth down M. Valerius, and P. Postumius: But as Sigonius thinketh, the fault is in the writers of the book.

But that this year should necessarily come between Omphrius thinketh, according to the book of M. Tullius Cicero entitled Brutus: and certain it is, that Verrinus Flaccus in his Capitoline tables hath not rejected these Consuls. Now this name Lartius is derived of Lart, and so ought it to be written, and not Lartius, as corruptly it is to be seen in some Copies of Livy and Dionysius. As for the surname to Herminius, Omphrius supposeth it to have been Esquilinus, both for that the mention of that surname appeareth in a fragment of the Capitoline marbles, as also because of what family else it should

be, no writer ever hath delivered. This Sp. Lartius was the brother of Titus Lartius the first Dictator, as writeth Dionysius.

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M. Valerius, P. Postumius.

PLUTARCH, as also Dionysius and Livius writeth, that this M. Valerius was brother to M. Valerius Poplicola, and therefore truly is he said to be the son of Volusus. Postumius for his surname had Tubertus. With these Zonaras together with Plutarch in Poplicola, and Dionysius in the fifth and sixth books. Him Dionysius calleth the brother of Quintus, where he treateth of the Consular Embassadors sent unto the Commons in the year 260. This Postumius, as Omphrius teacheth, was by old authors written without the aspiration (b) either because of Post, a Postumus, and Postumius, and so Postumius is derived, or for that in old time they wrote minus without the said (b). Now he is called Postumius who was born last, as Cælius witnesseth in his commentaries of ancient readings. Howbeit, lawyers pronounce the word with the aspiration, and call by that name him only, who was born after his fathers death: and with them accord Varro and Plutarch in the life of Sylla.

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P. Valerius III. T. Lucretius.

DIONYSIUS, Livius, Plutarch and Castellorum, report these for Consuls this year. But the registers of Cyprian deliver unto us Poplicola the fourth time, and Tricipitinus, Valerius Maximus in the fourth book and fourth chapter writeth thus, Valerius Poplicola began his Consulship with Brutus, and the same man bare three Consuls afterwards, to the great contentment of the people.

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Agrippa Mænenius, P. Postumius.

DIONYSIUS hath for Consuls this year, Agrippa Mænenius Lanatus, and L. Postumius the second time. Livy, Castellorum, Cyprianus book, and the Greek records disagree not from him. Valerius Max. 4. book, 4. cap. corruptly calleth him M. Mænenius Agrippa. Now Agrippa are they called, who are born into the world with extraordinary throws & birth-travels of their mothers, namely, not with their heads, but their feet forward, against nature.

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Opiet Virginius, Sp. Cassius.

LIVIVS, Zonaras and Castellorum, name these Consuls barely thus. Dionysius yet is more liberal, calling Sp. Cassius, Viscellinus: and Opiet Virginius, Tricostus. But whom Dionysius calleth Viscellinus, Cicero in his Lælius termeth Cassius Begillinus. And Cyprianus Kalender Viscellinus. For first of Viscus cometh Viscellus, and so from thence they derive Viscellinus. Opiet (to note that by the way, as Sex. Pompeius saith) is he whose father died before his grandfather. And the word foundeth thus much: as if he were born after his fathers death: or because he taketh his grandfather for his father.

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*Posthumius Cominius. T. Lartius.*  
**L**ivy, *Dionysius Zonaras* and *Cassiodorus* name these simply thus. But *Cuspinian* Kalender, giveth to *Posthumius* the surname *Auruncus*; & to *Lartius* *Rufinus*. And those whom *Cuspinian* book nameth *Ruffi*, the Greek registers by another word, but to the same fence, call *Flavi*.

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*Ser. Sulpitius. M. Tullius.*  
**L**ivy and *Cassiodorus* allow to these no surnames at all. The Sicilian Records give to *Sulpitius* the addition of *Campanus*, like as the Kalender of *Cuspinian*; and to *Tullius* of *Lugdunus*; as also doth *Dionysius*, who writeth, that *Marius* *Tullius* died in the time of his Magistracy; and that in his place there was none substituted because the year was weaker at an end. Of this *M. Tullius Cicero* speaketh in his *Brutus*, saying, As if I should avouch my self to be defended of *M. Tullius* the Patriian, who in the tenth year after the expulsion of the *KK*, was Coſ. with *Ser. Sulpitius*. This surname *Marius*, as *Sext. Pompeius* saith, cometh hereupon that some one was born *Marius*, i. e. in the morn, like as *Lucius*, who entred into the world by daylight. And in another place, this *Marius* (qd. he) consecrated the field *Nemorensis*, from whom many noble and famous men sprung, and continued many years. Whereupon arose the Proverb, *Multis Manii Aricia*, i. e. there be many *Manii* at *Aricia*. Moreover, he was called *Servius*, who came of parents (either both or one at least) whiltes they were in bondage, or else, who when his mother was dead, lived still in her womb, and so was saved.

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*C. Veturius. T. Eburnus.*  
**T**he forename of this *Veturius* or *Veturius* in some Copies of *Livy*, as *Martial* sheweth in his annals: or *C. V. C.* in other *C. V. C.* in *Cassiodorus*, *Lucius*; in *Dionysius* *Publius*; who also nameth him *Veturius*, *Geminus*; and *T. Eburnus* *Helianus* and in some place *Helianus*, but faultily; for the Latine writers also affirm his surname to be *Helianus*. The Greek Records likewise have *Helianus* and *Geminus*. Moreover they that write him *Veturius*, imitate the ancient manner of putting *V* for *V*, as when they call men *Fufius*, *F. L.* and *Papifius*. But they who call him *Veturius* follow the latter usage. Of this matter *Livy* speaketh in the year 292.

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*Q. Cladius. T. Lartius.*  
**T**hus say *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*; but *Dionysius* nameth *T. Lartius*, *Flavius*; and *Q. Cladius*, *Siculus*; to whom accord the registers both of *Cuspinian* and *Sicily*. This *T. Lartius* is the same, as appeareth by *Dionysius* who before was Coſ., and therefore is his surname *Flavius* rightly added. The house of the *Cladii* is also of the *Iulii* *Serv. Li. Geganis*, *Curatii* and *Q. in* descended from the *Albans* first, as *Dionysius* writeth.

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*An. Sempronius. M. Minutius.*

**T**hus *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* deliver unto us these Coſ. But *Cuspinian* registers and the Sicilian, surname them *Atratinus* and *Augurinus*. And *Dionysius* nameth them *An. Sempronius Rhetinus*, and *M. Minutius Augurinus*, albeit he maketh no mention of *Augurinus*, but in the second Consulship of *Minutius*; as for *An. Sempronius*, he was to be called, who being new born, was nourished and fostered by the gods.

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*An. Posthumius. T. Virginius.*

**T**hus are these Coſ., set down by *Dionysius*, *Livy*, and *Cassiodorus*. And to them verily the Greek records put the surnames of *Albus* and *Calimontanus*. But the book of *Cuspinian* addes *Regillensis* & *Tricostus* besides: so that by him they are thus written, *An. Posthumius Albus Regillensis*, and *T. Virginius Tricostus Calimontanus*.

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*App. Claudius and P. Servilius.*

**L**ivy and *Cassiodorus* record these for Coſ. this year. The registers as well of *Cuspinian* as *Sicily*, *Sabinus* and *Priscus*: But *Dionysius* more fully, *App. Claudius Sabinus*, and *P. Servilius Priscus*. This *App. Claudius* was the top of the *Claudian* kindred, first named, *Albinus Claudius*, and afterwards, *App. Claudius*; who from *Regillus*, a City of the *Sabins* (whereupon he was called, *Sabinus Regillensis*) came to *Rome* in the two hundred and fiftieth year after the foundation of the City, and was ranged among the *Patrii*, as *Livy*, *Dionysius*, and *Suetonius* in *Tiberius* make report. This man was grandfire to that *App. Claudius* the Decemvir. As touching his forename, there is some difference, whereof ye may see *Onuphorius* and *Martianus* in their Kalenders.

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*A. Virginius and T. Veturius.*

**T**hese are thus set down by *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*, as here they be named, *Dionysius* writeth them, *An. Virginius Montanus*, and *T. Veturius Geminus*. The register of *Cuspinian*, barely *Montanus* and *Geminus*. The Sicilian, *Calimontanus* and *Geminus*. *Montanus* and *Calimontanus* are both one. *Padianus* upon the Oration of *Cicero* for *Cornelius*, calleth these Consuls, *An. Virginius Tricostus*, and *L. Veturius Cicurinus*; whereby it may be understood, that both of them had two surnames; to wit, the one, *Tricostus*, *Calimontanus*; and the other, *Geminus*, *Cicurinus*; for to elsewhere other writers testifie, *Cuspinian* is observed, that this *Cicurinus*, is also called *Coturnius* by some writers.

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*Sp. Cassius and Posthumius Cominius.*

**S**o *Livy* and *Dionysius*. Of them speaketh *Cicero* also in his Oration for *Cornelius*. But *Cuspinian* his books let forth unto us, *Vicellinus* & *Auruncus*. The Sicilian records, *Auruncus*, and *Vuellinus*. And that these same were Consuls together in this year, and entred upon their government the first of September, sooner then the custom was, as *Dionysius* writeth.

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*T. Geganus and P. Minutius.*

**D**ionysius in the beginning of the seventh book nameth for Coſ. this year *T. Geganus* *Macerinus*, and *P. Minutius*. The same doth *Livy* in the second book. *Cassiodorus* likewise and *Eutropius*. *Orosius* also in the second book and fifth chapter, leaving out one of their surnames. But the Greek records and *Cuspinian* book surname them both, the one *Marcerinus*, the other *Augurinus*. And these are ordinary surnames, this to *Minutius*, and the former to the *Geganii*.

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*M. Minutius, and An. Sempronius.*

**S**o *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* let them down, omitting their surnames, as also the numeral note II. But *Dionysius* recordeth them fully in this manner, *An. Sempronius Atratinus* the second time, and *M. Minutius Augurinus* likewise the second time. This year reckoneth *Dionysius* for the nineteenth, after that *Poplicola* the Coſ. published the law of appealing.

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*Sp. Nautius and Sext. Furius.*

**A**fter *An. Sempronius* and *M. Minutius* Coſ. *Dionysius* bringeth in to succeed them, *Q. Sulpitius Camerinus*, and *Sp. Lartius Flavius* the second time. *Cuspinian* registers, *Cornutus* and *Flavius*. The Sicilian, *Camerinus* and *Flavius*. Moreover, *Cornutus* is an ordinary surname to the *Sulpitii*, as may be gathered out of the Capitoline tables of *Rome*. And that these Coſ. are not to be left out, either according to the account of the Capitol, or to make up and digest the sum gathered by *Varro*, appeareth by the Triumph of *P. Valerius*, which would not fall to the year 279, if we should deduct these Coſ. out of the Kalender.

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*T. Sicius and C. Aquilius.*

**N**ext after the former Consuls, there followed according to *Dionysius*, *C. Iulius Iulus* and *P. Pinarius Rufus* Consuls. *Cuspinian* his records deliver unto us, *Iulus* and *Mamercius*: But the Greek, *Iulus* and *Rufus*. And that *Mamercius* is a surname to the *Pinarii*, appeareth by another place. These Consuls *Livy* over-passeth, like as the other the year before: upon whom, they that undertook the expla-

tion of the Capitoline tables have noted, that there want Consuls for two years. So that of himself the like may be said to that which he writeth in the ninth book of *Piso*, in this manner [These Consuls, *Piso* bringeth in immediately after *Q. Fabius* and *P. Decius*, leaving out two years, whereof we have reported that *Cladius* and *Voluntinus* were Consuls in the one, and *Cornelius* with *Marius* in the other.] Whether he forgot them in the digesting of the Annals, or of purpose passed by them (notwithstanding he thought of those two couple of Consuls) it is uncertain. Moreover, the surname of *C. Iulius*, was transformed every where into *Tullius* and *Tullius*; but that it is to be read *Iulus*, both *Martianus*, and also after him *Pavonius* sheweth. For this surname *Iulus* is set from *Aeneas* the son of *Aeneas*, and from the said surname is derived the denomination of a family; and therefore *Virgillius*.

*The Iulian house at Rome, first came from Iulus great, a prince of name.*

And *Livy* speaking of the same in this wife faith; which *Iulus*, the house of the *Iuli*, avouch for the author of their name.

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*Sp. Cassius. Proculus Virginius.*

**B**ut to leave these things; *Sp. Nautius* and *Sext. Furius*, are by *Dionysius*, *Livy*, and *Cassiodorus*, ranged Consuls in this year. In *Cuspinian* his Annals, there is *Rutilius*, the surname of *Nautius*, and likewise *Vicellinus*. But in the Sicilian, *Nautius* and *Fufius*.

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*Servius Cornelius. Q. Fabius.*

**A**ccording to *Livy* the Consuls this year were *T. Sicius*, and *C. Aquilius*; whom *Dionysius* and *Cassiodorus* name to be *T. Sicius* & *C. Aquilius*. The surnames of these, by the Greek records and *Cuspinian* Kalender, were *Tuscanus* and *Sabinus*. As for *Aquilius*, he was so called (as *Martianus* observeth) who was aquila colour, i. e. of a dusky black, or brownish colour.

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*L. Emilius. L. Furius.*

**L**ivy avoucheth Consuls for this year, *Sp. Cassius* and *Proculus Virginius*; and *Dionysius* *Sp. Cassius* the second time, with *Proculus Virginius*. And *Dionysius* in his eleventh book, unto *Virginius* addeth the name *Tricostus*. The Greek records, as also those of *Cuspinian* make mention of *Rutilius* and *Vicellinus*. Now as concerning the name of *Proculus*, some think they be so called, for that they were born when their parents were old, *quasi*, *Proculus* *progreſſi*, i. e. far steep in years.

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M. Fabius. L. Valerius.

**D**iodorus in the said 11 book, declareth *Q. Fabius Vibulanus*, and *Servius Cornelius Cossus*, for this years Coss. The same do *Dionysius Livy*, and *Cassiodorus*, saying that they leave out the surnames. But as touching the surname of *Cossus*, (that ye may be relieved) men were named *Cossi* in the old time, who had rivels and wrinkled bodies, like to the wood-worms breeding in trees, called *Cossi*. *Plinius* in his 17 book and 24 chap. saith: Ryot and wann-tonnells hath brought up the use at the table of the daintier wood-worms breeding in oaks. Hereupon *Saint Hierome* against *Joaniam*: In *Paninis*, quoth he) and *Phrygia*, it is counted high and delicate fare to eat *Xyl phagion* for to be called those plump and fat worms which came of rotten wood, and among them are reckoned to yeeld a great revenue and commodity to the housekeeper. Of them the Romans took their names of *Cossi*, *Cossius*, *Cossut*, and *Cossutani*.

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Q. Fabius. C. Julius.

**L**ivius *Emilius* the son of *Mamercus*, and *L. Cajo Fabius* the son of *Cajo*, are by *Dionysius* recorded the Consuls of this year. *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* approved the same. *Dionysius* likewise, saying that he addeth to *L. Emilius* the surname of *Mamercus*: but they leave out the fore names of their fathers. The Greek records have *Mamercus* and *Fabius*. As for the surname of *Mamercus*, *Dionysius* giveth it unto *Emilius* himself in the third Consulship. Moreover, *Sex. Pompeius* affirmeth, that the kindred *Emilia* took name of *Mamercus* the son of *Pythagoras* the Philosopher, who for his singular humanity, was named *Emilius*. But as he saith *Emilius* is a name and not a surname. Now was this *Emilius* the son of *Mamercus*, as witnesseth *Dionysius*.

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K. Fabius. Sp. Furius.

**D**ionysius hath for this years Coss. *Mamercus Fabius Vibulanus*, and *L. Valerius Potitus*, *Dionysius Livius*, and *Cassiodorus*, M. Fabius and *L. Valerius*. The Greek records, *Fabius* and *Valerius*: and finally *Cuspinianus* book *Fabius* and *Potitus*.

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M. Fabius. Cn. Manlius.

**D**ionysius matcheth together in the Consulship this year, *C. Julius* and *Q. Fabius Livius* and *Cassiodorus*. *Q. Fabius* and *Caius Julius*. The Sicilian registers and *Cuspinianus Julius* and *Fabius*.

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K. Fabius. T. Virginus.

**D**ionysius writeth, that *Cajo Fabius* the second time and *Sp. Furius Medullinus* were

Consuls this year: but *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* put in stead of them, *Q. Fabius* and *C. Junius*. The Sicilian registers, as also *Cuspinianus Julius* and *Fabius*.

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L. Emilius. T. Servilius.

**B**y the testimony of *Dionysius*, there followeth Consuls next after *M. Fabius* the second time, and *C. Manlius*. But *Dionysius Livius*, and *Cassiodorus*, deliver unto M. Fabius and *Cn. Manlius* for Consuls. The Greek records, name *Fabius* the second time, and *Cincinatus*. *Cuspinianus* book hath *Vibulanus* the second time. The Capitoline stone sheweth, *Cn. Manlius* the son of *Publius*.

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C. Horatius. T. Menenius.

**F**urius, *Cassiodorus*, *Dionysius* and *Dionysius*, make report of *Cajo Fabius* to have been Coss. this year with *T. Virginus*: but the Sicilian registers, *Fabius* with *Rutilius*. *Dionysius* noteth that *Cajo* the brother of the Coss. who gave him his place, was a third Consul this year. And *Livy* saith, that *T. Virginus* *Rutilius* died in time of the pestilence the 290 year.

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A. Virginus. Sp. Servilius.

**A**ccording to *Livy*, *Dionysius*, and *Cassiodorus*, the Consuls this year were *L. Emilius* and *C. Servilius*: but *Dionysius* nameth *L. Emilius* *Mamercus* with *C. Cornelius Lentulus* the Sicilian registers, *Emilius* with *Esquilinus*. Another fragment of the Capitoline stone, only *Servilius Abala*: with *Esquilinus* substituted in his room. Moreover, *Mamercus* (as *Sex. Pompeius* writeth) is an Oscan fore name: who also reporteth, that the House *Emilia* was so called of *Mamercus* the son of *Pythagoras* the Philosopher, who for his passing courteous was surnamed *Emilius*.

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C. Nautilus. P. Valerius.

**L**ivius, *Cassiodorus*, *Dionysius*, and *Dionysius*, put down for Coss. *T. Menenius* and *C. Horatius*. As for *Dionysius*, he added unto *Horatius* the surname of *Pulvillius*: and the Capitoline stone (nameth *Menenius* *Leatus*. And even so both in *Cuspinianus* *Leatus* and *Pulvillus*. Of these Coss. *Gellius* maketh mention in the 17 book & 12 chap. but not without fault.

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L. Furius. A. Manlius.

**L**ivius, *Cassiodorus*, and *Dionysius*, set down for Coss. *A. Virginus* and *Spurius Servilius*. *Dionysius*, *A. Virginus* *Tricostus*, and *C. Servilius* *Servilius*. In *Cuspinianus* his Kalender, *Virginus*, for his surname hath *Rutilius*: and the Capitoline roles, give *Servilius* to *Servilius*: the Sicilian records have both.

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L. Fabius, Opiter Virginus, or P. Valerius Julius.

**L**ivy and *Cassiodorus* nominat for this years Coss. *P. Valerius* and *C. Nautilus*. *Dionysius*, *P. Valerius* *Papicola*, and *C. Nautilus*. *Dionysius*, *P. Valerius* *Papicola*, and *C. Nautilus* *Rufus*. The Sicilian registers, thus *Nautilus* and *Papicola*. *Cuspinianus*, *Papicola* and *Rufus*. The Capitoline stones, having for *Rufus*, *Rutilius*: like as *Dionysius* before in *Livius*, for *Rufus* putteth down *Flavius*.

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L. Pinarius. P. Furius.

**D**iodorus this year nameth Consuls, *L. Furius Medullinus* and *Manlius Volso*. *Livius* and *Cassiodorus* record *L. Furius* and *C. Manlius*. *Dionysius* cometh with *A. Manlius* and *L. Furius*. *Marrianus* giveth waiting to read *Fulvius*, not *Folse*.

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App. Claudius son of Appius. T. Quintius.

**D**ionysius would have *L. Emilius Mamercus* to be Consul the third time this year, with *Papiscus Julius*: but *Livy*, *L. Emilius* and *Opiter Virginus*. Howbeit he saith that in some Annals he found *Papiscus Julius*, in stead of *Virginus*. And them *Dionysius*, the Greek records, and the avouchers of the Consule tables within the Capitol, have followed. In the fragments whereof is read *Julius*, which is a surname of the *Julii*. And therefore in the Sicilian registers, it is thus written, *Emilius* and *Julius*: but in those of *Cuspinianus*, *Mamercus* and *Papiscus*. *Cassiodorus* hath followed *Livy*. Moreover, *Appius* is a peculiar name of the *Claudii*, which no citizen else of *Rome* used: because it was a stranger's name.

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L. Valerius. T. Emilius.

**L**ivius, *Dionysius*, and *Cassiodorus*, name for this year Consuls, *L. Pinarius* and *L. Furius*. *Dionysius*, *L. Pinarius* *Mamercinus*, and *P. Furius* *gigobus* faulty, as *Sigonius* and *Onuphrius* think. Of these Coss. M. Varo maketh mention, and *Macrobius* in the first book of the *Saturalia*.

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T. Numicius Priscus. A. Virginus.

**D**ionysius saith, the Consuls of this year were *App. Claudius* the son of *Appius*, (surnamed also *Sabinus*), and *T. Quintius Capitolinus*. *Livy* leaveth out their surnames.

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T. Quintius. P. Servilius.

**L**ivy and *Cassiodorus* set down for Consuls this year, *T. Emilius* and *L. Valerius*. *Dionysius*

*dorns*, *L. Valerius Papicola*, and *T. Emilius Mamercus*. *Dionysius*, *L. Valerius* the second time, and *T. Emilius*. The Sicilian registers yeeld us nothing but the bare names, *Emilius* and *Valerius*: but *Cuspinianus*, *Potitus* and *Mac*.

285

T. Emilius. Q. Fabius.

**D**ionysius, hath for Consuls this year, *A. Virginus* *Almonius* (whom the Greek records call *Calimontanus*) and *T. Numicius Priscus*. *Dionysius Livius*, and *Cassiodorus*, conceal their surnames: and whom the Sicilian registers name *Calimontanus*, *Cuspinianus* calleth *Nomentanus*.

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Q. Servilius. Sp. Posthumus.

**I**n *Dionysius* we read, for this years Consuls *Quintius Capitolinus*, and *Q. Servilius Priscus*. *Livius* and *Cassiodorus*, are silent for the surnames: but in *Dionysius* there be *T. Quintius*, & *Q. Servilius* *Strutius*. In *Cuspinianus* Kalender, *Capitolinus* and *Priscus*: in the Sicilian registers, *Calimontanus* and *Priscus*.

287

Q. Fabius. T. Quintius.

**L**ivius, and *Cassiodorus* match together in Consulship for this year: *T. Emilius* and *Q. Fabius*. *Dionysius*, *T. Emilius* the 11. time, and *Q. Fabius*. The Sicilian registers, *Emilius* & *Vibulanus*, *Cuspinianus* *Mamercus* and *Vibulanus*. *Dionysius*, *Emilius* *Mamercus* and *Q. Fabius* *Vibulanus*. This is that *Fabius* who afterwards was four times Consul, and was the only *Fabius* that survived, when the *Fabii* were slain at *Crumeria*: not a child at the time of fourteen years of age, but a servicable and an active man of his hands, (as *Dionysius* reporteth) and was the son of *Marcus* a man who had been Consul.

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A. Posthumus Albus. Sp. Furius Esus.

**T**his year had for Consuls, *Q. Servilius* and *Sp. Posthumus*, as *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* report: but *Priscus* and *Albus*, as *Cuspinianus* saith. And by *Dionysius* his testimony, *Sp. Posthumus*, *Albus*, and *Servilius* *Priscus* the second time; *Dionysius* nameth *Q. Servilius* *Priscus* the second time but *Dionysius* nameth *Q. Servilius* & *Sp. Posthumus* *Albus*. Howbeit, in the fragment of the Capitoline marble, *Sp. Posthumus* is surnamed *Albus* *Regillensis*, and not *Albus*, and so *Marlian* thinketh it ought to be read.

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**L**ivius nameth *T. Quintius* and *Q. Fabius* *Cassiodorus*. *T. Quintius* the second time, and *Q. Fabius* the second time. *Dionysius*, *T. Quintius* *Capitolinus* and *Q. Fabius*. *Dionysius*, *T. Quintius* *Capitolinus* the third time, and *Q. Fabius* *Vibulanus* the second time.

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290.  
L. Luccretius Tricipitinus, T. Veturius Geminus

According to the Capitoline table, *Aulus Posthumius* is out of *Livy*, *Dionysius*, and *Cassiodorus*, *Pub. Ennius Fulvus*, are noted for Consuls this year. *Diodorus* putteth for *Furinus* the only gentle surname *Medullinus* for *Fulvus*. This *A. Posthumius* was the son of *A. Posthumius* the Dictator.

291  
P. Volumnus, Serv. Sulpicius

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* write that there followed as Coss. this year, *P. Servilius*; but *Dionysius* nameth *L. Abutius* and *P. Servilius Priscus*, *Diodorus*, *L. Abutius Elva* and *Pub. Servilius Strabon*. The Sicilian registers shew *Priscus* and *Flavius Cuspinian*, *Elva* and *Priscus*. The Capitol stones exhibit unto us *P. Servilius* the son of *Sp. P. N.*; & the sons for of *Publius* and surname *Priscus*.

292  
C. Claudius, son of Appius, P. Valerius Poplicola

*Livy* *Cassiodorus*, and *Dionysius* represent unto us as Consuls this year, *L. Luccretius Tricipitinus*, and *T. Veturius* [for *Veturius*] *Geminus*; but *Diodorus*, *L. Luccretius* and *T. Veturius Cicurinus*, *Cuspinian* his Kalender, *Geminus* and *Tricipitinus*. The Sicilian Registers, *Tricipitinus* and *Veturus*; the Capitol monuments *L. Luccretius Tricipitinus*.

293  
Q. Fabius Vibulanus III, L. Cornel. Maluginensis

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* profess for Consuls this year, *P. Volumnus* and *Serv. Sulpicius*. *Dionysius*, *P. Volumnus*, and *Serv. Sulpicius Camerinus*. The Capitol marbles have *P. Volumnus Amintanus* *Gallus*. Of the same Consul *Valerius* speaketh, in his first book and six chapter:

294  
L. Minutius, C. Nautius

*Livy* and *Dionysius* name, *P. Valerius Publicola*, and *C. Claudius Sabinius* Consuls for this year; *Diodorus*, *P. Valerius Poplicola*, and *C. Claudius Regillanus*. The Sicilian registers & *Cuspinian*, call them *Poplicola* and *Sabinus*. The Capitoline marble hath this record, *P. Valerius P. F.* [son of P.] *Volaf N. i.* the sons of *Volafus*, [surnamed *Poplicola*], but *Livy*, *Dionysius*, *Plinius* & they that have ranged the Col. in the capitol, have reported that *P. Valerius* the Consul was slain in the battle against the bondslaves who this year (under the leading of *Ap. Herodotus* the Sabine) held the Capitol by force, and that in his head *L. Quintus Cincinnatus* was substituted.

295  
Q. Minutius, C. Horatius Pulvillus

*Livy*, together with *Cassiodorus*, declare for Consuls this year, *Q. Fabius* the third time and *L. Cornelius Maluginensis*, *Dionysius*, *Q. Fabius Vibulanus* the third time, and *L. Cornelius*, *Dionysius*, *Q. Fabius Vibulanus*, and *L. Cornelius Maluginensis*. The Sicilian registers, and *Cuspinian* and *Maluginensis*. The Capitol marble *C. Fabius Vibulanus* the third time.

296  
M. Valerius, Sp. Virginius

Both *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*, deliver unto us for Consuls, *L. Minutius* and *C. Nautius*, *Dionysius*, *L. Minutius* and *C. Nautius* the second time, *Diodorus* *Minutius*, *Nautius*, and *C. Nautius*, *Rutilius*. The Capitol stones *C. Nautius Rutilius* the second time. What this surname *Nautius* should mean, *Sigonius* and *Onuphrius* consigne they know not, and think in stead thereof 'twould read *Nautius*, *Valerius*, *Maximus* (5 book 2 chap. Of thankful persons) writeth these Consuls corruptly, *Q. for Nautius*, and *Minutius*.

297  
T. Romulus, Sp. Veturius

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* name for Coss. this year *Q. Minutius* and *Ap. Horatius Pulvillus*; but herein they do amiss, as *Sigonius* and *Onuphrius* suppose for the same *Livy* writeth, that *Caius Horatius Pulvillus* died being Augur in the year 322. *Diodorus* nameth *L. Posthumus* and *M. Horatius*. *Dionysius* *Q. Horatius* and *Q. Minutius*. The Capitol records, *C. Horatius Pulvillus*. And the Sicilian registers, *Pulvillus* and *Augurinus*.

298  
Sp. Tarpeius, A. Asterius

In *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*, and *Dionysius*, we find Coss. this year, *Valerius* with *Sp. Virginius*. But in the twelfth book of *Diodorus* *M. Valerius Laetitia*, and *Sp. Virginius Tricostus*. In *Cuspinian* Kalender *Maximus* and *Calimontanus*. In the Sicilian, *Maximus* and *Virginius*. In that of the Capitol, *M. Valerius Max.* As for *Laetitia*, *Plinius* sheweth, that it is a surname of the *Valerii*. Of these Consuls also, *Cicero* maketh mention in his discourse of the places called *Seculares*.

299  
P. Curiatius, Sext. Quinctilius

According to *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and *Dionysius*, this year *Veturius* and *T. Romulus* entered upon the Consulship. *Diodorus* delivereth unto us *C. Veturius Cicurinus*, and *T. Romulus Vasicanus*, *Cuspinian* Kalender sheweth *Geminus* and *Vasicanus*. The Sicilian, *Romus* and *Veturius*. The Capitol records, *T. Romulus*, son of *T. nephew* or sons of *T. Vasicanus*. Of the same *Romulus*, *Pliny* also speaketh also 7 book, chapter 28.

300  
T. Menenius, P. Sestius Capitolinus

*Spurius Tarpeius* son of *M.* and nephew of *M.* [surnamed *Manianus* *Capitolinus*], the Kalender of *Verrius Flaccus* sheweth unto us for one Consul this year. Of whom, *Dionysius*, *Dionysius*, *Livy*, *Pedanius* upon *Cicero* his oration for *Cornelius*, and *Cassiodorus* make mention save only the surnames. *Cuspinian* book, and the Greek records, have *Capitolinus*. As for his colleague, they dissent and disagree. For *Dionysius* would have him to be *Anas Asterius Fentinalis*; but *Dionysius* *Anas Terminus*, *Livy* and *Pliny*, the seventh book, chapter seven and twenty, *A. Asterius*. *Solinus* chapter 4. Gell. 1 book, chapter 11. *A. Thermus*. Lastly, *Cassiodorus*, *Am. Asterius*, whom *Sigonius* and *Onuphrius* follow.

301  
App. Claudius, T. Geminus

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* likewise report for this year Consuls, *Sext. Quinctilius* and *P. Curiatius*. *Dionysius*, *Sext. Quinctilius* and *Horatius*. *Dionysius*, *Sext. Quinctilius Tergeminus*. The Capitol stones, name him *Sext. Quinctilius*, son of *Sext.* nephew of *Pub.* For this surname *Tergeminus* is common both to the *Horatii* and *Curiatii*, but *Sigonius* and *Onuphrius* allow *Horatius* rather.

302  
Sext. Quinctilius son of Sextus, nephew of Pub.

To this Consul the Greek records give the surname of *Vernus*, and to the Capitoline tables of stone do represent him. But *Dionysius*, *Dionysius*, *Livy*, and *Cassiodorus* deliver the same man unto us without the surname. Who was his colleague, it is doubtful. For by *Dionysius* it is was *P. Horatius*; by *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*, *Pub. Curiatius*; by *Dionysius*, *Tergeminus*; which is the surname as well of the *Curiatii*, as the *Horatii*. *Onuphrius* rather approveth of *Curiatius*.

303  
Decemvirs Consular.

*Livy* and *Dionysius*, together with the Capitoline registers (as far forth as may be gathered by the broken fragments of the tables shew that *App. Claudius* and *T. Geminus* were Coss. elect for this year, but they resigned up the place, in regard of creating Decemvirs. Now at touching this Decemvirat, the law *Terentia* brought it into the commonweal: which law *A. Terentius Arsa*, a Tribune of the commons, promulgated as touching five Quinquavirs to be created, who should set down laws to gage the Coss. authority. For the Commons complained, that their government was too great and tolerable, and therefore required that it might be abated and made more moderate. Which law, after he had been for six years together hotly canvassed by the Trib. to no effect

in the end waxed cold again, by reason that the said Trib. obtained a grant to double their own number. But afterwards upon the occasion that *Romulus* and *Petunius* the Coss. bare themselves too extreme in rigor against the Com. refusing warfare, the said law was set on foot again, and suit followed more hotly then before. Whereupon when the LL. of the Senat were doubtful what to do, at length they relolved upon this point, whereof the principal adviser was *T. Romulus* to create certain lawgiver, who should set down the rights and privileges both of nobles and commons. And look what ordinances by them were decreed, the same should bind both the one part and the other. The Com. agreed to this determination: and so three Embassadors, *Sp. Posthumus Albus*, *An. Manlius Volfus*, and *Serv. Sulpicius Camerinus*, were sent into Greece, to learn the statutes, customs, rights, and laws of the Athenians and other Cities of Greece, and the same to bring to them to Rome. These went their embassy when *Atrius* and *Tarpeius* were Consul, and three years after returned with the said laws, whiles *Sestius* and *Menenius* were Consuls. Now when the Tribuns were instant & called hard upon them, to begin once for to make these positive laws; and now already *App. Claudius* and *T. Geminus* were elected Coss. for this year: they passed an act of the Senat (according to the advice of *App. Claudius*) That other magistracies should cease, and 10 Decemvirs be created in consular, may royal authority absolutely, without liberty of appealing from them to the people: who should choote as well out of their own customs and ordinances, as the forrain laws above said, the best & most profitable to the common-weal, and set down the rights of the people of Rome; And look what they prescribed and presented (if the Senat and people of Rome allowed thereof) that should stand in force & bind the whole body of the state for ever. When this act was approved by the Commons, the Consuls resigned and gave over. In whole stead, were chosen Decemvirs consular, namely, *App. Claudius*, *T. Geminus*, the same that gave up their Consulship i) *Spur. Posthumus*, *Serv. Sulpicius*, *An. Manlius* (those that gave up in embassage from the Coss. to Athens:) *T. Romulus*, *C. Julius*, *P. Sestius*, *Pub. Horatius*, all men of consular calling, and such as had been Consuls before. Besides *Sp. Petunius*, according to *Livy*, *Dionysius*, and *Dionysius*: although *Dionysius* called *Posthumus* by the name of *Publicus* and not *Spurius* as *Livy*, and *Dionysius* do. Likewise *Livy* forec nameth *Petunius*, *Lucius*; *Dionysius* *Titus*; but *Dionysius* and the Capitoline stones, *Spurius*. These Decemvirs began their government in the 301 year after the foundation of the City, as *Livy* writeth, and after them *Cassiodorus* goeth. But the vouchers of the Capitol records, say it was the year 302; & with them agreeeth *Solinus*. But *Varro* (who *Onuphrius* followeth) accounteth the year 303. These sat in judgment and ministred justice to the people by turns every one his tenth day: on which day the said chief justice



bare the sovereign port, with his 12 Licitors before him; the other nine had but one fergeant apiece to give attendance: and the singular concord among themselves, which otherwiles was an agreement profitable when they were private, proved exceeding great equity to others.

BY this time the Commons, besides that they detested the name of Coss, no less than KK. found no mis of the Tribuns assistance, nor sought once after it, seeing the Decemvirs yeeld one onto another in reciprocal appealing. With great affection therefore and endeavour, as well of nobles as commons, there were created for this year also Decemvirs in Consuls authority absolutely without appeal, *Ap. Claudius* the second time, *Q. Fabius* who had been four times Consul, *M. Cornelius Maluginensis* brother of *L. Cornelius*, who had been Consul in the year 295; *M. Sergius*, *L. Minutius*, *T. Antonius Merenda*, *M. Rabuleius*; and three likewise of the Commons, *Q. Petilius*, *K. Duilius*, and *Sp. Oppius Cornicen*, as witnesseth *Diodorus Dionysius*, and *Livy*; although the gentile names for the most part are by *Diodorus* omitted.

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When the more part of the former year was past, and that upon the adding of two other tables to the former ten, there remained no more to do, (in case the said tables were once in the high court and assembly of the Centuries passed) why the common-weal should have any need of the Decemvirs, inasmuch as the commons expected, that soon after, the solema court and assembly aforesaid for creation of Consuls should be published: then the Decemvirs without any word at all made of that election or assembly, came abroad guarded with whole troops of young gentlemen Patritians, and demeaned themselves more proudly and insolently to every man. But before the year was fully expired, by occasion of the lecherous lust of *Ap. Claudius*, who challenged a maiden (one of the commons daughters) as a bond-servant, according as *Livy* more at large writeth; and also of the commons insurrection and departing into the *Aventine*, the foresaid Decemvirs gave over their Magistracy: and when *Q. Furius* the high Pontifex called a general assembly of the tribes, ten Tribuns of the Commons were again chosen: and so at length in another assembly of Centuries for the Consuls, holden by the Interregent, created there were Consuls,

*L. Valerius Potitius*, *M. Horatius Barbatus*.

These Consuls *Onuphrius* casteth upon a third year of the Decemvirs (although *Livy* seemeth to dissent) to the end that he might jump with the account of the Capitol, which he supposeth to be collected by *Varro* for by their calculation, the triumphs of these Consuls declared in the Capitol records, are engraven upon this very year, i. 304: so as it appea-

reth evidently, that part of this year was taken up by the Decemvirs, and part by the Consuls. *Tacitus* and *Rufus* write, that the Decemvirs continued but two years.

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*Livy* putteth down for Consuls, *Sp. Herminius* and *T. Virginus Calimontanus*, *Cassiodorus* saith, *L. Herminius* and *T. Virginus*, *Dionysius* writeth *adon igulobor*, *Tiron igelobor*: and *Diodorus* thus, *ragivov igulobor*, *tiron igelobor*: the Greek records, *Herminius*, *Triclus*: whereby *Onuphrius* teacheth that it be corruptly written in *Diodorus*, *Strutius* for *Triclus*: for *Strutius* was a surname of the *Servili* and not of the *Virginii*. As for his colleague *Herminius*, that he is to be fore-named *Lars*, besides *Diodorus* and *Dionysius*, *Valerius* also sheweth in his tenth book, where he writeth thus: The fore-name of *Lars* is derived from the *Lares*.

307

*M. Geganus Macerinus*, *C. Julius*.

These are recorded likewise to be the Consuls this year. The surname *Macerinus* is suppressed by *Cassiodorus* and *Diodorus*, who foresheweth the other *L. Julius*. In *Dionysius* certain pages be wanting in this place, *Cospius* his Kalender hath for *Macerinus*, *Macerinus*.

308

*T. Quintus Capitolinus IIII*, *Agrippa Furius*.

*Dionysius* and *Livy* both, name the Coss of this year, *T. Quintus Capitolinus* the fourth time, and *Agrippa Furius*. *Diodorus* and *Cassiodorus* conceal the surname and the numeral note of four. The Greek records have *Furius* and *Capitolinus*. *Onuphrius* unto *Furius* addeth the surnames of the grandfire, to wit, *Medullinus* *Fusus*.

309

*M. Genucius*, *C. Curtius*.

*Livy* delivereth unto us for Coss this year, *M. Genucius*, and *P. Curtius*. *Cassiodorus* likewise *M. Genucius* and *P. Curtius*: but *Dionysius*, *M. Genucius* and *C. Quintus*: and *Diodorus* hath, *M. Genucius* and *Agrippa Curtius* *Clilo*. But as *Sigonius*, and after him *Onuphrius* have noted, it is falsly read in *Livy*, *Curtius* for *Curtius*; and that is proved by the authority of *Varro de lingua latina*: and therefore in the Sicilian registers written they are, *Genucius* and *Curtius*.

310

*A. Semp. Atratinus*, *Military Tribuns in Civil*  
*T. Clodius*, *ular authority upon whose*  
*L. Asinius*, *resignation Consuls were*  
*Chosen in their room*

*L. Papirius Magillanus*, *L. Sempronius Atratinus*.

When *C. Canuleius* a Tribune of the Commons, had the former year published a

second law, That one of the Consuls should be created out of the Commons, (whereby the dignity of the Patritii was empairod) the nobles fearing lest the said law would pass in deed mangle their heads, drew to a point: whereof *C. Claudius* made the first motion and was the adviser, That in stead of Consuls there should be created military Tribuns, three of the Patritii, and as many of the Commons: who being endued with Consular authority, should govern the common-weal. Also, that when their years government was expired, the advice both of Senar and also of people should be once again required, Whether they would have Consuls rather than Tribuns consular? and look which pleased them, they should be created. These points being resolved upon and decreed, three military Tribuns were created only, all Patritii: and well enough were the Commons content therewith, because themselves were eligible and capable of that dignity. Howbeit, this regiment of theirs newly set up, stood not firmly established. For within 3 months after, by a decree of the Augurs, they resigned up their honourable place, as if there had been some error committed in their election: and then *T. Quintus Barbatius* (nominated Interregent) created Consuls, *L. Pappyrus Magillanus*, and *L. Sempronius Atratinus*. The Consuls are left out in the Sicilian registers. Well saith *Livy* therefore, that these Consuls are found neither in ancient annals and yearly records, nor yet in the Kalender of the Magistrats. But *Cicero* maketh mention of them in his Epistle to *Pappyrus Patus*.

311

*M. Geganus Macerinus II*, *T. Quintus Capitolinus V*.

*Dionysius* and *Cassiodorus* avouch these for Consuls this year. As for *Dionysius*, he saith that they entered in the month of December. *Cassius* concealeth both their surnames, and *Diodorus* the one, namely, *Capitolinus*. The Greek records have *Macerinus* the second time, and *Capitolinus* the fifth time. *Zonaras* nameth them *Macerinus* and *Barbatius*.

312

*M. Fab. Vibulanus*, *Postumus Eburnus Cornicen*.

*Livy* saith, that Consuls of this year, were so named, *Diodorus* and *Cassiodorus* are silent in their surnames. The Greek records have *Vibulanus* and *Helua*. *Diodorus* attributeth to *Eburnus* the surname of *Saxo*, but what manner of addition that might be, *Sigonius* knoweth not, and thinketh that it should be read, *Saxo*.

313

*C. Furius Pacilus*, *M. Pappyrus Crassus*.

These Consuls by *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* are in this wise represented unto us. But by *Diodorus* after this sort, *Q. Furius Fusus*, and *Manius Papirius Crassus*. And by the Greek records thus, *Pacilus* and *Crassus*.

314

*P. Geganus Macerinus*, *L. Menenius Lanatus*.

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus*, deliver these Consuls thus fully named, *Proculus Geganus Macerinus*, and *L. Menenius Lanatus*. *Diodorus*, *T. Menenius*, and *Proculus Geganus Macerinus*. The Sicilian registers, *Macerinus* and *Lanatus*.

315

*T. Quint. Capitolinus VI*, *A. Menenius Lanatus*.

By *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*, these were the Consuls for this year: but after *Diodorus*, *T. Quintinus*, and *T. Menenius*. According to the Sicilian rolls, *Menenius* and *Capitolinus*.

316

*Mam. Amyntus*, *3 Milli. Tribu.*  
*L. Quintus* son of *Cincinnatus*, *38 in Conf. au-*  
*L. Julius*, *thority.*

The Tribuns of the Commons imported and prevailed, that there should be an election holden for Tribuns military, rather than Consuls; making no doubt, but in the chusing of six (for so many now by law might be created) some of the commoners by making profession that they would be revenged for the death of *Melius*, would step into the place: howbeit the Commons created no more than three Tribuns with Consular authority, and among them *L. Quintus* the son of *Cincinnatus*. In which election, *Mumerius Amyntus*, a right honorable man and of great worth, was by their suffrages preferred before *Quintus*, and *Julius* they made the third. In like manner, *Diodorus* nameth three Tribuns military for this year: but in this sort, *M. Amyntus Mamerus*, *C. Julius*, and *L. Quintus*.

317

*M. Geganus Macerinus III*, *L. Sergius Fidenas*.

When the Commons, together with their Tribuns were quiet, and carefully regarded the main state of the Common-weal, no question there was nor controversy, but that Coss. were chosen, to wit, *M. Geganus Macerinus* the third time, and *L. Sergius*, so saith *Livy*. *Cassiodorus* doth the same, but that he setteth down the names of the Coss. only in this wise, *M. Geganus* the third time, and *L. Sergius*, without surnames. *Diodorus* likewise, *M. Geganus* and *L. Sergius*, *Cospius* Kalender, and the Sicilian registers, *Macerinus* and *Fidenas*. For this *Sergius* was surnamed *Fidenas* (as *Livy* reporteth) by occasion of the war which he made against the *Fidenas*.

318

*M. Cornelius Maluginensis*, *L. Papirius Crassus*.

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* report these above-named, for this year Consuls, *Diodorus* nameth them, *L. Papirius* and *A. Corn. Macerinus*: but doubtless not without error, as *Sigonius* supposeth: for both in *Cospius* Kalender and the rolls of Sicily, we find *Maluginensis* and *Crassus*.

319

319  
C. Julius II. L. Virginii.

These Consuls are found for this year in *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*; but in *Diadormis* C. Julius and *Procus* Virginii *Triostus*. In *Cassiodorus* and the Sicilian records, *Julius* and *Virginii*.

320  
C. Julius III. L. Virginii II. or M. Manlius. Q. Martius.

I find in *Licinius Macer*, that the same Consuls were chosen again for the year following to wit, *Julius* the third time, and *Virginii* the second. *Valerius Antias* and *Quintus Tubero* alleged for these years Consuls, M. Manlius, and Q. Sulpicius. But in these in different records of theirs, *Tubero* and *Macer* both profess to go by the linen books; and neither of them dissembleth but that the ancient writers report of military Tribunes that year created. As for *Licinius*, he doubteth not to follow those linen records, and *Tubero* cannot relolve of the truth. But among other things, which by continuance of time are unknown, this also is left uncertain. Thus much *Livy*. But *Diadormis* in stead of Consuls, setteth down three military Tribunes, namely, M. Manlius, Q. Sulpicius, *Pretextatus*, and *Servius Cornelius Cossus*. The Greek records (following *Antias* and *Tubero*) have delivered touts Consuls, *Capitolinus* and *Camerinus*.

321  
M. Fabius Vibulanus. Tribunes military in Consuls authority.  
Sergius Fidenas.  
Marcus Folsius.

The Tribunes of the Commons in their orations continually forbade the elections of Consuls: and when they had brought it to about; that the government was at the point of interregency, they wan the mastery in the end, that the military Tribunes might be chosen with Consular authority. But reward of this victory which they shot at, namely, to have a commoner created, they obtained none: for out of the Patritii, namely M. Fabius Vibulanus, M. Folsius, L. Sergius Fidenas. Thus much *Livy*. *Diadormis* likewise nameth there, but corruptly, to wit, M. Fabius, M. *gaxivius*, and L. *Servilius*. As for *Folsius* in some of the Capitol monuments, he is written *Flaccinator* and not *Folsius*, as in the common editions of *Livy*, whom *Diadormis* calleth *gaxivius*.

322  
L. Pannius Mamercus. Tribunes military in Consuls authority.  
L. Furius Medullinus.  
Sp. Posthumius Albus.

NO motion was made of Consuls election, So Tribunes military were created in Consuls authority these, *Pannius Mamercus*, *L. Furius Medullinus*, and *Spurius Posthumus Albus*.

as *Livy* writeth. In *Diadormis* they are named thus, L. Furius Sp. Pannius Mamercus.

323  
T. Quintius, [son of Lucius] Cincinnatus Pennus  
Julius Mento.

An act of the Senat passed, that an election of Cons. should be holden, wherein T. Quintius, [son of Lucius] Cincinnatus, furnished also Pennus, and C. Julius Mento, were made Consuls, saith *Livy*. The same Cons. *Cassiodorus* also avoucheth. The Greek records have Pennus and Mento: But *Diadormis* nameth them barely T. Quintius and Cains Julius.

324  
L. Pappyrus Crassus, L. Julius.

The Tribunes of the Commons made much ado, and kept a c. v. in the City that Tribunes military in Consuls authority should be created, but could not prevail. So Consuls were chosen, L. Pappyrus Crassus and L. Julius. So say *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*: but *Diadormis* nameth them falsely, Cains Pappyrus and L. Julius: the Greek records, Crassus and Julius.

325  
L. Ser. Fidenas II. Hostus Lucretius Tricipitinus

The Consuls this year in *Cassiodorus*, are L. Sergius and Hostus Lucretius: in *Diadormis* Opiter Lucretius and L. Sergius Fidenas: in *Livy* L. Sergius Fidenas the second time, and Hostus Lucretius Tricipitinus. In the Sicilian registers, Tricipitinus and Fidenas. Of these *Valerius* maketh mention in his Epitome.

326  
A. Cornelius Cossus. T. Quintius Pennus II.

These Consuls are named by *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* for this year. But *Diadormis* avoucheth L. Quintius and *Sempronius*, but corruptly, as *Sigonius* and *Onuphrius* suppose. For in the Sicilian records are written, Cossus and Pennus: the surnames of *Cornelius* and *Quintius*. Of these Consuls *Livy* spake before, in the year 316.

327  
C. Servilius Ahala. L. Pappyrus Magillanus

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus*, name Consuls for this year, C. Servilius Ahala, and L. Pappyrus Magillanus. *Diadormis* for Ahala putteth down *Strutius*: for well it may be, that *Strutius* was also called Ahala.

328  
T. Quintius Pennus, Tribunes military in Cons. authority.  
M. Posthumus.  
C. Furius.  
A. Cornelius Cossus.

T. Quintius Pennus, Tribunes military in Cons. authority.  
M. Posthumus.  
C. Furius.  
A. Cornelius Cossus.

The Commons called it clear, that on this year were created: for four there were elected military Tribunes in Consuls authority, namely, T. Quintius Pennus immediately upon his Consulship, M. Posthumus, C. Furius, & A. Cornelius Cossus. Thus writeth *Livy*: and the same *Diadormis* nameth.

329  
A. Sempronius Atratinus, Tribunes military in Cons. authority.  
L. Quintius Cincinnatus.  
L. Horatius Barbatus.

These above named (as *Livy* reporteth) were Tribunes military in Consuls authority this year. *Diadormis* leaveth out their surnames, and L. Horatius Barbatus whole.

330  
Ap. Claud. the Decemvir, son, Tribunes military in Cons. authority.  
T. Quintius Cincinnatus.  
L. Sergius Fidenas.  
Sp. Julius Indus.

These Tribunes military in Cons. authority. *Livy* setteth down for this year, The same doth *Diadormis* also nominate, all but their surnames, and App. Claudius whom he called *Titus*. *Livy* moreover saith, that there were two *Spurius Nautius* Tribunes in those daies: but no doubt, as *Onuphrius* thinketh, there is some error in the copies of the book, the one where is now the first time, and a second time shall be in the year 328: the other, who was first time in the year 325, and once again in the year 320, the Capitol monuments of long ago the same: but they (he) that the one was but once, and the other thrice Tribune.

331  
C. Sempronius Atratinus. Q. Fabius Vibulanus

The Consuls this year created were according to *Livius* and *Cassiodorus*, C. Sempronius Atratinus and Q. Fabius Vibulanus. *Diadormis* overpasseth them, whom *Livy* reporteth to have entered into government, upon the Ides of December: Of C. Sempronius Atratinus Consul, *Valerius* writeth six book, cap. 5. whom he forenameth *Lucius*: but in the third book and second chapter, he speaketh of both, although untrue, for Q. Fabius, he nameth Q. Caelius.

332  
L. Manlius Capitolinus. Tribunes military in Cons. authority.  
Q. Antonius Merenda.  
L. Pappyrus Magillanus.  
L. Servilius Brutus.

The Senat being offended with the very name of Consuls for the hatred they bare to *Sempronius*, commanded Tribunes military to be created with Consuls authority. And these they were, L. Manlius Capitolinus, Q. Antonius Merenda, and Pappyrus Magillanus. Thus much *Livy*, in whose story the name is missing of the

fourth, to wit, L. Servilius Brutus, who in the year 337, is found engraven in the Capitol stones. Tribunes military the second time. Of these, *Diadormis* saith not a word, in a fragment of the Capitoline marble, there is to be seen the surname of *Magillanus* belonging to L. Pappyrus.

333  
T. Quintius Capitolinus. N. Fabius Vibulanus

Not only *Livy*, but *Cassiodorus* also recordeth that the Cons. this year were N. Fabius Vibulanus and T. Quintius Capitolinus. *Diadormis* overpasseth them: but to do not the Sicilian registers. In a fragment of the Capitol marbles, we find engraven T. Quintius Capitolinus, *Barbarus* and N. Fabius. This Fabius was the son of Q. Fabius the Decemvir, who after the 300 Fabii slain in *Cremera*, survived and was the first of all that kindred and family surnamed *Numerius*: as *Valerius Maximus* in his 10 book, and *Sextus Pompeius* do report. As for T. Quintius son he was (as *Livy* writeth) to that Capitolinus who was Consul six times.

334  
An Interregency

When the greater part of the year was spent in troubles and contentions, between the new Trib. of the Commons and certain Interregents, while the Tribunes one while would not suffer the Patritii to go together about the declaring of an interregent, and another while impeached the Interregent that he could not passe an act of the Senat for the election of Consuls at length L. Pappyrus Magillanus the Interregent, by rebuking as well the Senators as the Tribunes of the Commons, prevailed, that an assembly should be holden for choosing of Tribunes consular. So there were created Tribunes military with Consuls authority, and all Patritii, T. Quintius Cincinnatus the third time, L. Furius Medullinus, M. Manlius, L. Sempronius Atratinus. Thus much *Livy*.

335  
A. Menenius Lanatus. Trib. military in Cons. authority.  
P. Lucerius Tricipitinus.  
Sp. Nautius.  
C. Servilius.

Military Tribunes with Consuls authority for this year, are set down by *Livy* *Agrippa Menenius Lanatus*, P. Lucerius Tricipitinus, and P. Nautius: for the name of the fourth is wanting; and that was C. Servilius, son of Quintius and nephew of Cains, surnamed *Axilla*; who the year following, in the Capitol tables is numbered among the Tribunes consular, with the numeral note of II. So as it must needs be, that he was the first time in the year, for as much as no other fit void place left for him. *Diadormis* nameth Sp. Nautius.

336

L. Sergius Fidenas.  
M. Papirius Mugillanus.  
C. Servilius Priscus.

Tribunes militari-  
um in Consulatu  
authoritas.

For Tribunes Consul this year, Livy nameth these. This C. Servilius, is by Verrinus Flaccus named *Aquila*. Diodorus calleth them L. Sergius, M. Servilius, and M. Papirius. Now this M. Papirius was son to L. Papirius Mugillanus the Consul.

337

Agrippa Menenius Lanatus. L. Servilius Servilius.  
P. Lucretius Tricipitinus. Sp. Nautius Cressus.

Altho these are recorded by Livy, for Trib. military this year. Of these L. Servilius Servilius was the first time in the 332 year, but left out in Livy through fault of those that wrote the copies. Diodorus hath the same Tribunes besides the surnames, and L. Servilius, whom he called *Cains*. In a Capitoline table their names are thus cut P. Lucretius son of Hostus, Agrippa Menenius son of T. nephew of Agrippa.

338

A. Sempronius Atratinus. III.  
Sp. Nautius Rutilius. II.  
Papirius Mugillanus.

Only these are by Livy recorded: but that the pen-men who wrote out the books, left out the fourth Tribun this year. Quintus Fabius son of Quintus, nephew of Marcus, surname also *Vibulanus* the Capitol stones and Diodorus do testify. Livy himself also doth shew the same, who writeth that Quintus Fabius was Tribune military the second time, in the year three hundred and forty: but in what year he was first, it appeareth not. Moreover, A. Sempronius is by Verrinus Flaccus named the son of Lucius and nephew of Aulus. Diodorus reckoneth all four, but he concealeth their surnames.

339

P. Cornelius Cossus. Q. Cincinnatus.  
C. Valerius Potitus. N. Fabius Vibulanus.

These doth Livy deliver unto us for Tribunes military in Consuls authority. Diodorus in this wise, P. Cornelius, Cains. . . Fabius. The table of the Capitol thus, P. Cornelius. . . F. nephew of P. C. Valerius, son of L. nephew of Potitus, the forename of Quintus is unknown.

340

Cn. Cornelius Cossus. L. Valerius Potitus.  
Q. Fabius Vibulanus. II. Posthumius Regillensis.

These declareth Livy, for this year: but Diodorus, Titus Posthumius, Cains Cornelius, C. Valerius, and Cato Fabius. But Verrinus Flaccus nameth P. Posthumius son of A. nephew also of Aulus, whom Livy writeth to have been

stoned to death by his own army for his cruelty

341

Cn. Cornelius Cossus. C. Furius Medullinus.

Then the Nobles and LL. of the Senate imported, that there should be Consuls created in the Centuriat assembly, which Q. Fabius held. And the Consuls were M. Cornelius Cossus, and L. Furius Medullinus. The same are named by Diodorus, and Cassiodorus, but that they leave out their surnames. The Greek records have Cossus and Medullinus.

342

Q. Fabius Ambustus. C. Furius Potitus.

Livy and Cassiodorus name these for Consuls Diodorus, suppresseth their surnames.

343

M. Papirius. C. Nautius Rutilius.

Both Livy and Cassiodorus report for this year Consuls, M. Papirius and C. Nautius Rutilius. Diodorus hath not a word for the surnames. Cyprianus book setteth them down by the surnames only Mugillanus and Rutilius.

344

M. Aemilius Mamerctus. C. Valerius.

Livy and Cassiodorus call these Consuls, M. Aemilius and C. Valerius. Diodorus in head of M. hath M. i. Manius. This Aemilius in the table of the Capitol, is named in his first and third Tribuneship. M. Aemilius son of Manius, nephew of M. and surname Mamerctus.

345

Cn. Cornelius Cossus. L. Furius Medullinus.

Livy putteth these down for the Consuls of this year. Cassiodorus passeth over their surnames and the numeral note of two. Diodorus hath L. Furius and Cn. Pompeius: but he is to be written Cn. Cornelius, out of the end of a broken fragment in the Capitol: and the other L. Furius, by his Tribuneship testified in the Capitol records.

346

C. Julius Julius. Tribunes militari-  
um in Consuls authori-  
tas.

These are set down for Tribunes military this year by T. Livius. Diodorus saith nothing of their surnames, which the Capitoline tables exhibit unto us. C. Servilius is written in the second Tribuneship (after the Capitol records) the son of Pub. and nephew of Q. surname Abala.

347

L. Furius Medullinus. II. C. Valerius Potitus. II.  
N. Fabius Vibulanus. II. C. Servilius Abala. II.

Livy

Livy reporteth, that the four Tribunes consular were all Patrii this year. He had born that dignity once before, to wit, L. Furius Medullinus, C. Valerius Potitus, N. Fabius Vibulanus and C. Servilius Abala; and then this man last named was chosen again and continued in his place till this year with the former, as well in regard of other virtues as for the fiefth favour and late grace gotten by his singular moderation and rare carriage in his government. Diodorus hath C. Furius, C. Servilius, C. Valerius, and N. Fabius. In the Capitoline tables, two are written short, Potitus Volusus I and Medullinus, the other two at full; whereby it doth appear (as Ouphrinus reporteth that Livy was deceived. For Medullinus was not this year Tribune the second time, but the first: who had been twice Consul before, and after this year, will be no less than seven times Tribune military.

348

P. Cornelius Cossus. N. Fabius Ambustus.  
Cn. Cornelius Cossus. L. Valerius Potitus.

Of these four Tribunes military, L. Valerius Potitus and N. Fabius Ambustus stand upon record in the Capitol tables; the other two, as appeareth by a fragment thereof, by Livy also and Cassiodorus, were Pub. Cornelius, son of Aulus, nephew of M. Rutilius Cossus, so written by his dictatorship. Diodorus reckoneth Terentius Maximus for the fourth Tribun.

349

T. Quintus Capitolinus. A. Manlius.  
Q. Quintus Cincinnatus. L. Furius Medullinus. III.  
C. Julius Julius. II. M. Aemilius Mamerctus.

Diodorus saith, that this year six Tribunes were created, but he nameth but three. T. Quintus Capitolinus, C. Julius, and A. Manlius. Livy rehearseth them all as here they be set down. The Capitoline stone hath Julius, II. Capitolinus Barbatus, Cincinnatus, and the other three. And this was the first year that had six Tribunes military, notwithstanding that the law permitted it before, at what time as first it was granted that Tribunes should be created: and in this year began the siege first before Veii.

350

C. Valerius Potitus. III. Cn. Cornelius Cossus.  
M. Sergius Fidenas. K. Fabius Ambustus.  
P. Cornelius Maluginensis. Sp. Nautius Rutilius. II.

The same Tribunes that Livy nameth, Diodorus also rehearseth, but that he leaveth out the surnames, and corruptly calleth Cn. Cornelius by the name of Junius Lucullus. In the Capitoline stones they are written, Maluginensis, Cossus, II. Ambustus; and the other three fully out. Nautius Rutilius Livy nameth the second time, but Verrinus Flaccus the third time.

351

M. Aemilius Mamerctus. II. M. Quintus Varus.  
L. Valerius Potitus. III. L. Julius Iulus.  
App. Claudius Cressus. M. Posthumius.  
M. Furius Camillus. M. Posthumius Albinus.

Livy writeth that the number of Tribunes military were by the Romans augmented, and eight of them created, which were more then ever any time before, whose names we have set down. In Diodorus they are thus named, Manius Claudius, Mar. Quintilius, Lm. Iulius M. Furius, L. Valerius. And albeit there he wanting in him some Tribunes, yet Ouphrinus thinketh, and in doth Sigonius, that himself by his own writing delivered not eight, but six: which Verrinus Flaccus also observed in the Capitoline tables.

352

C. Servilius Abala, III. Q. Sulpicius.  
Q. Servilius. A. Manlius.  
L. Virginius. M. Sergius. II.

In Livy the Tribunes military in Consuls authority are C. Servilius Abala the third time, Qm. Servilius, and Lm. Virginius: the last as in the table of the Capitol, but only the forenames. Livy nameth Qm. Servilius, Fidenas in the other six Tribunes following: when he shall bear. To Lucius Virginius, Ouphrinus addeth Tricostus, a surname usually in that house. Diodorus reckoneth not out of this range, but as Sigonius noteth, he doth fault in the name. κλαύ-δος, κλαύδης, but amitte. In the fragment of the Capitol, they are thus named, Q. Sulpicius the son of Servilius, N. Camerinus Cornutus, Am. Aulus, son of Aulus, nephew of C. Volsa Capitolinus the second time, M. Sergius son of Lucius nephew of Lucius, surname Fidenas, the second time.

353

L. Valerius Potitus. IV. Cn. Cornelius Cossus.  
M. Furius Camillus. K. Fabius Ambustus.  
M. Aemilius Mamerctus. III. L. Julius Iulus.

Livy reckoneth all these Tribunes this year. Diodorus putteth down Lm. Julius. M. Furius, Aemilius Mamerctus. Cains Cornelius, Cato Fabius paulus obsequios, but amitte. In the fragments of the Capitol, they are thus named, Lucius Iulius son of Lucius, nephew of Volsus surname Iulus. Marcus Aemilius, son of M. . . . . nephew of Mar. Mamerctus. K. Fabius son of Marcus, nephew of Qm. Ambustus the second time. These were commanded to enter into government: upon the first day of October (whereas the thirteenth of December was the usual day beforetime) by reason of an overthrow received the former year at Veii by M. Sergius, Camillus made an expedition in the Faliscian country, Cornelius to the Capenae, Valerius to the Volscians for the recovery of Anagnin, Aemilius and Fabius to besiege Veii.

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P. Licinius Calvus. P. Manius.  
T. Titinius. P. Melius.  
L. Furius Medullinus. L. Publius Vulfens.

**T**hese by T. Livius are this year named the Tribunes military. But Diodorus rehearteth only three, namely, P. Melius, Sp. Manius, and L. Furius. But Onuphrius thinketh that he is to be read, not L. Furius but Sp. Furius. The same author hath put to P. Licinius, the surname of Calvus, whom Livy writeth to have been the first man of the commonalty chosen Tribune military, only to take possession of the said right and interest.

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M. Pomponius.  
C. Duilius.  
Cn. Genuatius.  
M. Pomponius.  
Volero Publilius.  
L. Attilius.

**T**hese Diodorus sheweth for Tribunes. But Livy letteth down Marcus Pomponius to have been the only Patritian, and the rest commoners, namely, M. Pomponius, C. Duilius, Volero Publilius, Cn. Genuatius, L. Attilius, Cyprianus his book, who every year delivereth the names only of two Tribunes, hath Augustus and Longus, surnames of Genuatius & Attilius.

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L. Valerius Potitus. V. L. Furius Medullinus.  
M. Valerius Max. Q. Servilius Fidenas. II.  
M. Furius Camillus. II. Q. Sulpicius Camerinus.

**A**ll these Tribunes military for this year created were Patritius, as Livy writeth: neither delivereth Diodorus although he recite two names corruptly, to wit, κλαυδιος ὄνομα, ἀρμαγίς ἀτάτος, Plutarch in the life of Camillus maketh mention, of the said Camillus, the second time Tribune military; and the Capitoline stone of Medullinus the third time.

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L. Julius Iulus. A. Posthumus Regillensis.  
L. Furius Medullinus. IV. P. Cor. Maluginensis.  
L. Servius Fidenas. A. Manlius.

**N**othing with Livy reckoneth them, but Diodorus in the 17th book, Q. Manlius ἀρχιστρατηγός. But in those two Greek-written names, as Sigonius & Onuphrius, observeth there is a foul error.

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P. Licinius. P. F. Calvus. L. Titinius. II.  
P. Memius. II. P. Melius. II.  
Cn. Genuatius. II. L. Attilius. II.

**I**n this manner are these Tribunes military delivered us unto by Livy. But Diodorus names them thus, L. Titinius, P. Licinius, P. Melius, Q. Manius, Cn. Genuatius, and L. Attilius. All these, but L. Licinius the son of Publius, as Livy saith, base the dignity of Tribuneship a little better: who writeth moreover, that Genuatius was slain, in a battle against the Faliscians.

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P. Cornelius Cossus. P. Cornelius Scipio.  
L. Fabius Ambustus. IV. L. Furius Medullinus. IV.  
M. Valerius Max. II. Q. Servilius. III.

**A**fter the winning of Veii, this year had for Tribunes military in Consuls authority, those above-named, Diodorus calleth P. and Ser. Cornelius both, Cossus in the rest, saying that he concealth their surnames, he agreeth.

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L. Furius Medullinus. V. L. Sp. Posthumus.  
C. Emilius. P. Cornelius. II.  
L. Valerius Poplicola. M. Furius Camillus.

**L**ivy nameth these in this year. Diodorus, M. Furius Amylius, καὶ τὸν ἑξῆς, but Camillus now is the third time, Sigonius and Onuphrius think, that by P. Cornelius we must understand Scipio, and not Cossus. This year Camillus Tribune military, by his just dealing reduced the Faliscians to the obedience of the people of Rome; in that he sent back unto them, that schoolmaster who betrayed their children: as Livy and Plutarch write. Valerius (not without some suspicion of error) writeth in his last book, that Camillus did this being Consul: whereas Plutarch saith, he was never Consul.

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L. Lucretius Flavius. Serv. Sulpicius Camerinus.  
After fifteen years (saith Livy) Cossus was created again L. Lucretius Flavius, & Serv. Sulpicius Camerinus. Diodorus and Celsidorus passe over the surnames. The Sicilian registers do shew, Flavius, and Camerinus.

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L. Valerius Potitus. M. Manlius Capitolinus.  
V. L. Valerius Potitus and M. Manlius surnamed afterwards Capitolinus, are by Livy reported Consuls this year. Dionysius in his first book maketh mention of these Consuls, naming them L. Valerius Potitus, and T. Manlius Capitolinus. Celsidorus delivereth them by the names of L. Valerius and M. Manlius. Diodorus, of L. Valerius and A. Manlius: but the Sicilian registers, of Potitus and Capitolinus.

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L. Lucretius. L. Furius Medullinus. VII.  
Serv. Sulpicius. Arrippa Furius.  
M. Amylius. C. Amylius. II.

**B**y occasion that the Cossus lay sick, though good it was, to renew the government by means of an interregency: therefore after they had deposed the Cossus, by an act of the Senate, six Tribunes military were created with Consular authority, by the Interregency: who upon the first day of July began their magistracy, as Livy saith, Diodorus mentioneth but four, namely, L. Lucretius, Serv. Sulpicius, C. Amylius, and L. Furius. As for Sulpicius, Zenarus calleth him Rufus; which surname Onuphrius also hath put unto him.

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Q. Fabius Ambustus. Q. Sulpicius Longus.  
The brethren of Q. Q. Servilius. I. III.  
Fabius Ambustus. Servil. Cor. Maluginensis

**T**hese are by T. Livius recorded for Tribunes military in Consuls authority: but Diodorus reckoneth the three Fabii, Q. K. & C. and the other three, besides Plutarch in Camillus, Gellius out of Verrinus Flaccus, in his 5 book and 17 chapter; Macrobius also in his first book of Saturnals, make report of Quintus Sulpicius, a Tribune military.

365

L. Valerius Poplicola. II. A. Manlius.  
L. Virginius. L. Amylius.  
P. Cornelius. L. Postumius.

**A**ccording to Livy, these were created Tribunes military after the winning of the City: but by Diodorus, they were Pub. Cornelius, L. Virginius, Valerius, A. Manlius, and L. Postumius. Of these Tribunes, Macrobius speaketh in his first book of Saturnalia.

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T. Quintus Cincinnatus. L. Aquilius Corvus.  
Q. Servilius Fidenas. V. L. Lucretius, Tricipitinus.  
L. Julius Julius. Ser. Sulpicius Rufus.

**T**hese Tribunes military in Consuls authority for this year, Livy thus declareth unto us, Diodorus hath these Tribunes, T. Quintus, L. Servilius, L. Julius Aquilius, L. Lucretius, & Q. Servilius Sulpicius.

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L. Papirius. C. Servius.  
L. Amylius. II. C. Cornelius.  
L. Menenius. L. Valerius Poplicola. III.

**T**hese, Livy reporteth for Tribunes military in Consuls authority this year. But Diodorus hath L. Papirius, C. Cornelius, L. Menenius, C. Servilius, A. Valerius, and Q. Fabius. Howbeit, there is wanting in Livy the name of the sixth Tribune, whom (out of Diodorus) Sigonius and Onuphrius have set to the rest, by the name of C. Cornelius. Diodorus also for Servius hath Servilius, and Amylius for Fabius.

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M. Furius Camillus. L. Horatius Pulvillus.  
S. Cor. Maluginensis. L. Quint. Cincinnatus.  
Q. Servil. Fidenas. VI. P. Valerius.

**T**he Common-weal came to be governed again by Camillus, a Tribune military in Cons. authority, and for Collegues were added unto him these 5 here named. But Diodorus saith there were 4 created, M. Cornelius, Q. Servilius, M. Furius, and L. Quinctius. In this year, when the Dictatorship was offered unto Camillus, he said there was no need thereof: and he, together with the Tribunes his Collegues, vanquished the Volscians, Antiois, & Tuscans who rebelled.

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A. Manlius. P. Cornelius.  
L. Quintus Capitolinus. L. Papirius Cursor. II.  
T. Quintus Capitolinus. C. Servilius. II.

**T**hese hath Livy: but Diodorus saith, that four only were created namely, L. Papirius, Q. T. and L. all Quintus. But of those six, A. Manlius having been Tribune military in the year 365, and who shall be a third time in the year 371, must now verily be the second time.

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S. Cor. Maluginensis. IV. P. Valerius Potitus. II.  
M. Furius Camillus. V. Ser. Sulpicius Rufus. II.  
C. Papirius Crassus. T. Quint. Cincinnatus. II.

**T**hese Tribunes military in Cons. authority, in this manner be delivered unto us by Livy: but Diodorus (as his manner is) putteth down four; Serv. Sulpicius, L. Papirius, Mar. Cornelius, and T. Quintus. In this year, M. Manlius attained and condemned for aspiring to be King, was thrown down headlong from the rock Tarpeia: Liv. Plutarch, and Valer.

371

L. Valerius. IV. L. Lucretius.  
A. Manlius. I. II. L. Amylius.  
Ser. Sulpicius. I. II. M. Tribonius.

**L**ivy nameth these in this year. Diodorus nameth four; L. Valerius, Crispus, (which is the name of Tribonius) An. M. A. Ius, and Serv. Sulpicius, Crispus; some call Flavus.

372

Sp. Papirius. Q. Servilius.  
L. Papirius. C. Sulpicius.  
Ser. Cornelius. IV. L. Amylius. IV.

**A**ccording to Livy, these were created Tribunes military in Consuls authority. The surname of Cornelius (as we saw before) was Maluginensis. Diodorus writeth four; Q. Servilius, Sp. Papirius, Cornelius, & Q. K. & C., but not truly.

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M. Furius Camillus. V. I. L. Furius.  
A. Posthumus Regillensis. L. I. I. I. I.  
L. Posthumus Regillensis. M. Fabius Ambustus.

**L**ivy nameth these as we have placed them: but Diodorus in this year; M. and L. both Furius, A. Posthumus, L. Lucretius, M. Fabius, and L. Posthumus. Plutarch also nameth Camillus Tribune military this year; wherein he vanquished the Prenestines, the Volscians, and the Tuscans also, against whom war was proclaimed, because they had served in the field under the Prenestines.

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L. Valerius. V. L. Menenius. II.  
L. Valerius. I. II. P. Papirius.  
C. Servilius. I. II. Ser. Cor. Maluginensis.

**T**hese six are set down by Livy; but Diodorus reckoneth eight, namely, L. and P. both, T. Titius, Valerius.

*Valerius, C. Terentius, L. Menenius, C. Sulpitius, T. Papirius, L. Emilius, M. Fabius.*

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*P. Manlius, C. Sextilius,  
 C. Manlius, M. Albinus,  
 L. Julius, L. Antistius.*

After this, was the generall assembly holden for the election of military Tribunes in Consuls authority, wherein were as many created of the Commons as of the *Patritii*; namely, P. and C. both *Manlii*, with *L. Julius*, *Patritians*; and out of the Commons, *C. Sextilius*, *M. Albinus*, and *L. Antistius*. But *Diodorus* exhibiteth eight, and to these above rehearseth, he addeth *C. Herennius*, and *P. Trebonius*. *Sextilius* also he calleth *Sextius*.

376  
*Sp. Furius, P. Clodius,  
 Q. Servilius II, M. Horatius,  
 C. Licinius, L. Geganius.*

*Livy* reporteth these for Tribunes military in Consuls authority this year: but in *Livy*, for *L. Menenius* the third time, you must read *C. Licinius*, as *Sigonius* hath shewed in his *Scholium* upon *Livy*: which *Onuphrius* also in his Kalender approveth. But *Diodorus* speaketh of no more than four; *Q. Servilius*, *C. Licinius*, *L. Furius*, *P. Clodius*.

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*L. Emilius, Ser. Sulpitius,  
 P. Valerius IV, L. Quinctius Cincinnatus,  
 C. Veturius, C. Quinctius Cincinnatus.*

These Tribunes military, the Consuls (being so ordered by the might and strong hand of the great men of the City) chose all *Patritians*, as *Livy* witnesseth. The same also are named by *Diodorus*, excepting only *C. Quinctius*, who is called by him *C. Cornelius*. As for *Serv. Sulpitius* he was surnamed *Prætextatus*, *Zonaras* nameth him *Rufus*.

378, 379, 380, 381, 382.  
 Tribunes of the Commons five years.

In this year hapned the fourth change of the Roman government: for the administration of the weal publike, fell from Tribunes military in consuls authority, to the Tribunes of the commons. The authors that procured this mutation, were (as *Livy* reporteth) *C. Licinius Stolo* and *L. Sextius*, Tribunes of the commons, who in the former year having promulged three laws in favour of the commons and against the power of the *Patritii*, the first for redressing of debts; a second for a stint of lands and possessions; & the third, that there should be no more elections of Tribunes military; and that one of the consuls should necessarily be chosen a commoner: seeing they could not go through with these laws, by reason of their

own fellows oppositions (whom of purpose the Nobles had made for themselves) fell into an anger, and would suffer no cruel Magistrate of State to be created, nor any election to be holden, but only of *Ædiles* and Tribunes, both of commons. This desolate estate and want of Magistrates (whiles the commons made the same Tribunes still, who with incessant and invincible persistence never gave over to resist the election of Tribunes military) continued in the city for the space of five years, as *Livy* faith. This want of Magistrates *Diodorus* calleth *anagxia*, and causeth upon the former year. But *Sext. Rufus*, *Eutropius*, *Calliodorus*, and *Zonaras* write that they reled the date not five years, but four only. *Sigonius* and *Onuphrius* in his Kalender, follow *Livy*. But *Annals* it seemeth that the Capitoline writers go by, *Pliny* also in the sixteenth book, and four and fortieth chapter, maketh mention of the year three hundred seventy nine from the foundation of the city, in which year he faith that at Rome

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*L. Furius, Ser. Cornelius,  
 A. Manlius, P. Valerius,  
 Ser. Sulpitius, C. Veturius.*

When *C. Licinius* and *L. Sextius* the Tribunes gave over their opposition and the liberty of their negative voice, whereby the Interregent called and held an assembly for the election of Magistrates, the above-named Tribunes military, were (as *Livy* faith) created for this year: *Diodorus* nameth them thus, *L. Papirius*, *L. Cincinatus*, *Ser. Cornelius*, and *Ser. Sulpitius*, who writeth also, that after them there was another Anarchy, and when that was overpast and gone, then were created *A. Manlius*, *L. Furius*, *Serv. Sulpitius*, and *Serv. Cornelius*. But in his story, as well through his own default, as the negligence of the writers that copied out same, there is a confusion of yearly Magistrates.

384  
*Q. Servilius, M. Cornelius,  
 C. Veturius, I. I. Q. Quinctius,  
 A. Cornelius, M. Fabius.*

This year also, as *Livy* writeth, had these for Tribunes military in Consuls authority. But *Diodorus* hath *Q. Servilius*, *C. Veturius*, *A. Cornelius*, *M. Cornelius*, and *M. Fabius*: as for *Quinctius*, *Sigonius* calleth him rather *Cincinnatus* than *Capitolinus*. The rest have their warrant out of the Capitoline fragments, wherein it is thus found *Coffus*. . . . *Maluginensis*. . . . *Cincinnatus*. . . . *M. Fabius Ambustus*. This is that *M. Fabius Ambustus*, who had belov'd his two daughters in marriage, the one to *C. Licinius Stolo*, the other to *Serv. Sulpitius Prætextatus*. *Livy* writeth.

385  
*L. Quinctius, Ser. Cornelius,  
 Serv. Sulpitius, Sp. Servilius,  
 L. Papirius, L. Veturius.*

*Livy* declareth these six for Tribunes military this year. *Diodorus* rehearseth but three, namely, *L. Quinctius*, *Servilius Cornelius*, and *Serv. Sulpitius*. What surnames all these carried, and with what numerall notes (signifying how often they had born the office) they are to be marked, the Capitoline fragments do shew; wherein they stand thus, *Capitolinus*. . . . *Maluginensis*, *II*. *Prætextatus*, *IIII*. *Sp. Servilius Struthus*, *L. Papirius Crassus*, *L. Veturius Crassus Cincinatus*.

386  
 Two Dictators without any cruel Magistrate of State: besides.

Presently in the very beginning of the year, they proceeded to put it to the trial of a small issue, what should become of the foresaid laws propoied by *Licinius* and *Sextius*. When the tribes were called to give their voices, and the publishers of the laws were not hindered by the negatives of their Colleagues coming between; the Nobles began then to quake for fear, and in all haste brook them to their two last helps and means of refuge, the sovereign and absolute government, and the principal Citizen and greatest man of all others. Resolve they did to nominate a Dictator, and *Marcus Furius Camillus* was the man: who took unto him for General of the horsemen *L. Emilius*. But when the Captains and ring-leaders of the Commons dealt very bitterly and roughly against *Camillus*, he (as *Livy* writeth) resigned up his Dictatorship. *Plutarch* also testifieth the same: who likewise voucheth the cause thereof, which *Livy* goeth about to disprove. But both *Livy* and *Plutarch* do affirm, that in the room of *Camillus* thus giving over his place, there was a second Dictator created. *Livy* faith, it was *P. Manlius*. *Plutarch* supplieth his name: but they agree both, that *C. Licinius* was the General of the horse. Howbeit, they mean not both, one and the self-same man. For *Livy* faith and that truly that it was he who had been Tribune military in Consuls authority before: But *Plutarch* nameth him, who was the author of the sedition and of the new laws: wherein he saileth, For the Captain of the foresaid sedition, was this year also made Tribune of the Commons the ninth time: but Tribune of the Commons and General of the horse at one time he could not be. And therefore *Onuphrius* thinketh him to have been the son of *P. Licinius Calvus* military Tribune, and who had to his grandfather that *Pub. Licinius* who of the Commons was the first Tribune military. Of this, see more in his Kalender.

387  
*A. Cornelius I. I. M. Cornelius,  
 L. Veturius, M. Geganius,  
 Julius P. Manlius, P. Valerius V. I.*

*Livy* exhibiteth these Trib. military before named for this year, whom *Diodorus* overspelleth. Their surnames, together with the notes signifying how often they had born this honourable dignity, are thus expressed in the Capitoline fragments, *Coffus* *II*. . . . *Maluginensis* *II*. . . . *Macrinus*. *L. Veturius Crassus Cincinatus* *II*. . . . *P. Valerius Petrus Poplicola*, *VI*. *P. Manlius Capitolinus* *II*.

388  
*L. Sextius, L. Emilius.*

When *L. Sextius* and *C. Licinius*, Trib. of the Commons now chosen the tenth time, were more and more eager and instant in the publishing of their laws, in the end the authority both of Dictator and Senat, was conquered by the strong hand of the Tribunes. For they prevailed, notwithstanding all the Nobility was against it, that there should be holden a solemn assembly for election of Consuls: and that, (by virtue of their laws which they carried clear before them) the one of the Consuls should be a Commoner. By which means, *L. Sextius* was the first Consul created from out of the Commons. But when the nobles denied flatly to approve the same by their assent, inasmuch as the Commons were at the point of insurrection and ready to leave the City: the discord & dissention was at length taken up and appealed by the mediation of the Dictator: and as the nobility was content to yield unto the commonality a Consul, so the Commons granted unto the nobles one Pretor or Lord chief Justice within the City, and him to be created from out of the Nobility. Granted also unto them no new law it was, that two *Ædiles Cursule* should be chosen out of the *Patritii*. The Commons conferred the Consulship upon *L. Sextius* (by whose law it was first obtained) and for companion in government he had *L. Emilius Mamercus*. Thus much *Livy* and *Plutarch*: who also together with *Calliodorus* put down for *Coff. L. Emilius* a *Patrician*, and *L. Sextius* a Commoner. The same, *Diodorus* nameth *Lu. Emilius Mamercus*, and *Lu. Læteranus*. Now this *Læteranus* is the surname of *Sextius*, as appeareth in a table of record in the Capitoll, wherein the consuls are thus to be seen, *Mamercinus* & *L. Sextius Sextinus Læteranus*: as also in the Sicilian registers they are called *Mamercinus* and *Læteranus*. In the book entituled *De viris Illustribus* of famous men, we find written that it was not *L. Sextius*, but *C. Licinius Stolo*, who was the first Consul chosen out of the commonality.

389  
*L. Geganius, Q. Servilius.*

*Diodorus*, *Livy*, and *Calliodorus* shew unto us for consuls, *L. Geganius*, and *Q. Servilius*: Of whom *Orosius* also and *Eutropius* make mention. According to the records of the Capitoll, the Consul in his first Consulship is thus written: *Q. Servilius* son of *Q. nephew of Quinctus Abulus*.



together with *L. Genitius*, but in the second, the son of *M. nephew of Cn.* (surnamed *Amentinensis*). In the Sicilian registers they be written *Genitius* and *Curtius*, but corruptly, as *Sigonius* thinketh.

390  
*C. Sulpitius Petencus*, *C. Licinius Stolo*.

**T** Hese be the Consuls reported by *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*, *Diodorus* concealeth their surnames, *Valerius Max.* in his second book and first cha. maketh mention of them, and so doth *Plutarch* in his problems. But he whom all other writers name *Stolo*, the Capioline records nominat *Calvus*: as also the Sicilian, which deliver their surnames *Petencus* and *Calvus*.

391  
*L. Aemilius Mamercus II.* *Cn. Genitius*.

**L** *Ioy* and *Cassiodorus* declare these for Consuls: whom *Diodorus* in his sixteenth book nameth *Cn. Genitius* and *L. Aemilius*. In the Capitol tables in this manner they be set down, . . . *Mamercinus II.* and *Cn. Genitius* son of *M.* and nephew of *M. Amentinensis*. But in the Sicilian registers, *Mamercinus* and *Stola*.

392  
*Q. Servilius Ahala II.* *L. Genitius II.*

**D** *Iodorus* nameth the Consuls of this year, *Q. Servilius* and *Q. Genitius*. The Sicilian registers, *Ahala* and *Genitius*. *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*, *Q. Servilius Ahala* and *L. Genitius*. These are they who three years before were matched together in the same government.

393  
*C. Sulpitius*, *C. Licinius Calvus*.

**T** Hese are by *Livy* recorded Consuls this year, *Cassiodorus* writeth them thus, *C. Sulpitius II.* and *C. Licinius*. *Diodorus* in this wife, *C. Sulpitius* and *C. Licinius*. *Sigonius* suppoeth they be the same, who three years before were Collegues. The Sicilian registers give unto *Licinius* the surname, not of *Calvus* as before, but of *Stolo*: and *Sulpitius* they surname *Petencus*.

394  
*C. Postilium Libo*, *M. Favius Ambustus*.

**L** *Ioy*, and *Cassiodorus* write the Consuls for this year were, *C. Postilium Balbus*: and *M. Favius Ambustus*. But *Diodorus*, *M. Favius* and *C. Postilium* corruptly for *Postilium*. The Capitoline writers give them surnames divers from *Livy*: for they call *Libo*, *Visulus*: but he, *Balbus*. And the Sicilian registers go with those of the Capitoll.

395  
*M. Popilius Lanatus*, *Cn. Manlius*.

**L** *Ioy* and *Cassiodorus* name this year Consuls in this sort: but *Diodorus* calleth them, *M. Popilius Lanatus*, and *Cn. Manlius Imperiosus*. This

was the first man of the *Popili*, surnamed *Lanatus*. The reason of which name *Cicero* rendereth in his book *Brutus*, saying, *M. Popilius* being Consul, and at the same time offering sacrifice in his robe called *Lana*, for that he was *Flaminio Carmentis*, upon news brought unto him that the commons were up and risen in a commotion against the Nobles, came in that attire and habit as he was into the assembly: and what with his authority of countenance, and what with his eloquence of speech, appeased the sedition.

396  
*C. Fabius*, *C. Plantius*.

**L** *Ioy* and *Cassiodorus* have these above-named for the Consuls this year: but in *Diodorus* they are named *M. Fabius* and *C. Plantius*. In the Capitoline records, . . . *Ambustus* and *C. Plantius Proculus*.

397  
*C. Marius*, *Cn. Manlius*.

**D** *Iodorus*, *Livy*, and *Cassiodorus* name the Consuls of this year, *C. Marius* and *Cn. Manlius*. This *Cn. Manlius* was Consul the first time, two years before. *Cuspinianus* book and the Greek records have *Rutilius* and *Capitolinus*.

398  
*M. Fabius Ambustus II.* *M. Popilius Lanatus II.*

**T** His years Consuls are with their names entituled by *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*. *Diodorus* leaveth out their surnames and the numerall notes. *Cuspinianus* book and the Greek records, set them thus down, *Ambustus II.* and *Lanatus*.

399  
*C. Sulpitius Petencus III.* *M. Valerius Poplicola*.

**I** N the four hundred year from the foundation of the City, and the thirty five after that it was by the Gauls won, the commons after eleven years did forgo their hold of the Consulship, and upon an Interregency, both Consuls of the *Patritii* entered into government, to wit, *C. Sulpitius Petencus III.* *M. Valerius Publicola*, as *Livy* saith. The same Consuls *Diodorus*, *Cassiodorus*, and the Sicilian registers, do report. But why the account of time made by *Livy*, disagreeeth from this reckoning, *Sigonius* and *Omniprius* in his Kalender do give a reason.

400  
*M. Fabius Ambustus III.* *T. Quintus* or *M. Popilius*.

**I** N this year also, according to *Livy*, both Consuls were *Patritii*, namely, *M. Fabius Ambustus* the third time, with *T. Quintus*: although he writeth, that in some Annals instead of *Titus Quintus*, he found *Marcus Popilius* Consul. With *Livy* accordeth *Diodorus* and *Cassiodorus*. *Solinus* also, who in his forty one chapter out of *Cornelius Nepos* writeth, that *Alexander* was born when *M. Fabius Ambustus* and *T. Quintus*

*his Capitolinus* were Consuls, *Cuspinianus* book setteth forth *Ambustus* and *Capitolinus*. But these Consuls and those that follow are in the Sicilian registers concealed,

401  
*C. Sulpitius Petencus III.* *M. Valerius Poplicola III.*

**B** Oth Consuls created this year were *Patritii*, and namely, those who are here set down, after *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*. *Diodorus* omitteth both their surnames, and also the numerall notes, and setteth after the former Consuls, *M. Valerius* and *C. Sulpitius*.

402  
*P. Valerius Poplicola*, *C. Martius Rutilius*.

**T** O *L. Valerius Poplicola* was given in fellowship of government this year, *C. Martius Rutilius* of the commons, as *Livy* saith. These *Cassiodorus* calleth *P. Valerius* and *C. Martius Rutilius* the second time. *Diodorus* nameth them *M. Fabius* and *P. Valerius*. The Sicilian registers intermingle them confusedly with those of the next year, matching *Rutilius* and *Pennus* together.

403  
*C. Sulpitius Petencus*, *T. or K. or C. Quintus Pennus*.

**T** He Consuls, for this year created were *C. Sulpitius Petencus*, and *T. Quintus Pennus*. Some put to *Quintus* the name *C. also*, others *Caius*, *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* name them thus, *C. Sulpitius Petencus*, and *T. Quintus Pennus*: but *Diodorus*, *C. Sulpitius* and *C. Quintus*.

404  
*M. Popilius Lanatus*, *L. Cornelius Scipio*.

**L** *Ioy* writeth, that for Consuls this year the commons yielded *M. Popilius Lanatus*, and the nobles *L. Cornelius Scipio*. *Cassiodorus* setteth them forth under the name of *M. Popilius Lanatus* the third time, and *L. Cornelius Scipio*. *Diodorus* nameth them, *C. Cornelius* and *M. Popilius*: and the Sicilian registers barely *Scipio* and *Lanatus*.

405  
*L. Furius Camillus*, *P. Claudius Crassus*.

**L** *icinius Furius Camillus* the Dictator restored the nobles again to their former possession of the Consulship: and being himself for that good merit created Consul, with the great love and hearty affection of the nobles, nominated for his Collegue, *Publius Claudius Crassus*. Thus saith *Livy*. The same Consuls are set down by *Cassiodorus*. But *Diodorus* nameth them *Aemilius* and *T. Quintus*. The Sicilian registers, *Camillus* and *Crassus*. *Cicero* in *Cato* maketh mention of these Consuls, saying, that *Plato* came to *Tarentum*, when *L. Camillus* and *P. Claudius* were Consuls. *Gellius* likewise in his book 11 chapter,

406  
*M. Valerius Corvus*, *M. Popilius Lanatus III.*

**M** *arcus Manlius torquatus* being Dictator, declared for Consul with the exceeding favour of the people, *M. Valerius Corvus* (for that was his surname afterwards) in his abience, and being but three and twenty years old. This *Corvus* had joyned with him in the Consulship from out of the commons, *M. Popilius Lanatus* the third time, as saith *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*. But *Diodorus* three years after nominateth *M. Valerius* and *M. Popilius*. In the fragment of the Capitoll thus only it is found, *M. Valerius*, *M. F. M. N. Corvus* Consul. In the Sicilian registers *corvinus* and *Lanatus*.

407  
*T. Manlius Torquatus*, *C. Plantius*.

**L** *Ioy* and *Cassiodorus* nameth them for Consuls this year, *Cuspinianus* Kalender and the Sicilian records, *Torquatus* and *Vencus*. In a fragment of the Capitoll there is to be read the surname of *Manlius Imperiosus Torquatus*.

408  
*M. Valerius Corvus II.* *C. Postilium*.

**T** Hese are named Consuls by *Livy*, and *Cassiodorus*: but *Cuspinianus* Kalender and the registers of *Sicily* shew for Consuls, *Corvinus* and *Libo*. As for the name *C. Postilium*, it is described by his Dictatorship, which (according to the Capitoll evidences) he bare in the year 440: for in a fragment (testifying his Consulship) there appeareth no more but one of his surnames, *Postilium*.

409  
*M. Fabius Dorso*, *Ser. Sulpitius Camerinus*.

**T** Hese were the Consuls created for this year, as *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* write. *Diodorus* also (although not in the right place) alleageth *M. Fabius* and *Ser. Sulpitius* Consuls. The Sicilian registers, *Dorso* and *camerinus*. Both these Consuls were *Patritii*, which *Livy* omitted.

410  
*C. Martius Rutilius III.* *T. Manlius Torquatus II.*

**L** *Ioy* and *Cassiodorus* avow these for Consuls this year, *Diodorus* likewise delivereth unto us, *C. Martius* and *T. Manlius Torquatus*. The Sicilian registers, *Rutilius* and *Torquatus*. *Frontinus* also in his second book of *Stratagems* speaketh of them.

411  
*M. Valerius Corvus III.* *A. Cornelius Cossus*.  
**L** *Ioy* and *Cassiodorus* both together report, that these were chosen Consuls for this year, *Diodorus*, *Cicero* in his book of *Divination*, and *Frontinus*, name them, *M. Valerius* and *A. Cornelius*. The Sicilian registers, *Valerius* and *Cossus*: both of them are *Patritii*. But he that hath written of famous men, calleth them, *Valerius Max.* and *Cornelius Cossus*.

<sup>412</sup>  
C. Martius Rutilius IV. Q. Servilius.

**L**ivy and Cassiodorus declare Coss. for this year, C. Martius and Q. Servilius, Diodorus, Q. Servilius and Martius Rutilius, The Sicilian registers, Abala and Rutilius, This is that Q. Servilius Abala who was Master of the horse in the 403 year.

<sup>413</sup>  
C. Plantius II. L. Aemilius Mamercinus.

**T**he Consuls that followed, were C. Plantius the second time, and L. Aemilius Mamercinus, as witness Livy and Cassiodorus: but L. Aemilius & C. Plotius as testifieth Diodorus: and as the Sicilian registers say, Venno and Mamercinus. Cuspinianus balender set forth for this year, Venno the second time, and Mamercinus.

<sup>414</sup>  
T. Manlius Torquatus III. P. Decius Mus.

**T**itus Manlius Torquatus the third time, and P. Decius Mus, bare the Consulship this year, as Livy and Cassiodorus report, Diodorus nameth them, T. Manlius Torquatus and P. Decius. The Sicilian registers, Torquatus and Mus, Zonoras, Torquatus the third time, and Decius. Of the same Consuls Pliny speaketh in his 22 book and 5 chap. Valerius also in his 1 book and 5 chap, besides others.

<sup>415</sup>  
T. Aemilius Mamercinus. Q. Publilius Philo.

**T**itus Aemilius Mamercinus, and Q. Publilius Philo, are by Livy reckoned Coss. for this year, Diodorus passeth over their surnames. The Greek records shew unto us, Mamercinus and Philo. As for Philo, he is described out of the tables of the Capitoll.

<sup>416</sup>  
L. Furius Camillus. C. Marius.

**T**hus say Livy and Cassiodorus. Diodorus hath L. Furius and Camillus, but corruptly The Sicilian registers, Camillus and Menius. The Capitoll monuments of triumphs, L. Furius Camillus, and C. Menius, Pliny in his 34 book and 5 cha. maketh mention of Caius Aeniens, Consul.

<sup>417</sup>  
C. Sulpitius Longus. P. Aelius Patrus.

**L**ivy and Cassiodorus write, that these Coss. followed, Diodorus putteth down C. Sulpitius, and L. Papirius. The Sicilian registers, have Longus and Patrus.

<sup>418</sup>  
L. Papirius Crassus. K. Dintius.

**L**ucius Papirius Crassus, and K. Dintius, were this years Coss., as witness Livy, Cassiodorus, and Diodorus also, but for leaving out the sur-

name Crassus. In the Sicilian registers they are named, Crassus and Dintius. As touching these Consuls, Cicero in his Epistle to Pater, writeth thus, L. Papirius Crassus, four years after he was Dictator, was made Consul with K. Dintius.

<sup>419</sup>  
M. Valerius Corvus III. M. Atilius Regulus.

**T**his year, when the Atones that inhabited the City Cales, took arms and combined with the Sidicins, M. Valerius Corvus, a right noble General, was created Consul the fourth time, having to his Colleague (as Livy writeth) M. Atilius Regulus. Cassiodorus likewise declareth the same for Consuls; and so doth Diodorus, but that he leaveth out their surnames: which appear extant in the Sicilian registers.

<sup>420</sup>  
T. Veturius. Sp. Posthumius.

**T**he Dictator held an assembly for the election of Consuls, wherein were created (according to Livy) these above-named, So say Cassiodorus also and Diodorus. Zonoras nameth them Tiber. Calvinius, and Sp. Posthumius: and right well, as Sigonius thinketh: for Tiberius was the fore-name of the Veturii. The Greek records, and Cuspinianus book, have Albinius and Calvinius.

<sup>421</sup>  
Interregents, all one year.

**S**igonius and Onuphrius insert this one year without Consuls, besides the account of the years, according to the Capitoll monuments, albeit they see neither in Livy, nor in any other, mention thereof; and all to make up the totall sum collected by Varro. And that the said year should at this time especially be interpolated, the tables of the Capitoline records do shew. For whereas in them thus engraven it is, M. Valerius Corvus Consul the fourth time in the year of the City 419, and again L. Aemilius and C. Plantius, in the year 414: to the end that these records might agree one with another, of necessity there must be put a year between. For leave out that, then both L. Aemilius the Consul should fall upon the year 414, and the totall sum of the year in Varro and the Capitoline tables be overturned. That this odd year was now above all other times to be cast between, Gregory Halaender (who left in writing a Chronology of the Consuls) saw long before them: for he over-passed this year wholly, noted without Consuls. But Sigonius and Onuphrius are of opinion, that this year there was an Anarchy, and the Common-wealth without Consuls, or other Magistrates of State, by occasion of the pestilence, whereof Livy writeth,

<sup>422</sup>  
A. Cornelius II. C. Domitius.

**A**ulus Cornelius the second time Cof. with C. Domitius is by Livy, and Cassiodorus set down

down. Diodorus nameth them A. Cornelius and C. Domitius. The Sicilian registers, Calvinius and Cossus.

<sup>423</sup>  
M. Claudius Marcellus. C. Valerius.

**A**fter this, were created Consuls, M. Claudius Marcellus, and C. Valerius, as Livy and Cassiodorus report. In Diodorus also they be set down by the name of C. Valerius, and M. Clodius, Livy saith, that he findeth in the Annals, the surnames of Valerius diversly put down, namely, Flaccus and Potius. Orosius calleth these Consuls, Claudius Marcellus, and Valerius Flaccus: The Sicilian registers, Potius and Marcellus. Sigonius and Onuphrius retain their surnames, that it may seem, how to the old surname Potius of the House Valeria, this new surname of Flaccus is a later addition.

<sup>424</sup>  
L. Papirius Crassus II. L. Plantius Venno.

**T**hese Consuls are by Livy and Cassiodorus recited this year, Diodorus concealeth their surnames. The Sicilian registers, make them known by the names of Crassus and Venno.

<sup>425</sup>  
L. Aemilius Mamercinus. C. Plantius.

**N**ext to them (according to Livy and Cassiodorus) were L. Aemilius Mamercinus, and C. Plantius created Consuls. Diodorus nominateth L. Papirius with L. Plotius. The Sicilian registers, Mamercinus and Decianus. How both these are to be described, their triumphs upon record in the Capitoll do evidently shew. These Consuls entered upon their government the first day of July.

<sup>426</sup>  
P. Plautius Proculus. P. Cornelius Scapula.

**L**ivy and Cassiodorus put down [for Consuls] P. Plautius Proculus, and P. Cornelius Scapula. Diodorus, P. Cornelius and A. Posthumius. The Sicilian registers, Venno and Scipio. Onuphrius thinketh this Plantius ought to be forenamed not Publius but Caius: who in his Consulship which he bare afterwards with Appius Caeus, was surnamed Venox (as Frontinus supposeth) for finding certain springs and veins of water within the earth.

<sup>427</sup>  
C. Plantius Proculus. Q. Publilius Philo II.

**L**ivy and Cassiodorus match together in the Consulship for this year, L. Cornelius Lentulus, and Q. Publilius Philo. Diodorus L. Cornelius and Q. Publilius. The Sicilian registers, Lentulus and Philo.

<sup>428</sup>  
L. Papirius Mugillanus Cursor. C. Postellus.

**C**aius Postellus and L. Papirius are by Livy, nominated consuls this year, C. Postellus

the third time, and L. Papirius Mugillanus, by Cassiodorus. Solinus maketh mention of these Consuls in his five and thirtieth chapter. As for Papirius, Livy indeed turneth him here Mugillanus, but he saith that he findeth him in other Annals by the name of Cursor. In the Greek records they be Ligo and Cursor. Now as touching C. Postellus, he is to be written with the numeral note II, and not III, as Sigonius, and Onuphrius do admonish. For it is not the same man who was Consul in the 393 year, but his son.

<sup>429</sup>  
L. Furius Camillus II. Junius Brutus Scaeva.

**L**ivy and Cassiodorus put down for consuls; L. Furius Camillus the second time, and Junius Brutus Scaeva. Diodorus, L. Furius, and D. Junius. The Sicilian registers, Camillus and Brutus.

<sup>430</sup>

**L**ucius Furius, unto whom the charge of Samninus fell by lot, fortun'd by occasion of sickness to forgo the war there, and was commanded to nominate for the managing of martial affairs a Dictator: whereupon he pronounced L. Papirius Cursor, the bravest warrior in those daies; by whom Q. Fabius Rullianus was named great Master of the horse. Afterwards Cursor turned him out of that Mastership of horse, because without his warrant he had fought (although it were fortunately) against the Samnits when himself was out of the way and gone to Rome for to take the Auspices anew: and in his room he substituted L. Papirius Crassus. Thus write Livy, Eutropius, and Valerius, in the second book.

<sup>431</sup>  
C. Sulpitius Longus II. Q. Aemilius [L. Aulus] Cerretanus.

**L**ucius Papirius the Dictator, before he left his Magistracy, created Consuls, C. Sulpitius Longus II, and Q. Aemilius Cerretanus. Some Annals have Aulus. Thus much Livy. In like manner the Sicilian registers have Longus and Cerretanus. But Diodorus corruptly for Aulus hath Aelius.

<sup>432</sup>  
Q. Fabius. L. Fulvius.

**L**ivy and Cassiodorus deliver unto us for Consuls this year, Q. Fabius and L. Fulvius: whom the Capitoll records of the triumphs name Q. Fabius Maximus Rullianus, and L. Fulvius Corvus. Marvell it is therefore, that in the Sicilian registers, they are put down, Cursor and Sylla.

<sup>433</sup>  
T. Veturius Calvinius. Sp. Posthumius.

**T**his year Livy and Cassiodorus set forth for Consuls, T. Veturius Calvinius and Sp. Posthumius: Cicero in his third book of Offices writeth, that they were twice Coss. Zonoras calleth

callet the one of them *T. Calpurnius*, by a familiar forename unto that house and kindred of the *Veturii*. The Greek records exhibit unto us *Calpurnius* and *Albinus*. Of these consuls as also of the Caudine peace, *Cicero* in his book of old age: *Pliny* also in his book of famous men, *Gellius* in his 17 book and 21 chap. *Florus* in his 1 book and 16 chap. and *Orosius* in his 3 book and 15 chap. do make mention.

434

*L. Papyrius Cursor II. C. Publius Philo.*

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* shew for this years Consuls, *Q. Publius Philo* and *L. Papyrius Cursor*, the second time. The Sicilian registers, *Cursor* and *Philo*. But that this *Philo* should now be third time Consul, his Consulships do plainly shew.

435

*L. Papyrius Cursor for Mugillanus.*  
*Q. Annius Cerecenus II.*

*Livy* saith, there is some doubt, whether *L. Papyrius Cursor* were this year created Consul the third time, with *Q. Amylius Cerecenus* the second time: and for his good service in war at *Luceria*, continued still in government: or rather *L. Papyrius Mugillanus*, and so the surname was mistaken. *Cassiodorus* delivereth unto us *L. Papyrius* and *Q. Annius Cerecenus*. The Sicilian registers, *Papyrius* and *Cerecenus*. The monument of his triumph in the Capitol, alloweth of *cursor* and not *Mugillanus*. The author of that book which *Cuspinianus* hath set forth, following other Annals, setteth down *Mugillanus*.

436

*M. Fostius Flaccinator. L. Plantius Venno.*

Being that for twelve years next ensuing, we have the Capitoline tables whole and found, the less trouble we need to be at in reforming and redressing the names of the Magistrats. Both they, and also *Livy* with *Cassiodorus* represent unto us for this years consuls, *M. Fostius Flaccinator* and *L. Plantius Venno*. *Diodorus* calleth them *L. Plotius* and *pavio* & *q. a. b. c.* The Sicilian registers, *Venno* and *Flaccinus*.

437

*C. Junius Bubulcus. Q. Emilius Barbula.*  
*Cassiodorus* putteth down *C. Junius* and *Quintus Emilius* for Consuls. *Livy*, *C. Junius Bubulcus*, and *Quintus Emilius Barbula*. A stone in the Capitol, *Q. Emilius Barbula*, and *C. Junius Bubulcus Brutus*.

438

*Sp. Nautius. M. Popilius.*

Next follow in order *Sp. Nautius* and *M. Popilius* Consuls, according to *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*. *Rutilius* and *Lanae* their surnames, are by *Sigonius* restored unto them: and the same also are to be seen in the Sicilian books of record.

439

*L. Papyrius Cursor III. Q. Publius Philo III.*

The Consuls names of this year, through the default of the writers that copied forth *Livius* books, are there left out: namely, *L. Papyrius Cursor* for the fourth time, and *Q. Publius Philo* likewise the fourth time: as it is written in *Cassiodorus*, in the Capitoll tables, and in *Cuspinianus* book, wherein they are named *cursor* and *Philo*. Howbeit, in the Sicilian registers they are called *cursor* and *Lanae*.

440

*M. Patellius. C. Sulpitius.*

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* report for Consuls this year *C. Sulpitius* and *M. Patellius*. But *Diodorus* hath *C. Sulpitius* and *pavio* & *q. a. b. c.* corruptly for *cursor* & *q. a. b. c.* The Capitoline writers, have *M. Patellius Libo* and *C. Sulpitius Longus* the third time. The Sicilian registers, *Longus* and *cursor* & *q. a. b. c.*, but there is a fault, as *Sigonius* truly thinketh.

441

*L. Papyrius Cursor V. C. Junius Bubulcus.*

*Diodorus* putteth down for Consuls this year *L. Papyrius* fifth time, and *C. Junius*. The Sicilian registers, *Cursor* and *Bubulcus*. But *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*, *L. Papyrius Cursor V.* and *C. Junius Bubulcus II.* *Festus* maketh mention also of these Consuls in his 18 book.

442

*M. Valerius. C. Decius.*

*Livy* writeth that there followed consuls *M. Valerius* and *P. Decius*: but *Cassiodorus*, saith *M. Valerius* and *P. Decius*. *Frontinus* in his book of water-conduits, speaketh of these Consuls: whom he writeth to have been thirty years after the beginning of the Samnitis war. As for *P. Decius*, *Livy* afterwards calleth *Mus*. The Sicilian registers have *Max* and *Mus*.

443

*C. Junius Bubulcus III. Q. Emilius Barbula II.*

We find in *Livy* for Consuls this year, *C. Junius Bubulcus* the third time, and *Q. Emilius Barbula* the second time: likewise in *Cassiodorus*. But *Diodorus* nameth them *C. Junius* and *Q. Emilius*. In the Sicilian registers, *Bubulcus* and *Barbula*. The same names are also in the Capitoll monuments, which be in *Livy*.

444

*C. Martius Rutilius. Q. Fabius.*

*C. Aius Martius Rutilius* and *Q. Fabius* be this years Consuls in *Livy*. But in *Cassiodorus*, *C. Martius Rutilius* and *Q. Fabius* the second time. *Diodorus* hath *C. Martius* and *Q. Fabius* the second time. The Sicilian registers shew *Rutius* and

and *Rutilius*. The Capitol monuments, *Q. Fabius*, *Max*, *Rutilianus* the second time, and *C. Martius*, who afterwards in his second Consulship in the 498 year, is surnamed *Conserinus*.

445

*A year without Consuls. P. Papyrius Dictator II.*

*Verrius Flaccus* interpolereth this year also without Consuls, wherein he reporteth *L. Papyrius Dictator* the 2 time, with *C. Junius Bubulcus Brutus* the Master of the horie. This year *Diodorus*, *Livy*, the Greek records, *Cuspinianus* book and *Cassiodorus* do overleap. For *Livy* writeth that *L. Papyrius Cursor* was nominated by the consull Dictator, and by him *C. Junius Bubulcus* named Master of the horie: upon occasion that *C. Martius* the Cos. had no good fortune in his conduct of the wars in Samnium. This inserting of one year *Onuphrius* hath approved, that the computation of the years gathered by *Varro* might stand in force, which to the Capitoll tables putteth one year, whose judgment we also are willing to follow.

446

*Q. Fabius. P. Decius.*

*Livy* writeth, that *Fabius* continued Consul this year also, for his singular good service in subduing and taming *Heruvia*: and that he had for his companion in government *Decius*. *Cassiodorus* acknowledgeth for Cos. *Q. Fabius* the third time, and *P. Decius* the second time. *Diodorus*, *P. Decius* and *Q. Fabius*. The Sicilian registers *Mus* and *Rutius*. The Capitoline tables, *P. Decius Mus II.* and *Q. Fabius Max*. *Rullianus* the third time.

447

*App. Claudius. L. Volumnus.*

*Livy* saith, that immediately there followed Consuls, *App. Claudius* and *L. Volumnus*. *Cassiodorus* and *Diodorus*, *Appius* and *Volens*. The Sicilian registers, *App. Claudius Cacus*, and *L. Volumnus*. The Capitoline monuments have *Flamma* and *Volens*. Now whether one of these Consuls surnames be *Volens* or *Violens*, *Onuphrius* adverteth us to consider. For the capitoll stone hath it alwaies written *Volens*. But the Greek words have *Appius* and *pavio* & *q. a. b. c.* as if the name were *Violens*.

448

*Q. Martius Tremulus. P. Cornelius Arvina.*

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* register for the Consuls of this year, *Q. Martius Tremulus*, with a Colleague adjoined unto him, *Diodorus* saith *Q. Martius* and *P. Cornelius*. The Sicilian records, *Tremulus* and *Arvina*.

449

*L. Posthumius. T. Minutius*  
*L. Posthumius* and *T. Minutius* are reported consuls by *Diodorus*, *Livy* and *Cassiod.*

*Cuspinianus* book sheweth, *Megellus* and *Augurinus*. These Consuls, doth *L. Pij* put down for to succeed *Q. Fabius* and *P. Decius*, leaving out those two years wherein we have let down (as *Livy* writeth) that *Claudius* with *Volumnus*, and *Cornelius* with *Martius* were consuls. Whether his memory failed him in digesting of the annals, or of purpose he supposed that those two couple of Consuls were not truly recorded, and therefore overleapt them, I know not. A fragment there is of the Capitoline stone, which sheweth for this year, *Megellus* to be the surname of *Posthumius*, *Tiberius* the forename of *Minutius*, and *M. of Fulvius*. Now the surnames of *Fulvius* were *curvus* and *Patinus*, as it appeareth written in his triumph.

450

*P. Sempronius Sophus. P. Sulpitius Saverrio.*

The Consuls next following were *P. Sulpitius Saverrio* and *P. Sempronius Sophus*, according to *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*. In *Diodorus* they are written *P. Sulpitius* and *P. Sempronius*. In the Greek registers, they stand *Sempronius* and *Saverrio*. *Pliny* writeth of these Consuls in his 33 book: but *Sempronius* he calleth *Longus*. Both of them are described thus by their triumphs, appearing upon record in the Capitoll, for in their Consulship there is no more to be seen but *Sophus* and *Pabius*.

451

*L. Gennatius. Ser. Cornelius.*

*Diodorus*, *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* report for Cos. this year, *L. Gennatius*, and *Servius Cornelius*. The Sicilian registers have *Aventinensis* and *Lemulus*. The Capitoline writers put unto *Cornelius* the surname of *Lemulus*.

452

*M. Livius Denter. M. Amylius.*

*Livy* nameth for Consuls this year *M. Livius* and *C. Amylius*. *Cassiodorus*, *M. Livius* and *L. Amylius*. *Diodorus*, *M. Livius* and *M. Amylius*. As for the forename to *Amylius*, *Sigonius* and *Onuphrius* do think that more credit is to be given unto *Diodorus*, than others: especially, seeing that in *Livy* there is mention made the year following of *M. Amylius Paulus* General of the horsemen, whom they all think to be the same man that this Consul, *M. Livius* is written *Denter* in the Capitoll records, which surname *Livy* in another place addeth to the *Livii*. *Cuspinianus* book in like manner setteth down *Denter* and *Pantus* as the surnames of these Consuls. The Sicilian registers, *Denter* and *Amylius*.

453

Two Dictators, and no Consul.  
His year also of two Dictators without Consuls, *Onuphrius* inserteth in his Kalender, howbeit directed thereto by evidence of the Capitoll fragments: to the end that the calculation of *Varro* might agree in all respects which;

which; this year were over-flipped should be wholly overthrown: although *Diodore*, *Livy*, and *Cassiodorus* dissent therefrom, and leave out this year altogether. Whereof see *Onasphorus* more at large in his *Kalendar* upon this year 453.

454  
*M. Valerius*, *Q. Apuleius Panfa*.

Immediately after *M. Livius* and *M. Aemilius*, *Livy*, and *Cassiodorus* letteth pass the year of two Dictators without Consuls, bring in *M. Valerius* and *Q. Apuleius Panfa* for Consuls. The Greek records shew *Corvinus* and *Pansa*. It seemeth that *Livy* by *Marcus Valerius* meaneth *Maximus*, for that he saith that presently upon his Dictatorship he was made *Col*. Now that *M. Valerius Max.* was Dictator the year before, he writeth plainly.

455  
*M. Fulvius Patrus*, *T. Manlius Torquatus*.

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* declare for Consuls this year, *M. Fulvius Patrus* and *T. Manlius Torquatus*. The Sicilian registers have *Patinus* and *Torquatus*. *Livy* saith that *Q. Fabius* refused the Consulship offered unto him without any suit of his. But *T. Manlius* the Consul, was by lot appointed to levy war against *Herruria*, which took arms and prepared for war against the truce accorded upon. Now was he scarce well entered into the enemies confines, but as he exercised among men of arms, and chanced to turn about his horse upon a full carrier, he was cast from his back: wherupon (for the present) he lay for dead, and within three daies after the said fall ended his life: Then all the Centuries in general by their suffrages chose *M. Valerius Col*, whom the Senat purposed to have made Dictator. Thus much *Livy*. By *M. Valerius* he meaneth *Corvus*, whom *Cicero* writeth in his book of old age, and *Valerius Max.* in his 7 book and 48 chap. to have been *Col*, now the sixt time, and that between this and the first there were 46 years, although *Plutarch* in the life of *C. Marius* saith they were but 45. Howbeit all of them call him *Corvinus* and not *Corvus*.

456  
*L. Cornelius Scipio*, *Cn. Fulvius*.

*Cn. Fulvius* and *L. Cornelius Scipio* are recorded Consuls by *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*: but *Scipio* and *Centumalus*, by *Cuspinians* book: *Scipio* and *Maximus* by the Greek records.

457  
*Q. Fabius Max. IV.*, *P. Decius Mus III.*

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* alledge for *Col*. this year, *Q. Fabius Max.* the fourth time, and *P. Decius Mus* thrice. The same *Col*. *Cuspinians* book and the Greek records delivered unto us. The author that writeth of famous men, and *Frontinus* in his book of Stratagems, speak of *P. Decius* thrice Consul.

458  
*L. Volturninus*, *Appius Claudius*.

*L. Volturninus* a Commoner, and *Appius Claudius* of noble blood, were created *Col*. this year: even the same men who in their former Consulship were matched together, as *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* write: but in the Sicilian registers they are found written, *Claudius* and *Volturnus*. Howbeit, *Cicero* in his book entitled *Cato* reporteth, that between the two Consulships of *App. Catus* were ten years.

459  
*Q. Fabius V.*, *P. Decius IV.*

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* both witness, that the *Col*. next following, were *Q. Fabius* the sixt time, and *P. Decius* the 4 time, who had been companions together already in 2 Consulships and in one Censorship. The Sicilian registers have *Rullus* and *Mus*: of which *Cicero* *Cicero* speaketh very often: *Valer. Max.* likewise, *Plutarch*, *Frontinus* in his book of Stratagems, the author of the book of famous men, *Entrepinus*, *Orosius*, and others: who all report, that the *Col*. *P. Decius*, following the example of his father, offered himself to die for the Roman legions, and by his death purchased a notable victory to the people of Rome.

460  
*L. Postumius Megellus*, *M. Atilius Regulus*.

The *Col*. next following, were *L. Postumius Megellus*, and *M. Atilius Regulus*, as *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* write. In the Sicilian records, their surnames are *Megellus* and *Regulus*.

461  
*L. Papirius Curfor*, *Sp. Carvilius*.

After *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*, the *Col*. this year, were *L. Papirius Curfor* and *Sp. Carvilius*. After the Sicilian registers, *Curfor* & *Max. A* stone in the Capitol maketh mention of *Papirius* the son of *L. nephew* of *P.* surnamed *Curfor*, whom *Livy* writeth to be the son of *Papirius* 5 times *Col*. Of these *Col*. *Pliny* of *Vergil* maketh mention in his 7 book and 60 chap. *Val. Max.* likewise in his 7 book and 1 chap. *Pellius* in his 2 book: and the same *Livy* in the year 456.

462  
*Q. Fabius Gurgus Max.*, *Decius Junius Brutus*, son of *Severinus*.

The year following had Consuls, *Q. Fabius Gurgus*, and *D. Junius Brutus Scæva*, as witness *Livy* and *Cassiodorus*. *Zonarus* nameth them, *Junius Brutus* and *Q. Fabius Max.* *Cuspinians* *Kalendar*, *Maximus* and *Scæva*. The Sicilian registers, *Brutus* and *Maximus*. *Livy*, *Pliny* in his 7 book, the Capitol tables, and *Zonarus*, have delivered that this *Fabius* was the son of *Q. Max.* *Rullianus*, who had been 5 times *Col*. before. And here an end of the Consuls for the first 10 books.

463  
*L. Posthumius*, *C. Junius*.

Since that after this Consulship, ten books of *Livy* next ensuing be lost, whom hitherto we have had for the most sufficient witness of this story, so as now we are in manner destitute and deprived of the best helps of Annals, namely, *Diodorus*, *Dionysius*, and *Livy*: from hence forward we will use principally in digesting and reckoning the years by the Consuls, the authority and testimony of *Cassiodorus*, the Sicilian records, and *Cuspinians* book: yet will we not in the mean while reject what help soever shall be ministred unto us by others. For this year therefore *Cassiodorus* writeth, that *L. Posthumius* and *C. Junius*, were created *Col*. whose surnames, *Megellus*, and *Brutus Bulbulus*, have not been left out so much as in *Cuspinians* *Kalendar*, nor in the Sicilian records. *Livy* also maketh mention of them in his 28 book, laying thus, *Lus. Postumius Megellus* the Interregent, was created *Col*. with *C. Bulbulus*, by that very court and assembly which himself called and held.

464  
*P. Cornelius Rufinus*, *M. Curius Dentatus*

The *Col*. this year are recorded by *Cassiodorus*, *Pub. Cornelius Rufinus*, and *M. Curius Dentatus*: for whom in the Sicilian registers, appear *Maximus* the third time, and *Mus* the sixt time. But of those forenamed *Col*. *Cicero* maketh mention in his book, entitled *Cato*; *Plutarch* in his first book, *Valerius Max.* in his sixt book, and 3 chap. *Pliny* also in his 7 book and 50 chap. Now this *M. Curius* was called *Dentatus*, as *Pliny* writeth in his 6 book and 16 chap. for that he came into the world with teeth.

465  
*M. Valerius*, *Q. Cadius*.

*Marcus Valerius* and *Q. Cadius* were afterwards *Col*. as saith *Cassiodorus*. The old book of *Cuspinians* putteth to them the surnames of *Corvinus* and *Noctus*: which in the Sicilian registers are overpassed. The Greek records shew unto us, *Maximus* and *Mus*: for *Maximus* was a surname also of the *Valerii Corvini*.

466  
*Q. Martius*, *P. Cornelius*.

*Cassiodorus* this year delivereth for Consuls, *Q. Martius* and *P. Cornelius*. *Cuspinians* book and the Greek records add their surnames, *Tremulus II.* and *Arvinus II.* who had been Consuls together once before.

467  
*M. Marcellus*, *Sp. Nautius*.

*Cassiodorus* avoucheth Consuls this year, *M. Marcellus* and *Cn. Nautius*. The Greek records and *Cuspinians* book, have *Marcellus* and *Rutilius*.

468  
*M. Valerius*, *C. Aelius*.

*Marcus Valerius* and *C. Aelius* are ranged in this year for *Col*. by *Cassiodorus*. *Cuspinians* book putteth forth, *Maximus* and *Patinus*: but the Greek records, *Patinus* and *Patinus*. Now you must think, that both *Maximus* and *Patinus* are the surnames of the *Valerii*.

469  
*C. Claudius*, *M. Aemilius*.

For this years *Col*. *Cassiodorus* hath *C. Claudius* and *M. Aemilius*. The Greek records and *Cuspinians* book, *Cavina* & *Lepidus*: whereof the former is the surname of *Claudius*, the latter of *Aemilius*.

470  
*C. Servilius*, *L. Cæcilius*.

By *Cassiodorus*, *C. Servilius* and *L. Cæcilius* *Mercellus* are placed *Col*. in this year: for whereas in some copies of *Cassiodorus*, instead of *Lus. Cæcilius*, is written *Calus* that is a fault; as *Sigoricus* and *Onasphorus* have noted. To *Servilius* this Consul, the Greek records add the surname of *Imus*, whom they put down *Col*. with *Dentatus* they would say *Denter*, as both *Sigoricus* and *Onasphorus* suppose. For *Denter* is a surname also given to the *Cæcilius*, as appeareth by *Livy*.

471  
*P. Cornelius Dolabella*, *Cn. Domitius*.

*Cassiodorus* interreth *P. Corn. Dolabella*, and *Cn. Domitius* for *Col*. *Cuspinians* *Kalendar* hath *Dolabella* and *Calvus*. The Sicilian registers, *Dolabella* *Maximus*. And some think that *Maximus* was the surname of *Dolabella*, which he seemeth to have acquired by the honour that he had won in the war against the Gauls.

472  
*C. Fabricius*, *Q. Aemilius*.

*Cassiodorus* bringeth in for *Col*. *C. Fabricius* and *Q. Aemilius*: but the Sicilian registers, *Luscinus* and *Papus*. Of them *Cicero* in his book *Lectus*, maketh mention in this manner: We see that *Papus Aemilius* was familiarly acquainted with *C. Luscinus*; for so we have heard our fathers say that they were two *Col*. together, and companions in the censorship. Moreover, *Valerius* in his chap. where he treateth of Poverty, maketh mention of *C. Fabricius*, and *Q. Aemilius* *Papus*. This *Aemilius*, *Plutarch* in his *Parallels* calleth corruptly by the name of *Paulus*.

473  
*L. Aemilius*, *Q. Martius*.  
Here followed *Col*. as *Cassiodorus* sheweth, *L. Aemilius* & *Q. Martius*; unto whom *Cuspinians* book and the Greek records give also their surnames, *Barbula* and *Philippus*: and the same also is evident by the records in the Capitol of their triumphs.

474  
P. Valerius. T. Cornucaninus.

**P**ub. Valerius and T. Cornucaninus are by Cassiodorus placed in this year for Coss. The Greek records, Cassianus book, Florus, Orosius, and Eutropius, give to Valerius the surname of *Levinus*. And Plutarch hath assigned for *naſſivov*.

475  
P. Sulpitius. P. Decius.

**N**ext after those, Cassiodorus putteth down P. Sulpitius Consul with P. Decius. The Sicilian registers, have *Savennio* and *Mus*. Cicero in his 2 book, entituled *De Fin.* and in his Tusculan disputations, saith, That this *Pub. Decius* was the son of that P. Decius who vowed himself to death in the Samnits and Gauls war,

476  
C. Fabricius. Q. Aemilius.

**C**assiodorus delivereth unto us for Consuls C. Fabricius and Q. Aemilius: whom Cassianus book and the Greek records, call *Luscius* the second time, and *Papus*. That these were fellows together once before in the Consul, Cicero writeth in his book *Latius*. Plutarch in *Pyrrhus*, Gellius 3 book, chap. 8. Eutropius, and Zonaras, make report of the same.

477  
P. Cornelius. C. Junius.

**P**ub. Cornelius and C. Junius are rehearsed for Consuls this year by Cassiodorus. Cassianus book hath *Rufinus* the second time, and *Brutus*. The Greek records, *Rufinus* and *Bulbulus*. Zonaras hath *Rufinus* & *Junius*. Of P. *Rufinus* twice Cof. Cic. in his 2. book Of a perfect Orator *Valer. Max.* in his 3. book, and 4. chap. Gellius in his 4 book, and 8 chap. in his 17 book likewise and 21 chap. and last of all, *Frontinus* in his book of Stratagems, make mention.

478  
Q. Fabius. C. Genucius.

**C**assiodorus reporteth Q. Fabius and C. Genucius Consuls. The Sicilian registers have *Gurges* and *Cleptina*. Of these Cof. *Orosius* maketh mention in this wise: When *Fabius Gurges* was the second time Cof. with C. *Genucius Cleptina*, a grievous pestilence reigned both in the City, and also in the territory about it.

479  
M'. Curius. L. Lentulus.

**C**assiodorus and Eutropius deliver unto us for Cof. M'. Curius and L. Lentulus. The Sicilian registers, *Dentatus* and *Lentulus*. This is the third Consul of M'. Curius, which together with *Lentulus* Consulship, is drawn out of the Capitol records of triumph this year.

**C**assiodorus sheweth for this years Cof. *Servius Cornelius* and M'. Curius. Cassianus book and the Greek records, *Merenda* & *Dentatus* the third time. This M'. Curius is now Cof. the fourth time, for, thrice he was before. Concerning this *Serv. Cornelius Merenda*, Pliny relateth and writeth, that he received a princely coronet of gold at the hands of L. *Lentulus* the Cof. of the former year, for winning a town of the Samnits.

481  
C. Fabricius. C. Claudius.

**C**assiodorus setteth down, C. Fabricius and C. Claudius Consuls: the Sicilian records, *Licinius* and *Canina*: Cassianus *Kalender*, *Licinius* and *Canina*. Eutropius, *Fabius Licinius* and C. *Claudius Canina*. Velleius, *Fabius Dorso* and *Claudius Canina*. Whereby it may be understood, that these Consuls were called, C. *Fabius Dorso Licinius*, and *Caius Claudius Canina*: for *Dorso* was an old name of the *Fabii*.

482  
L. Papirius Cursor. Sp. Carvilius.

**N**ext after them, Cassiodorus nominateth for Cof. *Sp. Carvilius* and *Lu. Papirius Cursor*. The records both of *Sicily* and *Cassianus*, have *Cursor* and *Maximus*. Both these were now Cof. the second time, as appeareth by their triumphs upon record in the Capitol. *Frontinus* speaketh of them in his book Of water-conduits, and *Livy* in his 24 book,

483  
C. Quintus. L. Genucius.

**I**t is reported by Cassiodorus, that C. *Quintus* and L. *Genucius* were Consuls. Cassianus book and the Greek records, set to their surnames, *Claudius* and *Cleptina*. *Livy* in his 7 book speaketh of one *Tit. Quintus* lame of one leg, from whom haply this surname is drawn,

484  
C. Genucius. Cn. Cornelius.

**R**eported there are for Consuls this year by Cassiodorus, C. *Genucius* and Cn. *Cornelius*; whose surnames were *Cleptina* and *Blasio*, as it appeareth in Cassianus' book. This *Caius Genucius* is the same, who before time was Consul. As for C. *Blasio*, he is described by his Consulship standing upon record in the Capitol. The Greek records over-pais them both.

485  
P. Sempronius, or after Q. Ogulphius.  
App. Claudius, some, Fabius Pictor.

**A**fter *Cornelius* and *Genucius* Consuls, Cassiodorus bringeth in *Pub. Sempronius*, and App.

**App. Claudius**, and of purpose over-skippeth Q. *Gulo* and *Fabius Pictor*. Zonaras, Q. *Gallus* and C. *Fabius*. Of them speaketh *Eutropius* saying: When Q. *Gulo* and *Fabius Pictor* were Consuls, the Piceats raised war; and by the Consuls next following, to wit, P. *Sempronius* and App. *Claudius*, they were vanquished. Pliny also in his 33 book and 3 chap. When Q. *Fabius* (quothe he) was Consul, silver was coined and stamped for money, five years before the [second] Punic war. These Consuls, *Velleius* also reckoneth in his first book. But *Sigonius* and *Onuphrius* advertise us, that the book of *Eutropius* is very faulty in one of these Consuls, and that in lieu of *Quin. Gulo*, it should be read Q. *Ogulphius*; for of this *Gulo*, there is in no place besides, any mention: so as they would have, that it should be Q. *Ogulphius*, son of L. nephew of A. surnamed *Gallus*, who a little before was sent in embassy to *Ptolemey*. And it falleth out passing well, that they should maketh *Ogulphius* a commoner with *Fabius* a Patritian. Also *Onuphrius* testifieth, that in the most ancient hand-written books of *Eutropius*, the name is found of *Ogulphius*. And, as both the Greek records, and also Zonaras, together with the more ancient and perfect copies of *Eutropius*, agree to this his judgment: so *Hubertus Galatinus* likewise in his Catalogue of Consuls, embraceth the same: and that which maketh most for the purpose, the old antiquities of coin witness as much. But in the mean while this is worth the observation, that oftentimes in the most ancient pieces of money, the letter C is written for G: as for example here, *Ocul. Cal.* for *Ogul. Galba*.

288  
P. Sempronius. App. Claudius.

**S**eeing that we settle the Consulship of the former year, in *Ogulphius* and *Fabius Pictor*, and that upon the authority of *Eutropius*, the Greek records, *Cassianus*, *Zonaras*, *Onuphrius*, and others; we will set down for this years Consuls, P. *Sempronius* and App. *Claudius*, whom *Velleius* in his first book calleth, *Sempronius Sophus*, and *Appius* the son of *Cecus*. The Greek records, *Sempronius Rufus Sophus*: and Cassianus book *Rufus*. Moreover, this also *Galatinus* giveth us to understand, that the surname of this *Sempronius* is in old peeces of coin found written without an aspiration [*Sopu*]; which is no rare thing to be seen in such antiquities: for we read in others of them, *Philippus*, *Tamphilus*, *Gracchus*, *Pulcher*, *Triumphus*, for *Philippus*, *Tamphilus*, *Gracchus*, *Pulcher*, *Triumphus*, and such like.

487  
M. Attilius. L. Julius Libo.

**E**utropius putteth down for Consuls, M. *Attilius* and L. *Julius Libo*. The Sicilian registers, *Regulus* and *Libo*. Cassiodorus, M. *Attilius* and *Libinus*. And both of them are taken forth of the records of capitol triumphs.

488  
D. Junius. N. Fabius.

**C**assiodorus reporteth for Cof. this year, D. *Junius* and N. *Fabius*: the Sicilian registers, *Pera* and *Pictor*: the capitol records of triumphs, D. *Junius* son of D. nephew of D. surnamed *Pera*, and N. *Fabius* son of C. nephew of M. surnamed *Pictor*. Upon what occasion these *Fabii* took the surname of *Pictor*, Pliny sheweth in his 35 book chap. 4. *Valer. Max.* in his 4 book and 3 chap. seemeth to note and signify, that *Fabius Gurges* and N. *Fab. Pictor*, lived at one and the same time.

489  
Q. Fabius Maximus. L. Mamilius Vitulus.

**T**his year also Cassiodorus passeth over, The Greek records shew, *Maximus* and *Vitulus*. Zonaras, Q. *Fabius*, and *Emilius* (no doubt) for *Mamilius*, by some error and fault of the copies. Cassianus out of some old books delivereth unto us for Consuls, Q. *Fab. Maximus* and L. *Mamilius*. *Onuphrius* thinketh, that Q. *Fab. Maximus Gurges* was now thrice Consul.

490  
Ap. Claudius. M. Fulvius.

**B**esides the capitol monuments, *Polybius* in his first book maketh mention of these Consuls. Gellius also, who calleth them thus, App. *Claudius* brother of *Cecus* surnamed *Caudex*, and Mar. *Fulvius Flaccus*. In like manner *Livy*, *Paterculus*, and *Pliny* in his book of famous men: as also *Appianus*, *Florus*, *Frontinus* in his 1 book of Stratagems, *Eutropius*, *Orosius*, and Cassiodorus.

491  
M'. Valerius. M'. Otacilius.

**C**assiodorus and Eutropius shew unto us, that M'. *Valerius* and M'. *Otacilius* were Consuls. Zonaras nameth *Valerius Max.* and *Otacilius Crassus*. Cassianus *Kalender* and the Sicilian records, Max. *Messala* and *Crassus*. Of these Consuls, *Per. Flaccus*, *Polybius*, *Cassiodorus*, *Eutropius*, and *Macrobius* out of *Varro* make report. As for *Macrobius*, he rendereth a reason, why M'. *Valerius* was in this government of his named *Messala*: and *Pliny* likewise, in his first book and five and thirtieth chapter.

492  
L. Posthumius. Q. Mamilius.

**C**assiodorus and *Polybius* put down for next Consuls, L. *Posthumius* and Q. *Mamilius*. Zonaras nameth them, *Posthumius Albinus* and *Quintus Mamilius*. The Sicilian registers, *Albinus* and *Vitulus*: but the capitol monuments, L. *Posthumius* son of *Lucius*, nephew of *Lucius*, surnamed *Megellus*, and Q. *Mamilius* son of Q. nephew of M. surnamed *Vitulus*.



L. Valerius.

493 T. Otacilius.

**P**olybius and Cassiodorus match together in the Consul for this year *L. Valerius* and *T. Otacilius* (the surname of *Valerius* is *Flaccus*; and of *Otacilius*, *Grassus*, as it appeareth upon the capitol and Sicilian records.

Cn. Cornelius.

494 C. Duilius.

**C**assiodorus and Zonaras bring in for Coss. *Cn. Cornelius* and *C. Duilius*. In like manner also *Polybius*, but only that in lieu of *Sulpius* he hath *Nisus*. The Sicilian Registers shew *Scipio* and *Dulius*. *Cn. Cornelius* *Scipio* is surmamed also *Asina*, by the capital writers *Orosius*, *Entropius*, and *Valerius* in his first book chap. 10. of which surname *Macrobius* writeth thus in his first book of *Saturnalia*: The surname of *Asina* (qd. he) was given to the *Cornelius*; for that the first of the House *Cornelia* having either bought land, or given his daughter in marriage, when (after the solemn manner) he was required to put in good sureties for security, brought into the open market place a she ass laden with money, and pawned down that presently in stead of pledges.

C. Aquilius son of M. L. Cornelius son of L.

**T**here are nominated by *Cassiodorus* for Consuls, *C. Aquilius* and *L. Cornelius*. The Sicilian registers, *Florus* and *Scipio*. *Zonaras*, *C. Flavius* and *L. Scipio*. *Entropius* and *Orosius*, *L. Cornelius* *Scipio*, and *C. Aquilius* *Flavius*. *Polybius* leaveth them out. The Capitoline monuments agree with the Annals of *Entropius* and *Orosius*.

A. Atilius Calpurnius.

496 Q. Sulpicius.

**P**olybius avoucheth for this years Consuls, *A. Atilius* and *C. Sulpicius*. *Cassiodorus*, *A. Atilius* and *C. Sulpicius*. The Sicilian Registers and *Calpurnius* Kalender, *Calpurnius* and *Patreus*. The Capitol. monuments, *A. Atilius* *Calpurnius* and *C. Sulpicius* *Patreus*. Of these Consuls, *Polybius*, *Cicero*, *Valerius*, *Florus*, *Frontinus* in his *Stratagems*, *Pliny* the younger *Gellius*, *Entropius* and *Cassiodorus* make mention. But concerning the surname of *Sulpicius* *Patreus*, the Capitoline tables disagree one from another; to wit, those that carry the records of the triumphs, from those that shew the Consulships and other magistracies; for in these latter monuments he is called *Quintus* in the former *Caius*. Whereby *Gellius* doth conjecture, that one man was not the author of both those records, namely, the Triumphal and the Consular.

Cn. Cornelius.

497

C. Atilius.

**C**assiodorus sheweth unto us, *Cn. Cornelius*, and *C. Atilius* *Serranus*, for Consuls: but *Polybius*, *C. Atilius*. The Capitol tables, *C. Atilius* *Regulus*, *Cuspinianus* Kalender and the Sicilian registers, have *Regulus* and *Blasio* the second time. But how *Atilius* should come by his surname *Serranus*, *Pliny* sheweth in his 18 book, saying: In these daies the fields were tilled by the very hands of *L. Generals* themselves and a man verily would believe thereby, that the ground joyed in a jauger ploughshare and a triumphant plowman. Him they found a loving, unto him they preferred those honorable dignities, and so took he his surname *Serranus*. As concerning *Blasio*, all authors well need believe, approve the judgment of *Cuspinianus*: but *Gellius* supposeth, that he was not the true man that was Consul before; and therefore he writeth him the son of *C.* nephew of *L.* without putting to the numeral note *II*.

Q. Cadius.

498

L. Manlius.

**T**he next Consuls that succeeded, were (by *Cassiodorus* his saying) *Q. Cadius* and *L. Manlius*. The Sicilian registers name them, *Fulso* and *Cadius*. *Zonaras*, *M. Regulus* and *L. Manlius*. *Entropius*, *M. Atilius* *Regulus* and *L. Manlius* *Fulso*: and *Polybius*, *M. Atilius* and *L. Manlius*. *Insenus* in his 41 book maketh mention of these Consuls. But ye must understand, that *Q. Cadius* died whilst he was in office, and *M. Atilius* was substituted in his room and made Consul the second time; as appeareth evidently by the capitol tables, wherein it standeth thus upon record, *L. Manlius* *Fulso* *Longus*: and in stead of *Q. Cadius*, *M. Atilius* *Regulus* is the second time: as also by *Cuspinianus* book, wherein is written, *Longus* and *Regulus*.

M. Emilius Paulus.

499

Ser. Fulvius Nobilior.

**P**olybius sheweth for the Coss. this year *Ser. Fulvius* and *M. Emilius*. *Cuspinianus* Kalender, *Nolitor* and *P. Rictus*. The Sicilian registers, *Paulinus* and *Paulus*. *Cassiodorus* and *Entropius* together with the Capitoline records have *Ser. Fulvius* *Nobilior*, and *M. Emilius* *Paulus*.

Cn. Cornelius.

500

A. Atilius.

**C**assiodorus and *Polybius* report for this years Consuls, *Cn. Cornelius* and *A. Atilius*. The capitol authors write, *A. Atilius* *Claudius*. The capitol authors write, *A. Atilius* *Claudius* the second time, and *Cn. Cornelius* *Scipio* the second time. As touching *Cn. Cornelius* *Asina* twice Consul, thus writeth *Valerius* in his first book: *Cn. Cornelius* *S. Asina*, who being Consul, was taken prisoner by the Carthaginians at *Lipana* when he had by the law

law of arms lost whatsoever he had, recovered all again, and was made Consul the second time: so as, of a Consul he became a captive, and of a captive twice Consul.

Cn. Servilius.

501

C. Sempronius.

**C**assiodorus and *Polybius* put down for Consuls, *Cn. Servilius* and *C. Sempronius*. The Sicilian registers, *Capio* and *Blasio*. *Zonaras*, *Servilius* *Capio* and *C. Sempronius*. *Entropius* and *Orosius*, *Cn. Servilius* *Capio*, and *Sempronius* *Blasio*. Of the same Consuls, *Sabinus* in his 30 book maketh mention, as also a stone of the Capitol.

C. Aurelius Cotta.

502

P. Servilius.

**C**assiodorus bringeth in as Coss. *C. Aurelius* *Cotta*, and *P. Geminus*. The Sicilian registers, *Cotta* and *Geminus*: but those of the Capitol, *C. Aurelius* *Cotta*, and *P. Servilius* *Geminus*. *Zonaras*, *Pub. Servilius* and *C. Aurelius*. *Cicero* in his book, entituled *Lucullus*, writeth, that *C. Cotta*, together with *P. Servilius* *Geminus*, was twice Consul. *Frontinus* also in his fourth book of *Stratagems*, and likewise *Orosius*, make mention of *C. Cotta* Consul in Sicily.

L. Caelius Metellus.

503

C. Furius.

**P**olybius setteth down for Consuls, *L. Caelius* *Metellus*, and *Cn. Furius*. The Sicilian registers, *Metellus* and *Pacilius*. *Zonaras*, *Caelius* *Metellus*, and *C. Furius*. *Cassiodorus*, *L. Caelius* and *C. Furius*. *Entropius*, *Orosius*, and a capitol stone, *L. Caelius* *Metellus*, and *Cn. Furius* *Pacilius*. This is that *L. Metellus*, twice Consul and high priest, of whom *Pliny* writeth in his seventh book and three and fortieth chapter.

C. Atilius Regulus.

504

L. Manlius.

**P**olybius placeth for this years Consuls, *C. Atilius* and *L. Manlius*. *Cassiodorus*, *C. Atilius* *Regulus*, and *L. Manlius*. *Orosius* and a capitol stone, have *C. Atilius* *Regulus*, and *L. Manlius* *Fulso*, both Coss. the second time. *Zonaras*, *C. Atilius* the brother of *Regulus*, and *L. Manlius*. The Sicilian records, *Regulus* and *Fulso*.

P. Claudius.

505

L. Junius.

**C**assiodorus and *Polybius* infer for Consuls the next year, *Pub. Claudius* and *L. Junius*. *Zonaras*, *L. Junius* and *C. Pulcher*. *Florus* and *Suetonius* in *Tiberius*, put to *Claudius* the surname of *Pulcher*; and *Conformis* to *Junius* of *Pulcher* which also are upon record in the Sicilian and capitoline tables. Thence *Claudius*, *Cicero* (in his books of *Divination*, and of the nature of gods) calleth the son of *App. Claudius* *Pulcher*.

seventh book and three and fortieth chapter) nameth him his nephew or grandson. The capitol writers take part with *Cicero*, *Plin. Maximus* in his first book and fourth chapter, speaketh of the same Consuls.

P. Servilius.

506

C. Aurelius

**F**or Consuls this year, *Cassiodorus* putteth down *P. Servilius* and *C. Aurelius*. *Cicero* in his book *Lucullus*, saith that there were twice Consuls. Which also is apparent by the Capitol and Sicilian tables: in which their surnames are to be seen, *Geminus* *II*, and *Cotta* *II*.

L. Caelius.

507

N. Fabius.

**I**T is recorded by *Cassiodorus*, that the Consuls of this year, were *L. Caelius* and *N. Fabius*: but *Zonaras* nameth them, *Caelius* *Metellus*, and *Numerius* *Fabius*. *Cuspinianus* Kalender and the Sicilian Registers, have them in this manner; *Metellus* *II*, and *Buteo* *II*. But the capitoline tables shew them thus, *L. Caelius* *Metellus* *II*, *N. Fabius* *Buteo* *II*. *Pliny* also reporteth in his seventh book, that *Metellus* was twice Consul.

M. Fabius.

508

M. C. Atilius.

**C**assiodorus setteth down as Consuls, *M. Fabius* and *M. Otacilius*. The Sicilian Registers, *Crassus* and *Licinius*. *Gellius* in his tenth book and six chapter, hath *F. Licinius* and *Oacilius* *Crassus*. The capitol marblestones, *M. Fabius* *Licinius*, and *M. Otacilius* *Crassus*. Besides, *Gellius* in the place before alleged, *Florus*; likewise in his 19 Breviary upon *Livius* maketh mention of these Consuls; as also *Suetonius* in *Tiberius*.

M. Fabius.

509

C. Atilius.

**C**assiodorus reckoneth *M. Fabius*, and *C. Atilius*, Consuls for this year. The Sicilian tables, *Buteo* and *Bulbus*. But those of the capitol, *M. Fabius* *Buteo*, and *C. Atilius* *Bulbus*. Of *Fabius* the Consuls shipwreck, *Florus* speaketh out of the nineteenth book of *Livy*.

A. Manlius.

510

C. Sempronius.

**F**or this years Consuls, *Cassiodorus* setteth forth unto us, *A. Manlius* and *C. Sempronius*. The Sicilian records, *Torquatus* and *Blasius*. *Cuspinianus* hath *Atilius* and *Blasius*. The capitoline tables shew *A. Manlius* *Torquatus* *Atilius*, and *C. Sempronius* *Blasius* *II*.

C. Fundanius.

511

C. Sulpicius.

**C**assiodorus putteth down, *C. Fundanius*, and *C. Sulpicius* *Metellus* Consuls. The Sicilian writers, VVVV a

ters, *Fundulus* and *Gallus*. The Capitol monuments, *C. Fundanius Fundulus*, and *C. Sulpicius Gallus*. None besides make mention of them.

512  
*C. Lutatius Catulus. A. Postumius.*

*Cassiodorus* delivereth unto us for Consuls this year, *C. Lutatius* and *A. Postumius*. The Sicilian records, *Catulus* and *Albinus*. *Entropius*, and the Capitol marbles, *C. Lutatius Catulus*, and *A. Postumius Albinus*.

513  
*Q. Lutatius Cerco. A. Manlius.*

*Cassiodorus*, *Entropius*, and *Orosius*, shew for consuls this year, *Q. Lutatius* and *A. Manlius*. The Sicilian records, *Cerco* and *Torguatus*. They of the Capitol, *Q. Lutatius Cerco*, and *A. Manlius Torguatus* *Asilius II*. Indeed *C. Lutatius Cerco*, is named for an Embassador by *Livy* in his 42 book.

514  
*C. Claudius Centho. M. Sempronius.*

For this year there were Consuls, *C. Claudius Centho*, and *M. Sempronius Tuditans*, according to *Cassiodorus* and the Capitol writers. The Sicilian records testify also the same surnames. Of these consuls likewise, besides the Capitol Writers, *Cicero* speaketh in his *Caeso* and *Brutus*, where he calleth this year (according to the judgment of *Atticus*, whereto *Varro* also agreeth) the 514 year from the foundation of the city: as also in his first Tusculan question. So doth *Gellius* 17 book 21 chap. and *Cassiodorus*.

515  
*C. Mamilius. Q. Valerius.*

Next there followed in consuls place, as witnesseth *Cassiodorus*, *C. Mamilius* and *Q. Valerius*: but according to the Sicilian registers, *Turrinus* and *Falco*: and after the Capitol records, *C. Mamilius Turrinus*, and *Q. Valerius Falco*. Besides, *Verrinus Flaccus* and *Cassiodorus*, *Gellius* also maketh mention of these Consuls, in his 17 book and 21 chapter. So doth *Cicero* in *Brutus* and the *Tusculan* questions, in which year they say, that *Ennius* the Poet was born.

516  
*T. Sempronius. P. Valerius.*

For the year following, *Cassiodorus* hath consuls, *T. Sempronius* and *P. Valerius*. *Gracchus* and *Falco*, in *Cassianus* Kalender and the Sicilian records. *Zonaras* avoucheth, *Semp. Gracchus*, and *P. Valerius*. The Capitol writers, have *T. Sempronius Gracchus*, and *P. Valerius Falco*. *Orosius* speaketh of these consuls.

517  
*L. Cornelius. Q. Fulvius.*

Next to them, *Cassiodorus* reporteth for consuls, *L. Cornelius* and *Q. Fulvius*. *Zo-*

*nas*, *L. Lentulus* and *Q. Flaccus*. *Entropius*, *L. Cornelius Lentulus*, and *Q. Fulvius Flaccus*. The Capitol registers give to *Lentulus*, the surname *Candens*: and therefore in *Cassianus* Kalender, they stand by the names of *Candus* and *Flaccus*. As for the Sicilian registers, they leave them out clean.

518  
*C. Licinius. P. Cornelius.*

*Cassiodorus* putteth down for consuls, *C. Licinius* and *P. Cornelius*. *Zonaras*, *P. Lentulus* and *Licinius Varus*. The capitoline writers. *C. Licinius Varus*, and *P. Cornelius Lentulus Candus*. In like manner *Cicero* writes: who reckoneth this for the 518 year after the cities foundation: following herein the computation of *Varro*, *Cicero*, and *Pliny* *Cassianus* Kalender and the Sicilian registers, name them *Claudius* and *Varus*.

519  
*T. Manlius Torguatus. C. Asilius.*

This year had for consuls, as *Cassiodorus* saith, *T. Manlius Torguatus*, and *C. Asilius*. The Sicilian records, shew *Torguatus* and *Bulbus*: but *Entropius*, *Orosius*, and the Capitol Tables shew, *T. Manlius Torguatus*, and *C. Asilius Bulbus*: unto *Bulbus* The Capitol records put to the numeral note II. When *T. Manlius Torguatus* and *C. Asilius Bulbus* the second time were coſs, according to *Verrinus Flaccus*, *Entropius*, *Orosius*, and *Cassiodorus*; and that there was peace throughout all the empire of *Rome*, the Temple of *Janus* was shut the second time, as *Plutarch* sheweth in *Numa*: as *Livy* also, *Velleius*, *Entropius*, and *Orosius*, do testify.

520  
*L. Postumius. Sp. Carvilius.*

*Cassiodorus* nameth for consuls this year, *L. Postumius* and *Sp. Carvilius*. The Sicilian Registers have *Albinus* and *Ruga*. *Zonaras*, *Postumius Albinus*, and *Sp. Carvilius*. The Capitol writers have *L. Postumius Albinus*, and *Sp. Carvilius Maximus*. That *Ruga* was a surname to the *Carvili*, appeareth out of *Gellius*, who maketh mention of *Sp. Carvilius Ruga*, who at this time was the first that divorced his wife.

521  
*Q. Fabius. M. Pomponius.*

*Cassiodorus* putteth down for consuls, *Q. Fabius* and *M. Pomponius*. The Sicilian records *Maximus* and *Matro*. The capitoline writers have *Q. Fabius Maximus Verrucius*, and *M. Pomponius Matro*. *Zonaras* hath *Q. Fabius Max.* and *M. Pomponius*. The surname of *Maximus*, this *Fabius* took of his grand-father, and was not himself. First of that name, whatsoever *Polybius* writeth in his third book.

*Ferrucius* he was called besides of a weat upon his lip, as *Plutarch* witnesseth and he that wrote the treatise of Famous men.

522  
*M. Lepidus. M. Popilius.*

*Marcus Lepidus* and *M. Popilius* are reputed to be Consuls this year by *Cassiodorus*. The Sicilian registers have *Lepidus* and *Malleolus*. *Zonaras* hath *M. Malleolus* and *M. Emilius*. The Capitol tables shew *M. Emilius Lepidus* and *M. Popilius*.

523  
*C. Papirius. M. Pomponius.*

Next after this were created Consuls, *C. Papirius* and *M. Pomponius* according to *Cassiodorus*, *Zonaras*, and *Diogenes* in his second book. The Sicilian registers shew *Maso* and *Mabo*. But the Capitol records have *C. Papirius Maso* and *M. Pomponius Mabo*. Of *C. Papirius*, son of *C.* surnamed *Maso*, a Pontiff or Bishop, *Livy* speaketh in the year 540.

524  
*M. Emilius. M. Junius.*

*Zonaras* and *Cassiodorus* exhibit unto us for Consuls, *M. Emilius* and *M. Junius*. The Sicilian registers, *Barbula* and *Pera*. The Capitol records, *M. Emilius Barbula* and *M. Junius Pera*.

525  
*L. Postumius. Cn. Fulvius.*

*Cassiodorus* setteth down *L. Postumius* and *Cn. Fulvius* as Consuls. The Sicilian records *Albinus* and *Centumalus*. But those of the Capitol, and *Entropius*, present unto us *L. Postumius Albinus* and *Cn. Fulvius Centumalus*. *Polybius* nameth *Cn. Fulvius* and *A. Postumius*.

526  
*Q. Fabius II. Sp. Carvilius.*

There are by *Cassiodorus* nominated for Consuls this year: *Q. Fabius Maximus* the second time, and *Sp. Carvilius*. The Sicilian registers *Maximus* and *Ruga*. The Capitol writers set also unto *Carvilius Maximus* the mark and numeral note of a double Consulship. *Cicero* in his book entituled *Caeso*, likewise in his second book of Rhetorical invention, maketh mention of these Consuls, and so doth *Valerius* in his chapter, discoursing of the kindness and affectionate duty of children to their parents.

527  
*P. Valerius. M. Asilius.*

These are set down by *Cassiodorus* for Consuls this year, *P. Valerius* and *M. Asilius*. The Sicilian registers, have *Fleodius* and *Regulus*. The

Capitol records represent *P. Valerius Flaccus*, and *M. Asilius Regulus*. *Gellius* writeth of them in his 4 book and 3 chapter.

528  
*L. Apustius. M. Valerius.*

Next after, *Cassiodorus* putteth *L. Apustius* and *M. Valerius* Consuls. The Sicilian tables *Maximus* and *Apustius*. The Capitol monuments *L. Apustius Fullo*, and *M. Valer. Messala*.

529  
*C. Asilius. L. Acutius.*

Immediately followed Consuls, *C. Asilius* and *L. Emilius*, as *Cassiodorus* and *Polybius* do witness: whom the Capitol writers call, *C. Asilius Regulus*, and *L. Emilius Papus*. The Sicilian registers, *Regulus* and *Papus*. *Zonaras*, *Regulus* and *Emilius*. Of these Consuls also *Orosius* maketh mention: and *Pliny* in his third book and twentieth chapter, where untruly men read *Parus* for *Papus*.

530  
*T. Manlius. Q. Fulvius II.*

The year following had Consuls *T. Manlius* and *Q. Fulvius* the second time, according to *Cassiodorus* and *Polybius*, and as *Orosius* saith, *T. Manlius Torguatus* and *Q. Fulvius Flaccus*. *Cassianus* tables, together with the Capitoline, have *Torguatus* the second time, and *Flaccus* likewise the second time, shewing the surnames only of these Consuls.

531  
*C. Flaminius. P. Furius Philus.*

*Cassiodorus* setteth down for Consuls, *C. Flaminius* and *P. Furius*. So doth *Polybius*. *Zonaras* nameth them *Flaminius* and *Furius*. *Plutarch* likewise in *Marcellus*. The Sicilian tables name them *Flaminius* and *Philus*. But the Capitol records, *C. Flaminius*, and *P. Furius Philus*.

532  
*M. Marcellus. Cn. Cornelius.*

*Cassiodorus* nameth for the next Consuls, *M. Marcellus* and *Cn. Cornelius*. *Polybius*, *M. Claudius* and *Cn. Cornelius*. The Sicilian registers *Scipio* and *Marcellus*. *Zonaras*, *Claudius Marcellus* and *Cn. Scipio*. *Entropius*, *M. Claudius Marcellus*, and *Cn. Cornelius*. *Scipio*. The Capitol tables *M. Claudius Marcellus* and *Cn. Cornelius Scipio*. This is that *Marcellus*, who was five times Consul: and this is that *Scipio*, who afterwards with his brother *Scipio* was slain in Spain by *Adribalus* the Carthaginian.

533  
*P. Cornelius. M. Minucius.*

*Cassiodorus* sheweth for this years Consuls, *C. Cornelius* and *M. Minucius*. So doth *Zonaras*.

534 The Sicilian registers have Scipio and Rufus, *Entropius* hath P. Cornelius and M. Minusius Rufus. *Cuspinianus* book *Asina* and *Rufus*, *Sigomus* and *Omphibius* both, do think that this P. Cornelius Scipio *Asina* was his son, who in the first Punic war was twice consul. And verily *Livy*, in the year 543 maketh mention of P. Cornelius *Asina*, an honorable Senator, and who had been consul.

534 L. *Petrinus*. C. *Lucius*

*Cassiodorus* and *Zonaras* exhibit unto us for consuls, L. *Petrinus* and C. *Lucius*. The Sicilian registers *Philo* and *Catulus*, *Cuspinianus* book *Philo* and *Seavola*.

535 M. *Livius*. L. *Emilius*.

The consuls next following were M. *Livius* and L. *Emilius*, as *Cassiodorus* witnesseth, *Cuspinianus* book and the Greek records shew *Salinator* and *Paulus*. *Zonaras*, M. *Livius* and *Emilius Paulus*. *Pliny* maketh mention of these consuls in the 29 book and first chap.

536 P. Cornelius Scipio. T. Sempronius Longus.

*Cassiodorus* and *Polybius* put down for consuls P. Cornelius and T. Sempronius. *Zonaras*, *Sempronius Longus* and P. Scipio. The Sicilian records, *Longus* and Scipio. *Livy*, *Entropius*, *Probus*, *Orosius*, and *Padianus*, name them P. Cornelius Scipio, and T. Sempronius Longus. Whiles these were consuls, the second Punic war arose, as writers have delivered unto us in their chronicles.

537 Cn. Servilius Geminus. C. Flaminius.

Then followed consuls, as *Polybius*, *Cassiodorus*, and *Livy* write, Cn. *Servilius*, together with C. *Flaminius*. But the two last named, as also the Sicilian registers, have given to *Servilius* the surname of *Geminus*. C. *Flaminius* now second time consul, with like pride as heretofore, entered into his magistracy in the Ides of *March*, not at *Rome* but at *Ariminum*. The same man, in neglect and contempt of the *Auspicia* or signs of birds, at what time as he made head and went against *Annibal* coming into *Italy*, fought a battle at the lake *Thrasymenus*, where his army was wholly defeated and himself lost his life: into whose place M. *Attilius Regulus*, who had been consul before, was substituted. Thus much out of *Livy* and *Polybius*.

538 C. Terentius Varro. L. Emilius Paulus.

Next to them *Polybius* bringeth in L. *Emilius* and C. *Terentius* for consuls. The Sicilian registers, P. *Asinus* and *Varro*. *Plutarch* in *Paulus*,

*Terentius Varro*, and *Emilius Paulus*, *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and others, C. *Terentius Varro*, and L. *Emilius Paulus*. *Goltzius* noteth, that the father of C. *Terentius Varro*, was one *Anlus*, a thing by others passed over.

539 L. Posthumus Albinus. III. M. Claudius Marcellus. II. Q. Fabius Maximus. III. T. Sempronius Gracchus.

*Livy* reporteth that the consuls elect for this year, when M. *Junius* the Dictator held the solemn assembly for the election, were *Lucius Posthumus Albinus* the third time, who as then ruled the province of *Gaul*, and T. *Sempronius Gracchus*, who had been master of the horse-men; and that *Posthumus* before that he entered into government, was by *Annibal* in *France* environed and slain, in whose head M. *Marcellus* was subrogated consul now the second time: who upon information given by the *Augurs*, that his creation was not good, refused: and commonly the Nobles gave out and said, That the Gods were not well pleased, that two commoners were then first chosen consuls: whereupon in the room of *Marcellus*, *Quintus Fabius Maximus* was chosen consul the third time. Thus write *Livy* and *Plutarch*. And for this cause it is that *Cassiodorus*, *Orosius*, and *Entropius* do put down for this years consuls, T. *Sempronius* and Q. *Fabius*.

540 Q. Fabius. IV. M. Claudius Marcellus. III.

*Livy*, *Plutarch*, and *Cassiodorus* set out for consuls this year, Q. *Fabius Maximus* the fourth time, and M. *Claudius Marcellus* the third time. Moreover, *Cicero* oftentimes and *Frontinus* in his second book of *Stratagems*, make mention of these consuls.

541 Q. Fabius Max. [son of Verrucosus]. T. Sempronius Gracchus. II.

Against this year were both the consuls created in their absence, namely, Q. *Fabius Max.* the son of *Verrucosus*, and T. *Sempronius Gracchus* the second time: as *Livy* testifieth and *Cassiodorus*, together with the Sicilian registers. This *Fabius* had been before the former year, and *Gracchus* consul two years before. These consuls *Gellius* nominateth out of *Quadratus*, the second book and second chapter. Likewise *Cicero* and *Valerius*, have made mention of these consuls.

App. Claudius Pulcher. Q. Fulvius Flaccus. III.

The consuls created for this year by the Dictator were *Quintus Fulvius Flaccus* the third time, who then was master of the horse-men, and *Appius Claudius Pulcher*, who in his

his pretorship was L. deputy in *Sicily*, as *Livy*, *Plutarch* in *Fabius*, *Cassiodorus*, and *Festus* in his 17 book do witness.

543

C. Sulpicius Galba. Cn. Fulvius Centumalus.

Upon the receipt of certain letters, the Consuls agreed together, that *Claudius* should hold the election for magistrats and see it finished, whiles *Fulvius* remained still before *Capua*. *Claudius* created for consuls, Cn. *Fulvius Centumalus*, and P. *Sulpicius* son of *Servilius*, and surnamed *Galba*, who before time had born no state-office of the chair. Thus writeth *Livy*. The same consuls also *Cassiodorus* doth deliver. *Orosius* likewise and *Festus* in his 17 book. The Sicilian records declare *Galba* and *Centumalus*. As for S. *Sulpicius*, he is named in his second consulship, as it appeareth upon record in the capitol, the son of Ser. nephew of *Publius* surnamed *Galba Maximus*.

544

M. Val. Livinius. II. M. Claudius Marcellus. IV.

*Livy*, *Sextus Pompeius*, *Valerius Maximus*, *Plutarch*, *Florus*, *Entropius*, and *Orosius*, do present for consuls this year, M. *Claudius Marcellus* and M. *Valerius Livinius*. Now this is *Marcellus* his fourth consulship, as *Plutarch* and *Livy* write: but *Cassiodorus* saith, that he was but the third time with M. *Valerius Livinius*, leaving out that consulship which he bare not through, because of the error in his creation: and yet if it one of the five that he is reported to have born. *Livy* in the nine and twentieth and thirtieth books, writeth that M. *Valerius* was twice consul. In like manner, the book of *Cuspinianus* hath for this year, *Marcellus* the fourth time, and *Livinius* the second time. And therefore *Omphibius* supposeth that his first consulat was in the year five hundred four-and-thirty: and his second, now. Of him *Polybius* and *Cicero* make mention.

545

Q. Fabius Maximus. V. Q. Fulvius Flaccus. IV.

The consuls for this year created, were Q. *Fabius* the fifth time, and Q. *Fulvius Flaccus* the fourth time, the same man who being Dictator, held the assembly for that election, as *Livy* and *Cassiodorus* do witness. The Sicilian records set forth *Fabius* and *Flaccus*. Whiles these were consuls, *Cicero* in his Oration against *Rullus*, saith that *Capua* was won: and yet *Livy* hath reported it two years before. Of these consuls *Valerius* also, together with *Plutarch*, *Entropius*, and *Orosius* have made mention.

M. Claudius Marcellus. V. T. Quintus Grispinus.

In the eleventh year of the Punic war, there entered into their consulship, M. *Marcellus* the fifth time (so ye reckon that consulship which upon an error in the creation he kept not) and T. *Quintus Grispinus*. So saith *Livy*. *Plutarch* also nameth *Marcellus* the fifth time and *Grispinus*. But *Cassiodorus* reckoneth *Marcellus* but the fourth time with *Grispinus*, passing over that faulty consulat of his. Moreover these consuls are mentioned by *Cicero* *Valerius*, *Plinius* the younger, *Probus*, *Entropius*, and *Orosius*: who also report that they both were forelaid and intrapped in ambush by *Annibal*: in so much as *Marcellus* was presently slain in the place, and *Quintus* fled sore wounded.

547

C. Claudius Nero. M. Livius Salinator.

When the LL. of the Senat cast about to see whom they should create consuls, behold, the most eminent and singular man above all others, was C. *Claudius Nero*: unto whom was joined as companion in government M. *Livius*, who many years before, upon a consulat that he had born, was by the judgment of the people condemned: and almost eight years after his condemnation was by *Marcus Marcellus*, and *Marcus Livius* these consuls, reduced into the city: in like manner, the Sicilian Registers name for consuls, *Nero* and *Salinator*. The capitol records shew *Claudius Nero*, with M. *Livius Salinator*.

548

Q. Caecilius Metellus. L. Petrus Philo.

*Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the records of the capitol, exhibit unto us for consuls this year, L. *Petrus Philo*, and Q. *Caecilius Metellus*. The Sicilian registers, *Metellus* and *Philo*. Over and besides, of these consuls *Cicero* many a time and often, *Valerius*, *Plutarch* in *Africanus*, *Appianus* in *Ibericus*, *Pliny* in his 7 book 43 chap. do make mention.

549

P. Cornelius Scipio. P. Lucius Craesus.

*Lucius Petrus Philo* held the assembly for creation of magistrats, wherein all the centuries in general, with exceeding great voices nominated *Philius Scipio* for consul, and to him was joined in government, P. *Lucius Craesus*, the supreme pontiff. Thus saith *Livy*. The Sicilian tables have *Scipio* with *Craesus*. The capitol records shew P. *Cornelius Scipio*,

Scipio, surnamed afterwards *Africanus*, with *P. Licinius Crassus* the rich, of whom *Cassiodorus* likewise and *Cicero* in *Brutus* do speake.

550

*M. Cornelius Cethegus*, *P. Sempronius Tuditanus*.

*Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol records do name for Consuls this year, *P. Sempronius Tuditanus*, and *M. Cornelius Cethegus*. The Sicilian registers, *Cethegus* and *Tuditanus*, of whom *Cicero* in *Brutus*, *Plutarch*, *Europius* and *Cassiodorus* do often times make mention. In this year *P. Scipio Nasica*, judged by the Senate the best man in the city received dame *Ides*.

551

*Cn. Servilius Capio*, *C. Servilius*.

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* together, with the Sicilian records and capitol monuments, put us to us for Consuls *Cn. Servilius Capio* and *C. Servilius*. Of which twin *Capio* had been Pretor in the year 548, and *Servilius* in 547. This year died *Q. Fabius Max*: and *Annibal* with a sad cheer and heavy heart departed out of Italy into *Africa*, by commandment of certain delegeate Embassadors, in the seventeenth year of the second Punick war.

552

*Tib. Claudius Nero*, *M. Servilius Geminus*.

*M. Arcus Servilius Geminus*, and *Tib. Claudius Nero* were Consuls this year according to *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol records, in which *Servilius* Randeth surnamed *Pulex*, *Geminus*. The Sicilian tables have *Nero* with *Servilius*. In these Consuls year, *Annibal* was in *Africa* by *Scipio* overthrown, and a second peace made with the Carthaginians, as *Polybius*, *Livy*, *Plutarch*, *Appian*, and *Europius* do report.

553

*Cn. Cornelius Lentulus*, *P. Aelius Paucis*.

Against this year were created Consuls, as *Livy* writeth, *Cn. Cornelius Lentulus*, and *P. Aelius Paucis*. So saith *Cassiodorus* also and *Pliny* in his eighteenth book and eighteenth chapter. In a broken peece of marble in the Capitol, we find *Lentulus* and *P. Aelius*: in the Sicilian registers, *Lentulus* and *Paucis*. These two were Pretors both in the year 550.

554

*P. Sulpicius Galba*, *C. Anrelus Costa*.

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* put down for Consuls, *P. Sulpicius Galba*, and *C. Anrelus Costa*. This *P. Sulpicius* in the year 542 was first Consul: and *C. Costa* two years before, Pretor. These same Consuls are to be seen in the capitol tables, but *Galba* and *Costa* in the Sicilian.

555

*L. Cornelius Lentulus*, *P. Villius Tappulus*.

This year had for Consuls, *L. Cornelius* and *P. Villius*, as *Cassiodorus* writeth: but according to *Livy* and the capitol monuments, *Lentulus* and *Tappulus*: after the Sicilian records, *L. Cornelius Lentulus* and *P. Villius Tappulus*. Of *P. Villius* Consul, *Plutarch* maketh mention in *Quintus*.

556

*T. Quintus Flaminius*, *Sex. Aelius Paucis*.

*Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, the capitol records, together with *Plutarch* in *Quintus*, report us for Consuls this year, *T. Quintus Flaminius* and *Sex. Aelius Paucis*. The Sicilian tables, *Flaminius* and *Paucis*, *Pliny* in his book of famous men, saith (but not without some error) that this *Flaminius* was the son of that *C. Flaminius* who was slain at *Therapsyenus*. Whereas in deed this man was descended of the noble Patrician house of the *Quintus*, the other of the family of *Flaminius*, no better than commoners. Now this *Sex. Aelius Paucis* is the man of whom *Cicero* giveth this report out of the poet *Ennius*:

*This Sextus Ailius in records, Catus surnamed is he,  
A worthy might for wisdom rare, a discreet man was he.*

And therefore in the capitol tables he is called *PAUCIS CATUS*.

557

*C. Cornelius Cethegus*, *Q. Minutius Rufus*.

In this year *C. Cornelius Cethegus* and *Q. Minutius* were consuls, after *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol marbles. Their surnames only appear in the Sicilian registers. And *Cicero* speaketh of them in *Brutus*.

558

*L. Furius Purpureo*, *M. Claudius Marcellus*.

This year had for Consuls, *L. Furius Purpureo*, and *M. Claudius Marcellus*, according to *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol records. The Sicilian annals deliver unto us *Purpureo* and *Marcellus*.

559

*M. Porcius Cato*, *L. Valerius Flaccus*.

*M. Arcus Porcius Cato* and *L. Valerius* are named Consuls this year, by *Verrius Flaccus*, *Cicero* in many places, *Livy*, *Plutarch*, *Pliny*, *Valerius*, *Probus*, *Europius*, *Orosius*, and *Cassiodorus*.

560

*P. Cornelius Scipio Africanus*, II.  
*T. Sempronius Longinus*.

*Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, the monuments both of the capitol and Sicily, match Consuls together this year, *P. Cornelius Scipio Africanus* the second

second time, and *T. Sempronius Longus*. Of them *Cicero* maketh mention in the oration of *Cornelius* accused of felony, appeareth in *Padianus*.

561

*L. Cornelius Merula*, *Q. Minutius Thermus*.

*Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol authors, write that the Consuls chosen to succeed in this year were *L. Cornelius Merula*, and *Q. Minutius Thermus*. The said surnames are found in the Sicily in records, *Probus* speaketh of them in *Annibal*, and *Frontinus* in his book of stratagems.

562

*L. Quintus Flaminius*, *C. Domitius Enobarbus*.

*L. Quintus Flaminius*, and *Cn. Domitius Enobarbus* were this years Consuls, as *Livy*, *Cassiodorus* and the capitol records testify. The Sicilian registers also shew their surnames.

563

*M. Acilius Glabrio*, *P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica*.

The Consuls created for this year, were *P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica*, and *M. Acilius Glabrio*, son of *Cn.*, as testify *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, the capitol records, *Plutarch* in *Quintus*, and *Appian* in his Syriack history. In the Sicilian registers, named they are *Glabrio* and *Nasica*. In these Consuls year the same authors report that the war against *Antiochus* King of Syria, and against the *Ætolians*, was proclaimed: which in the capitol monuments, in *Paterculus*, and *Macrobius*, is called the Antiochian, but by *Florus* and *Pliny* the younger in *Cato*, the Syrian war. This was the 562 year from the cities foundation, as *Macrobius* writeth in his first book of *Saturnals*.

564

*L. Cornelius Scipio*, *C. Lælius*.

*Cassiodorus*, *Livy*, and the capitol tables put down for Consuls this year, *L. Cornelius Scipio* and *C. Lælius*. The Sicilian registers have *Scipio* and *Lælius*. The same men *Gellius* in his sixteenth book, and fourth chapter nameth *C. Lælius* son of *C.*, and *L. Scipio* son of *P.* To *Lælius* *Cassiodorus* only addeth the surname *Africanus*. This *L. Scipio* surnamed *Africanus*, was together to *Africanus*.

565

*C. Manlius Vulso*, *M. Fulvius Nobilior*.

*C. Manlius Vulso*, and *M. Fulvius Nobilior*, are nominated Consuls for this year by *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the tables both of the capitol and Sicily. *Manlius* was Pretor in the year 557, and *Fulvius* anno 560.

566

*C. Licinius Sulpicius*, *M. Valerius Messala*.

The Consuls next following, were *M. Valerius Messala*, and *C. Licinius Sulpicius*: as

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* testify, together with the Sicilian and capitol tables.

567

*M. Emilius Lepidus*, *C. Flaminius*.

The next Consuls, were *M. Emilius Lepidus* and *C. Flaminius*, as witness *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, *Zonaras*, *Sirabo* in his fit book, the Sicilian and capitol tables. Of them *Valerius* maketh mention in his sixth book. This is that *M. Lepidus* who was the Arch-bishop, twice Consul, Censor, and President of the Senat six times chosen by the Censors. And this is that *C. Flaminius*, who afterward by *Cato* the Censor was displaced out of the Senat and disorbed.

568

*Sp. Posthumus Albinus*, *Q. Martius Philippus*.

*Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, *Europius*, and the capitol tables report Consuls for this year, *Sp. Posthumus Albinus*, and *Q. Martius Philippus*. The Sicilian Registers name them barely, *Albinus* and *Philippus*. *Valerius* maketh mention of them in his sixth book and third chapter. Likewise *Pliny* in his 33 book and tenth chapter.

569

*Ap. Claudius Pulcher*, *M. Sempronius Tuditanus*.

For this years Consuls were *Appius Claudius Pulcher*, & *M. Sempronius Tuditanus*, as *Livy*, *Cassiodorus* and the capitol records do testify. They stand in the Sicilian records by the names of *Pulcher* and *Tuditanus*.

570

*P. Claudius Pulcher*, *L. Porcius Cicerinus*.

The Consuls that followed for this year, were *L. Porcius Cicerinus* & *P. Claudius Pulcher*: witness *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol tables. *Pulcher* and *Cicerinus* they be called in the Sicilian records.

571

*Q. Fabius Labco*, *M. Claudius Marcellus*.

Against this year were created Consuls, *M. Claudius Marcellus* and *Q. Fabius Labco*, according to *Livy*, *Cassiodorus* & the capitol marble stones. Their surnames be found also in the Sicilian tables. Whiles these were consuls, *Asticus* wrote that *Annibal* died, as *Probus* maketh report in *Annibal*.

572

*L. Emilius Paulus*, *Cn. Rabius Tamphilus*.

*C. Nens Babius Tamphilus* and *L. Emilius Paulus* were created Consuls for this year, as *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, the capitol, yea, and the Sicilian tables do testify: although these last have regard only of their surnames. This *L. Emilius* was the son of that *L. Emilius*, who was slain at *Cannæ*, as *Plutarch* and *Velleius* do witness.

Scipio surnamed afterwards *Africanus*, with *P. Licinius Crassus* the rich, of whom *Cassiodorus* likewise and *Cicero* in *Brutus* do speak.

550

*M. Cornelius Cethegus*, *P. Sempr. Tuditanus*.

*Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol records do name for Consuls this year, *P. Sempronius Tuditanus*, and *M. Cornelius Cethegus*. The Sicilian registers, *Cethegus* and *Tuditanus*, of whom *Cicero* in *Brutus*, *Plutarch*, *Eutropius* and *Cassiodorus* do often times make mention. In this year *P. Scipio Nasica*, judged by the Senate the best man in the city, received dame *Ida*.

551

*Cn. Servilius Capio*, *C. Servilius*.

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* together, with the Sicilian records and capitol monuments, put unto us for Consuls *Cn. Servilius Capio* and *C. Servilius*. Of which twain *Capio* had been Pretor in the year 548, and *Servilius* in 547. This year died *Q. Fabius Max.* and *Annibal* with a sad cheer and heavy heart departed out of *Italy* into *Africa*, by commandment of certain delegate Embassadors, in the seventeenth year of the second Punick war.

552

*Tib. Claudius Nero*, *M. Servilius Geminus*.

*Marcus Servilius Geminus*, and *Tib. Claudius Nero* were Consuls this year according to *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol records, in which *Servilius* *Randeth* surnamed *Pulex*, *Geminus*. The Sicilian tables have *Nero* with *Servilius*. In these Consuls year, *Annibal* was in *Africa*, by Scipio overthrown, and a second peace made with the Carthaginians, as *Polybius*, *Livy*, *Plutarch*, *Appian*, and *Eutropius* do report.

553

*Cn. Cornelius Lentulus*, *P. Aelius Paetus*.

Against this year were created Consuls, as *Livy* writeth, *Cn. Cornelius Lentulus*, and *P. Aelius Paetus*. So saith *Cassiodorus* also and *Pliny* in his eighteenth book and eighteenth chapter. In a broken peece of marble in the Capitol, we find *Lentulus* and *P. Aelius* in the Sicilian registers, *Lentulus* and *Paetus*. These two were Pretors both in the year 550.

554

*P. Sulpicius Galba*, *C. Anrelins Cottus*.

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* put down for Consuls, *P. Sulpicius Galba*, and *C. Anrelins Cottus*. This *P. Sulpicius* in the year 542 was first Consul; and *C. Cottus* two years before, Pretor. These same Consuls are to be seen in the capitol tables, but *Galba* and *Cottus* in the Sicilian.

555

*L. Cornelius Lentulus*, *P. Villius Tappulus*.

This year had for Consuls, *L. Cornelius* and *P. Villius*, as *Cassiodorus* writeth: but according to *Livy* and the capitol monuments, *Lentulus* and *Tappulus*: after the Sicilian records, *L. Cornelius Lentulus* and *P. Villius Tappulus*. Of *P. Villius* Consul, *Plutarch* maketh mention in *Quintius*.

556

*T. Quintius Flamininus*, *Sex. Aelius Paetus*.

*Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, the capitol records, together with *Plutarch* in *Quintius*, report unto us for consuls this year, *T. Quintius Flamininus* and *Sex. Aelius Paetus*. The Sicilian tables, *Flamininus* and *Paetus*. *Pliny* in his book of famous men, saith (but not without some error) that this *Flamininus* was the son of that *C. Flamininus* who was slain at *Thrasymenus*. Whereas in deed this man was descended of the noble Patritian house of the *Quintii*, the other of the family of *Flaminii*, no better than commoners. Now this *Sex. Aelius Paetus* is the man of whom *Cicero* giveth this report out of the poet *Ennius*:

This *Sexus Aelius* in records, Catus surnam'd *Ast*,  
A worthy wight for wisdom rare, a discreet man was he.

And therefore in the capitol tables he is called *Paetus Catus*.

557

*C. Cornelius Cethegus*, *Q. Minutius Rufus*.

In this year *C. Cornelius Cethegus*, and *Q. Minutius* were consuls, after *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol marbles. Their surnames only appear in the Sicilian registers; And *Cicero* speaketh of them in *Brutus*.

558

*L. Furius Purpureo*, *M. Claudius Marcellus*.

This year had for Consuls, *L. Furius Purpureo*, and *M. Claudius Marcellus*, according to *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol records. The Sicilian annals deliver unto us *Purpureo* and *Marcellus*.

559

*M. Porcius Cato*, *L. Valerius Flaccus*.

*Marcus Porcius* *Cato* and *L. Valerius* are ranged Consuls this year, by *Ferrius Flaccus*, *Cicero* in many places, *Livy*, *Plutarch*, *Pliny*, *Valerius*, *Probus*, *Eutropius*, *Orosius*, and *Cassiodorus*.

560

*P. Cornelius Scipio Africanus*, II.  
*T. Sempronius Longinus*.

*Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, the monuments both of the capitol and Sicily, match Consuls together this year, *P. Cornelius Scipio Africanus* the second

second time, and *T. Sempronius Longus*. Of them *Cicero* maketh mention in the oration of *Cornelius* accused of felony, appeareth in *Plutarch*.

561

*L. Cornelius Merula*, *Q. Minutius Thermus*.

*Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol authors, write that the Consuls chosen to succeed in this year were *L. Cornelius Merula*, and *Q. Minutius Thermus*. The said surnames are found in the Sicily in records, *Probus* speaketh of them in *Annibal*, and *Frontinus* in his book of stratagems.

562

*L. Quintius Flamininus*, *C. Domitius Enobarbus*.

*Licinius Quintius Flamininus*, and *Cn. Domitius Enobarbus* were these years Consuls, as *Livy*, *Cassiodorus* and the capitol records testify. The Sicilian registers also shew their surnames.

563

*M. Acilius Glabrio*, *P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica*.

The Consuls created for this year, were *P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica*, and *M. Acilius Glabrio*. Son of *Cn.* as testify *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, the capitol records, *Plutarch* in *Quintius*, and *Appian* in his Syriack history. In the Sicilian registers, named they are *Glabrio* and *Nasica*. In these Consuls year the same authors report, that the war against *Antiochus* King of Syria, and against the *Aetolians*, was proclaimed: which in the capitol monuments, in *Paterculus* and *Macrobius*, is called the *Antiochian*, but by *Florentius* and *Pliny* the younger in *Cato*, the Syrian war. This was the 562 year from the cities foundation, as *Macrobius* writeth in his first book of *Saturnals*.

564

*L. Cornelius Scipio*, *C. Laelius*.

*Cassiodorus*, *Livius*, and the capitol tables put down for Consuls this year, *L. Cornelius Scipio* and *C. Laelius*. The Sicilian registers have *Scipio* and *Laelius*. The same men *Gellius* in his sixteenth book and fourth chapter nameth *C. Laelius* son of *C.* and *L. Scipio* son of *P.* To *Laelius* *Cassiodorus* only addeth the surname *Africanus*. This *L. Scipio* surnamed *Africanus*, was brother to *Africanus*.

565

*C. Manlius Vulso*, *M. Fulvius Nobilior*.

*C. Natus Manlius Vulso*, and *M. Fulvius Nobilior*, are nominated Consuls for this year by *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the tables both of the capitol and Sicily. *Manlius* was Pretor in the year 557 and *Fulvius* anno 560.

566

*C. Licinius Salinator*, *M. Valerius Messala*.

The Consuls next following, were *M. Valerius Messala*, and *C. Licinius Salinator*.

*Livy* and *Cassiodorus* testify, together with the Sicilian and capitol tables.

567

*M. Emilius Lepidus*, *C. Flaminius*.

The next Consuls, were *M. Emilius Lepidus* and *C. Flaminius*, as witness *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, *Zonaras*, *Strabo* in his fifth book, the Sicilian and capitol tables. Of them *Valerius* maketh mention in his sixth book. This is that *M. Lepidus* who was the Arch-bishop, twice Consul, Censor, and President of the Senat six times chosen by the Censors. And this is that *C. Flaminius*, who afterward by *Cato* the Censor was displaced out of the Senat and disrebed.

568

*Sp. Posthumus Albinus*, *Q. Martius Philippus*.

*Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, *Eutropius*, and the capitol tables report Consuls for this year, *Sp. Posthumus Albinus*, and *Q. Martius Philippus*. The Sicilian Registers name them barely, *Albinus* and *Philippus*. *Valerius* maketh mention of them in his sixth book and third chapter. Likewise *Pliny* in his 33 book and tenth chapter.

569

*Ap. Claudius Pulcher*, *M. Sempronius Tuditanus*.

For this years Consuls were *Appius Claudius Pulcher*, & *M. Sempronius Tuditanus*, as *Livy*, *Cassiodorus* and the capitol records do testify. They stand in the Sicilian records by the names of *Pulcher* and *Tuditanus*.

570

*P. Claudius Pulcher*, *L. Porcius Cicerinus*.

The Consuls that followed for this year, were *L. Porcius Cicerinus* & *P. Claudius Pulcher* & witness *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol tables. *Pulcher* and *Licinii* they be called in the Sicilian records.

571

*Q. Fabius Labeo*, *M. Claudius Marcellus*.

Against this year were created Consuls, *M. Claudius Marcellus* and *Q. Fabius Labeo*, according to *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, & the capitol marble stones. Their surnames be found also in the Sicilian tables. While these were consuls, *Atticus* wrote that *Annibal* died, as *Probus* maketh report in *Annibal*.

572

*L. Emilius Paulus*, *Cn. Rabirius Tamphilus*.

*C. Natus Rabirius Tamphilus* and *L. Emilius Paulus* were created Consuls for this year, as *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, the capitol, yea, and the Sicilian tables do testify, although these last have regard only of their surnames. This *L. Emilius* is the son of that *Emilius*, who was slain at *Canus*, as *Plutarch* and *Velleius* do witness.



573

P. Cornelius Cethegus, M. Babius Tamphilus.

**P**ublius Cornelius Cethegus and M. Babius Tamphilus, succeeded Consuls this year, after *Livy*, *Cassiodorus* and the capitol tables. *Cethegus* and *Tamphilus* they be called in the Sicilian records. Of *P. Cornelius* and *M. Babius* consuls, *Plutarch* made mention in *Numa*. Of *P. Cornelius* and *M. Babius Tamphilus*, *Valerius* speaketh in his first book and first chapter. Of *P. Cornelius Lentulus*, and *M. Babius Tamphilus* in 11 book and first chapter. But *Pliny* in his 13 book and 13 chapter calleth the one *P. Cornelius Cethegus*, son of *Lucius*; and the other *M. Babius* son of *Q.* (surnamed *Tamphilus*).

574

A. Posthumius Albinus, C. Calpurnius Piso.

**L**ivy, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol monuments exhibit unto us for this years Consuls, *A. Posthumius Albinus*, and *C. Calpurnius Piso*. The Sicilian tables, *Albinus* and *Piso*, was Pretor in the year 567. And *Albinus* anno 568. But when as a pestilence had reigned now three years, so as it dispeopled the City of *Rome* and all *Italy*, it hapned that *C. Calpurnius* died, not without suspicion that he was murdered by *Q. Hostilius*: in whose room *Q. Fulvius Flaccus* his father in law or mothers husband, was declared Consul.

575

L. Manlius Acidinus, Q. Fulvius Flaccus.

**L**ivy, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol records shew for Consuls this year, *L. Manlius Acidinus* and *Q. Fulvius Flaccus*. The Sicilian tables, *Acidinus* with *Flaccus*. *Cicero* maketh mention of *Acidinus* a Consul, in his second book of a perfect orator. Also observed it is in the capitol monuments, that these Consuls were german brethren: and the same hath *Valerius* in his second book reported. And thereby it cometh to pass, that in the capitol tables *L. Manlius Acidinus*, is surnamed also *Fulvianus* after the manner of those that are adopted.

576

M. Junius Brutus, A. Manlius Vulso.

**N**ext Consuls created, were *M. Junius Brutus* and *A. Manlius Vulso*: as *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol records do testify. *Brutus* and *Vulso* they be named in the Sicilian monuments. This *Brutus* was Pretor in the year 562, and *Vulso* in 571.

577

C. Claudius Pulcher, Tib. Sempronius Gracchus.

**C**laudio *Claudius Pulcher* and *Tib. Sempronius Gracchus*, are matched Consuls this year by *Plutarch*, *Livy*, and *Cassiodorus*. Of this *Tib. Gracchus* *Cicero* speaketh in his first book of divination, and *Frontinus* in his first of stratagema,

578

C. Cornelius Scipio Hispanus, Q. Postulius Serranus, C. Valerius Lavinius.

**L**ivy, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol records exhibit unto us for Consuls, *C. Cornelius Scipio Hispanus*, and *Q. Postulius Serranus*. The Sicilian Registers, *Scipio* and *Postulus*. But when as *Scipio* returning out of the mount *Albanus*, fell into a fit of Apoplexy, and so into a dead palsy, whereupon he went to the bath at *Coma*, where, by reason that his disease grew upon him, he departed this life: *Q. Postulus* the other Consul, created for his companion to enter presently upon the government, *C. Valerius Lavinius*. Thus saith *Livy*.

579

P. Mutius Scaevola, M. Aemilius Lepidus II.

**O**rosius putteth down for Consuls *Lepidus* and *Mutius*, *Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens*, *M. Lepidus* and *P. Mutius*. The Sicilian tables, *Lepidus* and *Scaevola*. The capitol monuments, *P. Mutius Scaevola* and *M. Aemilius Lepidus II*. The election of the Consuls this year is lost in *Livy*. *Cicero* likewise writeth in his discourse of Provinces: *Valerius* also in his first book and sixth chapter, that this *M. Aemilius Lepidus* was twice Consul.

580

Sp. Posthumius Albinus, Q. Mutius Scaevola.

**C**assiodorus setteth down for Consuls, *Sp. Posthumius Albinus* and *Q. Mutius*. The capitol records, *Sp. Posthumius Albinus Paulus*, and *Q. Mutius Scaevola*. *Cassiodorus* book hath *Paulus* and *Scaevola*. *Pliny* maketh mention of these in his second book and 31 chapter. The election of the Consuls this year is lost in *Livy*.

581

L. Posthumius Albinus, M. Popilius Lanus.

**T**he Consuls for this year created, were *L. Posthumius Albinus* and *M. Popilius Lanus*, as *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol monuments do testify. *Albinus* and *Lanus* are put down in the Sicilian records. Whiles these were consuls, the feast *Floralia* was instituted first, as *Ovid* sheweth in his first book of his Kalender.

582

C. Popilius Lanus, P. Elms Liguri.

**T**his year had for consuls, *C. Popilius Lanus*, and *P. Elms Liguri*, as *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol records do testify. The Sicilian registers name them *Lanus* and *Elms*. To this day had no Consuls in one year been matched together both commoners: and this was the first time, that both consuls were created out of the commons, as is observed in the capitol monuments. After this, you shall never find the consuls both *Patricii*: commoners yet shall have them both twain, many a time and often: but most of all, a commoner and a *Patrician*, one with another.

583

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P. Licinius Crassus, C. Cassius Longinus.

**T**he Consuls next ensuing for this year, were *P. Licinius Crassus*, and *C. Cassius Longinus*, as it appeareth in *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, *Orosius*, and the capitol tables. For in the Sicilian records, they are named no otherwise than *Crassus* and *Longus*. Of the very same Consuls *Pliny* maketh mention in his seventh book. *Gellius* also in his ninth book and fourth chapter. Whiles these were Consuls the people of *Rome* began war against *Perseus* King of the Macedonians, son of *Philip*: which *Florus* and *Eutropius*, together with *Orosius*, call the second Macedonian war: whereof *Livy* and *Plutarch* write more at large.

584

A. Hostilius Mancinus, A. Attilius Serranus.

**C**assiodorus setteth next after for Consuls, *C. Hostilius Mancinus*, and *A. Attilius*. The Sicilian registers, *Mancinus* and *Serranus*. The capitol monuments, *A. Attilius Mancinus*, and *A. Attilius Serranus*. As well the election of these Consuls as their acts, are missing in the Annals of *Livy*.

585

Q. Martius Philippus, II. Cn. Servilius Capio.

**L**ivy, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol tables match together in the Consulship of this year *Q. Martius Philippus* the second time, and *Cn. Servilius Capio*. The Sicilian catalogue hath barely *Philip* and *Capio*. *Cicero* in his books entitled *Brutus* and *Cato*, writeth that *Ennius* the Poet died in their Consulship.

586

L. Aemilius Paulus, II. C. Licinius Crassus.

**T**he Consuls that next succeeded were *L. Aemilius Paulus* the second time (seventeen years after his first Consulship) and *Cn. Licinius Crassus*: witnesses *Livy*, *Cassiodorus*, and the capitol monuments. In like manner they are named in the Sicilian registers *Paulus* and *Crassus*. As touching this second Consulship of *L. Paulus*, *Plutarch*, *Velleius*, *Orosius*, *Eutropius*, *Florus*, and *Justinus* in his 32 book do write, *Plutarch* addeth thus much and saith, That *Paulus* was threefore years of age, when he was chosen Consul the second time.

587

Q. Elms Patrus, M. Junius.

**L**ivy bringeth in for Consuls next after, *Q. Aemilius* and *M. Junius*. The Sicilian records *Patrus* and *Pennus*. *Obsequens* and *Cassiodorus* *Q. Elms Patrus*, and *M. Junius Pennus*. *Cicero* likewise in *Brutus* speaketh of *Mar. Junius Pennus* Consul with *Q. Elms*. Now from this year forward, we want the compleat story penned by *Livy*.

588

M. Marcellus, C. Sulpicius.

**L**ivy and the capitol monuments shew for this years Consuls, *M. Claudius Marcellus*, and *C. Sulpicius Gallus Obsequens*, and the title prefixed before the comedy *Andria* in *Terence*, exhibit *Mar. Marcellus* and *C. Sulpicius*. This is that *Marcellus*, who after he had been thrice Consul, perished in the sea. Nephew he was of that *M. Marcellus*, who had been five times Consul, as *Padianus* reporteth. Of these Consuls, *Justinus*, *Pliny* in his second book, and many other have made mention.

589

Cn. Octavius, T. Manlius.

**C**assiodorus and *Obsequens* infer Consuls this year, *Cn. Octavius* and *T. Manlius*. The Sicilian tables, *Octavius* and *Torquatus*. The capitol monuments, *Cn. Octavius* and *T. Manlius Torquatus*. Mention there is made of these consuls in the title before *Heeyra* in *Terence*. *Cicero* in his first book of Final ends, and likewise in many other places, speaketh of *T. Torquatus* Consul with *Cn. Octavius*.

590

A. Manlius, Q. C. Sissus.

**C**assiodorus marcheth together consuls in this year, *A. Manlius* and *Q. C. Sissus*. The Sicilian catalogue hath *Torquatus* and *Longinus*. The capitol records *A. Manlius Torquatus* and *Q. Cassius Longinus*, who died in his consulship. These also had been companions together in their Pretorship, anno 586, as *Livy* beareth witnesses.

591

T. Sempronius, M. Inventius.

**C**assiodorus saith, that the consuls this year were *T. Sempronius* and *M. Inventius*. *Obsequens* nameth them, *T. Gracchus*, and *M. Inventius*. The capitol monuments shew *T. Sempronius Gracchus* the second time, and *M. Inventius Thabva*. In the Sicilian registers, *Dolabella* and *Thabva*. but not well as it is to be doubted. *Cicero*, *Velleius*, and *Plutarch* have made mention of *Tib. Gracchus* twice consul. And that *M. Inventius* died whiles he was consul, *Pliny* in his seventh book, and *Valerius* also do report;

592

P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica, C. Martius.

**C**icero in his first and second book of the nature of Gods, *Verrinus Flaccus*, *Obsequens* and *Cassiodorus*, report for consuls *P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica* and *C. Martius* *Figulus*. But for that there was an error committed in their creation, and thereupon they refigured in their place, as the foresaid authors witnesses together with *Valerius Plutarch*, and *Pliny*; *P. Corn. Lentulus*, and *Cn. Domitius Enobarbus*, entered in their stead.

593

593  
M. Messala. C. Fannius.

**C**assiodorus putteth down for Consuls, M. Messala and C. Fannius. The Sicilian Catalogue Messala and Strabo. The capitol records, and the title before Phormio in Terence represent unto us, M. Valerius Messala, and Caius Fannius Strabo. Of these Consuls Suetonius maketh mention in his book of excellent Rhetoricians. Likewise in Cicero in Brutus, Pliny in his ninth book and fiftieth chapter, and Gellius in his second book.

594  
L. Anicius. M. Cornelius Cethegus.

**C**assiodorus and the title set before the Comedy Adelphei in Terence avouch for Coss. L. Anicius and M. Cornelius. The Sicilian and capitol records put surnames unto them, Gallus and Cethegus. Of Anicius the Consul, Cicero speaketh in Brutus; and of Cethegus, the six and fortieth Epitome or Breviary of Florus. In their year, it is for certain held, that L. Paulus who conquered Persens, died.

595  
Cn. Cornelius Dolabella. M. Fulvius.

**T**he year next following had Consuls, as witnesseth Cassiodorus, Cn. Cornelius Dolabella and M. Fulvius. The Sicilian registers shew Dolabella and Fulvius. The capitol monuments, Cn. Cornelius Dolabella and Mar. Fulvius Nobilior. The same is to be seen in the life of Terence the poet, for there it is written, that in their year he died.

596  
N. Emilius. C. Popilius.

**T**he Consuls next succeeding, were Marcus Emilius and C. Popilius, as Cassiodorus saith. The Sicilian catalogue sheweth Lepidus and Lanus. The capitol records have M. Emilius Lepidus and C. Popilius Lanus the second time. Of the same Censorinus maketh mention in his chapter of distinction of ages.

597  
Sex. Julius. L. Aurelius.

**C**assiodorus reporteth, that the next Consuls were Sex. Julius and L. Aurelius. The Sicilian and capitol tables yield surnames unto them, Cesar to Julius, and Orestes to Aurelius. Pliny writeth of him in his 33 book.

598  
L. Lentulus. C. Martius.

**O**bsequens and Cassiodorus record for this years Consuls L. Lentulus and C. Martius. The Sicilian catalogue Lemulus and Figulus. The capitol monuments, L. Cornelius Lentulus Lupus, and C. Martius Figulus the second time,

Cicero in Brutus speaketh of them both. And as touching Figulus twice Consul, Valerius writeth in his chapter of Warth.

599  
P. Scipio Nasica. M. Claudius.

**P**ublius Scipio and M. Claudius are by Cassiodorus set down for Coss. The Sicilian registers have Nasica and Marcellus. The capitol records, P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica the second time, and M. Claudius Marcellus likewise the second time. Padianus writeth, that this Marcellus was thrice Consul. And that Pub. Scipio Nasica, surnamed also Corculum, was twice Consul and Cenfor besides, Cicero writeth in his Brutus.

600  
L. Postumius. Q. Opimius.

**T**his year had Consuls, L. Postumius and Q. Opimius, as Cassiodorus and Obsequens do witness. The Sicilian tables shew Opimius and Albinius. But the capitol records Q. Opimius, and L. Postumius Albinius. Mention there is made of this Q. Opimius, Consul, by Cicero in his Brutus; also in the Epitome of the seven and fortieth book. Moreover, that Postumius died in his magistracy, besides Ferrus Flaccus, Obsequens also sheweth: in whose read Mar. Acilius Glabrio was chosen.

601  
Q. Fulvius. T. Annius.

**T**he Consuls next following, as Cassiodorus writeth, were Q. Fulvius and T. Annius. In the capitol fragments they are named Nobilior and T. Annius. In the Sicilian registers, Nobilior and Luscius, Cicero in his Brutus saith, that Q. Nobilior son of Marcus, and T. Annius Luscius were Consuls. The Greek records and Cuspinian's book shew Nobilior and Luscius.

602  
M. Marcellus. L. Valerius.

**T**his year had for Consuls, M. Marcellus and L. Valerius as Cassiodorus witnesseth. The Sicilian catalogue representeth Marcellus and Flaccus, Obsequens exhibiteth unto us M. Claudius Marcellus and L. Valerius Flaccus. This Marcellus was thrice Consul, as Padian saith upon the Oration for Scamius, and Cicero in his book of divination and destiny.

603  
L. Licinius Lucullus. A. Postumius Albinus.

**C**assiodorus putteth down for Consuls, L. Lucullus and A. Postumius. The Sicilian tables, Lucullus and Albinus. The broken marbles of the capitol, Lucullus and A. Postumius son of Anulus, Orosius and the Epitome 48, shew L. Licinius Lucullus and A. Post. Albinus, Cicero in his Brutus, and Lucullus both, maketh mention of the same.

604  
T. Quintinus. M. Acilius.

**T**his year had for Consuls, T. Quintinus and M. Acilius, as Cassiodorus witnesseth whom Pliny in his 7 book & 36 chap. calleth C. Quintinus and M. Acilius. Cicero in his book Cato, and the 12 book of his Epistles to Atticus nameth T. Flamininus and M. Acilius, and saith that they were created Consuls in the 19 year after the death of Ennius. The Sicilian tables have Flamininus and Balbus. The capitol fragments, Flamininus and M. Acilius Balbus.

605  
L. Martius. M. Manlius.

**C**assiodorus avoucheth for the Consuls of this year, L. Martius and M. Manlius: likewise the 49 Epitome. Cicero in Lucullus maketh mention of Censorinus and M. Manlius: of Censorinus and Manlius in his twelfth book of epistles to Atticus. The same Consuls, Appianus in Libya nameth L. Martius Censorinus and M. Manlius. In like sort Censorinus in his treatise of Nativity or Birth-day. The Sicilian tables have Censorinus and Manlius. The capitol fragments shew Censorinus and M. Manlius, son of Publius, nephew of Pub. While these were Consuls, there arose a third war between the State of Rome and the Carthaginians, as Florus in the 49 Epitome, besides Ferrus Flaccus do testify: likewise Solinus, but that he saith with Ferrus Flaccus, that it was the year 64. Cicero also in his eleventh Philippick, and lastly Eutropius, with Orosius.

606  
Sp. Postumius. L. Piso.

**T**hen were Consuls created, Sp. Postumius and L. Piso, according to Cassiodorus and Obsequens. In the capitol fragments they are named A. Magnus, and Lu. Calpurnius, son of Caius, nephew of Caius, surnamed Piso Casonius. In Cuspinian's Kalender, Magnus and Casonius, in the Sicilian catalogue Albinus and Piso. As for Magnus and Albinus, they be the surnames of Postumius: like as Casonius and Piso, of Calpurnius. In this year the people of Rome, entered into arms against Andiscus, otherwise termed Pseudo-Philippus, which they call the third Macedonian war, after Florus and Eutropius.

607  
P. Africanus. C. Livius.

**O**bsequens and Cassiodorus set forth for consuls this year P. Africanus and C. Livius. In the Sicilian catalogue they are registered Scipio and Drusus: in the capitol fragments Africanus and Emilius, and C. Livius; the one son of M. Emilius, nephew of Marcus, the other surnamed Drusus. This Pub. Cornelius was the natural son of that Paulus that vanquished Persens King of the Macedonians, and adopted

by P. Cornelius the son of Scipio Africanus. Whereupon he was called Pub. Cornelius, son of Publius, nephew of P. Scipio Africanus the younger, and Emilius, as Velieus and others do witness. His two last surnames are in the capitol records, out of which, the complete name of M. Livius Drusus, with his addition, was framed. Of these Consuls Cicero speaketh after: likewise Valerius, Paterculus, Appian, Ptolemy, Florus, both Pomerius, Eutropius and Orosius.

608  
C. Cornelius. L. Mummius.

**N**ext consuls following, were Cn. Cornelius and L. Mummius, as witnesseth Cassiodorus: and according to Orosius, Velieus, Censorinus, and Cicero in the thirteenth book of epistles to Atticus, Cn. Cornelius Lentulus and L. Mummius they are named. In the Sicilian registers Lentulus and Mummius. In the fragments of the capitol, Lentulus and L. Mummius, nephew of Lucius. L. Mummius in this magistracy acquired the surname of Achaicus, upon a victory achieved by him in Achaia, as Ptolemy in Marus, and Velieus do testify.

609  
Q. Fabius Maximus. L. Hostilius.

**C**assiodorus this year delivereth unto us for Consuls, Q. Fabius Maximus, together with L. Hostilius. Cicero in Laelius, and Pliny in his five and thirtieth book and fourth chapter, nameth them Q. Fabius Maximus, brother of Scipio, and L. Mancinus. Of this Q. Fabius Maximus Emilius, Valerius writeth in his second book and first chapter. This Q. Fabius was the son of P. Emilius, adopted by Q. Fab. Max. the son of Verrucosus, as Appianus writeth in Hispanensis: and therefore in the fragment of a capitol table there is to be seen the second surname Emilius. Pliny was deceived, who in his 31 book 11 chapter calleth him Q. A. Nobiligracius, brother of Scipio, who was the son of this Fabius.

610  
Ser. Galba. L. Aurelius.

**T**his year had for Consuls, Ser. Galba and L. Aurelius, according to Cassiodorus: those, Valerius in his six book nameth S. Sulpitius Galba, and Lu. Aurelius Cotta, whom the Sicilian catalogue sheweth under the bare names of Galba and Cotta. But the capitol fragments have Galba and L. Valerius Cotta. This is that Sulp. Galba, who being Pretor, as Suetonius writeth, stirred up the war before against Viriatus, for he was a vehement Orator, of whom Cicero speaketh many times. And as for L. Cotta, he it was whom afterwards being acculed by Africanus, Q. Metellus Macedonicus defended. Cicero in Brutus, for Murena and against Verres, maketh mention of him. Likewise Eutropius of them both, in his first book of water-conduits,

611  
Ap. Claudius. Q. Metellus.

**C**assiodorus nameth for this years Consuls *Appius Claudius* and *Q. Metellus*. *Orosius*, *App. Claudius* and *Q. Caelius Metellus*. The Sicilian registers have *Claudius* and *Metellus*. The capitol fragments shew *Pulcher* and *Q. Caelius Macedonicus*. Of the same, *Frontinus* speaketh in his book of water-conduits, and *Valerius* in his leventh book. Now this *Metellus* is he who being Pretor, subdued the Macedonians and Achæans, whereupon he was furnished *Macedonicus*: whom *Plinius* 7 book sheweth to be the son of *L.* and nephew of *Quin.*

612  
L. Metellus. Q. Maximus.

**C**assiodorus putteth down for Consuls, *L. Metellus* and *Q. Maximus*. The Sicilian records *Metellus* and *Maximus*. *Orosius*, *L. Caelius Metellus* and *Q. Fabius Maximus Servilius*. In like maner the capitol fragments *Calvus* and *Servilius*. This *Servilius* is the brother german of *Q. Servilius Capio*, the Consul two years after (as witnesseth *Appian*) and the adopted son of *Q. Fabius Maximus* for they were both adopted by *Q. Fabius Max.* the son of *Verrucosus*, the one out of the house *Emilius*, the other of *Servilia*. *L. Metellus* is the brother of *Q. Metellus Macedonicus*, as writeth *Valerius* in his treatise of Witnesse.

613  
Cn. Capio. Q. Pompeius.

**C**assiodorus putteth down for Consuls, *Cn. Capio* and *Q. Pompeius* are recounted Consuls by *Cassiodorus*. *Velleius* in his second book faith thus: Whether there were two or three houses of the *Pompeii*, the first of that name was Consul with *Cn. Servilius*. Of this *Q. Pompeius*, *Cicero* maketh mention often-times, writing that he was of base and obicure parentage. Him *Valerius* in his chapter of witnesseth nameth *Aulus*, but corruptly through the fault of the copiers, in stead of *A. F.*, the son of *Anlus*. In the same sort *Appianus* in *Hispanensis* nameth him *Qn. Pompeius Aulus* for *A. Filius*. *Cicero* in his Orations against *Verrus*, and in that for *Foncius*, *Valerius* also in his chapter of Witnesse, sheweth that there were two brethren named *Cnaeus* and *Quintus*, both *Servilii Capiones*.

614  
Q. Capio. C. Lalius.

**A**fter this were Consuls made, *Q. Capio* and *C. Lalius*, my authors are *Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens* together with the Sicilian tables, and *Frontinus* in his treatise of water-conduits. This *Lalius* as *Cicero* in his eleventh *Philippick*, and *Velleius* do report, was the son of *Lalius* the Consul, anno 564, whom as *Cicero* in his second book of Duties and in *Lalius* was the first that was furnished Wife, whereof *Plutarch* in *Gracchi* yeeldeth a reason.

615  
Cn. Piso. M. Popilius.

**C**assiodorus sheweth for this years Consuls, *Cn. Piso* with *M. Popilius*. *Appianus* and the Epitomit have *M. Popilius Lænas*: but they be named *M. Popilius Lænas* and *L. Calpurnius* by *Valerius* in his first book, writing thus: That *Cornelius Hispalus*, Lord chief justice for strangers, when *M. Popilius Lænas* and *L. Calpurnius* were Consuls, by an edict commanded all the Chaldean [Astrologers] to depart out of *Rome* and *Italy* within ten daies next ensuing.

616  
P. Scipio. D. Brutus.

**P**ublius Scipio and *D. Brutus* are named for this years Coss. by *Cassiodorus*. *Florus* in his 55 Epitome; *P. Cornelius Nasica* (surnamed *Serapion* in mockery by *C. Curvius* a Trib. of the Com.) and *D. Junius Brutus Coss.* levied and mustered souldiers, &c. This Scipio was son of that *Nasica* who was surnamed *Corentinus*, and twice was he Consul and Censor also, nephew to that *Nasica*, who by the Senat was deemed the best man in the City, and later to him that warred upon *Ingrathas*, as *Velleius* faith. This *Decius Brutus*, *Cicero* in his *Brutus* calleth the son of *Marcius*, who bare the Consulship in the year five hundred ninety seven, and in the capitol tables is called *Pennus*. Moreover, of these Consuls *Cicero* speaketh very oft, *Valerius* also in his 3 book, chap. 7, 8 book, chap. 3, 9 book, chap. 15: Likewise, *Pliny* in his 21 book, and lastly, *Frontinus*.

617  
M. Emilius. C. Hostilius Mancinus.

**C**assiodorus and *Obsequens* match together in the consulship this year, *M. Emilius*, and *C. Hostilius Mancinus*. The Sicilian registers *Lepidus* and *Mancinus*, *Orosius* and *Appian*, *M. Emilius Lepidus* and *C. Hostilius Mancinus*. Of this Consul *Mancinus* there remain yet some tokens to be seen in broken marbles of the capitol, *Cicero* maketh mention often-times of *Lepidus*, as well in other places as in *Brutus*. Likewise, *Valerius*, *Florus*, *Paterculus*, and *Pliny* in his treatise of Famous men.

618  
P. Furius. Sex. Attilius Serranus.

**C**assiodorus putteth down for Consuls, *P. Furius* and *Sex. Attilius Serranus*. *Cicero* in his third book of Duties, *L. Furius* and *Sex. Attilius*. *Obsequens*, *L. Furius* and *Attilius Serranus*. The Sicilian registers *P. Furius* and *Serranus*. Of this *Furius*, *Cicero* writeth thus in his *Brutus*; *L. Furius Philus*, was reputed for a man of very good language, and to have spoken more learnedly than others. In the capitol fragments there appeareth yet some shew of *Serranus* the Consul.

619

619  
Ser. Fulvius. C. Calpurnius.

**T**he next consuls are set down by *Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens*, *Ser. Fulvius* and *C. Calpurnius*. The Sicilian catalogue hath *Flaccus* and *Piso*, *Orosius* nameth *S. Fulvius Flaccus* and *C. Calpurnius Piso*. The capitol fragments shew *Piso*: as for *Fulvius Flaccus* the Consul, mention there is made of him in the Epitome 36. *Appian* also in his *Illyrica* speaks of him, and in *Hispanensis* of *Calp. Piso*.

620  
P. Africanus. C. Fulvius Flaccus.

**T**he year following had *P. Africanus* and *C. Fulvius Flaccus* for Coss. as it is written in *Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens*. But *Scipio* and *Flaccus*, in the Sicilian catalogue. The same *Flaccus* the capitol fragments do shew. Of this *C. Fulvius*, mention there is made also in the 56 Epitome; and of *Africanus* twice consul, by *Appian* in *Hispanensis*, by *Orosius*, *Florus*, and *Valerius* in his eight book.

621  
P. Mucius. L. Calpurnius.

**T**his year had consuls, *P. Mucius*, and *L. Calpurnius*, as witnesseth *Cassiodorus*. The Sicilian registers shew *Scavola* and *Calpurnius*. *Velleius* nameth *P. Mucius Scavola* and *L. Calpurnius*. Of these Consuls *P. Mucius* upon the Orations against *Verrus*, maketh mention in these words: *Scavola* a right learned man in the Laws, was consul with *L. Piso*, that year where in *Tib. Oracchus* was killed. In the broken marbles of the capitol he standeth by the name of *L. Calpurnius Piso*, surnamed also *Frugi*, and that truly. For *Cicero* in one Oration against *Verrus* and in another for *Foncius* writeth, that he was the first of the *Pisones*, called *Frugi*. This man, when he was Tribune or Provost of the Commons, made a law against the extortion of magistrates, when *Martius* and *Manlius* were consuls: he wrote also the annals of *Rome*, as *Cicero* testifieth in his book *Brutus*.

622  
P. Popilius. P. Rupilius.

**A**gainst this year were consuls created, as *Cassiodorus* writeth, *P. Popilius* and *P. Rupilius*: after the Sicilian records *Lænas* and *Rupilius*. *Cicero* maketh mention of them in his 13 book of Epistles to *Atticus*, and against *Verrus*. Also in the capitol fragments we read of *P. Popilius*, son of *Caius*, and *P. Rupilius* son of *P.* and nephew of *Publius*. *Velleius* in his second book, nameth the consuls *Rupilius* and *Popilius*. *Cicero* in *Latius* speaketh of *Rupilius* and *Lænas*. And of *P. Rupilius* there is mention made in the Epitome or Breviary 59.

623  
P. Crassius. L. Valerius.

**C**assiodorus putteth down for consuls this year, *Pub. Crassius* and *L. Valerius*. *Crassius* and *Flaccus*: the Sicilian catalogue, *L. Valerius Flaccus* and *Pub. Licinius Crassius*, according to *Cicero* in his eleventh *Philippick* against *Antony*. Of this consul *Pub. Licinius Crassius*, all they have spoken, who wrote of the war of *Arifonius*. This *P. Crassius* surnamed *Dives*, by *Cicero* is called the brother of *Scavola*: whereupon *Velleius* in his second book nameth him *Mutianus*, betokening thereby that he was adopted out of the house of *Mutius* into the family of the *Crassi*. This man *Gellius* writeth in his first book and 23 chap. to have been of all others the richest man, the noblest personage, and the most eloquent Orator, the deepest lawyer, and the supreme Bishop withal.

624  
C. Claudius. M. Perperna.

**A**ppius Claudius and *M. Perperna* are matched in the Consulship together this year by *Obsequens* and *Cassiodorus*. *Cassianus* book and the Greek records, shew *Lentulus* and *Perperna*. This *Claudius* haply was adopted into the family of the *Cornelii*. Moreover, *Cicero* in his third book of Laws, and in the Oration for *Plancius*, calleth this man *C. Claudius*. This also is confirmed by an old table of stone commonly known, wherein is to be seen this inscription, *C. Claudius* and *M. Perperna Coss.* Which evidence *Sigonius* and *Onuphrius* following, named him *C. Claudius* and not *Appius*. Of this *M. Perperna* as many as wrote the war of *Arifonius*, have made mention, and namely, *Valerius* in his 3 book and 4 chap. *Velleius*, *Sirabo*, *Orosius*, and *Entropius*.

625  
C. Sempronius. M. Aquilius.

**T**his year had consuls, *M. Aquilius*, and *C. Sempronius*, as witnesseth *Cassiodorus*. But *Aquilius* and *Tuditanus* according to the Sicilian registers. *C. Sempronius Tuditanus*, and *M. Aquilius*, after *Orosius*. *Cicero* speaketh of them in his book of the nature of gods, and to his brother *Quintus*. *Paterculus* also in his second book, *Sirabo* in his 14 book. *Appian* in his first book. And both of them are taken out of the triumph records in the capitol.

626  
Cn. Octavius. T. Annius.

**N**ext followed as consuls *Cn. Octavius* and *T. Annius*, as *Cassiodorus* testifieth and none but he. For *Cassianus* book and the Sicilian catalogue have *Octavius* and *Rufus*. *Plutarch* also writeth, that one *T. Annius* contended with *Tib. Gracchus* in a sedition. As for this *C. Octa-*

vine, for he was to that *Cicero* who was Consul in the year five hundred eighty nine.

627 L. Cassius. L. Cinna.

*Cassiodorus* nameth for this years Consuls, L. Cassius and L. Cinna. The Sicilian records *Longinus* and *Cinna*. *Cassianus* books set out *Rulla*, corruptly for *Ravilla*, and *Cinna*. This *L. Cassius* was his son who bare the consulship in the year 590, and he was afterwards *Censor* in the year 629 furnished *Ravilla* by *Frontinus*.

628 M. Aemilius. L. Aurelius.

*Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens* reckon for Coss. this year, *Mar. Aemilius* and *Lu. Aurelius*. The Sicilian catalogue sheweth *Lepidus* and *Orestes*. *Conforinus* hath *M. Aemilius Lepidus*, and *L. Aurelius Orestes*. *Cicero* in *Brutus*, *Mar. Lepidus*, and *L. Orestes*.

629 M. Plautius. M. Fulvius.

*Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens* avouch Consuls this year, *M. Plautius* and *M. Fulvius*. The Sicilian registers, *Hyppseus* and *Flaccus*, *Orosius* and *Frontinus* in his treatise of water-conduits, *M. Plautius Hyppseus* and *Mar. Fulvius Flaccus*. *Valerius* also in his discourse of *Pride* maketh mention of them.

630 C. Cassius Longinus. C. Sextius.

*Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens* report, that the consuls following were *C. Cassius Longinus*, and *C. Sextius*. The Sicilian catalogue sheweth *Longinus* and *Calvinus*. *Velleius* writeth, that the colony *Fabrateria* was planted by *Cassius* and *Calvinus*. *Cicero* in *Brutus* speaketh of *C. Sextius Calvinus*. *Eutropius* declareth for consuls, *C. Cassius Longinus*, and *S. Domitius Calvinus*, not without suspicion of a fault or error.

631 Q. Caecilius. T. Quintius.

*Cassiodorus* nominateth for consuls this year, *Q. Caecilius* and *T. Quintius*. The Sicilian records *Metellus* and *Flaminius*. *Eutropius* and *Orosius*, *Q. Caecilius Metellus* and *T. Quintius Flaminius*. *Cicero* in his Oration pleading for his house, calleth them *T. Flaminius* and *Q. Metellus*. This *Q. Metellus* was the eldest of the four sons of *Macedonius*, whom *Plutarch* in his treatise of the Romans fortune, calleth *Q. Metellus Balaericus*, of the *Baleares* whom in this magistracy he conquered.

632 Cn. Domitius. C. Fannius.

*Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens* join in fellowship of the consulate this year, *Cn. Domitius* and *C. Fannius*. The Sicilian records, *Enobarbus* and

*Fannius*. *Cicero* writeth of them in his *Brutus*, and *Pliny* in his second book and 32 chapter. Three moons (qd. he) appeared when *Cn. Domitius* and *C. Fannius* were Coss. which most men called the night-stars.

633 L. Opimius. Q. Maximus.

This year had for consuls, *Lu. Opimius* and *Q. Maximus*, as witnesseth *Cassiodorus*. The Sicilian catalogue sheweth *Opimius* and *Maximus*. But *Obsequens*, *L. Opimius* and *Q. Fabius Maximus*. *Pliny* speaketh of them in his second book, saying, About the sun there appeared an arch or bow, when *L. Opimius* and *Q. Fabius* were consuls. This *Q. Fabius Maximus* is by *Cicero* in *Brutus*, *Florus* in his Epitome, *Velleius* in his 2 book, and *Padianus* upon the Oration against *Verres*, rightly named the nephew of *Paulus*, and son of *F. Emylianus*. And lo may *Serabo*, *Appian*, and *Pliny* be well reposed, for making him and his father *Emylianus*, all one. The same man, as *Cicero* and *Pliny* testify, was furnished *Allobroges*, upon a victory over the *Allobroges*. Of this *L. Opimius* consul, after whose name there was a wine called *Opimianum*, *Pliny* maketh mention in his 14 book and 4 chap. *Plutarch* also in *C. Gracchus* and *Velleius* in his second book.

634 P. Manlius. C. Papyrius.

*Cassiodorus* inferreth for this years consuls, *P. Manlius* and *C. Papyrius*. The Sicilian records *Manlius* and *Carbo*. This is that *Caius Papyrius Carbo*, who being a Tribune of the commons when *Claudius* and *Perpenna* were Coss. was afterwards by *C. Gracchus* appointed for one of the *Triumvirs* to divide lands: who first took part with the commons, but afterwards ranged with the nobility: of whom *Cicero* in many other places, and namely in his second book of a perfect Orator, maketh mention.

635 L. Caecilius. L. Aurelius.

*Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens* put down for consuls, *Lu. Caecilius* and *Lu. Aurelius*. The Sicilian catalogue, *Metellus* and *Cotta*. *Plutarch* in *Marius* speaketh of *C. Metellus* and *Cotta*, consuls. Which *Marius* he writeth to have born the Tribuneship of the commons, when there were consuls, and to have cast *Metellus* the consul into prison. This is that *Cotta*, in whose consular room *Velleius* reporteth, that *C. Caesar* Flamin of *Jupiter*, was created.

636 M. Cato. Q. Martius.

This year had for consuls *Mar. Cato* and *Q. Martius*: witnesseth *Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens*. *Cato* and *Martius*, according to the Sicilian registers. But *Eutropius* nameth them *M. Porcius Cato* and *Q. Martius*. *Valerius* speaketh of

of them in his first book, and *Pliny* in his second book 31 chap. *Gellius* also in his 13 book and 19 chap.

637 L. Lucilius. Q. Metellus.

Consuls next ensuing by *Cassiodorus* his saying, were *L. Lucilius* and *Q. Metellus*. After the Sicilian registers *Metellus* and *Scipio*. Ye go by *Eutropius*, *L. Caecilius Metellus* and *Q. Metellus Scipio*. Now is this that *L. Caecilius Metellus*, who afterwards upon subduing the *Dalmatians*, was furnished *Dalmatians*, whom *Plutarch* in *Coriolanus* and in his book of the Roman fortune, nameth *Didymus*, for that a long time he bound up his forehead with a forehead or wreath which they call a diadem, to hide an ulcer that he had there. Hereupon, when *Pompeius* bound up his leg with a white band or garter, it makes no matter, qd. *Plutarch*, in what part of the body a man weareth the diadem: upbraiding and reproaching him for his Kinglike power, in removing a small clout or piece of cloth by that name. This is that *Q. Metellus Scipio* the *Aegir*, of whom *Cicero* in his book *Lucius*, and in the first book of an Orator maketh mention.

638 C. Licinius Crassus. Q. Metellus.

Consuls next together in society of Consulship this year, *C. Licinius* and *Q. Metellus*. The Sicilian registers name them *Gellius* and *Elvinius*. Of this *Q. Metellus* *Cicero* speaketh in his Oration for *Murina*. That this man was of the house of the *Fabii*, his first name *Publius* sheweth, of whom writeth *Festus* in this manner: *Q. Fabius* was called *Philus* *Tullius*, for named *Eburinus*, of white teeth, for that his buttock was blasted with lightning. *Quintilian* in his third Declamation reporteth, that this *Fab. Eburinus* had a son the last of his body, whom he examined at home in his house, and thereupon put him to death. The same man *Valerius* calleth *Q. Fabius Servilius*. As for the name of this *Licinius* his father; obscure and unknown hitherto, *Gellius* our of an old antiquity of coin hath restored it; wherein, as he saith, was written plainly, *C. Licinius Crassus*, son of *Publius*.

639 M. Metellus. M. Scipio.

The consuls next following by *Cassiodorus* his report, were *M. Metellus* and *M. Scipio*. As for *Metellus*, the third son he was of *Macedonius*, but as touching *M. Scipio*, whom the writer of the book entitled of famous persons, calleth *M. Aemilius Scipio*, thus writeth *Padianus*, *M. Scipio* (qd. he) was a Patrician indeed and of noble blood, but so, as the gentry of his house, for those descents before him lay obscure, for neither father, nor grandfathers, by reason of their poor estate, and for want of putting forth themselves in the world, attained to

dignity in weal publick. Moreover, of him *Cicero* maketh mention oftentimes in his Oration for *Murina* and in *Brutus*. *Valerius* also in his 5 book and 8 chap. and *Pliny* likewise in his 2 book and 36 chap.

640 M. Atilius Balbus. C. Cato.

*Cassiodorus* setteth down for consuls this year, *M. Atilius Balbus* and *C. Cato*. The Sicilian catalogue *Balbus* and *Cato*. *Obsequens* *M. Atilius* and *C. Porcius*. Of the same consuls *Pliny* speaketh in the 2 book, chap. 29. and 58. *Plutarch* in *Marius* giveth to *Atilius* the forename *Maximus*. This *C. Cato* is the brother of that *M. Cato*, who four years before was Consul, nephew to *M. Cato Censorinus* and *Africanus* his son, as saith *Velleius*, *Cicero* against *Verres*, and in *Brutus*.

641 C. Caecilius. Cn. Papyrius.

*Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens* set down for next Consuls, *C. Caecilius* and *Cn. Papyrius*. The Sicilian registers *Metellus* and *Carbo*, *Eutropius*, *C. Caecilius Metellus*, and *Cn. Carbo*. The same men *Tacitus* in his book of the manners of *Rome*, reports to have born the Consulship, anno 649 after the foundation of *Rome*: in which year, both he and *Obsequens* do report, that the people of *Rome* began first to war with the *Cimprians* and the *Teutones*. This *C. Metellus* was the fourth son of *C. Metellus* the son of *Macedonius*: whom, when he died, he left a man of *Pretors* calling, and in suit and election for to be Consul. This man got a surname by way of reproach, as *Cicero* testifieth in his second book of a perfect Orator. Now furnished was he *Caprius*, as *Plutarch* saith in the Life of the Romans.

642 M. Livius Drusus. L. Piso.

*Cassiodorus* exhibiteth unto us for this year Consuls, *M. Livius Drusus* and *L. Piso*. The Sicilian catalogue *Drusus* and *Piso*. *L. Piso* (surpassed *Calpurnius* a man of Consular degree, was slain after by the *Tigurines*, when *Lu. Cassius* was Consul, as *Orosius* testifieth.

643 P. Scipio. L. Calpurnius Bestia.

*Cassiodorus* nameth this year for Consuls, *P. Scipio* and *L. Calpurnius Bestia*. The Sicilian records *Nafica* and *B. Bestia*. *Obsequens*, *Pub. Scipio* and *L. Calpurnius*. *Salsus*, *Eutropius* and *Orosius*, *P. Scipio Nafica* and *L. Calpurnius Bestia*. Of these Consuls, *P. Nafica* *Scipio* and *L. Bestia*, *Valerius* in *Brutus* maketh report, lib. 1. chap. 6. Moreover, *Cicero* in his *Brutus* writeth, that *P. Scipio* the son of *Pub. Scipio* furnished *Serapion* and fellow Consul to *L. Bestia*, died in his Consulship. Of this *Bestia* there is some mention to be seen in a capitol fragment.

644  
Sp. Posthumius. M. Minutius.

**C**assiodorus setteth down for Consuls, Sp. Posthumius and M. Minutius. The Sicilian registers shew *Albinus* and *Rufus*. *Salust*, Sp. *Albinus* and *Q. Minutius Rufus*. Of M. Minutius, *Pelleius* and the threecore and seventh Epitome make mention.

645  
Q. Metellus. M. Silanus.

**C**assiodorus saith that the Consuls next following were Q. Metellus and M. Silanus. The Sicilian catalogue sheweth *Metellus* and *Silanus*. *Padianus* and *Eutropius*. Q. *Caelius Metellus Numidicus*; and M. *Junius Silanus*. Of them also *Cicero* speaketh in *Brutus*. This *Metellus* was surnamed *Numidicus* for the conquest of *Nimidia*, as witnesseth *Velleius*.

646  
Ser. Galba. M. Serranus.

**C**assiodorus and *Obsequens* deliver for the Consuls of this year, *Servius Galba* and M. *Serranus*. The Sicilian evidences, *Sulpicius* and *Scamius*. *Cicero* in the Oration for *Rabirius*, saith that S. Galba was a man of Consular degree, when *Marinus* was the first time Consul. Of M. *Serranus* the Consul, *Velleius* and *Tacitus* make mention. This is that M. *Aurelius Serranus*, who being afterwards in embassage was by the Cimbrians murdered, as appeareth in the threecore and seventh Epitome.

647  
L. Cassius. C. Marinus.

**C**assiodorus joineith in the consulship this year, L. *Cassius* and C. *Marinus*. *Cassianus* book and the Sicilian records, *Longinus* and *Marinus*; *Pliny* also maketh mention of them in his 10 book and 13 chap. *Cicero* in his oration for *Plancius*; *Plutarch* in *Marinus*; and *Cicero* again in his third book of *Duties*, writeth, that C. *Marinus* having taken the repulse twice for the office of *Ædileship*, was created consul.

648  
Q. Servilius Capio. C. Attilius.

**O**bssequens and *Cassiodorus* match consuls together this year, Q. *Servilius Capio* and C. *Attilius Serranus*. The Sicilian monuments *Capio* and *Serranus*. In this year upon the third day of January, M. *Tullius Cicero* was born, as *Gellius* in his fiftenth book and eight and twentieth chap. hath left written. Much mention there is made of these consuls in *Cicero* and other ancient writers.

649  
P. Rutilius Rufus. C. Manilius.

**P**ublius *Rutilius Rufus* and C. *Manilius*, are put down by *Obsequens* and *Cassiodorus* for this years consuls. This P. *Rutilius*, *Cicero* in *Brutus*, calleth the son of *Marcus*. About the other consul the *Annals* do vary and disagree; some forename him C. others *Cneus*. Some name him M. *Manlius*, others *Mallius* or *Manlius*. But all this controversy is decided by an old antiquity in stone at *Puteoli*: the inscription whereof testifieth that P. *Rutilius* and C. *Mallius* were Consuls; as also the evidence of the Sicilian registers, wherein written it is *Rufus* and *Mallius*. Of this *Mallius* mention there is made in *Cicero's* Orations for *Plancius* and *Murena*: likewise in *Valerius*, *Salust*, *Tacitus*, *Florus*, *Eutropius* and *Orosius*. That he was not only a bafe man and of low birth but also without all vertue and wit, in the courie of his life also vile and contemptible. *Cicero* writeth in his Oration for *Plancius*. Whereby it easily appeareth, that the *Mallii* were a kindred different from the *Manlii*. For of Cn. *Manlius* a Patrician, and that of a most noble house, *Cicero* would never have spoken in such terms.

650  
C. Marinus II. C. Flavius Fimbria.

**T**he next Consuls are set down by *Cassiodorus*, C. *Marinus* the second time, and C. *Flavius Fimbria*: by *Obsequens*, C. *Marinus* and C. *Flavius*. By the Sicilian registers *Marinus* and *Fimbria*: by *Padianus* upon the Oration for *Cornelius*, C. *Marinus* the second time, and C. *Fimbria*: Item, C. *Marinus* and *Caius Flavius*. Besides, *Cicero*, *Velleius*, *Valerius*, *Plutarch*, and others speak often of these Cons.

651  
C. Marinus III. L. Aurelius Orestes.

**C**assiodorus reporteth for this years Consuls, C. *Marinus* the third time, and L. *Aurelius Orestes*. The Sicilian catalogue *Marinus* and *Orestes*. Moreover, *Marinus* even in his absence was elected Consul the third time, for fear of the Cimbrian war which was defeated, as *Velleius*, *Eutropius*, the Breviary, and *Cicero* in his Oration concerning *Provinces*, do testify.

652  
C. Marinus IV. Q. Lutatius.

**N**ext after them are put down for Consuls by *Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens*, C. *Marinus* the fourth time, and Q. *Lutatius*. The Sicilian registers exhibit unto us *Marius* and *Carulus*. *Plutarch* and *Eutropius*, *Caius Marinus* the fourth time, and Q. *Lutatius Catulus*. Of these Consuls, *Cicero* and *Pliny* oftentimes make mention.

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653  
C. Marinus V. M. Aquilius.

**T**hen succeeded in the Consulship by the testimony of *Cassiodorus*, C. *Marinus* the fifth time, and M. *Aquilius*. Of this C. *Marinus* five times now Consul, *Plutarch* and *Florus* give report. And *Cicero* in his second book of a perfect Orator, nameth M. *Aquilius* for the commendation of C. *Marinus* in his fifth consulship. Of whom *Plutarch* in *Marinus* speaketh and calleth him *paterfamilias*, as also *Appian* in *Mithridaticum*. Now this *Marinus Aquilius* a Consular man, is the same who afterwards being an Embassador, was by King *Mithridates* taken prisoner and most villanously tormented and mangled.

654  
C. Marinus VI. L. Valerius Flaccus.

**C**assiodorus and *Obsequens* shew unto us for this years consuls, C. *Marinus* the sixth time, and L. *Valerius Flaccus*. The Sicilian records, *Marinus* and *Flaccus*. This L. *Flaccus* (afterwards Censor) was President of the Senate and master of the horsemen under *Syll.* Dictator. Of these consuls *Cicero* speaketh very often and pameily, in his *Brutus*. In his oration for *Rabirius*, against *Cicero* and *Antonie*; and also in the defence of *Plancius*. *Pliny* likewise in his second book *P. R.* and *Padianus* upon the oration against *Piso*. Moreover, *Plutarch*, and many authors besides. In this year (upon the twelfth day of July, then called *Quintilis*, as *Marcobius* witnesseth) was C. *Caesar* born, who afterwards was surnamed *D. Caesar*.

655  
M. Antonius. A. Postumius.

**R**eported it is by *Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens*, that M. *Antonius* and A. *Postumius* were Consuls this year. The Sicilian registers, shew *Albinus* and *Antonius*. In a fragment also of the capitol marbles, mention there is of A. *Postumius*. *Cassianus* book and the Greek records, have *Antonius* and *Albinus*. Of these Consuls, *Cicero* speaketh in his oration to the citizens of *Rome*, after his return out of exile. Likewise, *Pliny* in his 8 book and 7 chap. where he noteth this the 655 year. Also *Gellius* in his 4 book and 6 chap.

656  
Q. Metellus. T. Didius.

**Q**uintus *Metellus* and T. *Didius* succeeded Consuls next in this year, as *Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens* do write. And *Padianus* upon the oration for *Cornelius*, nameth them: *Curio* (saith he) accused Q. *Metellus Nepos*, son of *Balaricus*, and nephew of *Macedonius*, who was Consul with T. *Didius*. *Cicero* speaketh of the same man in his oration after his return.

657  
Cn. Lentulus. P. Crassus.

**N**ot only *Cassiodorus*, but the Sicilian registers also, do testify, that Cn. *Lentulus* and P. *Crassus* were Consuls this year: and *Obsequens* nameth them, Cn. *Cornelius* and P. *Lucius*. *Pliny* writeth of them in his tenth book and first chap. also in his 33 book and second chap.

658  
Cn. Domitius. C. Cassius.

**T**his year had for Consuls, Cn. *Domitius* and C. *Cassius*, as *Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens* do witness. *Cassianus* annals and the Greek registers shew *Enobarbus* and *Longus*. A fragment of *Velleius* testifieth that Cn. *Domitius* and C. *Cassius* son of *Lucius*, *Padianus* speaketh of them upon the oration for *Cornelius*.

659  
L. Crassus. Q. Scævola.

**L**ivius *Crassus* and Q. *Scævola* were consuls next following according to *Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens*. In a fragment of the capitol records as touching Consuls, is to be seen *Crassus* and *Metellus*. In *Conferimus*, we find L. *Lucius* son of *Lucius*. *Cicero* in his *Brutus* writeth, that *Crassus* the orator bare all dignities of magistracy, together with *Scævola* the high-priest, except the *Tribunat* of commons and the Censorship: also that whilst they two were Consuls, Q. *Horatius* pleaded the first cause that ever he undertook at the bar. *Padianus* upon the oration of *Cicero* for *Cornelius*, maketh mention of L. *Lucius* *Crassus* the Orator, and Q. *Mutius Scævola* the arch-bishop an orator besides and a pious lawyer, both Consuls together.

660  
C. Calpurnius. L. Domitius.

**C**assiodorus and *Obsequens* declare for this years Consuls, C. *Calpurnius* and L. *Domitius*. The Sicilian registers, *Calpurnius* and *Enobarbus*. In a capitol fragment, they are *Calpurnius* and L. *Domitius* son of *Cnaeus*. As for *Calpurnius* it is the surname of *Calpurnius*. For *Velleius* maketh mention of one C. *Calpurnius* under *Augustus*. In like manner *Cicero* in his book entitled, *The using for a Consulship* and in his oration for *Murena*. Also *Padianus* upon the Oration for *Cornelius*. Again, *Cicero* in his *Brutus*, nameth them next before *Herennius*.

661  
C. Valerius Flaccus. M. Herennius.

**T**here are matched by *Cassiodorus* and *Obsequens* for consuls this year, C. *Valerius Flaccus* and M. *Herennius*. The Sicilian records, *Flaccus* and *Herennius*. A broken stone of the capitol, hath *Flaccus* and M. *Herennius*. *Pliny* in his 29 book and 3 chap. *Cicero* also in his Oration for *Murena*, and in *Brutus*, speaketh of them.

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C. Claudius Pulcher, M. Perperna.

Consuls this year, were C. Claudius Pulcher, and M. Perperna as witnes Cassiodorus and Obsequens. Likewise in a capitol broken monument and in the Sicilian register it is Pulcher and M. Perperna. Cicero maketh mention of this Claudius as Pretor of Sicily in the fourth Oration against Verres: and as Edile Curule in his second book of Offices. So doth Pliny in his 8 book.

663

L. Marius, Sext. Julius.

Cassiodorus and Obsequens name for consuls this year, L. Marius and Sext. Julius. The Sicilian records, Philip and Caesar, Entropius and Orosius Sex. Julius Caesar, and L. Marius Philippus. A capitol fragment, Phil and Sex. Julius, son of Caius. Pliny speaketh of them in his 2 book 8 chapt. also in the 33 book and 3 chapt. In like manner Cicero many times, and Valerius.

664

L. Julius Caesar, P. Rutilius Lupus.

According to Cassiodorus and Obsequens the Consuls this year were L. Julius Caesar, and P. Rutilius Lupus. And so it is in Padianus Velleius, and the 73 Epirome: as also in other authors who have written of the Marian war. In a fragment of the capitol, they are seen written, Caesar, and P. Rutilius, son of Rufus. In the Sicilian records, Caesar and Lupus. Cicero in his book of Divination, speaketh of them both: and in his oration for Plautius he writeth that L. Caesar missing of an Edileship became a Consul.

665

L. Portius, Cn. Pompeius.

Cassiodorus setteth down for Consuls this year, L. Portius and Cn. Pompeius. Padianus upon the Oration for Cornelius, surnamed Cn. Pompeius Verres: and L. Portius, Cato. The capitol fragment shew no more but Servius and Cato. Appian hath made mention of these consuls: so have Orosius and others that have penned the Marian war. This Cn. Pompeius was father to that Cn. Pompey the Great: as Appian witnesseth, and Padian upon the Oration against Piso.

666

L. Sylla, Q. Pompeius.

Cassiodorus sheweth for this years Consuls, L. Sylla and Q. Pompeius: and the same is written in Obsequens, Velleius, Entropius, Orosius, Appian, Plutarch, and others. The Sicilian records have Sylla and Rutilius. Sylla after his victory in the civil war, would needs have himself surnamed Felix: and therefore Padian and the avouchers of the capitol monuments, in report-

ing this consulat, write thus: L. Sylla, who afterwards was called Felix. The same man in his second Consulship, (which appeareth upon record in the capitol) is named the son of Lucius, and nephew of Fulvius. Moreover, of Q. Pompeius Rufus, Cicero maketh mention in his Brutus.

667

L. Cornelius Cinna, Cn. Octavius.

Reported there are by Cassiodorus and the Sicilian registers for Consuls this year, L. Cinna and Cn. Octavius. Appian Velleius, and the rest, who have recorded the history of this time, name them L. Cornelius Cinna, and Cn. Octavius. Plutarch writeth, that L. Cinna being of the adverse faction to L. Sulla, was by him made consul, upon condition, that he should not rise nor stand against the proceeding of the said L. Sulla: and so soon as he was entered into place of government, he began to trouble and disquiet the present state of the common-wealth, and intended an action against Sulla, by the means of Virginius a Tribune of the commons. Howbeit Sulla contemning Virginius, made an expedition against Mithridates.

668

L. Cinna II, C. Marius VII.

After this, were Consuls, C. Marius the seventh time, and L. Cinna the second time, according to the records of Sicily, Cassiodorus, and those that wrote of the civil war. Plutarch saith, that Marius was the first man that was seven times consul of Rome. Moreover, as it is to be read in Appian, and in the Brevities, L. Cinna and C. Marius, without any lawful assembly for Election, declared themselves Consuls against this year, and the very same day that they entered into their magistracy Marius commanded Sex. Licinius a Senator, to be thrown down from the rock Tarpeia: who, after he had committed many heinous crimes and outrages, ended his daies upon the Ides of January: in whose room was subordinated, L. Val. Flaccus, even he (as men think) who before-time was colleague to C. Marius in his first Consulship: of whom Cicero maketh mention in his Oration for his son Flaccus.

669

L. Cinna III, Cn. Papirius.

Cassiodorus witnesseth that the Consuls succeeding in this year were L. Cinna the third time, and Cn. Papirius. The Sicilian records, have Cinna and Carbo. In the 83 Brevity it is written, that L. Cinna and Cn. Papirius Carbo, for two years together usurped the Consulship. Also in the book entitled, Of famous persons, we read that Cinna made himself Consul a second and third time. Of these Consuls Plutarch speaketh in his first book in Mithridatica, and in the first book of civil wars.

670

L. Cinna IV, Cn. Papirius II.

Next were Consuls, after Cassiodorus and the Epitomis, L. Cinna the fourth time, and

and Cn. Papirius the second time. Cicero in his Tusculan questions mentioneth Cinna four times Consul: so doth Suetonius in Caesar. And of Cn. Papirius Carbo twice Consul, the capitol tables do yield testimony. As for the Sicilian records, they put down for consul, (not without imposition of error) Carbo and Scribonius.

671

L. Scipio, C. Norbanus.

Besides the Sicilian tables, Cassiodorus, Obsequens, Appian, Entropius, Florus, and Tacitus in his nineteenth book do witness, that L. Scipio, and C. Norbanus were Consuls. In the capitol fragments it is written, L. Cornelius son of Lucius, nephew of L. Scipio Asiaticus.

672

M. Carius, Cn. Carbo III.

I find in Cassiodorus, Appianus, Velleius, and others, the next consuls to have been, C. Marius and Cn. Carbo the third time. This C. Marius was the brothers son of C. Marius seven times consul, according to Appian: but Velleius, Plutarch, Plutarch, Entropius and others, say, that he was the son of that C. Marius: and haply indeed he was adopted by C. Marius. Certainly, in the capitol tables, he is called C. Marius, son of C. and nephew of Caius. Cicero speaketh of these Consuls against Rullus: Pliny also in his 17 book, and they who have set down in writing the civil wars of Sylla.

673

M. Tullius, Cn. Dolabella.

Next to those, Cassiodorus bringeth in for consuls, M. Tullius and Cn. Dolabella. The Sicilian records, have Decula and Dolabella. Appian also reporteth, that Sylla Dictator, so the end that the state and common-wealth might seem to retain some shew yet of her ancient dignity, permitted M. Tullius and Cornelius Dolabella to be created consuls, whilst himself after the manner of K. late aforesaid in a throne above them, Cicero in his oration against Rullus, and Gellius in his 15 book and 33 chap. maketh mention of M. Tullius and Cn. Cornelius consuls. In a capitol fragment, this M. Tullius, son of M. nephew of A. is surnamed Decula.

674

L. Sylla II, Q. Metellus.

Cassiodorus and the Sicilian registers, set down for Consuls, L. Sylla the second time, and Q. Metellus. Appian saith moreover, that Sylla Dictator though he was, yet stood content and willing to be declared consul with Q. Metellus Pius, to the end that the common-wealth might seem to have some likeness yet of a free state. Of these consuls, Cicero maketh mention in his Orations against Verres, and elsewhere. Gellius likewise in his 15 book and 28 chapter, together with Cassiodorus. This Metellus was surnamed Pius. He it is, who was by lot ap-

pointed to manage the wars in Spain and against Sertorius: and son he was to Numidicus.

675

P. Servilius, App. Claudius.

The next consuls, were P. Servilius and App. Claudius, as witnesseth Cassiodorus. In the Sicilian tables, it appeareth that their surnames were, Vatia and Pulcher: of whom Appianus writeth thus: The people of Rome in obsequious manner to court Sylla the Dictator, requested of him that he would continue consul till another year: But Sylla would none of that: and took order, that Ser. Isauricus and Claudius Pulcher, should be declared Cof. In a fragment of the capitol he is thus written: Pub. Servilius Vatia, called afterwards Isauricus: which surname he took of the Isaurians, a nation in Cilicia whom he subdued. My authors are, Padian upon the Orations of Cicero against Verres: Strabo in his 14 book: Macellinus likewise in his 14 book, with others.

676

M. Lepidus, Q. Catulus.

M. Lepidus and Q. Catulus, are by Cassiodorus named Consuls for this year. Plutarch reporteth, that when L. Sylla had given up his Dictatorship, and restored again to the people of Rome the free liberty to dispose of consular dignities in their solemn assemblies for elections: M. Lepidus an enemy to Sylla, and an audacious person, was declared Consul before Catulus, and had the preeminence above him, by the earnest endeavour of Cn. Pompeius. Of these Consuls, Pliny maketh mention in his 36 book, wherein he saith, that they governed in the year 676. Likewise, Cicero in his Oration for Cornelius, Flors out of Livy: Valerius 2 book 3 chap. and Entropius.

677

M. Aemilius, D. Brutus.

This year had for Consuls, by the testimony of Cassiodorus and Obsequens, M. Aemilius and D. Brutus. Macer, a Tribune of the commons, speaketh of them in Salsus, complaining that the commons were by the nobles oppressed. In like sort, Cicero in Brutus, and in his second book of Duties, as also Valerius in the 7 book and 7 chap. This M. Aemilius was surnamed Lepidus and Livianus: for out of the family of Livies he was adopted by M. Lepidus, and therefore right well he is called, son of Macer.

678

Cn. Octavius, C. Curius.

Verrius Flaccus setteth down for Consuls, Cn. Octavius son of M. nephew of C. and C. Scribonius Curius. The same doth Cicero report in Brutus. So do Salsus, Obsequens, Lucianus in his first book, and Pliny in his second book and

and 35 chapter. Cic. in his *Brutus*, and *Pliny* in his 7 book and 41 chapt. make report of three *Cati Curvii*, all Orators to wit, the father, the son, and the sons son or nephew.

679

L. Octavius, C. Cotta,

*Cassiodorus* putteth down for consuls this year, L. Octavius and C. Cotta. Obsequens, C. Aurelius and L. Octavius. *Pliny* in his second book and 35 chapt. Cicero likewise in his third and fifth Orations against *Verres*, maketh mention of L. Octavius, and C. Aurelius consuls. Upon the broken marbles of the capitol, they stand to be seen, L. Octavius son of Cn. nephew of Cn. and C. Aurelius. This year the Sicilian registers over-skip, *Padianus* writeth, that there were at this time three Cotta's brethren, and all of consular degree, namely, Caius, Marcus, and Lucius.

680

L. Licinius Lucullus, M. Cotta.

For this years consuls, *Cassiodorus* registreth L. Lucullus, and M. Cotta. The Sicilian records, Lucullus and Cotta, *Entropius*, *Appianus* in *Mithridatica*, and *Plutarch* in Lucullus, nameth them, L. Licinius Lucullus, and M. Aurelius Cotta. Mention there is made of them by Cicero against *Verres*; and by *Florus* in the 93 and 94 Epitomes. This L. Lucullus had for his grand-father that Lucullus, who was consul with A. Albinus, as Cicero and *Plutarch* do testify.

681

M. Lucullus, C. Cassius.

This year (by the testimony of *Cassiodorus*) had for consuls, M. Lucullus, and C. Cassius; but the Sicilian records, nominate *Marcellus* and *Cassius*: whom Cicero in an oration against *Verres*, nameth M. Terentius and C. Cassius: saying that the laws Terentia and Cassia, were by them promulg'd. For, so far forth as we may conjecture by the capitol fragment, M. Licinius Lucullus, was adopted by M. Terentius Varro, and therefore called M. Terentius Varro Lucullus. Cicero in Lucullus, and *Plutarch*, call L. Lucullus and M. Lucullus brethren, whom *Entropius* nameth cousin Germans by two sisters. That the surname of Cassius was Varus, appeareth both by a conduit pipe or waterpout of lead found in Rome, and also for that *Appian* in his fourth book, writeth that C. Cassius Varus, a man who had been Consul, was condemned and outlawed by the Triumvirs.

682

L. Gellius, Cn. Lentulus.

The consuls next following, by the report of *Cassiodorus*, were L. Gellius and Cn. Lentulus. In like sort Cicero maketh mention of them in his oration for *Balbus*, and elsewhere. *Plutarch* also in *Cassius*, with *Entropius* and *Orosius*. *Cyprianus* book sheweth *Poplicola* and *Lentulus*. Now the surname of L. Gellius was *Poplicola*, as witnesseth *Omphrius*.

Cn. Aufidius, 683

P. Lentulus,

*Cassiodorus* setteth down for consuls this year, Cn. Aufidius, and P. Lentulus. The Sicilian registers have *Lentulus* and *Orestes*. *Entropius*, C. Lentulus and Cn. Aufidius *Orestes*. This Cn. Aufidius *Orestes*, when he went beside a Tribuneship of the commons, was chosen consul, as Cicero writeth in his oration for *Plantius*. This is that P. Lentulus surnamed *Sura*, who afterwards, being a man of consular calling, and who had been twice Pretor, was hanged and strangled to death when Cicero was consul, for that he had conspired with *Catilin*: whose grand-father was P. Lentulus President of the Senat, as Cicero saith, pleading for his house, and inveighing against *Catilin*: as also *Padianus*.

684

M. Crassus, Cn. Pompeius.

Next to them were *Coss*, M. Crassus and Cn. Pompeius, according to *Cassiodorus*, *Plutarch*, *Appian*, and the Sicilian records. Their surnames for certain, were *Dicens* and *Magnus*. All the old writers speak much of this their first Consulship. *Plutarch* reporteth that L. Crassus attained to the Consular dignity, by the means of Pompeius the consul. Besides, Cicero, *Salust*, *Padian* writing upon the oration for *Cornelius*, and all other authors speak of these consuls.

685

Q. Metellus, Q. Hortensius.

Then followed consuls, Q. Metellus and Q. Hortensius, as *Cassiodorus* and the Sicilian catalogue do testify. *Padianus* matcheth Q. Metellus *Creticus* with Q. Hortensius that great Orator! Likewise, *Josephus* in his fourteenth book of Jewish antiquities, Cicero in *Brutus* calleth this Q. Hortensius, the son of Lucius, Q. Metellus afterwards upon the conquest made of *Cree* surnamed *Creticus*, was the son of L. Dalmatius, as may be gathered out of *Padianus* upon the Oration of *Tully* [called *Divinatio*] against *Verres*.

686

[L. Metellus, Q. Marcius.

*Padianus* writing upon *Tully's* Oration against *Piso*; Dio likewise and *Cassiodorus* join together in the consulship this year, L. Caecilius Metellus, and Q. Marcius. The Greek records, *Marcius Rex*, and *Metellus*. This *Metellus*, Dio writeth to have died in the very beginning of his magistracy: that he also who was substituted in his room, left this life before he entered into the government: and thereupon it was not thought good to subleat any more: and by that means Q. Marcius bare that dignity alone; and him *Salust* entitleth with the surname of *Rex*. This L. Metellus was brother to Q. Creticus, as *Padian* witnesseth.

687

C. Piso, 687

M. Glabrio.

There succeeded Consuls, C. Piso and M. Glabrio, witness *Cassiodorus* and the Sicilian records. And in Dio they follow immediately by the name of *Manius Atilius* and C. Piso. Cicero in his twelfth book of Epistles to *Atticus*, speaketh of C. Piso and M. Atilius Glabrio, men of Consular place and calling. *Padian* in his commentaries upon the oration for *Cornelius* maketh mention of C. Piso and the law *Calpurnia* by him made, as touching inordinate and indirect suite after dignities of state. Moreover, of them *Valerius* in his fourth book writeth.

688

M. Lepidus, L. Volcatius.

*Cassiodorus* putteth down for Consuls, *Manius Lepidus*, and with him L. Torquatus, but untruly. The Greek records have *Volcatius Tullus*, Dio, L. Tullus, and *Aemilius Lepidus*, *Salust* in *Catiline*, L. Tullus and M. Lepidus. *Padian* upon the oration for *Cornelius*, M. Lepidus and L. Volcatius. Cicero in his oration for *Sulla* hath L. Volcatius Tullus: so as it appeareth it should be, M. Aemilius Lepidus, and L. Volcatius Tullus.

689

L. Cotta, L. Torquatus.

The Consuls elect, were L. Antonius *Patru* (as it appeareth upon a monument of a triumph in the capitol, and not Antonius, as commonly it is read) and P. Cornelius *Sulla*: who being condemned for ambitious seeking after that office, and having therefore suffered condign punishment, their accusers reprint into their place of government, namely, L. Aurelius son of Marcus, surnamed Cotta; and L. Marcus son of Lucius, surnamed also Torquatus: as testify *Salust*, Dio, *Padian* upon the oration for *Cornelius*, and that which he made in his white robe: and lastly, *Tranquillus* in *Cesar*.

690

L. Cesar, C. Figulus.

The year next ensuing had for Consuls, by the testimony of *Cassiodorus*, *Padianus*, and the Sicilian records, L. Cesar and C. Figulus, whom Dio calleth *Lucius Cesar*, and *Lucius Marcius* son of *Cains*, surnamed *Figulus*. Cicero in his oration for *Sulla*, nameth them L. Julius and C. Figulus: so doth *Salust* in *Catiline*. This L. Julius Cesar is his son who was Consul in the *Masian* war.

691

M. Cicero, C. Antonius.

The Consuls this year, were M. Tullius son of M. surnamed Cicero, and C. Antonius son of M. as testify Dio in his seven and thirtieth book, *Cassiodorus*, *Salust* in his *Catipary* oration, *Valerius* in his second book, *Joseph* in his

Jewish antiquities 14 book 8 chapter. *Pliny* in his eight book and three and fiftieth chapter, *Tranquillus* in the life of A. Gellius, *Appian*, *Entropius*, *Padian*, and others.

692

D. Silanus, L. Muræna.

There followed consuls next, D. Silanus, and L. Muræna, as *Cassiodorus*, *Salust*, and the Sicilian records do witness. Dio calleth them D. Junius son of M. surnamed Silanus; and L. Licinius son of L. surnamed Muræna. *Entropius* nameth them D. Junius Silanus, and L. Licinius, son of that L. Muræna who in quality of Pro-pretor triumphed over *Mithridates* (as Cicero saith) pleading for Muræna himself, being accused and in trouble for unlawful seeking to be Col. In this assembly for election of Col. L. Sergius *Catiline* suffered the second repulse: for anger whereof, in a melancholy he brake out into a conspiracy, and practised against the state; and likewise *Servius Sulpicius Ruffus* the lawyer, who afterwards accused Muræna for the crime aforesaid.

693

M. Papirius, M. Valerius.

*Cassiodorus* setteth down for Consuls this year, M. Papirius and M. Valerius. The Sicilian registers, *Piso* and *Messala*. Dio, M. Papirius, son of M. surnamed *Piso*; and M. Valerius son of M. surnamed *Messala Niger*. Of this *Messala Niger*, there is also mention made by *Padian* upon the oration for *Scamius*. Also of M. Messala and M. Piso, in *Plinius* seventh book, and six and twentieth chapter, seven and thirtieth book, cap. second, and the eight book, chap. six and twenty. And in *Cesar's* first book of the Gauls war. Of M. Piso *Padian* likewise speaketh writing upon the oration against *Piso*.

694

Q. Metellus, Q. Afranius.

*Cassiodorus* and the Sicilian registers nominate for this years Consuls, Q. Metellus and L. Afranius. The like doth *Obsequens* and Cicero in his first book of Epistles to *Atticus*. Dio nameth them L. Afranius son of L. and Q. Cecilius son of Q. surnamed Metellus *Celer*. Both of them were advanced to the Consulate (as Dio witnesseth) by the means of Pompeius, for they had been both twain his Lieutenants serving under him in *Africa*.

695

C. Cesar, M. Bibulus.

*Cassiodorus*, *Suetonius*, together with the Sicilian tables and the Breviaries, do match together for consuls this year, C. Cesar and M. Bibulus. Dio, C. Julius son of C. Cesar, and M. Calpurnius, *Plutarch* and *Appian*, C. Julius Cesar, and C. Bibulus. *Albeit Appian* as also *Entropius* and *Orosius* give *Bibulus* the forename of *Lucius*. Of Cesar and *Bibulus*, Cicero speaketh in his first book of Epistles, writing to *Lentulus*.

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L. Piso. A. Gabinus.

**C**assiodorus and the Sicilian records shew for Consuls this year, L. Piso and A. Gabinus. Dio, L. Calpurnius son of L. Piso; and A. Gabinus son of Aulus. Caesar, Cicero, Plutarch, and Cassiodorus, L. Piso, and A. Gabinus, Caesar writeth of them in his first book of the Gauls war, and Plutarch in the life of Cato the younger. Cicero also in his oration against Piso and for Sextus. This Piso the Consul Cicero and Padian furnished Calpurnius for his grand-father before him was called, as appeareth in the capitol records for the year 606.

P. Lentulus. Q. Metellus.

**T**he Consuls following for this year, were by Cassiodorus and the Sicilian records, P. Lentulus and Q. Metellus. By Dio, Pub. Cornelius son of Publius, Lentulus Spinther; and Q. Caecilius son of Q. Metellus Nepos. Of them speaketh Valerius in his ninth book. Lentulus (qd. he) and Metellus companions in the consularship were beheld and seen both upon the stage like plaiers: but the one of them took the surname of Spinther \* one of the second sort of actors: the other, but that he had gotten the name of \* Nepos already for his lewd behaviour, should have been called Pamphilus, after the name of \* one of a third sort, whom for all the world he resembled. Of the same men, Cicero in his first book of Epistles, and in very many of his orations. Pliny also in his seventh book and second chapter, Plutarch in the life of Cicero, and all other writers make much mention.

698

Cn. Lentulus. L. Philippus.

**C**assiodorus putteth down for Consuls, Cn. Lentulus and L. Philippus. The Sicilian records, Marcellus and Ph. Ippius. Dio, Cn. Cornelius son of Publius, Lentulus Marcellus; and L. Marius son of Lucius Philippus. Of Lentulus and M. Marcellus Consuls, Cicero speaketh in his Epistles to Lentulus. Plutarch also in the life of Cato. maketh mention of Marius Philippus now Consul. This Cn. Lentulus was the son of that P. Lentulus, as Cicero saith in his Brutus. And furnished he was Marcellus, and not Claudius, that it might be knowned, of what family of the Claudii he was descended.

696

Cn. Pompeius. M. Crassus.

**W**hen as by the obdurate perfiance of C. Cato Tribun of the commons; (who ever interposed his negative) there could be no ordinary assembly holden for the creation of magistrates, the whole degree of the Senators changed their weed in token of grief: so as upon an Interregency between, Cn. Pompeius was chosen Consul, and with him M. Crassus the

second time, as Plutarch, Dio, and Appian do witness. Lucius Domitius Enobarbus, whom Cato and all good men accompanied and presented, was in the common place by violence throughly beaten, and Cato himself wounded. These Cons. Dio calleth Cn. Pompeius, son of Cn. Magnus the second time; and M. Licinius son of Publius Crassus, the second time. Of them Padian; Eutropius, the Sicilian registers and others make mention.

700

Ap. Claudius. L. Domitius.

**D**io in his nine and thirtieth book, for the year after the cities foundation 700, following the computation of Parro, avoucheth Consuls, Appian Claudius, son of Appian Pulcher; and L. Domitius son of Cnatus, Enobarbus, Cassiodorus and Obsequens, name them, Ap. Claudius and L. Domitius, whom the Sicilian records call Pulcher and Enobarbus; and Padian upon the Oration for Scaurus, L. Domitius Enobarbus, and Appian Claudius Pulcher. Of this L. Domitius, son of Cnatus Enobarbus, Cato speaketh in the eight book of Cicero's Epistles.

701

Cn. Domitius. M. Messala.

**A**gainst this year there stood in election and laboured with much earnestness and ambitious desire to be Consuls, Caius Memmius, Cn. Domitius, M. Messala and M. Scaurus, as Cicero writeth to his brother Quintus. But at the last, even in the seventh month of this year there were created by means of an Interregency, M. Messala and Cn. Domitius. Neither had they been chosen then: but that Q. Pompeius Rufus a Tribun of the commons, who still opposed himself to hinder and debar all election, was by order from the Senate committed: and the Senate made countenance to do the like by the rest, as many as went about to cross the said election. Thus much Dio, but Appian saith that the common-weal continued for eight months space in Anarchy without any sovereign magistrates of state. Plutarch writeth, that in this to great extremity of danger, Lucilius a Tribun of the commons, preferred a bill for the creating of Cnatus Pompeius Dictator, who should redress all enormities and see upright the state again: but Cato gain said it, and so nothing was effected. Dio saith moreover, that the Tribuns of the commons moved for the chusing not of a Dictator only, but also of military Tribuns in consular authority: but through the earnest labour of Pompeius, Consuls were created, Messala and Calpurnius, which surnames stand to be seen upon the Sicilian records. Also in the capitol monuments, written it is thus, Cn. Domitius Memmius, Calpurnius son of M. nephew of Marcus anno 702 and 717.

703

702

Cn. Pompeius. Q. Metellus.

**W**hen by reason of the contentions among so mighty competitors, the Consuls could not be created by the Calends of January: there passed an A. A. of the Senat, according to the mind and advice of Bibulus, by virtue whereof Cn. Pompeius was by the Interregent Serv. Sulpicius created Consul the third time, upon the five and twentieth of February, without a Colleague first, and presently entred upon the government. But afterwards to avoid the envy that might arise thereupon, he took unto him as companion in the Consulship for the five last months of the year behind, Q. Caecilius Pius Metellus Scipio, his Wives father. Thus writeth Padian upon the Oration of Cicero in defence of Milo. Plutarch likewise, Appianus and Dio. This Metellus Pius Scipio was also called P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica son of Nasica Scipio, who being adopted by Q. Metellus Pius, is called by Cato in the familiar Epistles of Cicero; Q. Caecilius son of Q. nephew of Q. Metellus Pius Scipio.

703

M. Marcellus. Ser. Sulpicius.

**A**gainst this year were Consuls created, M. Marcellus and Serv. Sulpicius, as Cassiodorus, Plutarch, and Appian witness. The Sicilian records call them Rufus and Marcellus, Dio nameth them Sulpicius Sulpicius son of Q. furnished also Marcellus. Of these Consuls Suetonius also maketh mention in Caesar: likewise Cicero in his Epistles and the Epitome 118. This Marcellus was the cousin german of that Marcellus who the year next following was Consul: and brother german to him who two years after bare the Consulship, as may be collected out of Peruvius Flaccus, Dio, and Suetonius.

704

L. Paulus. C. Marcellus.

**T**he next succeeded Consuls, L. Paulus, and C. Marcellus, witnesses Cassiodorus, Dio Suetonius, and Padian in this book, together with the Sicilian records. The one of these is by Dio named Lucius Annius, son of Marcus, surnamed Paulus; the other by Cicero in his Epistles, C. Claudius son of Caius, M. Marcellus. Dio writeth, that this man by time was reported to be a brother of the brothers said, others do suppose, the brother of Mary Marcellus, but Suetonius saith plainly, he was a brother of his son.

705

Cn. Marcellus.

**C**assiodorus putteth down for Consuls this year, Cn. Marcellus, and C. Marcellus, as also Appian, Plutarch, Eutropius, Florus, and Cicero in his Epistles do testify. Dio calleth these Consuls

L. Cornelius, son of Publius Lentulus; and C. Claudius son of Marcus Marcellus. In the broken marbles of the Capitoll it is to be seen thus, C. Claudius, son of Marcus, nephew of Marcus Marcellus. This is that Lucius Lentulus Cras, who as Cato testifieth in the former election took a repulse, and by Cicero is called in the Oration against Vatinius, Flamen Martialis.

706

C. Caesar. P. Servilius.

**W**hen Caius Caesar the Dictator held the solemn assembly for the election in the latter end of the former year, Consuls there were created Caius Julius, son of Caius Caesar, and Pub. Servilius, son of Publius Isauricus. For now was the year come, when as Caesar by the laws might be chosen Consul: for so in the third book of his own Commentaries he saith himself, and so Dio in his one and fortieth book, Plutarch, Tranquillus, Appianus, and Cassiodorus do testify of him. But he meaneth that law which expressly forbade and debarred, that no man might be within ten years space chosen Consul twice. As for Publius Servilius, he was the son of that Publius Servilius that first took the surname Isauricus, who this year bare his Consulship at Rome, while Caesar warred in Macedonia.

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Q. Fufius Calenus. P. Vatinius.

**D**io saith, That the people of Rome having intelligence that Pompeius was murdered, endeavoured earnestly, that there might pass as honourable decrees for Caesar the Conqueror as possible might be. And therefore they ordained, that he might be Consul five years together, and Dictator not for six months as beforetime, but a whole year; and ended with the Tribunes authority for ever. Now Caesar, albeit he was without Italy, immediately entred upon his Dictatorship, having sub-ordained under him for his General of the horie, Mar. Antonius, a man who yet had not been Prator. This appeareth by the Capitoll records. Dio, Plutarch, and Cicero in his second Philippica. But under what pretence and colour Caesar took upon him this Dictatorship and the rest following, Marcus Antonius sheweth in his Oration of Caesar's praise in Dio: wherein he saith, that Caesar was created Dictator to make head against the enemies, and therefore the troubles and dissensions of war was the cause of this creation. But certain it is that Caesar became Dictator for another cause, namely that by the means of that sovereign power, he might draw unto himself alone the whole managing and government of the State, which beforetime had been administered by many persons. But Dio addeth moreover and saith, that in the beginning of this year there were neither Prators nor Consuls elected. For Marcus Antonius General of the horie, arrayed in his purple robes, with six Lictors, making way before him, resembled a

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certain shew of the ancient liberty. But within a while after he departed forth of the City, and that which never was before done by any Master of the horse, he left *Lu. Caesar* an aged man, Provost and governor of *Rome*. Howbeit, in the end of the year, after the recovery and conquest of *Aegypt*, when King *Ptolemeus* was slain, and *Pharnaces* K. of *Pontus* vanquished; Consuls were created, *Q. Fabius*, son of *Quintus*, *Calenus*; and *Pub. Vatinius*, son of *Publius*. And these the Capitoll tables do shew, and *Cassiodorus* also. Of *Publius Vatinius* Consul, *Macrobius* in his second book maketh mention,

708  
C. Caesar. M. Lepidus.

**V**errinus in his capitoll tables letteth forth Consuls of this year, only without ever a Dictator. The same record of *Colonia*, whereof *Onuphrius* speaketh here, nameth *C. Julius Caesar* the third time, and *M. Emilius Lepidus*. But *Dio* in his three and fortieth book, The next year following (quoth he) he bare the Dictatorship and the Consulat both, the third time, and took unto him for his Colleague in both Magistracies, *M. Emilius Lepidus*. Of the same kind seemeth *Tranquillus* to be in *Caesar*, chap. seventy six. Likewise *Hirtius* in the fifth book, But *Onuphrius* suppoeth that both *Tranquillus* and *Diosyres*, and *Hirtius* also was in an error. For with the capitoll records, *Plutarch* and *Eutropius* agree; who write that *Caesar* this year was Consul the third time with *M. Lepidus*, and Dictator the second time.

709  
C. Caesar. Q. Maximus.

**T**hey who cut the capitoll marbles do shew, unto us that *Caesar* this year was third time Dictator with *M. Lepidus* General of the horse. From whom *Dio* differeth; who doth report that this year *Caesar* was Dictator the 4 time, and *Lepidus* second time Master of the horse: also that *Lepidus* fellow-Consul with *Caesar*, declareth himself against all law, General of the horse. Thus much of the Dictator. But as touching the Consuls this year, there is to be seen written in the Index or table of *Dio*, that the same year *Caesar* bare his fourth Dictatorship, and likewise his fourth Consulat without Colleague. In that history also it appeareth, that *Caesar* presently retired upon his fourth Consulat, but bare it not throughout the whole year: and that so soon as he was returned to *Rome* out of *Spain*, he resigned and substituted in his place for the rest of the year, *Q. Fabius Maximus*, and *Cn. Trebonius*. With *Dio*, the evidences agree that are written in the capitoll fragments: wherein it appeareth that *Caesar* was the fourth time Consul, and that without a Colleague; as *Sigonius* maketh interpretation. For *Cyprianus* Kalender, together with the Sicilian registers, do shew that *Caesar* was Consul now alone the fourth time. In like

manner, *Appian* and *Plutarch* make mention of *Caesar*, who being Consul elect from the fourth time led an army into *Spain*. As for *Q. Fabius*, *Suetonius* calleth him a three months Consul. *Dio* saith moreover, that *Caesar* upon the death of *Q. Fabius* the Consul, declared the very last day of the year, *C. Catinus* to be the Consul for those few hours that were behind. Whereof *Cicero* in his seventh book of Epistles, writing to *Crinus*, *Macrobius* in his second book of *Saturналиe*, *Tacitus* in his eighteenth book, *Pliny* in his seventh, and *Suetonius* in *Caesar* do make report.

710  
C. Caesar. M. Antonius.

**D**io setteth down for this year *Caesar* Dictator the fifth time, together with *M. Emilius Lepidus* Master of the horse. But the capitoll tables avouch him Dictator now the fourth time. *Dio* and *Appian* write that he created himself Consul together with *M. Antonius*. Likewise *Cassiodorus* and the Sicilian registers give record, that *Caesar* was this year Consul the fifth time, together with *M. Antonius*. And *Macrobius* in his first book speaketh of them. Moreover, written it is in the capitoll and Colotian tables, that *C. Caesar* was Col, the fifth time, with *M. Antonius* son of *M.* and that in the room of *Caesar* there was chosen *P. Cornelius* son of *Publius*. And this was *P. Cornelius Dolabella*, whom *Caesar* himself (if he had lived) meant to have substituted in his own room. *Plutarch* writeth, that *Caesar* Consul now the fifth time took unto him for his companion in government *M. Antonius*. And when as he would have subordinated *Dolabella* in his own stead, *Antony* gain said in an oration: and afterwards, when *Caesar* a second time would have had *Dolabella* to be declared Consul, and still *Antony* crossed and withstood it, *Caesar* gave over his enterprise. But after *Caesar* was murdered, *Antony* (as *Dio* writeth) fearing some insurrection and commotion if he should have rejected *Dolabella*, took him into the fellowship of government. *Appian* saith: that immediately after *Caesar* was killed, *Dolabella* entered into the Magistracy. So saith *Velleius* also. And this verily was the year, in which the conspiracy was contrived against *Caesar*, whereof the captains were *M. and Decimus* both *Brutus*, *C. Trebonius* & *C. Cassius*: and upon the fifteenth day of *March*, when he sat in Council together with the Senat in the court of *Phoebe*, he was was stabbed, and received in his body three and twenty wounds: which done, the murderers who had wrought the feat seized the capitoll, And *C. Octavius* his nephew or sister son, whom *Caesar* had made in his will his heir, and adopted to bear his own name, came out of *Epirus*, whither *Caesar* had sent him before, minding to make war upon the *Parthians*, and after all lucky and happy proceedings, took upon him the name of *Caesar*, according to his last will and testament.

711  
C. Panfa. A. Hirtius.

**D**io, *Cassiodorus*, and the rest, nominate Consuls for this year, *C. Vibius Panfa Capronianus*, and *A. Hirtius*, son of *Aulus*. *Cyprianus* book sheweth *Cratonianus* and *Hirtius*. Whereby it may be understood, that *Cratonianus* was the surname of *Panfa*, but peradventure written for *Capronianus*. In the Colotian table they are named *C. Vibius* son of *Cains*, and *An. Hirtius* son of *Hirtius*. This *Hirtius* was one of their sons who were out-lawed by *Sulla*, and whom *Caesar* (as *Dio* reporteth) advanced to honourable dignities. Both these, and the Consuls of the year following, were by *Caesar* elected and destined thereto, before he was slain. *Dio*, *Appian*, and others report, that of these two Consuls, *Hirtius* in the time of the civil war, in a battell before *Modena*, against *Antonius* was slain; and *Panfa* some daies after, upon a hurt received in the same fight, died at *Bononia*. In the room of *Panfa*, *C. Octavius* was sub-elected Consul, the nineteenth of *August* in the same year, and he instead of *Hirtius*, took unto him for his Colleague *Q. Padius*.

712  
M. Lepidus. L. Plancius.

**C**assiodorus and the Sicilian records put down for Consuls, *M. Lepidus* and *L. Plancius*. *Dio*, *M. Emilius Lepidus* the second time, and *Lu. Munatius* son of *Lucius*, surnamed *Plancius*. Of these Consuls *Suetonius* speaketh in *Tiberius*, saying, That *Tiberius* was born after the battell of *Philippi*, when *Mar. Emilius Lepidus* was the second time Consul with *Munatius Plancius*. Now had there been before appointed Consuls against this year by *Caesar*, *D. Brutus* and *Lu. Plancius*. But by reason that *Brutus* the year before was by the law *Pedia* condemned and after killed, and so the three *Triumvirs* usurped the rule of the common-weal; agreed it was, that *M. Lepidus* one of the *Triumvirs* who beforetime also had been Consul with *Caesar* in his third Consulship, should, together with *Plancius*, (who also taking part and siding with *Antony*, had revolted from the Common-weal) administer the Consular. Moreover, this *Brutus* was by *Plutarch*, *Appian*, *Dio*, and *Zonaras* called also *Albinus*: I suppose, for that out of the race of the *Bruti* he was adopted and incorporated into the house of the *Albini*. In this year, during the civil war, *Brutus* and *Cassius* were slain in battell before *Philippi*, as *Dio*, *Plutarch*, *Appian*, and others write.

713  
P. Servilius II. L. Antonius.

**T**he Colotian tables, *Dio*, and *Cassiodorus* match Consuls together for this year, *Lu. Antonius* son of *Marcus*, surnamed *Picatus*, and *P. Servilius* son of *Publius*. *Isidore*, the second time. Of these Consuls, *Suetonius* writeth in

*Tiberius*. This *P. Servilius* was fifth Consul with *Caesar* in his second Consul; whose father *T. Servilius* died a little before, as *Dio* and *Eusebius* report. As for *L. Antonius*, named he is by *Dio* *Picatus* for that being Consul, he together with *Fulvia* the wife of his brother *Marcus* managed the affairs of state with that mind, as if his whole care had been for his brother the *Triumvir*, in regard of which brotherly and affectionate kindness, he challenged the surname of *Picatus*.

714  
Cn. Domitius. C. Asinius.

**A** Colotian table, *Dio*, and *Cassiodorus* joyne in the Consulat of this year, *Cn. Domitius* son of *Marcus*, *Calvinus*, the second time; and *C. Asinius*, son of *Cn. Asinius*. Of these, *Josephus* speaketh in his fourteenth book of the *Jews* antiquities and three and twenty chapter. Toward the end of this year, *Dio* writeth, that these Consuls gave up their place, and that other Consuls were substituted for those few daies that were to come: and one of them was *L. Cornelius Balbus Gaditanius*. And therefore in the Colotian table these subordinated Consuls stand under these names, *L. Cornelius* son of *Lucius*, and *P. Canidius* son of *Lucius*. Of *P. Cornelius Balbus* Consul, *Pliny* writeth in his seventh book and three and fortieth chapter, and *Velleius* in his second book.

715  
L. Censorinus. L. Calpurnius.

**C**assiodorus inferred for the next Consuls, *Lucius Censorinus* and *Caius Calpurnius*. The Sicilian records have *Censorinus* and *Sabinus*. *Dio*, *L. Martius* and *C. Sabinus*, *C. Calpurnius* son of *Caius*, is named by *Dio* in the catalogue or table, *Sabinus*, although it be read there commonly, but amiss, *Asinius*.

716  
Ap. Claudius. C. Norbanus.

**C**onsuls that follow, were *App. Claudius* and *C. Norbanus*, as *Cassiodorus* saith. But as the Sicilian registers purport, *Censorinus* and *Sabinus*: as *Dio* writeth, *App. Claudius* son of *Caius*, *Pulcher*; and *C. Norbanus*, son of *Caius*, *Flaccus*. As touching *Tadius Afer* the Consul elect, and substitute in the room of another, who before he entred into government, being terrified with the minatory threats of *C. Caesar*, threw himself down headlong, and so brake his neck, see *Tranquillus* in *Augustus*.

717  
M. Agrippa. L. Caninius.

**C**assiodorus putteth down for Consuls, *M. Agrippa* and *Lu. Caninius*. The Sicilian registers *Agrippa* and *Gallus*. *Dio*, *M. Vipsianus* son of *Lucius*, *Agrippa*; and *L. Caninius* son of *Lucius*, *Gallus*. *Josephus* in his fifteenth book of *Antiquities*, avoucheth Consuls, *Mar. Agrippa* and *C. Canidius Gallus*. *Alepos* also in the life of *Atticus*, calleth *Vipsianus*, *Agrippa*. In the capitoll marbles

marbles and in other old monuments of Rome his gentle name is passed over, and namely, in the forefront of the Temple, called *Pantheon*, wherein is engraven *M. Agrippa* son of *Lucius*, Consul the third time. *Tacitus* also in his first book mentioneth this *Agrippa*.

718  
*L. Gellius. M. Cocceius.*

*Cassiodorus* nameth for Consuls this year, *L. Gellius* and *M. Cocceius*. The Sicilian records shew *Publicola* and *Nerva*: *Dio* hath *L. Gellius* son of *Lucius Poplicola*, and *M. Cocceius Nerva*. Out of the capitoll fragments it appeareth, that *L. Gellius* was the son of *Lucius*, and nephew of *Lucius*. By the report of *Dio*, this *L. Gellius* was brother to *M. Valerius Messalla*. For it is the same man who was pardoned before by *M. Brutus*: whereby it may be understood, that *Poplicola* was his surname by way of adoption: for they were not the *Gellii* but the *Valerii*, which carried the surname of *Publicola*. The same fragments do shew, that the said *Gellius* left his place, and that another was put in his room. And haply it was *L. Munatius* son of *Lucius*, nephew of *Lucius Plancus*: whom *Pliny* in his thirteenth book and third chapter, saith to have been twice Consul: but in what year he was the second time, a man cannot find, unless it were in this.

719  
*Sext. Pompeius. L. Cornificius.*

*Cassiodorus* and the Sicilian records testifie, that this years Consuls were *Sext. Pompeius* and *L. Cornificius*. *Dio*, *L. Cornificius* son of *Lucius*, and *Sextus Pompeius* son of *Sextus*. This year *Sext. Pompeius*, son of *Cneus* was slain.

720  
*M. Antonius. L. Scribonius Libo.*

*Cassiodorus* putteth down for Consuls, *L. Scribonius* and *L. Atratinus*. The Sicilian catalogue *Antonius* and *Libo*. *Dio*, *M. Antonius* son of *Marcus* the second time, and *L. Scribonius*, son of *Lucius*, *Libo*. The same *Dio* saith moreover, that *M. Antonius* the Triumvir, presently upon the very Calends of January gave over the Magistracy, and substituted in his ownstead *L. Sempromius Atratinus*: and therefore many there be that affirm how it was not *Antonius* but *Atratinus* that was Consul this year with *Libo*. That Consuls also were sub-elected to bear out one part of the year, it is to be found in some authors that have set forth the Municipal Annals. And verily *Dio* maketh mention of *Paulus Aemilius* Consul, for one part of the year, and that he built a stately porch or gallery at his own charges, and dedicated it in his Consulship.

721  
*G. Caesar. L. Volcanius.*

*Cassiodorus* exhibiteth unto us for Consuls, *G. Caesar* and *L. Volcanius*. *Dio*, *Caesar* the

second time, and *L. Volcanius* son of *Lucius Tullus*. They who compiled and digested the Sicilian registers, very usefully set down *Caesar* and *Cicero* for this years Consuls. Of this Consulship of *Caesar*, *Suetonius* and *Dio* speak, saying, that he held it very few hours, as *Antonius* also beforetime. Instead of *Caesar* was *L. Antonius* subrogated, and many other for one part or other of the year, who in the book entituled, *Old inscriptions*, are reckoned in this manner:

Emperor *Caesar II. L. Volcanius*.  
Kal. Januarii, *L. Antonius*.  
Kal. Maii, *L. Flavius*.  
Kal. Iulii, *M. Asilius*.  
C. Fontius.  
Kal. Sept. *L. Vinicius*.  
Kal. Octobr. *L. Antonius*.  
Of *L. Flavius* made Consul by *M. Antonius*, and deposed, *Dio* likewise maketh mention.

722  
*Cn. Domitius. C. Sossius.*

*Cassiodorus* nominateth for Consuls this year, *Cn. Domitius* and *C. Sossius*. The Sicilian records, *Euborbus* and *Sossius*. *Dio*, *Cn. Domitius*, son of *Cneus*, nephew of *Cneus Euborbus*; and *C. Sossius* son of *C. nephew of Cn. Nepos* writeth, that *Atticus* died, when *Cn. Domitius* and *C. Sossius* were Consuls.

723  
*C. Caesar II. M. Messala.*

*Cassiodorus* avoucheth Consuls this year, *C. Caesar* the second time, and *M. Messala*. The Sicilian registers, *Octavius* and *Corvinus*. *Dio*, *Caesar* the third time, and *M. Valerius*, son of *Marcus*, surnamed *Messala Corvinus*, and that right truly. For *Cassiodorus* maketh no reckoning of that Consulship of *Caesar* which he bare with *Pedius*, because he was subordinated in the place with another. But *Dio* and *Appian* do witness, that *Caesar* and *Antony* were marched together this year, both of them in their second Consulship, at what time as upon peace made with *Sextus Pompeius*, they were appointed Consuls beforehand for eight years next ensuing: howbeit in the first year the people turned *Antony* out of his Consulship, and proclaimed war against him and *Cleopatra*, and so in his place was *M. Messala* declared Consul. As touching the Consuls this year subordinated, thus we find written in the ancient inscriptions,

Emperor *Caesar III. M. Valerius*.  
Kal. Maii, *M. Titius*.  
Kal. Octobris, *Cn. Pompeius*.

724  
*C. Caesar III. M. Crassus.*

*Cassiodorus* nameth for this years Consuls, *C. Caesar* the third time, and *M. Crassus*. The Sicilian records *Octavianus* and *Crassus*. *Dio*, *Caesar* the fourth time, and *M. Licinius*, son of *Marcus Crassus*. He added moreover, and saith, *Caesar* in the midst of that war crossed the seas out

of Macedonia into Italy, wherein he was the fourth time Consul with *M. Crassus*. *Griffus* likewise noteth, that *Caesar* called Emperor, was Consul the fourth time with *M. Livius Crassus*. Of other Consuls substituted after *M. Licinius* thus we find in the old inscriptions,  
Emperor *Caesar IV. M. Licinius*.  
Kal. Iul. C. Anstius.  
Ibid. September, *M. Tullius*.  
Kal. November, *L. Sabinus*.

Of *M. Tullius* Consul with *Augustus*, *Dio* maketh mention in his story of this years after, *Pliny* also in his 6 book and 6 chap. and *Plutarch* in *Cicero*, by *Vellutius* and *Tacitus* it appeareth, that *Anstius* had for addition the surname of *Varius* and *Sabinus* of *Savinus*.

725  
*C. Caesar IIII. Sex. Apuleius.*

In *Cassiodorus* the Consuls be *C. Caesar* the fourth time, and *Sex. Apuleius*. In *Dio* *Caesar* the fifth time, and *Sex. Apuleius* son of *Sex. In the Sicilian records*, *Octavianus* and *Apuleius*: in the Antique inscriptions, Emperor *Caesar* the fifth time, and *Sex. Apuleius*. *Dio* saith, this was the year 725 from the foundation of the City. Of *Caesar* five times Consul, there is to be seen an old Epigram or inscription in this manner.

*Senatus Populusq. Romanus*.  
*Imp. Caf. Divi Julii Fil. Caf. Quine*.  
*Caf. Desig. Sext. Imp. Sept.*  
*Resp. confervata.*

That is, The *Senat* and people of *Rome*. By Emperor *Caesar*, son of *Julius* of famous memory, Consul five times, elect Consul the first time, and Emperor the seventh, the Commonwealth saved.

726  
*C. Caesar V. M. Agrippa II.*

*Cassiodorus* declareth for Consuls this year, *Caesar* the fifth time, and *M. Agrippa* the second time. *Griffus* and the Sicilian records, *Caesar* the sixth time, and *Agrippa* the second time. *Dio*, *Caesar* the sixth time, and *M. Vipsianus Agrippa* the third time: but it is to be read the second time, as *Sigonius* advertiseth, so as the next year is should be written the third time. And this plainly appeareth by the superscription of that Temple (which he erected and named *Pantheon*) in this form, [*M. Agrippa* son of *L. third time Consul built it*]. For *Dio* saith, that this Temple was finished two years after that he was Consul with *Caesar* the seventh time Consul, in which year himself bare his third Consulship, and not the fourth. For other wise in the front of the said Temple, he would have writtens Consul the fourth time.

727  
*C. Caesar VI. M. Agrippa IIII.*

*Cassiodorus* saith that the next Consuls were *Caesar* the sixth time, and *M. Agrippa* the

third time. But *Dio*, *Caesar* the seventh time, and *Agrippa* the fourth time. But what is to be thought of them both is evident by that which hath been said before. In the Sicilian registers verily it is written, *Octavianus* the seventh time, and *Agrippa* the third time.

728  
*C. Augustus Caesar VII. T. Statilius.*

*Cassiodorus* putteth down for Consuls, *Caesar Augustus* the seventh time, and *T. Statilius*. The Sicilian monuments, *Octavianus* the eighth time, and *Taurus*, *Dio*, *Caesar Augustus* the eighth time, and *Statilius Taurus* the second time. For he had been Consul first, for a part of the year, anno 727 and now is the second time: of whom *Strabon* writeth thus in *Nero*; *Nero* took to wife *Statilius Messallinus* daughter (in the fourth descent) of *Taurus*, one who had been twice Consul, and also triumphant: he writeth also, that *Agrippa* entered upon his eighth and ninth Consul at *Tarracon*.

729  
*C. Caesar Augustus VIII. M. Silanus.*

*Cassiodorus* sheweth for Consuls next, *Caesar Augustus* the eighth time, and *M. Silanus*. *Dio* and the Sicilian records, *Augustus* the ninth time, and *M. Silanus*. A fragment of the capitoll, Emperor *Caesar Augustus* the ninth time, and *M. Junius Silanus*. This year *Augustus* *Caesar* was Emperor the eighth time, and thus up the Temple of *Janus* the fourth time now that ever it was shut: which he had set open before in regard of certain wars, as *Dio* reporteth.

730  
*C. Caesar Augustus IX. C. Norbanus.*

*Cassiodorus* putteth down for this years Consuls, *Caesar Augustus* the ninth time, and *C. Norbanus*. The Sicilian registers, *Augustus* the tenth time, and *Flaccus*. *Dio*, and a fragment of the capitoll marble, *Augustus* the tenth time, and *C. Norbanus Flaccus*. This *Norbanus* seemeth to be the son of *C. Norbanus* the Consul, anno 716, for he had not the numerall more testifying a second Consulship.

731  
*C. Caesar Augustus X. Cn. Piso.*

*Cassiodorus* setteth down for Consuls, *Caesar Augustus* the tenth time, and *Cn. Piso*. The Sicilian records, *Augustus* the eleventh time, and *Piso*. And *Dio*, *Augustus* the eleventh time, with *Cn. Calpurnius*, son of *Cneus Piso*. By a fragment of the capitoll stone it appeareth that *Augustus* entered the Consulship the eleventh time, together with *Annius Terentius Varro Murranus*: also that *Murranus* died in his Magistracy, in whose stead was elected *Cn. Calpurnius Piso*; and *Augustus* went out of his government. Of which matter *Dio* thus writeth: *Augustus* went to the Alban hill, and there reigned up the



the Consulship. For whereas both he himself and many others, ever since the time that the C.W. was set in frame and established, had born the yearly Magistrats, he thought that from thence forwards he was to forbear the same; to the end, that the honourable dignity of Consuls should be open to as many as might be. And this did he without the City, because he would not be hindered and letted in the action; and therewith substituted in his place *Lucius Sestius*, a man that of all others most affected and loved *Virtus*: who also wrote of his praises and commendable parts.

732

M. Marcellus, L. Aruntius.

This year had for Consuls, as saith *Cassiodorus*, *M. Marcellus* and *L. Aruntius*: as *Dio*, *M. Claudius* son of *Marcus Marcellus*, and *A. Serrinus* son of *Lucius*. In the Capitoll stone these Consuls are thus set down, *L. Aruntius* son of *L.* and *M. Claudius* son of *Marcus*, nephew of *M.* Whereby it is given to understand, that in the Sicilian records the Consuls are not well put down to be *Octavianus* the twelfth time; and *Aruntius*. In this year, the conspiracy of *Fannius Capio* and *Varro Muraena* against *Augustus* was discovered: and the Temple of thundering *Jupiter* was dedicated, witness *Dio*.

733

M. Lollius, Q. Lepidus.

The Colotian stone and *Cassiodorus* shew for this year Consuls, *Q. Aemilius Lepidus* and *M. Lollius*. *Dio* writeth, when *Augustus* was in Sicily, and the people of *Rome* at the assembly for Consuls election, there arose a sedition and commotion. For *M. Lollius* only entred upon the government, by reason that the other place was reserved and kept for *Augustus*: but when he made refusal, *Q. Lepidus* was created. Of these Consuls *Horace* in his first book of Epistles writeth thus:

*Me quater undenos sciat implevisse decembres,  
Collegam Lepidum quo dixit Lollius anno.*

Know he, that 4 winters old and four, I was that year,  
At *Rome* when Consul *Lollius*, chose *Lepidus* his peer.

734

M. Apuleius, P. Silius.

After *Cassiodorus*, the Consuls that followed for this year, were *M. Apuleius* and *P. Silius*. But in *Dio*, *M. Apuleius* son of *Sextus*, and *Publius Silius* son of *Publius Neron*. In the Sicilian records, *Apuleius* and *Neron*.

735

C. Sentius, Q. Lucretius.

The Colotian stone, *Ensebius* in his treatise of Times, *Dio* and *Cassiodorus* set forth as Consuls this year, *Caius Sentius*, son of *Caius*,

*Saturinus* and *Quintus Lucretius* son of *Quintus Vipsius*. Of this years Consuls thus writeth *Dio*, *Caius Sentius* was declared Consul: but for that there was to be given him a companion, and *Augustus* refused the second place of Consulship reserved for him, there arose a sedition, untill *Augustus* pronounced Consul *Quintus Lucretius* one of the Embassadors, whom the Senat had sent unto him about the appeasing of the foresaid sedition; notwithstanding he was a man in times past proscribed and outlawed. The same writeth *Velleius* in the second book. In the broken Colotian stone it is to be read, that the Consul elected instead of *Sentius Saturinus*, was *M. Vinicius* son of *Marcus Velleius*, unto *Vinicius* adjoyneth as Collegue, *Agrippa*. In this year, after the first ten years were expired, for which space *Augustus* together with *Agrippa* at the first received the Censorian authority and dignity, he was created a second time by the people over-seer of mens behaviour for the term of five years; and resumed the Censors power for the same time, and the Consular authority for ever. So as, at all times and in all places, he might have twelve Licitors go before him with their bundles of rods, and be allowed to take his place and sit with the Consuls.

736

Cn. Lentulus, P. Lentulus.

*Publius Cornelius* son of *Publius Lentulus* *Marcellinus*: and *Cn. Cornelius* son of *Lucius*, are set down for Consuls by the Colotian stone table: by *Dio* also and *Cassiodorus*. In this year *Marcus Agrippa* by the motion and authority of the Emperour *Caesar Augustus*, obtained of the Senat and people of *Rome* the Tribunician power for five years.

737

C. Furmius, C. Silanus.

Here succeeded Consuls next, according to *Cassiodorus*, *C. Furmius* and *C. Silanus*. After *Dio*, *C. Furmius* son of *C.* and *C. Junius* son of *Caius Silanus*. But in the Colotian fragment *C. Furmius* son of *Caius*, and *C. Junius*, while *C. Furmius* and *C. Junius Silanus* were Consuls, the solemn plaies, called *Seculares* were now the first time set out by *Augustus*, as *Censorius* and *Diaffius*.

738

L. Domitius, P. Scipio.

*Cassiodorus* nameth for Consuls, *Lucius Domitius* and *P. Scipio*. The Sicilian records, *Enobarbus* and *Cornelius*. *Dio*, *L. Domitius* son of *Lucius*, nephew of *Lucius Enobarbus*: and *P. Cornelius* son of *P. nephew of Publius Scipio*: In like manner the Colotian table, wherein it standeth, that for *P. Cornelius* there was substituted *L. T. i. e. Tarius*: of whom *Pliny* in his eighteenth book, and seventh chapter writeth thus, *L. Tarius Rufus*, a man most base for his parentage,

parentage, deserved a Consulat under *Augustus* *Caesar* of happy memory, only for his military service. In this Consuls year was the Quinquennial solemnity performed, as writeth *Dio*, in memoriall of the Empire of *Augustus* and *Agrippa* one of the Quindecenviri, had the ordering and setting out thereof.

739

M. Drusus, L. Piso.

The Consuls next following, were *M. Drusus* and *L. Piso*, as *Cassiodorus* saith. The Sicilian registers name them *Libo* and *Piso*. *Dio*, *M. Lucius* son of *Lucius Drusus Libo*: and *L. Calphurnius* son of *Lucius Piso*, *M. Drusus* son of *Marcus*, *L. . . .* according to the Colotian fragment.

740

Cn. Lentulus, M. Crassus.

This year next following had for Consuls, after *Cassiodorus*, and the Sicilian monuments, *Cn. Lentulus* and *M. Crassus* whom *Dio* calleth, *M. Licinius* son of *Marcus Crassus*, and *Cn. Cornelius* son of *Cn. Lentulus*. The Colotian fragment sheweth *Marcus Livinius* son of *Marcus*.

741

T. Nero, Q. Quintilius.

*Tiberius Nero*, and *P. Quintilius* were Consuls this year, as *Cassiodorus* reporteth. They are named *Nero* and *Quintilius* in the Sicilian Catalogue. And *Dio* calleth them *Titus Claudius* son of *Tiberius Nero*: and *P. Quintilius*, son of *Sextus Varus*. The Colotian fragment, *Tiberius Claudius* son of *T. Suetonius* writeth, that *Tiberius* bare his first Consulship but a few daies. For this is that *Tiberius Nero*, *Augustus* *Caesar* wives son, who after the death of *Augustus*, attained to the Empire, having been first by him adopted.

742

M. Messala, P. Sulpitius.

*Cassiodorus* putteth down for Consuls, *Messala* and *P. Sulpitius*. The Sicilian records, *Messala* and *Quirinus*. *Dio*, *M. Valerius*, son of *Marcus Messala* *Barbatus*: and *P. Sulpitius* son of *Publius Quirinus*: of whom *Suetonius* in *Claudius*, and *Tacitus* in his second book write. Moreover, this is that *Sulpitius Quirinus*, who by *Josephus* in the seventeenth book of antiquities and first chapter, is said to have born the Consular dignity, and was Lieutenant in *Syria*. At which time, our Lord *Iesus Christ* the Redeemer and Saviour of mankind, was born: of whom *Saint Luke* maketh mention, saying This was the first enrolment or taxation which was made by *Quirinus* President and governour of *Syria*. After these Consuls, others were substituted in their place, as the Colotian stone sheweth, wherein it is thus read:

M. Valerius, M. F.  
C. Volgius, C. F.  
Suff. C. Caninius.

Likewise in *Cuspinian* his Calender, these Consuls are written with their surnames:

Messala Quirinus,  
Rebulus Saturninus,  
Maximus Tiberio.

By which it appeareth that *Rebulus* and *Saturinus* were the surnames of *Caninius* & *Volgius*. By a fragment of the capitoll marble, it is evident, that the surnames of *Valerius* was *Aemilianus*; of *Volgius*, *Rufus*; and *Rebulus* of *Caninius*: and that as *Rufus* was put in the place of *Valerius*, so *Rebulus* instead of *Rufus*. There remaineth also the memoriall of *Rebulus* and *Saturinus* in the Sicilian records. In this year, *Dio* reporteth, that *Augustus* was a second time made over-seer for mens manners and demeanours five years more: and that he resumed still the same authority by times, as also the Empire, and therein *Agrippa* died.

743

P. Fabius, Q. Aelius.

*Cassiodorus* exhibiteth for this years Consuls, *Paulus Fabius* and *Q. Aelius*. *Dio*, *Paulus Fabius*, son of *Quintus Maximus* and *Tubero*. Of *Q. Aelius Tubero*, and *P. Fabius Maximus* Consuls, *Frontinus* speaketh of in his book of water-conduits: and *Pliny* in his eight book and seventh chapter, where he writeth, that the Theater of *Marcellus* was dedicated when *Quintus Tubero* and *Fabius Max*, were Consuls.

744

Julius Antonius, Q. Fabius.

*Cassiodorus* nameth for Consuls this year, *Junius Antonius Africanus* and *Q. Fabius*. *Dio*, *Jul. Antonius Africanus* and *Q. Fabius* son of *Quintus Maximus*. The Sicilian Catalogue and Calender of *Cuspinian* shew *Africanus* and *Maximus*. *Dio* nameth *Julius*, the son of *Antonius*, unto him *Horace* writeth in this manner:

*Pindarum quisquis studet amulari  
Iule, ceratis ope Dadaeleis,  
Nitiur pennis, &c.*

With wings devis'd by *Dadaeleis*  
And glew'd with wax, they flie;  
Who strive (O *Iule*) with *Pindarus*  
To match his Poetry.

And after,  
*Tandem (Antonius) quoties in altis  
Nubium iter actus,*

O *Antonius*, so loft  
As he doth mount the clouds aloft.

745

745  
Drusus Nero, Titus Quintius.

Here succeeded Coss. according to *Cassiodorus*, *Drusus Nero*, and *T. Quintius*; but after *Dio, Nero Claudius*, son of *Tiberius Drusus* and *T. Quintius*, son of *Titus Crispinus*. *Drusus* and *Crispinus*, by *Cuspinian* Calender and the Sicili-

an registers. This *Drusus* brother of *Tiberius Nero* was *Augustus Caesar's* wife's son: who being Consul, died in Germany; and both he and his children had the surname of *Germanicus*; as *Dio* writeth; which addition the Senat gave him first of that Province; as *Entius* saith. With the death of this *Drusus* endeth *Livius* histories: for thus it is written in the last Epitome, &c. Look in the said Breviary.

### To the Reader.

I doubt not but many of them who shall take delight and pleasure in reading the Roman story above-written, will presently grow into a liking of the very place, which hath afforded so worthy persons and rare examples. The love whereof hath moved many a man to undertake a voyage to Rome, only to see the river *Tyberis*, those seven hills, and the monuments remaining of that famous City. The journey they have found, for way long and tedious: for expence of money heavy and chargeable; for hazard of religion, conscience and good manners, exceeding dangerous: so far degenerate are the inhabitants now from that ancient people, so devout, so virtuous and incorrupt, in old time. To satisfy the Readers in this behalf, and to avoid the peril of that travel, I thought it not amiss to bring Rome (as it were) home to them, even to represent unto their eye the Topography thereof: that is to say, the description of the places, with the memorable edifices, or rather the ruins of those antique buildings mentioned in the story afore said. And forasmuch as *Bartolmew Matian* hath written of this point, and made a Treatise thereof, worthy in his conceit to be dedicated unto this noble Prince of *Spain's* memory, Francis the French King, the first (I take it) of that name, and for that the learned men who first in *Livy* forth in print, have thought good to adjoin thereto, as a necessary dependant, the foresaid Treatise: I for my part, having struggled with the difficulties of the Alps, and in some sort overcome them; crossed Rhodine and the Po; passed over the hills *Olympus* and *Emus*, and scrawled through the rough streights of *Thermopylae* and *Tempe*, seem now I would not at my return to stick at the pleasant mount *Palatine*, *Capitoll*, *Avenin*, &c. with the plains and valleys between, or the river *Tyber* and *Mars* fields; beneath them, beautified especially with such stately Temples, triumphant Arches, glorious Palaces, Theatres, Circuses, Columns, and Colosses, wonders of the world. And albeit I found *Matian* for noble himself, and the book that goeth in his name much corrupted in the print, yet by conference with other Authors, I have reformed the faults, and endeavoured that our English edition might in some measure be answerable to the Latine.

A Summary collected by *John Bartolmew Marlianus*, a Gentleman of *Millain*, touching the Topography of Rome in ancient time.

### The First Book.

#### CHAP. I.

The situation of the City.

Before we enterprise to shew the edifices and buildings of the City of Rome, somewhat would be premised of the site thereof. Begin therefore we will at the very habitation of the immortal gods; with the invocation of whom, the Poets are wont in every hard and difficult work to lay their first ground and make their entrance.

The Capitoll hill, where it is broadest, exceedeth not 800 foot in length it lyeth out toward the Northwest 1500. It hath a point or wing on either side in fashion of a semicircle, and in compass containeth well-near seven furlongs.

From this mount as it runneth out in length, the *Palatine* hill is divided by a valley of the same breadth, or somewhat more; making a square with four angles of unequal sides, containing 1200 paces. For, the one of 600 foot boundeth upon the *Capitoline* hill: a second of eleven hundred foot, bendeth to the Northeast: the third, being almost twice as long, looketh toward the Southeast and the mount *Calvus*: the fourth, which of all others is biggest, and comprehendeth the lifts or shew-place, called *Circus Maximus*, directly regardeth the *Aventine*. On the second side thereof there is one plain, reaching from the head and top of the *Forum Romanum*. To the utmost skirt of the hill *Quirinalis*, which bendeth toward the *Suburra*, and taketh up in breadth 500 foot: but it lieth out in length almost a mile from both fronts, between the *Capitoll*, the *Forum Nervae*, and the mount *Calvus*: in like manner from the said mount *Calvus* and *Palatine*, *Suburra* and the *Esquilina*, as far as to the Church of Saint *Marcelline*. A second plain there is, under

under the other point and top of the *Capitoll*, near the Theatre of *Marcellus*, which stretcheth out 500 foot from the mount it self, as far as to the *Tyber*: and anon over-against the valley from the crooked reach and course of the river; and the nook whereby the *Aventine* is divided from the *Palatine*, it spreadeth broader: but afterwards between the said hills it groweth narrow, until ye come to *Calculus* and the very gate *Capena*, where the *Aventine* is parted from *Calculus* only by the breadth of the street or high way. The length of this plain is likewise a mile, having on the right hand, *Tyber* and the *Aventine*; on the left, *Capitoline* mount, the *Palatine*, and *Calvus*.

Then followeth the mount *Calvus* (separate from the *Palatine* by a plain) resembling a pyramidal form of a spire, so as the base thereof containeth 500 foot near to the Amphitheatre. Divided also from the same it is by the street *Appia*, fast by the grand Cirque, which reaching to the gate *Capena*, leaveth on the left hand a valley 600 foot broad, between *Calvus* and *Calculus* lying out in length 4 *Stadia*, and within a while to the walls which join close to the mount *Calvus*, as far as to the gate *Afinaria*. This hill then from thence lyeth along the City wall for 4 *Stadia*, toward the Northeast. From hence the walls meet afront for the space of two *Stadia*, even to the gate *Navia*: from whence as they turn to the Northeast, it is parted from the *Esquilina* by the street *Laticlana*: and anon shewing it self afront near *S. Marcelline*, it beareth forward as far as to the Amphitheatre. Thus keeping no certain form, it taketh in circuit about 2500 paces. Moreover, the *Calculus* is enclosed within the said valley, the street *Appia*, and all along Northeast and Southeast, with the City walls: and hath in compass well-near a mile.

The *Aventine* seemeth to contain two hills: the broader part whereof toward the *Tyber*, and in like manner in length from *Tyber* along the walls, and anon near the gate *Hefstienis*, is divided and cut with a crooked street-way which leadeth to the angle of the grand Cirque, and the mount *Calvus*: leaving the other part thereof, divided on the right hand from the mount *Calvus* by the street *Appia*, until you come to the gate *Capena*. It had in compass 18 *Stadia*, as *Dionysius* also testified: and on the Southeast, a most spacious and large plain of 4 unequal sides: toward the South containing almost 6 *Stadia*, Westward five, some what less Eastward, but toward the *Tyber* not above four.

The *Esquilina* on the South part is divided with the street *Laticlana*: on the Northwest, with the valley lying between *Calvus*, *Palatine*, and it self: on the North the *Suburra*; and from the *Viminalis* hill, the street called *Parvulus* parteth it, until a man come to the bath of *Dioclesian*. In circuit it containeth about 4 miles, and hath no certain form: in so much as *Varro* (not without good reason) thinketh it two hills, and cutteth it into many parts.

The *Viminalis* hill on the West side regardeth the *Quirinalis*, having about a furlong space the plain *Suburra* lying between; on the North it hath the valley *Quirinalis*. Between the same hills there lyeth as it were 4 *jugera* in breadth, but about a quarter of a mile in length. And anon it joyneth to the *Quirinalis* and *Esquilina* along the wall of the City, by a continual row of many arches, whereby these mountains are made even. The compass thereof taketh up two miles and an half: the form thereof is longwise, and the breadth not in every part alike, but variable.

The *Quirinalis* mount on the left hand, directly from the tower called [*Militarium*] for the space of 4 *Stadia*, over-looketh the level plot of the City which lieth Westward: but on the right hand, as clearly appeareth by that which we have said, it is opposite to the *Viminalis* on the third side, Northward; for the space of 6 *Stadia*, it lieth to the hill called [*Hortulorum*]. It hath a valley lying between, in breadth 4 *jugera*, reaching near to the gate *Salaria*: and in the whole compass it taketh almost three miles.

Next to it is the little hill [*Hortulorum*], although it standeth without the old pomery of the city: for the space of 3 *Stadia* it beareth over the valley *Martia* lying between it and *Tyber*. It carrieth in length along the wall of the City, from the gate *Flamentana* to *Collina*, a full mile more than any other sides. The circumference thereof is much about 18 *Stadia*.

There remaineth now the mount *Janiculum*, on the other side of *Tyber*: the one half thereof and not above, is contained within the walls from the *Vatican* plain, for the space of 3 *Stadia*, whereas it stretcheth toward the South, it adjoyneth to the river: the other part thereof is enclosed within the walls, for the compass of five *Stadia*.

Moreover, above the *Vatican* plain, there is a little hill of the same nature, which putteth forth two points like horns; the one toward *Janiculum*, the other Northward, much like a bow full bent: the convexity or outward compass whereof containeth a mile.

Now will we run over the plain and base plot of the City: which beginning at the *Capitoll* hill near the gate *Flaminia*, at this day on the Northeast side (or rather the North) comprehendeth a Diameter or race almost of 8 *Stadia*, environed with the hills *Quirinalis* and *Hortulorum*: but on the West side, the *Tyber* runneth by it, where along the banks thereof it beareth a greater space. Moreover, by a straight and direct line being drawn for two *Stadia* from the hill *Hortulorum*, and namely, where it over-looketh the *Pierre of Domitian* called *Nannachia*: along the bank of *Tyberis*, over-against the *Pile Hadriani*, it maketh a quadrangle of four uneven sides, containing within it more than three miles: without which square is left the valley *Martia*, namely, as much as lieth between the hill *Hortulorum*, the wall of the City, and *Tyberis*: so as the breadth draweth narrower still unto the gate *Flaminia*.

There resteth yet the *Transiberin* region, which together with the *Janiculum*, taketh in compass almost three miles. This will be more easily observed and marked by the very channel of *Tyberis*.

*Tyberis*; which entering into the city, keepeth his course directly on the right hand of the gate *Flaminia* through the vale *Martia*, and soon after by little and little turneth from the North, Westward, and representeth the form of a semicircle, in the convexity whereof is the *Vatican*, and within the concavity, the *Mars* field. Moreover, beneath the *Moles* or pile [*Hadrian's*] returning to his former course, as far as to the utmost foot of the *Aventine*, winding somewhat crooked into the South, not far from the gate *Portuensis* it runneth forth of the city.

Thus much concerning the situation and form of *Rome*, and the plot wherein it standeth, which at this day is so far changed, that hardly a man may find any token or memoriall of it, as it was in old time.

## CHAP. II.

Of the founders of the City of Rome, the *KK*, and Inhabitants thereof.

**T**He region (on which *Rome* was after built) West of *Tyber*, a hundred and forty furlongs distant from the sea, the *Sicilians* (by constant report) first inhabited. Afterwards, the *Aborigines* leaving *Aradia*, by the conduct of *Oenotrius* the son of *Lycaon*, came into the said quarters: and being grown into a liking of the place for the fertility thereof, they expelled the *Sicilians*, and held it for their own use. In process of time the *Pelagians*, a people of *Greece*, together with the *Thefalians*, who came to aid the *Aborigines* against the nations their neighbor borderers, remained also in these parts (with the good will and contentment of the said *Aborigines*) until the Trojan war: but they all retained the name of the *Aborigines*, which prerogative they held because they were the first, that by arms conquered that seignory and kingdom. Long time after, *Saurn* being chased out of *Crete* by *Jupiter* his son, fled into *Italy*: where he taught *Janus* the King of the *Aborigines* the skill of planting vineyards, with the use thereof, and likewise the handling of the sickle: in regard of which good turn, he was freely seofied by *Janus* in part of his realm, yea, and after the decease of *Janus* enjoyed the kingdom alone. After this the *Aradians*, who forsook the city *Palantium* (as weary of their own native country) and by the leading of *Evander*, seeking some other place of habitation, arrived at the place where now *Rome* standeth: received of *Janus* the K. of the *Aborigines*, a portion of ground; built a fort upon a little hill not far from *Tyber*, and named it *Palantium*, in remembrance of their native city which they had abandoned. After all this, the *Peloponnesians*, *Phanetians*, and *Epians*, by reason that *Elis* their native country was wasted before by *Hercules*, were by him brought a way into *Italy*, and they planted themselves upon the mount *Saurnine*. These men lived a long time according to their own laws and customs, until they being vanquished and subdued by the *Aborigines*, were incorporated by them into one commonalty. Then reigned *Latinus* the son of *Evander*, until such time as *Eneas* the son of *Anchises*, after the overthrow and final ruin of *Ilium*, after many adventures and much variety of fortune, which he had endured together with the Trojans his companions, came by the instigation of the destinies to K. *Latinus*. Whose daughter *Lavinia* he took to wife, and so was by *Latinus* admitted into the society and fellowship with him of the kingdom. When the *Aborigines* and the Trojans were thus linked and joyned together, he called both nations by the name of *Latines*. Then was *Eneas* warred upon by *Turnus*: for that he had married *Lavinia*, who was espoused and affianced to him before. But *Eneas* won the victory, and in single combat slew *Turnus*. At that time also *Latinus* died, and left his son in law *Eneas* heir to the crown. Certain years after was *Eneas* killed by *Mecentius* K. of the *Tuscans*; and *Ascanius* his son succeeded in the kingdom. He built the towns *Lavinium* and *Alba*: and when he departed this life, made over the crown to his brother *Sylvius*. After him followed Kings, *Eneas Sylvius*, *Latinus Sylvius*, *Alba*, *Arys*, *Cappis*, *Cepius*, *Tyberinus*, *Agrippa*, *Romulus*, *Aventinus*, *Procas*, and *Amulius*. This *Amulius* usurped the kingdom by fraud, which in right of elderhood was due to his brother *Numitor*. And for fear lest there might arise from his brothers off-spring, some one to make claim and recover the royal seat, and thereby himself be thrust out of his place, he consecrated *Rhea* the daughter of *Numitor* to *Vesta*, for to be a professed Nun. She being thus made a votary, and devoted to perpetual virginity, happened to be with child by *Mars*, and was delivered of two boies, twins, namely, *Romulus* and *Remus*. *Amulius* advertised hereof, commanded both the babes to be cast forth to perish. Found they were by *Faustulus* a shepherd upon the bank of the river *Tyber*, and by his wife *Fausula* fostered and brought up among other shepherds. *Remus* being grown to mans estate, was taken by certain thieves and robbers, and brought to K. *Amulius* his great-uncle. Accused he was for that he used to raise booties and drive away whole droves of *Numitor* his cattell. Whereupon delivered he was to *Numitor* for to be punished according to his discretion. But *Remus* after much discourse of speeches to and fro, was by certain tokens found and known to be *Numitor* his daughters son. And at the very time came *Romulus* also with *Faustulus* in place, purposing to retrieve *Remus* his brother. Soon they entered into a conspiracy, and at unawares surprized and murdered *Amulius*: and so restored their grandfure *Numitor*. In the second year of *Numitor* his reign, *Romulus* and *Remus* built the City of *Rome*, in the very place where they had been laid forth to perish, which was the 432 year after the winning of *Troy*, and the twelfth day before the calends of *May*. Afterwards in a fray that arose between *Romulus* and *Remus* striving for the sovereignty, *Remus* came by his death, and then *Romulus* gave name both to the City and Citizens also of *Rome*.

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## CHAP. III.

The form and bigness of the City of *Romulus*.

**R**omulus set out the City four square, as *Plinarch* witnesseth: whereupon of some it is called *Quadrata*. Others affirm, that the form and compass thereof is uncertain, and by reason of Antiquity unknown at this day. The hill *Palatinus* was by *Romulus* first fortified, because therein he was brought up: at the foot thereof began the *Pomarium*. Afterwards the Capitol and the *Roman Forum* were laid to it.

The City began to be marked and bounded out from the beast-market; from whence in certain places were stories pitched and set between, along the bottom of the mount *Palatine*, as far as to the altar of *Consus*; and so within a while to the old *Curia*: then, to the Chappell of the *Lares* and the *Roman Forum* the bounds were extended, until a place was assigned for the wals, and a spacious plot to build the City upon.

Thus *Tatius* began the wall from the rock *Capemalis*, and brought it to the way, which is not far from *Tyber*. From thence, Southward unto the farthest part of the grand Cirque: and so North-eastward he ranged it into the *Forum of Nerva*, and in the end joyned it to one of the points of the Capitol hill, and within it compassed both the Capitol it self, and also the *Palatine*. And finally, to enlarge the City, he set to it the hills *Quirinalis* and *Colinus*.

## CHAP. IIII.

The gates of *Romulus* his City.

**R**omulus when he died, left the City of *Rome* with three gates, namely, *Capemalis*, *Romanas*, and *Pandana*. Others add a fourth thereto, to wit, *Janualis*.

*Capemalis* took the name of *Capemalis* the mother of *Evander*, whose Chappell *Capemalis* stood before the gate. This gate stood under the Capitol on the right hand, between the cliff *Tarpaeus* and the *Tyber*, over-against the Church now of S. *Katherine*, toward the shep-*Flaminius*. This was afterwards named *Seclerata*, for that without this gate, in the Temple of *Janus*, the act of *Senat* passed, for the sending of the three hundred *Fabii* to *Cremera*, who went forth at this gate, and were slain every one at *Cremera*.

*Romanas* was so called of *Romulus*: built it was where now the gardens are belonging to the new Church of S. *Mary*, not far from the angle of the mount *Palatinus*, in the bottom of the cliff of *Vitellia*. Some affirm, that this gate was afterwards called *Mugonia*, of the lowing of kine and oxen: others name it *Trigonia*, of three corners that it had.

*Pandana* was so named, because it stood open for things to be brought through it into the City. The same also was called *Libera* or *Romulida*. The place for it they assigned where the gate *Saurnina* stood, bearing the name of the old City, so called and after destroyed.

*Janualis* carried the name of the Temple *Janus*, which is not far off. It stood sometime at the very foot of the hill *Viminalis*.

## CHAP. V.

The variety of the compass and walls of the City.

**W**hen the Romans one while made war upon their neighbor nations of *Italy*, and otherwhiles defended themselves against their violence, it hapned for the most part that they got the upper hand, and ever as they vanquished any and subdued them under their subjection, in the end made them Citizens of *Rome*: by which occasion, the City built by *Romulus*, was not sufficient to receive so great a multitude. *Tullius* therefore after his conquest of the Sabins and *Albans* laid to the City the mountain *Colinus* and the *Esquilas*, and so enlarged it. Afterwards, when *Pulvitorium* was won, and a number of the inhabitants translated to *Rome*; *Antius* made a second enlargement of the City, and granted these new comers the mount *Aventine* to inhabit. The old Romans therefore dwelt in *Palatine*; the Sabins in *Capitolium*; the *Albans* in *Colinus*; and this new-come multitude in *Aventine*. But after the *Latines* also were received into the City, they joyned *Janiculum* also to the city by a wooden bridge made over the *Tyber*; and cast a trench called *Fossa Quiritium* about the low and levell places of the city. So the *Trans-Tyberine* quarter was united to the city, and made it more spacious and stately: left of all, *Servius Tullius* by adjoyning the hills *Viminalis* and *Quirinalis* to the five abovenamed, amplified the city. And as before it was mounded about with rubbish, and the time rudely laid, *Tarquinius* the proud was the first that enclosed it with a wall of good ashler stone. And the very same wals which stand at this day, were by the posterity that followed, repaired and reedified upon the old foundations. But the city in old time, when as it flourished in greatest glory, extended far more in bounds and compass. For in *Plinius* time the circuit thereof within the wall contained about 20 miles. But in these daies hardly 12. And the whole compass of the city, with the suburbs and buildings about and without the walls (which although they were far, were comprehended yet under the name of city) in the said *Plinius* time, was 30 miles.

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CHAP. VI.  
The Pomery of the City.

That void space of ground within and without the walls, which might not lawfully be either ploughed or inhabited, is called *Pomery*. And sometime it is put for the circuit of the whole City. This *Pomery* was oftentimes set out farther, and altered by the Roman Emperors. But none had power granted so to do, save only they that either conquered somewhat to the Roman dominion, or endowed the City with some singular and especial benefit: as the Emperor *Claudius* and many more. And like as the Romans had no certain limits of their Empire, so no set bounds confined either the City or the *Pomery*.

## CHAP. VII.

The gates of old Rome, which at this day are not to be seen: those also that are now extant.

Even as the bounds of the City and *Pomery* were many times altered, so the gates also: some were left within the City, by occasion that the walls were farther set out and lost their names: others in time were so old, that they fell down; and albeit their name remain, yet the place where they stood is not known. Some again were made new, and took either new names, or else kept their old: others changed the place, and held their old name: and finally, there were some that had two names: and others more. And these in manner were all the names of the gates:

<i>Flumentana</i> , or <i>Flaminia</i> .	<i>Quirinalis</i> , <i>Agonenfis</i> , or <i>Collina</i> .
<i>Nomentana</i> , or <i>Viminalis</i> .	<i>Jannalis</i> , or <i>Sabinia</i> , leading into the Sabinus country.
<i>Esquilina</i> , or <i>Taurina</i> .	<i>Navia</i> , or <i>Laticana</i> .
<i>Capena</i> , or <i>Appia</i> .	<i>Calpurniana</i> , or <i>Afinaria</i> .
<i>Tergemina</i> , or <i>Hofienfis</i> .	<i>Portuensis</i> , or <i>Navalis</i> .
<i>Ratumena</i> , or <i>Vientana</i> .	<i>Triumphalis</i> , or <i>Vaticana</i> .
<i>Carmentalis</i> , <i>Maegenia</i> , <i>Pandana</i> , <i>Querquetulana</i> , <i>Raduscula</i> , <i>Saginalis</i> , <i>Saucualis</i> , <i>Collatina</i> , <i>Inter-agereis</i> , <i>Tiburina</i> , <i>Gabinia</i> , <i>Latina</i> , <i>Aurelia</i> , <i>Caularia</i> , <i>Laurentia</i> , <i>Fontinalis</i> , <i>Lauernalis</i> , <i>Ferentina</i> , <i>Mimuntina</i> , <i>Salutaria</i> , <i>Mutina</i> , <i>Picuarula</i> , <i>Vulturna</i> , <i>Libitina</i> , <i>Valeria</i> , and <i>Tarpeia</i> .	

*Flumentana* took name of the river *Tyberis*: for it stood at the first upon the bank of that river, not far from the bridge of *Xystus*, in the end of the Broad Street, and at the head of the way or street *Flaminia* but afterwards, translated, it was to the place where now it standeth. In time following, it was called *Flaminia*, of the cause of *Flaminius*: at this day it is named, The peoples gate, and is situate in the hill *Horitulum*.

*Collatina* bare the name of *Collatia* a town not far from *Rome*: now it is *Pinciana*, of one *Pincius* a Senator, whose name it keepeth. This also standeth in the hill *Horitulum*: between it and *Flumentana* is a mile space.

*Quirinalis* took name of the Chappel of *Quirinus*: or because in old time the way lay through it for them that went to the hill *Quirinalis*. It seemeth to be called *Agonenfis*, *guay* & *yow*, i.e. without a corner: afterwards, *Collina*: and at the last, *Salaria*: for that by it salt was carried into the City. This name it holdeth still and standeth 6 *Stadia* from *Collatina*.

*Viminalis* is from *Quirinalis* distant 5 *Stadia* so named, as they say, of a wood of Oliers, which (as it is supposed) sometime grew thereby: or else, of a Chappel of *Jup. Viminus*. This also men called *Figulenfis*, of the potters works made without it: but now they name it the gate of *S. Agnes* and *Nomentana*.

*Inter-agereis* standeth in the Plain *Viminalis*, between the gate *Viminalis* and *Esquilina*: it had the denomination of *Tarquinius* his mures and banks, among which it was built.

*Tiburina* stood between *Esquilina* and *Nomentana* so as it was 12 *Stadia* distant from *Esquilina* upon the plain of *Esquilie* in the very place where the conduit is of the *Almy* water.

*Esquilina* took that name of the hill *Esquilie*, the same in ancient time was called *Turris*, of a bulle head there found: for many a day after was the said bulle head seen painted in the inner front of the said gate. At this day, *S. Lawrence* gate.

*Navia* drew the name of certain groves or woods near adjoining, in times past *Laticana* and now *Major*. An arch there was so called, and erected in the same place by the old Romans.

*Calpurniana*, standing from *Navia* 8 *Stadia*, seemeth by finity of name to be so called of the hill *Calvus*, in the edge whereof it standeth: and *Afinaria* it was called, of the Affes which were wont to be sent out to *Naples*, by that gate. At this time they call it *S. John* gate.

*Gabinia*, built close to the mount *Calvus*, Southeast: which seemeth by all likelihood to take the name of the City *Gabinii*, which it directly regardeth. It carried the name also *Maradum*, of measuring and is situate from *Calpurniana* as it were 5 *Stadia*.

*Latina* is 5 *Stadia* likewise from *Gabinia*, itated not far from the house of *S. John Baptist*: so called, for that men go forth into *Latium*.

*Capena* is so named of the *Capenas*, a Latine nation, against which it lyeth: this also is called *Mill Camena*, of a grove and Chappel of the Muses, built just before the same gate. *Appia* likewise, of the high-way *Appia*; which *Appius* the Centor paved, and so it bare his name. They call it also

also *Triumphalis*, for that in triumph the pomp is that way carried with state. Offome it is named *Fontinalis*, for the plenty of springs there. At this day *S. Sebastians* gate.

*Tergemina* took that name of an old gate so called, at which the 3 twins *Horatii* went forth against their enemies, and gave the first name to it. Some shew remaineth yet of this gate to be seen, near the *Salvia*.

*Hofienfis*, was in ancient daies so called, for that it led to the City *Hofia*: now *S. Pauls* gate: situate it is from *Capena* well-near 8 *Stadia*.

*Portuensis* is a gate beyond the *Tyber*, within half a *Stadium* of the said river: so called, for that it leadeth to the haven of *Hofia*. Now a daies men call it, *Portaripe*, i. The bank gate.

*Aurelia*, looketh toward *Janiculum*: distant from the former almost 7 *Stadia*. In this age they call it *S. Pancrace* gate.

*Alia*, was built by *Elmo Hadrianus*, of whom it took that name.

*Septimiana*, bare the name of *Septimius* the Emperor: and because it standeth under *Janiculum*, is at this day called, *Sabius Janum*. Some affirm, that this is *Fontinalis*, because out of the mount called *Aureus*, there issue fountains: for so the said hill this gate standeth close. From it to *Aurelia* are 5 *Stadia*: and to the river *Tyber* 7 *juga* or acres.

Thus much for the gates of the City of *Rome*, and their names.

The wall in old time had upon it 360 turrets. Some of these are decayed and gone: others repaired, and many this long time are ready to fall.

Now is it time, and the course of the story doth require, that leaving the towers and walls, we enter into the City, and shew the beginning and the place of those edifices, which within the walls, either upon the hills or the plain plot of the City, were built by men in old time. First therefore, begin we will at the worthiest earthly habitation of all their Gods, to wit, the *Capitol*.

## The second Book.

## CHAP. I.

The Jundry names of the Capitol.

The Capitol was by the old Romans called Mount *Saurnius*, either of a City named *Saurnia*, which under the very hill was built in that place where now *Rome* standeth: or because *Saurn* in times past dwelt in that hill: or else (as some think) for that the mount it self had *Saurn* for the tutelur God and Protector thereof. But afterwards it was named the mount *Tarpeius*, of the Virgin *Tarpeia*, of whom *Livy* writeth. Last of all, *Tarquinius Priscus* going in hand to build upon that hill a temple to *Jupiter*, when he digged for to lay the foundation, chanced to find in the bottom of the trench a mans head: whereupon they called it *Capitolium*. And the Augurs being sought unto and demanded, What the finding of that head might signify? answered, That this Castle should be the See of the empire and the head of the whole world. This hill they divide into the Castle and the Capitol. The Castle they built Northward, as a stronger and more fortified place: but the Capitol, toward *Tyberis*, a place naturally defended.

## CHAP. II.

Who first laid the foundation of the Capitol: who finished it: how often it was burnt, and by whom recedified.

IN the Sabine war, *Tarquinius Priscus* vowed to build the Capitol temple: but after the war was ended, so soon as he had laid the ground-work, he died. After him, *Tarquinius Superbus* finished the building, of 4 square Rome: and defraided the charges thereof out of the pillage of *Pometia*, a Town that he won. When he for his tyranny was banished *Rome*, *Horatius Pulvillus* the Consul, dedicated the said Capitol to *Jupiter*. It stood upright and found for the space of 415 years: until the Marian wars, and then (in the Consulship of *Scipio* and *Narbo*) it was consumed with fire. *Sylla* re-edified it, and *Q. Catulus* consecrated it: and so it continued until the *Vitellian* war. During which troubles, it was a second time burnt, at what time it stood with the doors shut, and defended, and not rifled. *Vespasian* built it again: and in his life, a third time it was destroyed by fire: and together with the Capitol, *Vespasian* also himself died. Afterwards, *Domitian* rebeilded it in more magnificent and stately manner than it had been ever before, and disbursed therein above 12000 talents. Of the Capitol towers and pinnacles, the statues and images smitten with thunderbolts and blasted oftentimes with lightning, divers writers have made mention.

## CHAP. III.

The Temple of *Jup. Feretrius*, of *Jup. Opt. Max.* of *Juno*, and *Minerva*'s.

The Capitol, *Cicero* calleth The house and habitation of the gods, because it contained the chappels, fountains, and images in manner of all the gods: but the first of all other in *Rome* was that

that of *Jupiter Feretrius*, vowed by *Romulus* in the war against the *Cenepians*. After which war ended, and he returned to *Rome* with victory, he reared a temple in the very pitch and top of the capitol hill. But *Jupiter* was by *Romulus* named *Feretrius*, as some would have it: for that *Jupiter* assisted him in striking the enemy, in that very place where he vowed the temple. Or else, because the Romans used in making of peace, to swear by his scepter and the flint. The roof of this Church fall down for very age and through neglect of the Romans. *Agnellus* repaired. This temple first built by *Romulus*, was afterwards enlarged by *Anchus Martius*.  
 (C. Max. of all other was the greatest and most renowned. This also

This Church ran down to the river, was afterwards enlarged by *Anchit Marcius*, temple first built by *Romulus*, was afterwards enlarged by *Anchit Marcius*. This also was called *Capitolium*; and *Targ. Priscus* vowed it. After him, *Targ. Superbus* expended in the foundation thereof 40000 pound weight of silver; but before that he finished it, he was deposed of his Kingdom for his tyranny, and left the work unperfected to be accomplished by the *Romans*. Built it was upon the hanging of the Capitoline hill toward *Tiberis*, as hath been shewed before. For the form, the greatness and beauty of this temple, read *Dionysius* and sundry other authors, who have written of the Roman acts and of *Rome* it self. Upon the top or lantern thereof, stood *Summanus* the God, made of potters earth, whose head was smitten with lightning and fell into *Tiberis*. It had within it besides, a sanctuary or secret chapel, which no *Lay* person might enter into. Within the said cell or chapel, were two coronets of gold: the one of them the Gauls consecrated to *Iup. Opt. Maximus*; the other, the Carthaginians sent to *Rome* in the honor of *Iupiter*, in token of joy for their victory over the Samnites. Moreover, in the said temple were other three chapels; to wit, one of *Iup. Opt. Max.* in the midst; second of *Minerva* on the right hand; and a third of *Iuno* on the left. And because men in old time attributed unto *Minerva* the invention of numbers, a law was set down in writing, That the chief and highest Pretor for the time being, should drive a spike or great nail near unto her image, whereby the computation of the years might be known. This is rich and collicly edifice, was burnt all at once in the Vitellian war. Now at this day the place wheras it stood, is profane: howbeit there remain yet to be seen, fowle tokens thereof, and the foundations; but all deformed and broken peccemeal.

## CHAP. IV.

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*The Temples of Saturn, Jupiter Tonans, Jupiter Custos, of Fortune, of Vejovis Mercy, Juno Moneta, and of Janus. The sepulchre of Orestes, the common Treasury, the house of Manlius, and chapel of Carmenta.*

Since that we have described the temple of *Jupiter K.* of the Gods, in what place it was situate, and by whom built: meet it is to make report also of other gods in order, who had their houses in the capitol: and first of *Saturn*, *Jupiters* father.

houses in the capitol: and in the same manner, *Saturnus* in old time had an altar erected unto him in the very way as ye go out to the capitol, as some think. There be, that would have this temple or altar of *Saturnus*, built by the companions of *Hercules*: others again say, that *Tatius* reared it. But of this variety in opinion of Writers, this may be the reason, because some affirm, that there were two temples consecrated to *Saturnus*, but reared in divers places and at several times: one at the rock of *Carmentis*, even before the capitoline cliff (wherein the bones also of *Orestes* brought from *Archia* were bestowed): the other in that very place, where now standeth the chapel of *S. Saviour*: where yet at this day there is a turret to be seen which they call, the Tower in *Eravium*: for there first was the common treasure house of *Rome*. In the temple of *Saturnus*, dedicated by *Capitulus Lucatius*, there stood *Tatius* with four faces; signifying the four times of the year: of whom the first month *January* took his name.

The temple of *Iupiter Tonans Augustus Caesar* first built on the capitoline cliff or side of the hill, South-east; upon this occasion: It happened, that in the Cantabrian expedition, as he was carried by night in a litter, the lightning slightly glanced thereupon, and killed the servant that was the guide; and therefore he both vowed this temple, and also finished it to the honor of *T*hundering *Iupiter*. A temple also to *Fortune* was built not far from it, in that part where now the Strand between the castle and the capitol, in that part where now the

The temple of *Vejovis*, (flood between the cattle and the capitol, in that part where now the chappels are to be seen of conservators, in o'd time they called this Idol-devil, *Vejovis*, because he was deprived of all power to help and do good. To him they sacrificed a the goat : because he held arrows in his hand, most men thought he was *Apollo*,  
therefore, the temple of *Mercy* stood likewise upon the capitol hill, near a shadowy

was deprived of all power to help another. He held arrows in his hand, most men thought he was *Apollon*. *Aglamys* that is to say, the temple of *Mercy* stood likewise upon the capitol hill, near a shadowy grove, in the very valley amid the capitol, and the cafile. Called it is the temple *Intercessionis*, between two owerkors. This, *Romulus* erected; that what offender soever thither fled, he should be privileged as in a sanctuary. But *Tiberius* afterwards, supposing that this place minished occasion of mischief, deprived it of that liberty. This *Aglamys*, by reports, the posterity of *Hercules* first erected. The temple of *Iovis* *Maximus* was built upon that plot of ground, where

The temple (as also the mint-house) of *Iuno Moneta*, was built upon that plot of ground, where sometime stood the house of *M. Manlius*. This chapel, some report that *L. Furius* vowed; others, that *L. Cicerinius* the Pretor; and *Ovid*, that *Camilius*. Now was *Iuno* called *Moneta*, of giving that *L. Cicerinius* the Pretor; and *Ovid*, that *Camilius*. Now was *Iuno* called *Moneta*, of giving that warning; for that from the very place where afterwards the temple was set, there was a voice heard of *Iuno*, admonishing them of the future overthrow by the Senones. In this place now standeth a Senators house of *Rome*.

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The temple of *Janus* keeper of the Capitoline cattle, stood in that place, wherethat that day is the goal and prison for malefactors and fellows, toward the Southwest, over- gainst the *Forum Romanum*. This *Janus* upon the Capitol, *Romulus* and *Tatius* deviled to have two faces prebese- inge the herby the two nations. *Others* would have him to be portrayed a faced, for his cunning and providence; for he was the first that invented the roiall crown; also boots; the skill of navigation; brazen coin and many other things. *Janus* took that name *ab anido*, of going, for that he turneth about the heaven and all things else, for which cause he also named *Verrumnus*; in old time they believed there was but one *Janus*; but poetry in later age, have imagined more.

The temple of *Jupiter Auster, Domitian* (after he was invested in the empire) built and placed his own image in the lap and bosom of that god. It stood where at this day the *Salara* or *Isipus* are, near to the temple of *Janus*.

## CHAPTER V.

*The temple of gods which have no certain place now in the Capitol.*

**A**mong those gods, whose determinate place assigned to them in the Capitol, is not known where it was, the first was *Terminus*, as to whom in all the world throughout, there is no proper place appointed. Now this *Terminus* was a rude and formless stone. Unto him *Tatius* first vowed a temple; and long say, that *Numa* deicated it. How ever it be; no doubt verily ancient it was, as easily may be collected by that which followeth. But why, that in the Capitol was of men in old time reputed for a god, this was the cause : when *Tarquinius Superbus* determined to build a temple to *Jupiter*, he consulted with the Augurs about the place, because he would begin nothing without the approbation of the birds. They chawed unto him the mount *Tapeius*, but this place was already taken up with other gods, whose chapels there, were consecrated and hallowed. These therefore were by certain L. critics to be conjured out from thence, for to give way to *Jupiter*, and to be translated into some other quarter. All the gods willingly yielded their places up to *Jupiter* as their K. only *Terminus* refused to be displaced : and so remained there till. When he had finished the temple and fore-part of the roof which regardeth the laid stone, was left naked and open for that god, as who neither ought nor could be enclosed, the augurs therefore being sought unto and demanded, For what reason *Terminus* alone abode still with *Jupiter*; when all the other gods were gone ? made answer, that thereby signified, that together with religion, their empire also was eternal. To this god they sacrificed not but in open air and publicly abroad, as being the god and keeper of bounds. Saint *Augustine* witnesseth, that *Mars* also and *Jove* must together with *Terminus*, would not agree to give place to *Jupiter* : for that the dominion of *Rome* should not be bounded out, nor yet decay with age and continuance of time.

To Mars and Venus Ericina, Attilas and Q. Fab. Max. being Dnumvirs, dedicated chappels upon the Capitol, severed afunder by one vault or cistern.

To queen *Juno*, *C. Flaminius* in the Ligurian war, vowed a temple.

To *Ops*, *Tatius* the K. consecrated a temple; for that she is called the earth, and is the mother of all things, as bringing forth, all, and receiving all again. The same *Ops* is called *Mais*, *Fauna*, and *Bona Dea*. This temple was blasted with fire from heaven, as *Livy* telleth.

Mars' revenge, *Augustus* *Caesar* erected a temple upon the Capitol, within the hill *Sacrimus*.

To Faith, on the same bill, *Actilins Collatinus* dedicated another.

To Health, Concord, Liberty, and Victory, they built temples : and many there were within the city erected to Concord.

To *FORTUNA PRIMOGENIA* and *OBSEQUENCE*, *Tullus* dedicated a temple.

To Venus-bald they also set up a temple in the Capitol, in memoriall and ever lasting praise of the Roman dames, for willingly parting with the hair from their heads, toward the making of ensignes that during the Gauls war, were devised and made against the enemies.

*Tarquinius Superbus* built a temple to *Jupiter Spensor*, and *Sp. Posthumius* wife to *Jupiter* \* After the old Romans consecrated a temple in the Capitol,

## CHAP. VI.

Of the statues which either in old time were or now remain in the Capitol.

**O**F statues in old time were fundry sorts, and the same made of divers m'atter: some of marble, some of brasse, some of silver, and others of gold. Many of thete were set up in the capitol to the immortal gods for divers causes, and namely, for their benefits bestowed upon mankind; which a long time were honoured and worshipped. To noble men likewise and such as had deserved well of the common-weal, the auncient manner was in old time to set up statues and images in the temples, to provoke others by their example to do the like.

To *Jupiter* in the Capitol, *Sp. Carvilius* erected a statue in his temple, after he had vanquished the Samnites, taking the proportion or form thereof by the pattern of *Jupiter Latiarius* his image. *Florus* maketh mention, that this statue was smitten with lightning. He also set up another to thundering *Jupiter*.

The old Romans set up in the temple of *Jup. Opt. Max.* statues to *Victory* and *Faith*, to either of them one.



For *Nemestalo* was an image erected in the Capitol, for that this goddess punished proud and faithless persons. She is named also *Rhamnusia* of *Rhamnus* a village in *Attica*, where she was worshipped; & *Adrastra*, of *Adrastra*, who was the first that built a temple in the hope of her.

Unto *Heracles*, for his notable and famous acts, they erected many statues in the Capitol; and namely, *Pub. Sulpicius* and *Pub. Sempronius* one; and *Q. Fabius Max.* another, which he brought from the *Tarentis* by him subdued.

The images of good Event, and good fortune (the workmanship both of *Praxiteles*) were within the Capitol.

The image of *Apollo* with a diadem, and his *Colossus* thirty cubits high, in the tasking whereof were bestowed 140 talents, *L. Lucullus* translated out of *Apollonia* in *Pontus*, into the Capitol.

An image there was of *Janus* likewise in the Capitol, holding in his right hand the number of 300 and in his left of sixty five, to signify the daies of the year.

Two golden statues of *Castor* and *Pollux*, were by the Emperor *Claudius* of famous memory, dedicated in the temple of *Jupiter*.

The countreities resembling the rivers, *Nilus* and *Tygris*, half naked, were set up in the forefront of the temple of *Conversators*: the one carry upon the shoulders, *Sphinx*: the other a *Tygre*; two wild beasts: both of them hold in their right hand *Corinnocopia*, which signifies plenty.

The personage of *Heracles* portrayed naked, of brass and double gule, without beard, holding in his right hand a club, and in the left the golden Apples of *Hesperides*, was found near the Greek school and the beast market, in the ruins of *Ara Maxima*.

There be certain portraitures also of the *Parthian* and *Dacian* triumphs, enclosed within walls which were taken out of the church now called *S. Martina*.

#### CHAP. VII.

Statues of famous and noble men set up in the Capitol.

Unto *Scipio* they erected in the Capitol, a statue wearing a soldiers cassock and slippers or pants in regard of his victory over *Antiochus*, for an everlasting memorial of his worthy deeds.

To *Sylla* there was also a statue erected in the Capitol, in habit of a footman.

For *Emilius Lepidus*, when he was but a boy, the people of *Rome* set up a statue, because he had in a battle vanquished the enemy, and saved a Citizen.

The like honour to the rest they did to *Metellus*, for that he had preserved out of the temple of *Castor* and *Pollux*, being on fire, the image of *Pallas*.

They erected an image to *Cornelia* the mother of the *Gracchi*, in recompence of a benefit of hers for the Roman, for that in a great dearth of corn, she served the people at 3 farthings a Modius. The same they did to *Trebius* the *Edile*.

*Fabius Maximus* made for himself a cast or molten image, and erected it just by that of *Horatius*.

Unto *Brutus*, for delivering *Rome* from the tyranny of *Tarquinus*, the Romans erected his image in the midst of the KK. statues.

*Demetrius* would not suffer any image of his to be erected, unless it were of molten silver or gold, and of a certain weight.

The emperor *Commodus* took off the head from the coloss of *Nero*, & set upon it his own statue which he had in the Capitol. This Colossus is to be seen broken as it was, in the houses of *Conversators*.

The said Houses of *Conversators*, is extant yet the brazen portraiture of a she-wolf, at whose teats *Romulus* and *Remus*, the first founders of *Rome*, are to be seen how they hang sucking.

The image of *Romulus* and *Remus* remained in the Capitol, resembling two youths: the one, standing upon the feet in servile habit and attitude: the other sitting like a shepherd or herdsman, bending forwards with the body, plucking a thorn out of the sole of his foot, which rankled and festered withal.

An infinite number of statues were in the Capitol, of gods especially, brought from other parts to *Rome*. For the Romans robbed the churches of foreign nations, for to enrich and adorn their own.

#### CHAP. VIII.

Of the Capitol cliff, Tarpeia rock, the fane of *Carmen*, and the gate *Stercoraria*.

In old time, they called that place and way whereby men go up to the Capitol, *Clivus Capitolinus*: but where that place was in times past, sundry opinions there be. Some affirm, that it lay toward that part of the hill which looketh to the *Aventine*, where now standeth *S. Gregorius* Church in *Felabrum*: others between the temples of *Saturnus* and *Conversators*, near to the arch of *Severus*, and at the stairs and landings, called *Semadris Stabula*. Now the arch of *Severus* was raised at the foot of the Capitol hill, in the very head and top of *Forum Romanum*: and which they passed, that in triumph ascended up into the Capitol. The Capitol cliff then, was nearer unto the Roman *Forum*: which by the Censors was paved with flint: who therefore set up a gallerie from the Chappell of *Saturn* unto the Capitol Temple close to the

Sanaculum

*Sanaculum* and the *Curia* over it. *Corn. Tacitus* writeth, that in former times there were many avenues and waies upon the Capitol, and thereupon arose for many and divers opinions concerning the *Clivus Capitolinus*. In the place of the feast *Floralis* was in old time celebrated, whereof some tokens remain at this day to be seen. In it stood *Milvi* boule, which was full of shields and other armor, *Cicero* maketh report.

That place was called *Tarpey* rock which standeth over the *Forum Romanum*: from whence in times past felonious malefactors found guilty, were pitched down head-long, and wherein at this day offenders are punished.

*Carmen* stone, regardeth *Tyberis*, jolt over-against the Senators bridge.

The Dung-gate called *Stercoraria* stood upon the Capitol cliff afore said; thither was thrown out all the filth out of the temple of *Vesta*, to be carried away and soon after to be cast into the *Tyberis*.

#### CHAP. IX.

Of tables, of the brazen columns or pillars, and of the silver Goose.

In the Capitol there were two sorts of tables: the one of Pictures containing the noble acts of battles, with the siege and assault of Cities, exploited by valiant martial men. For some of them were to defrauds of praise and renown, that they could not be content to behold their own statues erected in the Capitol, unless their acts were described also and depicted in tables set up in public place; and by that means left their glory behind them, commended likewise to posterity. Another kind there was of tables, wherein were written in the most ancient laws, to wit, of *Romulus*, *Numa*, and the other KK. Likewise the statues of the later lawgivers: the public acts and ordinances; the leagues and covenants with other nations; the sacred rites and divine service, and the ancient records and monuments, which were engraven and cut in brazen tables: of which, some at this day are extant: others by continuance of time, by war, fire, and careless negligence are lost and perished. For the keeping of these, there were certain persons appointed, that in so serious and important matters, there should be no forgery and corruption.

Pillars likewise of brass, were by *Demetrius* set up in the Capitol: the which, *Augustus* the conqueror of *Aegypt*, caused (of many brazen beak heads of ships molten together) to be made into four huge columns, and brought them to *Rome*. *Sylla* likewise took out of *Jupiter* temple in *Athen*, certain brazen pillars, brought them to *Rome*, & there consecrated them to *Jupiter* in the Capitol.

The Portraiture of a goose in silver, was set up within the Castle by the Romans for perpetual memory, because a goose by gaggling gave warning of the enemies coming, to the warders of the castle who thereby saved the Capitol. For which cause geese a long time after, were fed & kept in *Rome* at the Cities charges. There are besides, many other antiquities within the Capitol, cut in tables of brass and marble both, and namely, *Epitaphs*, which here for brevities sake are left out.

#### CHAP. X.

Of certain edifices and buildings upon the Capitol hill, and of other things in general.

Now that we have made declaration of the statues, tables, and columns, worth the noting something by the way would be said in the place, as touching the ancient houses there.

The court called *Calabra Curia*, *Romulus* built the Capitol, and covered it with reed. Into this place the King-sacrificer was wont to assemble the Senat and people of *Rome*, that from him they might learn and know the daies of solemn game, plays, and sacrifices.

Nor far from the said *Curia*, was the cottage of *Romulus*.

And almost the same place stood the stately porch or gallery of *Metellus* and *Constantinus*. The Library also called *Majorum*, built artificially upon marbles pillar: and besides the publick courtyard.

There was an hallowed place likewise upon the Capitol from whence they gathered *Verberna*, or sacred herbs, to make garlands for the facials heralds and the *Paterfamilias*: wherewith they were crowned when they purposed either to make any accord and peace, or to proclaim war.

The flint stone also was here found, which they held in their hand when they swore by *Jupiter*, pronouncing these words, *If I made default with my knowledge, then let Dielpiter cast me out of all that I have (saying the City and the castle) as I hurl from me this stone*.

The Capitol had certain vaults like cisterns, into which were thrown all things over worn, or so old that they were good for nothing. The six flocks drawing in one team, were there to be seen, which *Cornelius* set up, the twelve guided shields likewise, made of that money wherein the *Edils* condemned and fined the corn-mongers that hoarded and kept in their corn.

The shield also *Martius*, set out with the image of *Asdrubal*, and the column garnished with ship beak-heads of brass, whereof *Livy* speaketh, were here to be seen. Within the temple of *Jupiter* *Capitolinus* there was a short cloak or mantle and purple wollen, to which, of other purple garments were laid, they shewed the colour of ashes in regard of the excellent bright glois and lustre that it carried. A present this was (by report) given to *Aurelianus* by a *Perfian K.* who had it from the *Indians*. The lintell, cheeks and fill of the Capitol door, were made all of br. ls. The brazen tiles likewise upon the roof, *Q. Caelius* gilded over the place where *Numa* took his auguries

\*Toward the end of the 55. book.



That *Ovid's* mansion house stood under the Capitol, himself witnesseth, even where as now the church is of *S. Mary of Consolation*.

Thus much of the buildings of the Capitol and the valley to it. Now followeth the mount Palatine.

### The third Book.

#### CHAP. I.

*The divers etymologies of Palatine.*

**A**lbeit the hill Palatine were along time inhabited before the City was built, and namely, first by *Valentia* the daughter of *Italus*; then by *Evander*, who also therein set up a cattle whom there succeeded after the City was founded, *KK*, and Emperors; inasmuch as scarcely any one place of *Rome* is more renowned by writing, than this hill; yet the certain reason of the name why it should be so called, and which a man may be bold to follow, can hardly be set down. Some would have it so called, because the Arcadians wandering with *Evander* disorderly, and the Palatines out of the *Rheatine* territory (called likewise *Palatium*) came to that mount and it inhabited; others of *Palas* the great grandfather of *Evander*, *Livy* thought, that of *Palatium* a City of *Arcadia*, it was first called *Palatium*, and afterward *Palatine*. There are besides, who of *Palatia* the wife of *Latinus*, fetch the original of the denomination: or of *Palatib*, the daughter of *Hyperboreus*, who bare *Latinus* unto *Hercules*, and inhabited this mountain: or of *Palantia* the daughter of *Evander*, who there was buried: or of *Palas*, who was himself interred in it. Some there was also, of the bleating of sheep, which pastured there in times past, before the hill was by men frequented and peopled, imagine it was so named: or else because flocks were wont there *palare*, that is, to wander and graze up and down: And hereupon it is, that *Nævius* called it *Palantium*, of *Palatus*; or *Palantium* of \* *palare*. *Tremellius* calleth it the mount *Rumulus*, of *Romulus* his image, found at the very foot of the said hill. This may suffice of the derivation of the name.

#### CHAP. II.

*The temple of Victory, Ceres, Juno Sospita, and the mother of the gods: the temple of Liberty and the porch thereof, as also the house of Cæsius.*

**N**OW that we have declared the reason of the name of *Palatium*; we will go forward to shew the temples and houses of the mountain, like as we have done in the description of the Capitol hill.

When the Romans had performed fortunately many martial exploits, and oftentimes returned with victorie over their enemies, because they would not be found unthankfull to the gods, unto whom they were beholden for their happy achievements, and thereby afterwards misse of the like fortunate successe: they consecrated unto the goddesse *Victoria* a temple in that part of the Palatine, which looketh toward the horthyards and gardens of *Maria Nova* in the very bottom of the descent, hard at the gate *Romanæ*. *L. Posthumius* an *Ædile Curule* took order for the building thereof, out of certain money raised by fines and penalties; and when it is finished, he dedicated it to the goddesse *Victoria*.

Neer thereto there was a chappel, consecrated to *Victoria*, which *M. Porcius Cato* vowed. Besides in the same place was the temple of *Juno Sospita*.

The Arcadians, which with *Evander* came to the Palatine hill, built a temple also in *Palatium* to *Victoria*, but as different from this above-named, as far more ancient and to the honor of that goddesse, solemnized yearly sacrifices.

They built a temple also to *Ceres* in the Palatine.

In the fassall book of *Sibylla* there was a prophesie found, That the forrein enemy and strange bora should be exiled out of *Italy*, in case the mother of the gods might be brought to *Rome* from *Phrygia*. Now a story it was, which the inhabitants of that country is called. Sent therefore *Antiochus* Embassie into *Asia* as far as to *Phrygia* a town at *Phrygia*: who brought with them that Great mother of the gods in *Italy*. Then *P. Cornelius* carried it from the sea into the Palatine, and bestowed it into the temple of *Victoria*, until such time as one was built of purpose for her. Afterwards, *M. Livius* and *C. Claudius* the Censors took order for a temple to be made to this great mother of the gods, & the same set out with statues, pillars and pavement of divers stones of great price. And *Junius Bruns* dedicated it. The plaies allo and games called *Megalense*, wherof *Cicero* speaketh, were first instituted at the dedication thereof.

Unto *Liberty*, *P. Clodius* built a temple and stately gallery, in part of *Cæsius* his house, neer the temple of *Jupiter Stator*.

#### CHAP. III.

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*Of the Chappell and altar \* Febrius: the temple of Lares: the chapel of the goddesse Viriplace, of Faith, and Jupiter Victor.*

\* The fever;

**N**OT to those gods only that did good to mankind the Romans consecrated temples, but dedicated chappels to those also that did them hurt; to the end, that they should do less harm, and punish them more gently. For certain it is, that on the hill Palatine there was a temple & altar both consecrated to the *Fever*: likewise to *Nemesis* the goddesse of vengeance, wherof before in the second book.

Besides, they erected a chappel of the *Lares* in the Palatine.

In like manner, there was a chappel in the Palatine, consecrated to the goddesse \* *Viriplace*; into which, if man and wife came together, although they disagreed and were fallen out before, they returned home again good friends from thence, and all was well.

\* Not much unlike, but somewhat better (saint, then *S. Vincens* live of *Paula*,

After that *Æneas* with his son *Ascanius* and daughter *Roma* came into *Italy*, they reared a temple to *Faith*, in *Palatine*; they which was dedicated notwithstanding in the name of the daughter, and the same was written in the forefront of the temple: and therefore many years after, when *Romulus* and *Remus* strove who should give name to the City, the Senat and people of *Rome* reading the name of *Æneas* his daughter in the frontispice of the said temple, resolved to name the City after her, *Roma*.

*Q. Fabius* in the *Sabin* war, vowed a temple to *Jupiter* conqueror: and afterwards built it on the Palatine hill, and there dedicated it.

#### CHAP. IIII.

*The temple of Heliogabalus, Apollo and the Penates: the house of Orcus: the place of the Paladium or image of Minerva; and the temple of Augustus.*

**A**ntoninus *Heliogabalus* consecrated a god in the mount Palatine, which he called *Heliogabalus*, and built a temple in the place, where before stood that of *Orcus* or *Pluto*. But to win credit and name to this new and counterfeit god with great reverence and worship; he endeavored to translate into this temple of his, \* the sacred cup of that great mother of the gods, the fire of *Vesta*, the image of *Minerva*, called *Paladium*, the heaven's lightning bolts, and all things else which the *Rom* honoured above the rest. The *Christian* and *J* with religion also he there consecrated, to the end, that no man in the religious worship of that temple and god, might alledge any preference why he should not with good conscience do so.

\* *Septimus* for then typograph, the figure;

Moreover, in the Palatine, there was built a most ancient temple of *Apollo*. This chanced to be overthrown by thunder and lightning; and when the soothsayers gave out, that the god misliked it, he required another, *Augustus* *Cæsar* adjoined a porch to the ruin: the roof and inside of the temple a new that there stood: wherein himself, when he grew aged, many a time sat in council with the Senat, and empannelled the decuries of judges. In it likewise were pendant canopies, branched with vines like trees, whereon the approved poets bestowed their writings. Certain marks and tokens of this temple are to be seen (although obscurely) neer to the vineyard of *Februs*, where the house of *Tiberius* stood. Unto him were intimated the *Apollinare* games wherof read *Cicero*.

The temple of the City-protectors, called *Penates*, stood in that part of the Palatine which looketh into the North, even to *Velia* not far from the *Forum*. In it were the images of the *Trojan* gods. In the same were portraied two young men sitting together, and holding a ball in their hands. In like manner, the crooked augurs staves called *Lumi*, of iron and brass. Besides, an earthen *Trojan* vessel of potters work, *Apollo* also and *Nephtune* were there to be seen.

When the temple of *Vesta* was on a light burning fire, the image of *Pallas* being saved out thereof, was transcribed into *Velia*, and gave the name unto temple of *Palaca*, now *S. Andrews* church, in the same place.

Some report, that there was a temple built in *Palatium* to *Augustus* *Cæsar* of famous memory by his daughter *Livia*.

#### CHAP. V.

*The Palatine houses; and the court of the Salii.*

**T**hat *Romulus* and *Remus* being shepherds abode some time in these parts, the sheeds and cottages, which long time after were found here, made of slight wood & reed, do testify: which many of them in continuance of time decayed and fell down, the shepherds repaired with the same matter to their ancient form, that the perpetual memorial of *Romulus* and *Remus* the City founders, what kind of persons they were, and what manner of houses they lived in, might be delivered to posterity. In that corner of the Palatine hill, which leadeth unto the grand cirque or theatre, there stood (many ages) the cottage which they called *Casa Romuli*.

*Tullus Hostilius*, before he built his court dwelt upon *Velia*, in that very place where afterwards the chappel of *St. Peter* stood.

Not far from thence, even in that part of the Palatine which regardeth the *Forum*, *Cæsius* (by whom) his house built, More.

Moreover, between *M. Scævus* his house and *Castilum*, there was but a small step over, *Cicero's* house purchased of *Crassus*, was in the most frequent and conspicuous place of the mount Palatine, above the Church of *Jup. Stator*, near the *Palatium*. *Pliny* testifieth, how the houles of *Crassus* the Orator, and *Vibullius*, in the *Palatium*, were in old time overturned.

One Captain *Varius* likewise had an house in the *Palatium*.

Also *Tiberius*, whereof we have written in the former chapter.

*Augustus* (born in the region about *Palatium*, in a place called *Capita bubula*, i. the oxen heads; and where after his death, they erected a chapel unto him) dwelt first near the Roman Forum, above the round stairs called *Scala annularia*, in the house sometime of *Calpurnius* the Orator. Afterwards he built the stately Palace at his own charges and gave it to the City, and himself dwelt on the Patine hill in the small house of *Hortensius*.

The Guild, or religious court of the *Salii*, built in the mount Palatine, chanced to be burnt; and in the ashes thereof, the staff of *Komulus* called *Livius* was found, without any hurt.

*Publius* dwelt in an house standing over the Forum, which was called *Subrotia*.

That the dwelling house of *Tarquinius Priscus* was near unto the Temple of *Jup. Stator*, may soon be proved out of *Livy*.

#### CHAP. VI.

*Of the top of Velia; the statues in Palatine, and other things in general.*

THE pitch of the hill called *Summa Velia*, was in that higher part of *Palatium*, which looketh into the South-east, whereas now is the Temple of *Mary* the new. Called *Velia* it was, because in old time before the device of shearing sheep the shepherds were there wont to pluck the wool from the sheeps back.

*Augustus* set up a Library of Latine and Greek books in Palatine, and adorned it with the money raised of the most excellent bras of that huge colossus of *Tulcan Apollo*. He adjoynted thereto a porch or gallery, which they called *Palatium*.

In it was erected by the Senat, a statue unto *Numerianus* the Emperor, and a singular oratory. In the same porch the Romans also set up a statue unto *M. Varro*, whilst he lived.

The *Agrotopia*, which was a place where they used to take auguries: was upon mount Palatine. *Apoll.* *Palatinus* likewise, the workmanship of *Scopas*, was in *Palatium*. *Ladona* in the same was placed.

The Emperor set up a golden statue in Palatine to *Britannicus*.

Moreover, the tree which grew out of *Romulus* his spear, was in the *Palatium*. For he, after he had taken his auguries in the mount *Aventina*, lanced his spear from him into the Palatine, which sticking in the earth, budded forth leaves and grew to be a tree.

Likewise the bay tree, which the same day that *Augustus* was born, sprung with him and suddenly appeared, was in *Palatium*. Of this laurel tree, they that afterwards triumphed, were wont to wear their wreathed garlands.

The Palatine baths, whereof *Cicero* maketh mention in his Oration for *Roscius*, were in the same *Palatium*; and of them there remain yet some tokens, above the *Circus max.* not far from the vineyard of *Fedra*.

In the same mountain also there was a place called *Sicilia*, and *Jupiter's* parlor.

The most beautiful streets called *Atrionica*, paved with Lacedæmonian and Porphyret stones, were in *Palatium*. The streets also of *Padus* and *Fortuna respiciens*, were to be seen in Palatine. And there were the games and pastimes celebrated, which they call *Palatinal*.

#### CHAP. VII.

*The Palatium now called the Greater: the court-yard of the Palatium; and the old gate of the very Palatium is self.*

HOW great a compals the *Palatium* took up in old time, how gorgeously it was built, how rich, how frequent and full of houles, the huge ruins, the pictures, statues, and most precious pillars there found, do easily declare. For no man ever hath left in writing, who first built so great and stately edifices; who afterwards enlarged the same, and in so conspicuous a place erected those houles. By little & little it grew to so great an height, as if all writers should be ignorant of those antiquities: neither was any thing at one time done at once, which seemed worth the memorial. For Historiographers are wont to deliver unto posterity those things only which are rare and worthy of admiration. The mount Palatine at this day is called *Palatium majus*, and setting aside the Church of Saint *Andrew*, hath scarce two houles inhabited. The rest being either replenished with vines or fit for pasture, yeeldeth grafs and food, for sheep, caples, and goats. So as it seemeth it may be called *Palatium* of the bleating that they make, rather than *Palatium*.

This *Palatium* had also a place therein called *Atrium*, built in old time and hallowed by *Augustus* in it the Senat sate in council, because they might not assemble in any place unaugetate or unhallowed. Therein also rams were sacrificed.

The old gate of the *Palatium* was near the *Roftra*, over-against *S. Lawrence Church* in *Miranda*. Some would have this to be called the gate of *Romulus*, in old time.

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#### CHAP. VIII.

*The Temples of Janus, Augustus, and Faustina.*

AFTER the description of the Temples and edifices of *Palatium*, the third part of the city, now followeth a fourth; namely, the Roman Forum. Therein is the most stately Temple of *Janus*, (for me thinks we do well to begin at *Janus*, who is counted the dore and entrance as it were of all things) having four gates. For *Janus* himself, who was therein worshipped, had four faces and from *Falisci* a city in *Tuscany* forced by the Romans, he was translated to *Rome* into the Forum, named after *Transitorium*. His Temple was built in that part of the said Forum, which looked toward the Roman Forum. *Procopius* saith, that in his daies it was built in the mids of the Forum over-against the Capitol, a little above the place which the Romans called, The three Destinies. Other Temples there were besides of *Janus*, and namely in the Capitol neer the theatre of *Marcellus*, with two fronts all of bras, and had two brasen dore, which in time of peace were shut; and against war, were set open.

The temple of *Augustus* was builden in the Roman Forum. This was begun in the time of *Tiberius* the Emperor, but left unperfected. *Caligula* finished it. Above it, he made a bridge which joynted the Capitol and Palatine together.

There remain yet to be seen certain monuments and marks of the temple of *Fausina*. *Hadrianus* the Emperor her husband founded it at the foot of the Palatine hill (where the brazen image of a bull standeth) for her sake that she might be honoured as a goddess. 7 he fame, his son *Antoninus Heliogabalus* afterwards would have to be a temple for himself, or *Iupiter Syrius*, or else the Sun. At this day it is the church of *S. Lawrence* in *Miranda*.

#### CHAP. IX.

*The Temple of Castor and Pollux, and the Roftra.*

NO man doubteth but that the temple of *Castor* and *Pollux* was sometime in the Roman Forum before the *Roftra*, neer to that above said of *Fausina*. This sacred house *A. Posthumius* the Dictator dedicated: and *L. Metellus* afterwards repaired and beautified it, with the Dalmatian spoils. In it, as in many other, the Senat used to sit in council, and therein were publick Orations made to the people. *C. Metellus* adorned the same with statues, pillars, and excellent painting: wherein also he set up the portraiture and resemblance of *Flora*, a picture of singular beauty. A table besides, which contains the records and monuments, touching the free burgesse granted to the horsemen of *Capua*. The steps and greeces going up to this temple, *Clodius* afterwards plucked up, as witnesseth *Cicero*.

There was a temple or consecrate place called *Roftra*, at the foot of the hill *Palatium*, over-against that before named of *Castor* and *Pollux*, whereas now is the little chapel of *S. Mary de Inferno*. From these *Roftra*, were the sentences and acts of the Senat, brought and propounded to the people.

#### CHAP. X.

*The Temple of Cæsar, Venus Genitrix, and Mars revenger: and the court of Venus.*

CÆSAR of famous memory had a temple neer his own Forum, at the broad street called *Sacra*, behind the temple of *Fausina*. In it were set up as Saints, *Victory* and *Castor*.

In the same *Cæsar's* Forum, there stood a chapel of *Venus Genitrix*, behind the said temple of *Fausina*. This, *Cæsar* vowed in the Pharalian war, and dedicated it. After victory in the war against *Pompey*, *Cæsar* enclosed the temple of the said *Venus*, within a court-yard and a cloister, which *Hadrian* afterwards repaired and built new.

*Augustus Cæsar* in the battel of *Philippi*, vowed a temple to *Mars* the avenger, which afterwards he edified in his own Forum, wherein were certain iron pors dedicated to *Mars*: and two statues, bearing up the tabernacle of *Alexander* the Great. This is thought to be at this day the church of Saint *Martina*.

#### CHAP. XI.

*The Temples of Vulcan, Concord, Peace, Romulus, and Venus Cloacina.*

THE temple of *Vulcan*, *Romulus* founded, above the Comitium and Forum *Romulum*, at the bottom of the Palatine hill: but *Tatius* dedicated the temple of *Vulcan*, as also of the Sun and Moon, of *Saturn*, *Rhea*, *Vesta*, *Diana*, and *Quirinus*. In the temple of *Vulcan* there was dedicated unto *Vulcan*, the brazen chariot of *Romulus*, wherein he rode in triumph a second time. Therein remained also the statue of *Cocles* there erected. Many a time were Orations made to the people in this time.

In the yard belonging to *Vulcan's* temple, *Patricius*, the son of a Libertine or enfranchised citizen, 303 years after the building of the capitol, vowed the temple of *Concord*, if he could reconcile the States of Senators and Gentlemen to the people. Afterwards he built it of the embacements and penalties that he took of traitors condemned, at the foot of the mount Palatine. *Optimus* the Consul

Consul afterwards repaired it anew. In it, *Pliny* testifieth that an altar ran blood for two daies, *Livia Drusilla* in her open gallery, erected a chappel of *Concord*, in regard of the mutual and loving agreement between her husband and her: which afterwards *Tiberius* dedicated.

In that place where *Drusilla* first founded the said chappel of *Concord*, *Vespasian* afterwards with wonderful celerity and speed; (after the civil wars ended) finished the Temple of *Peace*, begun before by *Claudian*. A large building this was and four square, set out with most stately and fair columns, and of all other Temples the richest. In it *Vespasian* bestowed the holy vessels and precious ornaments of the Temple in *Hierusalem*, which *T*. had shewed in triumph. It had also the statue of *Ganymedes*, and an infinite number of other ornaments wherewith it was decked and beautified. This Temple caught a fire, and at once suddenly was consumed whole: and never was it known to this day how this fire came; unless it were (as some imagine) by reason of an earthquake which hapned the same hour, the stones rubbed together and struck fire.

An altar of *Peace* was by *Augustus* first reared; but in what place, the posterity knoweth not. The same, *Agrippa* afterwards enlarged and adorned. Between the Temple of *Peace* and *Faustina*, there is at this day a most ancient Temple, and two pillars of the porch to it, which now is dedicated to the two brethren *Saint Cosmes* and *Damians*. Some think it was the Temple of *Romulus* and *Remus*, the same that *Caraculus* the Consul, after he had subdued the *Samniti*, dedicated, and of the infinit mafs of spoils adorned it.

That the Temple of *Venus Cloacina* stood near the broad street *Sacra*, *Ovid* testifieth. Now the image of this *Cloacina* was found in a privy or draught, called *Maxima*, and *Tatius* consecrated it. And because it was not known whole resemblance it was, it took the name of the place wherein it was found.

#### CHAP. XII.

The Temple of *Tellus*, *Salus*, *Victoria*, the *Sun* and *Moon*, the house of *Cassius*, and the *Armory*.

Where the Temple of *Tellus* stood, some say it is uncertain; others think it was not far from the *Esquias*, near the rising of the hill that leadeth to *S. Peters Church* in *Vinculis*, where as now standeth the Temple of *Pantaleon*. *Sempronius* vowed it: for whiles he fought a battail with his enemy, at *Asculum* the head Town of the *Piceni*, the earth quaked: and because he would pacify the goddess *Tellus* (i. the earth) which he thought was angry, he vowed this Temple unto her. Built it was in the same plot of void ground, where the house of *Spurius Cassius* (who fought to be a King) was overthrown. Neer unto this Temple of *Tellus*, there was an *Armory*: where of *Cicero* also maketh mention in a certain place. Within the said compass, *C. Junius Bibaculus* the Consul, vowed a chappel to the goddess *Salus*, in the time of the *Samniti* war. The same was by him put forth to building when he was *Censor*, and dedicated by him *Dictator*.

*L. Valerianus* an *Edile*, caused the Temple of *Victoria* neer the *Roman Forum* to be made, of the penalties and fines taken.

In this place also was the altar of *Apollo*. Some would have, that the Temples of *Concord* and *Esculapius*, were neer the *Amphitheatre*, in the place where the gardens be of *S. Mary* the new.

The Temple of *Mercury* also was in the *Forum*.

The Temples likewise of *Ifig* and *Serapis* were in the Burse called *Emporium*. And some think, that these were the Chappels of the *Sun* and *Moon*, dedicated by *Tatius*.

#### CHAP. XIII.

The *Forum* of *Trajanus*: the things now there, or that have been heretofore.

Thus much of Temples, of holy and religious places, which seemed worth the noting, hath been briefly written. Now from hence forward we will speak of those things, which shall concern the honour and memorial of mortal men, and first begin we will with that excellent Prince *Trajanus*.

*Forum Trajani* was built (with wonderful Art and industry of man) by *Apollodorus*, between the *Forum* of *Nerva*, the *Capitol* hill, and the mount *Quirinal*. The same workman built also (at the commandment of *Trajanus*) *Merodeum* and *Gymnasium*. The roof of that *Forum* or *Hall* was of brass, within round about in every place the forms and images of horses; and military ensignes all guile. Now were these foreaid images erected there at the cities charges in memorial of them that had deserved well of the common-weal, or otherwise of some notable act.

The triumph arch in like manner with many other monuments reared to the praise of *Trajanus*, adorned this *Forum* or hall of his.

The porch of this *Forum*, built upon most mighty and high pillars, and setting upon large characters, yielded to great admiration to the beholders, that they seemed rather the works of giants than men. Into this, *Alexander Severus* in the honor of *Trajanus*, translated most beautiful statues of singular men.

*Trajanus* horse in like manner stood in the midst, bearing upon high columns.

In a coin also there is found the image of *Trajan*, with this inscription: S. P. Q. R. OPTIMO PRIN-

Principi. The *Senat* and the people of *Rome* to the best Prince. But hereof *Lampridius* writeth much.

He likewise is reported to have adorned the palace, made of sundry marbles, with pictures and statues within.

In the midst of the *Forum*, there stood the column of *Trajan*, built with winding stairs. This had round about it the summary of the acts of *Trajan* engraven and chased most cunningly; but above all the *Dakes* war: within there be 185 steps up to the top; and it hath 40 little windows to let in light unto them that shall go up: 120 foot high it was, or (as *Entropius* writeth) 140. In the lower of *Trajan* thereof were the bones of *Trajan* kept within a golden ball. This pillar, *Trajan* himself never saw: for whiles he warred against the *Parthians*, the *Senat* dedicated it unto him in his absence. But he in his return from the *Persians*, died in the way at *Seleucia*, a City in *Syria*, of a flux of blood. His dead corps was brought to *Rome*: and of all the Emperors, he alone (as *Entropius* writeth) was interred within the City. The reason why his bones are left in that Column is this: The manner in old time was, for Princes and Noblemen to be buried under hills: but there being not mountains enough wherupon to raise sepulchres in every place, it hapned that such princes and high pillars were set over their dead bodies instead thereof.

#### CHAP. XIV.

The *Forum*, the *Palace*, and porch of *Nerva*.

Next to our sight cometh the *Forum* of *Nerva*, and it is behind the Church of *S. Hadrian*. In the midst of it there stood a Column of brass of an huge bigneis; covered with plate of beaten copper, and hath within it, light every way. This *Forum* was garnished with divers statues and Columns, containing the whole order of the acts of *Nerva*. This was afterwards called *Forum Trajan*, for that from it there was the way to the *Forum* of *Augustus*, and the *Roman*.

There appeareth as yet some part of the Porch or gallery belonging to the *Forum*: for being consumed by fire, yet it left certain obscure tokens, witnessing, that in the same place was the *Forum* of *Nerva*.

Part also of the *Palace* of *Nerva*, built of 4 square stones and pillars, together with the Church of *S. Blas*, are yet seen enclosed between the *Comitium* and the tower of *Milvia*.

#### CHAP. XV.

The *Roman Forum*, the *Comitium*, the prison, *Tullianum*, and the Image of *Marforius*.

The *Roman Forum*, which also is called *Latinum*, began at the foot of the *Capitol*, and reached in length to the Church now of *S. Mary* the new, which is in *Velia*. But at the first, the circuit and bounds thereof were much narrower. For from the head thereof abovenamed, it went no farther than the nearest foot of the mount *Palatine*. Many a year after, *Augustus Caesar* enlarged it.

The *Comitium* joyned to the *Forum*, or rather it was a part thereof: for it beginneth at the gate of *Palatium*, and endeth at the Church of *S. Mary* the new.

At the foot of the *Capitol* hill, South-east-ward, *Anus Marcius* built a prison for malefactors to be laid up in. After him *K. Tullius* adjoynd to it that part which is under the ground, and called that dungeon, *Tullianum*. Made it was of huge and mighty big stones, with narrow long holes, for to receive the shadow, as it were, and resemblance of a light. The dungeon within was vaulted with stone, ugly for darkness, and loathsome by reason of a strong and stinking sent. This whole prison was divided into two parts, the upper room and the nether. *Carcer* it was called in *Latine* *carceris*, because it kept them there enclosed from coming forth.

Just before this prison there lieth a huge marble-idoll which they call *Marforius*. Some think it was the Image of the bakers god, others of *Jupiter*, surnamed *Panarius*, of the tumours that bear out like to loaves of bread. For the Romans in times past, when they were besieged by the Gauls in the *Capitol*, had warning by *Jupiter* in a dream, to make bread of all the corn that they had left, and to throw it into the enemies camp. Whereby the Gauls despairing that the Romans could possibly be tamed with hunger, brake up the siege. Whereupon the Romans in perpetual memorial of this benefit, erected an altar and a statue to *Jupiter Pistor*.

This image is thought to be the resemblance of the river *Rhenus* in *Germany*, because it is upon a rock. But why it should be called *Marforius*, I know not, unless it be because it standeth in the *Forum* of *Augustus*.

#### CHAP. XVI.

The Secretary of the people of *Rome*: the arch of *Septimius*; the Temple of *Saturn*. Of the *Treasury*, and the mint-house where they coined money.

Behind the image of *Marforius*, over against the arch of *Septimius* is the Church of *S. Martina*: whence, as it appeareth by an evidence engraven in marble, was sometime the place called the Secretary of the people of *Rome*.

Right against the said Church of *S. Martina* at the bottom of the rock *Tarpeia* standeth the



arch of *Septimius*, which in both the fronts thereof containeth the deeds of that Emperor both by land and sea.

Directly there followeth the Temple, sometimes of *Saturn*, now, *S. Hadrian's Church*. This said Temple was of great antiquity. Some report *L. Lartius* for the builder thereof; others *L. Tarquinius*; albeit more likely it is that *Lartius* dedicated it. *Livy* writeth, that when *A. Sempronius* and *M. Minucius* were Coss. *Namantius Plancus* reedified it. The treasury of the people of *Rome*, no writer denieth, but that it was translated out of the Capitol into this Temple. But why men in old time would have the treasure to be within *Saturn's* Temple, there be divers opinions. Some say, because in *Saturn's* daies there was no theft committed: for under him all things were common; no covetous miser nor lewd person laid wait for his neighbour, but all things were administered with righteousness, faith, and love. *Cyprian* allegeth this cause, because *Saturn* was the first that in Italy ordained money to be coined. Moreover, in this treasure-house were kept the public ordinances. Also the books called *Elephantini*, containing the five and thirty tribes of the people of *Rome*. Moreover, all the books of the Cities accounts: also the ancient writings and records of the old *Atrium* and the City debts. Furthermore, the standards and ensigns of war. Over and besides, whatsoever was by the Generals and Captains after the conquest of Provinces carried in triumph, was thither brought. Lastly, whatsoever was expedient and profitable for the Common-weal to be relieved, as laws, letters, and other common registers of a City. The Censors likewise were put to take their oath in the Temple of *Saturn*.

Between the church now of *S. Hadrian*, and that which sometime was the Temple of *Cestus* and *Pellus*, stood in old time the work-house wherein they coined money.

#### CHAP. VII.

The golden Miliarium the bridge of Caligula, the *Rostra* and the *Curia*.

**M**iliarium aureum stood in times past at the head of the Roman Forum, under the Temple of *Saturn*, near to the arch of *Septimius*. A pillar it was, so called, wherein all the high-ways of Italy were cut and engraven, and there ended, and from which the measures began and went on to every gate of all quarters.

*Caligula* brought a bridge of marble through the Roman Forum, from the mount Palatine to the Capitol. A more stately and curious piece of work there never was throughout all the City: for the bridge was sustained with four or five mighty pillars of most white marble: whereof at this day three are to be seen at the foot of the one hill, and as many at the other, in such manner as they were in times past by *Caligula* built for the bridge. In the midst of the Forum, over-against *S. Hadrian's Church* there standeth a pillar, which is verily thought to be one of them that supported the brazen horse of *Domitian* gilded all over. At the foot of this horse was the resemblance of the brazen horse of *Domitian* the Emperor that triumphed over that Province, *Rhene*, a river in Germany: for that *Domitian* the Emperor had triumphed over that Province, And this is the Image which afterwards they called *Marcus*.

Of the beakheads of the Antia ships, a pulpit was built in the Roman Forum by the Romans at the foot of the mount Palatine, which Temple they called *Rostra*, that therein the acts of the Senat should be made. Now of this *Rostra* there were twain, the new at the bottom of the Palatine, as is before said, and the old, near the *Curia* in the Comitium. In this *Rostra* were laws published, causes pleaded, and Orations made to the people. On the same the manner was also to erect the Statues for most famous and noble men.

In the most conspicuous place of the Forum Romanum, before *Rostra*, upon a lion of stone was the portraiture set for *Faustulus* the fosterfather of *Romulus* and *Remus*. For he, whiles he was desirous to part the fray between *Romulus* & *Remus* the founders of the City, was there slain, where, afterwards they erected unto him his statue. Behind the *Rostra* was the sepulchre also of *Romulus*. Moreover, before the *Rostra* stood the statue of *Hercules*, clad in a coat after the Eleians habit, with a grime and stern countenance. Three statues also of *Sibylla* in the same place. The manner of the Romans besides, was to set up the heads of those that were put to death, there to be seen.

Two *Curia* or Councill-houses at *Rome* there were: one near the Forum, said by the Temple of Peace, named *Hofilia*; the other in the mount *Calius*, whereof we will speak hereafter.

#### CHAP. XVIII.

The Lake Curtius, the great sinker town ditch, and the *Doliola*.

**T**he lake Curtius was in the midst of the Rom. Forum, near *Domitian* his horse. This lake took that name of *M. Curtius*, who to save the Common-weal, willingly of his own accord cast himself headlong, armed as he was, together with his horse into a chink of the ground in the midst of the Roman Forum. Some would have it so called of *Metius* a Sabine, who through this lake escaped safe to his own company.

The vault or sink called *Clauca Maxima*, was made by the commandment of *Tarquinius*: for by reason that the hills were digged under, and the City stood hollow upon arches, it received & carried away all the filth thereof. At the Temple of *Jup. Stator*, divided it was into three conveyances or channels, whereof two of them are now flopped up, the third runneth with most clear water by the Lake Curtius, under the Roman Forum, along the foot of the mount Palatine into *Vulturnum*, and from thence in a sink made of four-square stone, it dischargeth it self into *Tiber*. In old time there

there were many such vaults, and those for public use. But after the City was won by the Gauls & burnt, whiles every man made haste to rebuild his house, where he could meet first with a convenient place; they took no heed to the streets as they were before: so as neither the City was divided as aforetime into quarters, nor yet the sinks which in times past went under the streets, were marked where they lay: but afterwards were conveyed under privat mens houses, whereby it came to pass, that each house almost at this day hath a sink or privy belonging to it. Hereupon also it is, that this author, whose epitome or abridgment we write, hath not divided the regions of the City agreeable to the old writers. But to the end that those things which he setteth down, might be sooner understood, and better remembered, he hath parted it into those quarters as now it standeth and when he sheweth in what part of the city any place in times past was, he declareth them in those coasts which at this day are known to the inhabitants. But as at first these sinks were common (as I have said) so there were appointed public overseers to look unto them.

Near the foresaid great sink there was a place, which of certain barrels under the ground was called *Doliola*. This place was reputed so holy, that a man might not spit thereupon. In it were supposed to have been certain secret mysteries of *Numa*. And yet, there be that think verily the ashes of the French Senones were there bestowed.

#### CHAP. XIX.

The Comitium, the Temple of *Venus Genetrix*, The Statues and Images that were in the Comitium, and Roman Forum, *Caius* statue and pillar.

**W**here the Comitium was, from what place it began, and in what part of the City it ended, we have shewed before, in the fifteenth chapter of this book. Called it was Comitium, as *Plutarch* saith, for that *Romulus* and *Tatius* were wont to meet together in this place, to make covenants between them. In which place afterwards, the Senat and people of *Rome* assembled, when they would decree any thing for the good of the C.V. and namely, when Consuls, Tribunes Consular, and such Magistrats were created, and other affairs concluded, whereof authors make mention in all their writings. That place was near the *Senaculum*, at the very foot of the mount Palatine. This Comitium was open above-head for many years: whereupon oftentimes, albeit assemblies were summoned, yet they were empached holding for them, fearing some tempestuous weather toward. Long time after, when *Annibal* came into Italy, they let a roof over it: and afterwards *Cesar* repaired it again. In this Comitium the plaies were many times exhibited. In the same (as *Livy* reporteth) the books of *Sibylla* were burnt. In like manner many lewd and outrageous acts were committed in the assemblies there, whereof elsewhere we will speak.

In the Comitium stood the statue of *Cecilia*: which being afterwards stricken with fire from heaven, was translated into the court-yard of *Vulcan*. In the cantons and angles of the Comitium, were the statues likewise of *Pythagoras* and *Alcibiades*. Also in the ascent and stairs thereof, on the left hand of the *Curia* stood the Image of *Accius*, together with his whetstone and razor.

The image resembling the Mother goddess, was set up in the Forum. They that worshipped this goddess were of this opinion, that the stone whereof she was made, could not possibly be consumed with fire: which they guessed hereby, for that albeit many fires were made in the night especially at her Image, yet it took no hurt thereby; and therefore gave they out, that there was such virtue herein, as I have said, and from thence it came, that in all streets almost they began to worshippier, and to erect altars and little chappels unto her.

The Temple of *Venus Genetrix*, as is shewed before, was in the Forum: Just before this Temple stood the statue of *Cesar*, carrying a blazing star upon the head. In like manner a Column of *Cesar* made of Numidian marble 20 foot high there remained. Before the Temple of *Cesar* there was the statue of *Q. Marcius* in horsemans habit: of *Tremellius* clad in a side gown; of *M. Atticus* covered with a veil.

#### CHAP. XX.

The column called *Maxima*: the pillar *Horatia*: the houses of *Cesar*, *Constantine*, and *Domitian*, The Temple and Court-yard of the said *Cesar*.

**I**n that part of the Forum was the Column *Maxima*, where stood the palace of *Porcius*. Called *Maxima* it was, of *Maximus* the Censor: for he (when as he sold unto *C. C.* his house, and when *Placens* the other Censor gave order, that the palace aforesaid should there be built, reserved in the sale so much space for himself, as pillar or column would take up: upon the which he might sit out aloft to justify, made of joists and boards upon them: from which place both he and his posterity might behold the sport of sword-fencers. And this privilege he obtained: whereupon others also, as many as might be allowed, were as industrious, and built them columns in the Forum.

There stood a rock of stone in the Forum, whereupon the spoils of the three twins *Christians* were hanged.

In like manner the pillar called *Horatia*.

The houses of *Cesar*, *Constantine*, and *Domitian* beautified the Forum.

Likewise the court and cloister of *Minerva*; and the shops [of Bankers] as well old as new.

The dead corps of *Cæsar* was brought out of the *Curia* into the *Forum*; and interred in that place; where afterwards they built unto him an altar and Temple.  
Likewise in the *Forum* the manner of the Romans was, to lay down their Magistracy;

## CHAP. XXI.

*Cæsar's Forum: the Palace of Paulus, and his Library.*

BESIDES the Temple of *Saturus*, or the common treasury (whereof we have written before in the 16 chap. of this book) in the Roman *Forum* toward the Northeast was *Cæsar's Forum*, even in that very place which seemeth lower than the rest, behind the Temple of *Fauftina*. There, was the Temple of *Venus Genitrix*; about which *Cæsar* made a cloister and a *Forum*; not of wares and merchandise to be sold, but for them that repaired thither for justice in law matters. In this *Forum*, among other statues (whereof there were many and thoe most fair and beautiful) he suffered his own to be made, all armed. The *Forum* it self contained but a small compass, but it was most excellent for out. The very level of the plot stood him in an hundred millions of Askes and above. *Cæsar* purchased with 1500 talents, *Paulus Æmilius* the Colleague of *Marc'ellus* in his Consulship, to be his friend and to stand with him. *Paulus* having received this sum of money, built in the midst of the *Forum* near to the Temple of *Cæsar* and *Pollux*, a most excellent and wonderful Palace, of Phrygian columns which afterwards they named, *Basilici Pauli*. A Library also the same *Paulus* erected, near unto his own *Basilica*.

## CHAP. XXII.

*The Forum of Augustus: the galleries of Antonius, Fauftina, and Livia: Cæsar's house.*

THE Roman *Forum*, thoe also of [*Julius*] *Cæsar* and *Augustus*, were (as it is well known) near one to another. That of *Augustus*, they affirm to have been at the image of *Mars*, in the most frequented place of the City: it was but in little compass, as the other of *Cæsar*, but excellently well adorned with brave statues and other things. For it had the statues of *Cæsar* and *Pollux*, with the victory of *Alexander* the Great: the image also of *Corvinus*; and of the raven that upon his helmet fought. Also *Apollo* in Ivory; and besides these, other ensigs and ornaments of virtue and valour.

In this Hall or *Forum*, publike justice was administered: and the judges from thence were empanelled: herein they debated in counsell, of wars; of triumphs, and other weighty affairs. From hence they used to go when they took journey into their Provinces with sovereign command. Hither, they that returned victors, brought the ensigs and tokens of their victory. This *Forum* being by time decayed, *Hadrian* redified.

This *Forum* had two porches, wherein were the statues set out & decked in triumphant manner. *Augustus* dwelt in the street *Sæcra*, in a house not so large and stately, but marvellously furnished with his neece *Livia*. And *Augustus* not able to abide this wastful superfluity of riches, pulled it down and laid it even with the ground: in the void plot and court-yard whereof, was afterwards built the gallery of *Livia*; which also was called *Claudia*. *Nero* cast it down, but *Domitian* built it up again under the old name.

The goodly galleries of *Antonius* & *Fauftina*, adorned with divers and sundry marbles well built in old time, were whereas at this day standeth the Church of *S. Lawrence* in *Miranda*.

## CHAP. XXXII.

*The raster or beam, called Sororium Tigillum: the street Cyprinus, Sceleratus, and Patritius: the house of M. Antonius.*

*Sororium Tigillum* was a place hallowed for the expiation and availing of *Horatius* for killing his sister, set up near the street *Carinae*, to the honour of *Jupiter*. The street *Cyprinus* is near to the cliff or rising of the Capitoll, which leadeth to the Church of *S. Peter* in *Vinculis*, so called of *Cyprus*. In it dwelt the Sabins first, when they were arraigned and made free denizons. Sumamed afterwards it was *Sceleratus*, upon the wicked and devilish act of *Tullia*, whereof *Livy* speaketh. Some think this was one with the former: others say, it was divers from it.

The street *Patritius* was so called, because of *Patritii*, who were by *K. Tullus* commanded there to dwell. For this was a place raised somewhat higher than others: from whence as from the upper ground, they might easily defend themselves against the sudden violence of others, if it should be offered.

*M. Antonius* dwelt in that house, where sometimes stood the Temple of *Tellus*. After *Antonius*, the Church of *S. Pantalon* was in the same place built.

## CHAP. XXIV.

*Busta Gallica, and Æquielium.*

*Busta Gallica*, was a place in the heart of the City, where the dead bodies of the Frenchmen that held *Rome*, were burnt and buried. It was in that part of the City where at this day standeth the

the Church of *S. Andrew* (in *Busta Gallica*.) Now they call it by an awk name, *Portingallo*: and it is not far from the Amphitheatre. *Varrus* fetcheth the *Busta Gallica* near the *Æquielium*. As for *Æquielium*, it was so called, because the house of *Melius* who sought to be *K.* was there laid level with the ground.

## CHAP. XXV.

*The street called Via Sacra: the arch Fabian and Vespasian.*

THIS street beginneth at the old *Curia*, in the angle of *Palatium* near the arch of [Great] *Constantine*. *Korro* supposeeth that it began at the *Curia*, and the chappel of *Sterna*. Whereby a man may gather that the *Via sacra* sometimes went through the gardens now of *S. Mary* the new, to the Temple of *Peace*, the *Forum* of *Cæsar*, and so directly up to the Cattle of the Capitoll. The same of *Sæura* it took for that the *Augusti* when they came from the Capitoll hill, went through it as they took their *Augury* or because monthly they went in procession with sacred reliques along that way: or last of all, in regard that in it there was a league and covenant made between *Romulus* and *Tatius*. At the head and top of it, *Anous Martinus* in times past dwelt, near the chappel of *S. Peter*.

In this street was the famous statue set up of *Clæla*.

The arch *Fabian* likewise, near the Kings Palace, fast by the *Basilica* of *Paulus*, was reared by *Fabius* the Senator, who subdued the *Allobroges*. In which arch was the scutcheon with his arms, and other tokens of the victory engraven. Fast by it, *Scipionius Libo* erected a seat and Tribunal for the *Prætor*, named *Pæneal*.

In the same street-way was the marble arch of *Vespasian*, (the ancientest of all others that are now to be seen) erected by *Vespasian* after he had won *Hierusalem*. In it were his victories cut and engraven, with the ark of the covenant of one side, and on the other, his triumphs and spoils: and namely, the golden candlestick: the seven other lights: the two tables of *Moses*, the vessels of the Temple of *Hierusalem*: the golden table, weighing one great talent: and many things else, whereof *Josephus* writeth.

## CHAP. XXVI.

*Græcofasis; Senaculum; the Curia; the Palace of Opimius and Porcius.*

*Græcofasis* is a place on the right hand of the *Rostra*, as men go forth of the *Comitium*; where, the Embassadors of foreign nations being sent unto the Senat, used to stand and give attendance until they were admitted to audience.

The Palace of *Opimius*, and the *Curia* stood near unto the *Græcofasis*. Above the *Græcofasis* was the *Senaculum* at the Temple of *Concord*, called it was *Senaculum*, because the Senat or the elders were wont there to meet. In Greek it is named *ἑστιάριον*.

*Curia* was in the *Comitium*, and some think it is all one with *Senaculum*; so called, because the affairs that required publike care were there debated. There was a *Curia* also of Priests, where Church-matters were handled and treated of. Now this *Curia* where the Senat met, was a Temple or hallowed place: for neither might the Senat meet, nor act of Senat pass, but in the place set out and appointed by augury. Hereupon *Curia Hostilia*, *Pompeia*, and *Julia*, being profane places before, were by inauguration consecrated Temples. In this *Curia* was the altar of *Victory*; and upon the stairs of the said *Curia* stood the image of *Victory*, made of fine pure gold.

*Cato* the elder in the time of his Censorship, built (with the City money) a palace near to the *Forum* under the *Curia*, which after his own name he called *Portia Basilica*.

The palace also of *Romulus* (as men think) stood where the Church is now of *S. Mary* the new. These places therefore which have been thus described in the fourth region of the City, joynted together in one place in a manner, and were all contained within this circuit, as you go from the *Comitium* toward the Temple of *Peace*, and the Church and gardens of *S. Mary* the new almost as far as the *Esquilæ*.

## The fourth Book.

## CHAP. I.

*The Temple of Janus and Pieti: of the publike goal of Rom. Commons.*

BEING that four parts of the City are described, the fifth ensueth: which in Iudeth thoe places that comprehend *Tyber*, part of the *Aventine* on the right hand, and the rock *Tarpæia* on the left: the valley also which lyeth between thoe very hills. Wherefore begin we will at the memorable places, which are next after the Theatre of *Marc'ellus*, and so run through the plain and level plot of the City. And with *Janus* first, whom men in old time believed to be the very door, and as it were the entrance of all things. Unto *Janus* *Numa* built a Temple at the gate *Carmentalis*, (afterwards the chappel of *S. Catharine*) at the bottom of the *Argiletum*, close

close unto the theatre of *Marcus*. This Temple had two doors: in time of peace they were shut; but in war opened by that Consul, who, as the worthier person, was first created. It is found in records, that this Temple was shut but only thrice. First, by *Numa* himself; secondly, by *T. Manlius* the Consul, and a third time by *Augustus*, after the battle of *Actium*. But why in time of war it stood open many reasons are given: and this is thought the chiefest, namely, an accident that befell when *Romulus* warred against the Sabines: for when the Sabines were now possessed of the gate *Carmentalis*, and about to rush violently into the City, all on a sudden unlooked for there issued forth upon the enemies a plentiful river and stream of hot scalding water out of the Temple of *Janus*, which stood near to the gate: whereupon they were driven to flee, and so the City was saved. From hence it is that posterity coming after, open the doors for *Janus*, that he might be at liberty, when he is called forth, as it were, to help in time of war.

Others report, that *Tatius* and *Romulus* both were the founders of that Temple: as who, when the covenant was made betwixt them, agreed together of that two-faced god: as an indifferent and common witness to them both of the accord contracted between two Kings and two nations: and so erected unto him this Temple in that very place where now the ruins of *S. Katharine's* Church are to be seen.

Moreover there be who affirm, that *Cn. Drusius* vowed it, and *Tiberius* built it: but the variety of these opinions seemeth hereupon to arise: for that it is received and held for certain, that there were many *Janus* worshipped as gods by the posterity: whereas they in old time believed but one: so as that which is spoken of divers, is falsely supposed, as said of one. Which may be seen before, whereas we wrote of *Janus* with four fronts or faces, whose Temple was erected in the *Forum*. For it is said, that *Janus* was the first who erected Temples and ordained divine service and ceremonies for the gods: and therefore in sacrifices deserved the first place.

Pourtraited he is with a key and a wand: as who is the porter to keep the gates, and the guide to direct the ways.

*Augustus* besides, brought his image out of *Egypt* to *Rome*, and in the herb-market built a Temple in the honour of him.

To *Plautius* in the said herb-market, *M. Asinius Glabrio* dedicated a Temple in that very place where at this day standeth the Church of *S. Nicholas* in the prison: for even there *Ap. Claudius* the Decemvir by a decree of the Senat built a prison, for that the common goal (whereof we have written before) was not sufficient; and called it. The prison for the Commons of *Rome*: wherein himself afterwards being found guilty wrought his own death. In which also many years after, a certain filly poor woman of base and obscure parentage, being newly brought a bed, being apprehended for an heinous offence, was condemned to be starved to death. Her daughter, being a milk woman, and delivered lately of a child, made humble request to the goaler, that she might have leave to go to her mother: and when he had made straight search before, whether she brought with her any food; and saw her have nothing about her, let her in: and so she went and came many times. At the last, known it was that the prisoner within was nourished by the breast-milk of her daughter: whereupon the mother was delivered and set free; and both mother and daughter were allowed their food, ever after by virtue of a decree, at the Cities charges: and in regard of that kindness and affection of the child to the mother, they consecrated this place to the goddess *Pietas*. *Livy* suppoeth, that it was not the mother but the father that in this manner was by the daughter nourished.

## CHAP. II.

The herb-market: the Temple of Juno Matuta, and of Hope: the Oratory or Chappell of *Numa*: the Column called *Lactaria*: the Altar and Chappell of *Carmenta*.

This place hath the name of *Forum Holitorium*, for that therein is great store of worts and pot-herbs without the gate *Carmentalis*, where, where, in times past was the old market kept: and at this day called it is the street *Montanaria*.

Within the compass or the said market-place, *C. Cornelius* the Consul, in the time of the Gauls war, vowed a Temple to *Juno Matuta*: which afterward being *Censor*, he put out to building; in that very place where afterwards stood the Church of *S. Andrew*, surnamed in *Memoria*.

The same *C. Cornelius* built in the *Forum Holitorium* the Temple of *Hope*, and the same adorned with divers and sundry marbles: which afterwards *Collatinus* consecrated. Many a day after, it was smitten with lightning: and in the end set on fire and burnt.

A Column also there was in the same market-place, named *Lactaria*: unto which the sucking babes that were to be nourished with milk, were presented.

The Oratory of *Numa* stood in the bottom of *Argiletum*, near the theater of *Marcus*.

The Altar *Carmentalis*, consecrated by *Evander* to his mother *Carmenta*, stood before the gate *Carmentalis*.

In the same place also was the Chappell of *Carmenta* built by the matrons of *Rome*. At the first, she was called *Nicostrata*: but for that she delivered Oracles in verse, she took the name of *Carmenta*.

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## CHAP. III.

The fish-market, and the Temple of *Fortuna Virilis*.

The fish-market standeth along the *Tyber*, near to the *Forum Junium*, between the Churches of *S. Mary in Portico* and *Egyptiaca*, within the gate *Carmentalis*, not far from the *Forum Boarium*, i. e. the ox-market.

The Church of *S. Mary Egyptiaca* is at this day near the *Tyber*, and a bridge of the said name. Some go about to affirm and prove, that this was sometime the Temple of *Mercy*: others, of *Fortuna* and *Chastity*; but all in vain: for those Temples were not in this place, but in the ox-market: as for this Temple of *Fortuna Virilis*, whereof we now speak, it was near *Tyber*. In it stood the statue of *Serv. Tullius* made of wood and gilt all over, which in a great fire, where all things else were burnt, remained only safe and found.

## CHAP. IIII.

The Temple of *Vesta*, the *Saline*, and the arch of *Cocles*.

Near the Church of *Mary* surnamed *Egyptiaca*, there remaineth at this day a most ancient Temple, now dedicated to *S. Stephen*, the frame whereof is circular, and the pillars are set round about and bear up the roof: which being one entire piece of work, carrieth the whole Temple. Consecrated it was in old time to *Vesta*: and *Numa* taking that circular platform, from the Temple which was at *Alba*, made it with a lover in the top, having a hole to give light.

Howbeit, of this goddess her self there is no image nor resemblance: for that fire, whereof she is the goddess, can have no certain and permanent form. As for *Vesta*, the Latines call her so, because she is straited with divers and sundry things. Of the Greeks she is named *Isis*, for that her force and power appertaineth to altars and hearths where fire is kept. This is not the Temple wherein the sacred fire is preserved: but that whereof we spake before, which *Romulus* built between the *Capitol* and *Palatium*.

*Saline* were the store-houses of the salt which served the City: and they stood upon that bankside of *Tyber*, which from the foresaid Temple of *Vesta* reacheth into the *Arventine*.

The arch of *Horatius Cocles* stood at the very foot of the *Arventine* hill, where the rising thereof beginneth between the mount and the *Tyber*.

## CHAP. V.

The Forum Boarium.

Thereto from the beginning of this fourth book, are described those things which on the right hand of the *Tyber* were worth the noting. Now forward we will after our manner, run through all the memorable things which are on the left side of that river: and first, as concerning the beast-market.

The beast-market was near to *Velebrum* and *Janus*, between the mount *Palatine* and the Greek school, close to the Temple, now called *S. Gregorius* Church. In it there was a most ancient image in brass of a bull, whereupon some think it took the name *Boarium*. Others, for that oxen were there sold: or because they used in old time to sacrifice those kind of beasts there: or else, for that *Evander* in that place killed an ox in sacrifice to *Hercules*, for killing *Cacus* and recovering again his kine and oxen. In the same place were kept the instruments wherewith the Ministers belonging to sacrifices, the sacrificers also themselves, were furnished when they went about their sacrifice. In this market-place was the first fight exhibited of sword-fencers.

## CHAP. VI.

The Temple of *Hercules Victor*, and the Altar called *Maxima*.

The round Temple of *Jupiter Victor* was built in the beast-market, near the Greek school: where sometime *Evander* reared unto *Hercules* the altar called *Maxima*. This Temple (as they say) was so religious and venerable, that neither fire nor dog would enter into it. For *Hercules* at what time as he distributed a dole of flesh to his followers and ministers in his sacrifice, praised unto *Asygius*, [the god that gathereth flies.] He it is therefore that driveth away all flies from this Temple: and at the door thereof he left his club behind, which as soon as the dogs feel they run away far off: and thus unto the daies wherein *Pliny* lived it was free from flies and dogs. At the sacrifice and divine service of this *Hercules*, neither women nor bondslaves, nor yet freed men that had been in villenage might be present. At the last, this Temple was consumed in that fire which *Nero* the Emperour made.

Over and besides, *Evander* erected unto *Hercules* a statue, which was called, *Hercules Triumphant*, because so often as there was any triumph in the City it was clad with a mantle, and other habiliments of triumph.

All the time that *Evander* reigned *Hercules* had no more but an altar which they called *Maxima*: and this *Evander* reared unto him for killing of *Cacus*, and restoring his kine and oxen again.

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Upon this altar he sacrificed the tenth part of the fruit of his kine: for *Hercules* had given out and promised, That they should live an happy life who dedicated unto him the tenth part of their goods. Hereupon cometh the name of *Decima Herculeana*, i.e. *Hercules Tithes*.

## CHAP. VII.

The Temples of Chastity, Prosperous Fortune, Mutua, and Fort fortuna: of the place called *Vicus Publicus*, *Velabrum*: and the sepulchre also of *Acca Laurencia*.

Near to the Temple of *Hercules*, well known it is that a chappell was built by *Æmilius* to *Pudicitia Parisia*, i.e. Gentlewomens chastity. Now the image that represented this Saint, stood in the beast-market. To the service and sacrifices celebrated unto this goddess, virgins that were Commoners daughters might not come. And therefore a certain maiden of commoners degree, reared a chappell also to *Pudicitia Plebeia*. From the service and sacrifices thereof, the Patritian virgins were likewise debarred. Many other places & Temples besides were consecrated to *Pudicitia*.

The Temples of *Prosperous Fortune* and of *Mutua*, *Servius Tullius* consecrated in the beast-market: And that *Fortuna* he called *Proserpa*, which was not blind. In that place (say they) an Olive tree (sometimes flood, and upon a time when honey dropped and flowed from it, the Soothsayers gave order, that a little offer or box should be made of the wood thereof; wherein those lots were put and laid up, which by the direction of *Fortuna* were either handled or shuffled together by the hands of young boys: as if such should prove happy, fortunate, & excellent, *Servius Tullius* sacrificed all his aigs whatsoever to *Fortuna*, who being born of a bondswoman, had many times found good by her, and was in the end advanced to princely dignity. And hereupon he dedicated Temples to *Fortuna Primigenia*, *Majula*, *Conversens*, *Bona Sperans*, and *Videns*, as who would say she ruled and did all. Likewise, a Temple he consecrated to little *Fortuna*, signifying thereby, that nothing can happen unto us, be it never so small, but we must attribute it, as coming from the gods.

A Temple to *Mutua Camillus* vowed in the Veientian war and dedicated it: which long before that time *Servius Tullius* had erected. To *Mutua* and *Fortuna Primigenia* the Romans did sacrifice upon one and the self same day: and likewise in one and the same day both their chappels were burned and consumed with fire together. *Caraculus* the Consul caused a Temple to be made unto *Fortuna*, or *Fortis Fortuna*, near unto that of *Mutua*, of the money raised out of the spoil gotten from the *Tuscan*.

The street called *Vicus Publicus* began at the *Forum Boarium*, and went from thence unto the *Aventine*, as far as to the Temple of *Juno*. In this street near the said *Forum* was the Chappell of *Velabrum*, in that very place where now standeth the Church of *Saint Gregory* in *Velabrum*, so called.

*Aventine* hill was sometime separated from the other mountains by the *Tyber* between: for before that *Quintinus Priscus* turned the channel of *Tyber*, it brake out many times, and having found a frith or creek beat upon the foot of the *Aventine*. And therefore of necessity, whosoever would go to the *Aventine* was to make a fare, that is to say, by paying his quadrans, ferry over thither in a Wherry. Hereupon that place is at this day called *Velabrum*, & *Velutrum*, i.e. ferrying over, where sometimes the *Tyber* had wrought out a frith.

*Antius* hath left in writing, that the sepulchre of *Acca Laurencia* was in *Velabrum*.

## CHAP. VIII.

*Vertumnus* and his Temple: *Janus* with four faces: the house of *Africanus*: the Court or Palace *Sempronia*, and the wooll-shops.

Men in old time called *Vertumnus*, not only the god of buying, selling, and of fruits; but also him that ruled mens minds, so named *à Vertendo*, for that oftentimes he turned & changed this will and pleasure the purposes and thoughts of men another way far diverse. His Temple's image, they erected in the *Tuscan* street, near to the altars of *Ops* and *Ceres*. The festival daies of this god, celebrated in the month of *October*, are called *Vertumnalia*. Some there be that would have *Vertumnus* and *Janus* with four faces to be all one; upon this reason, for that they affirm the Temple of *Janus* aforesaid to be in *Velabrum*, whereas they build that of *Vertumnus*; But now that Temple whereof we have before spoken, upon four pillars beareth up one roof, and hath four gates besides, and in each forefront twelve little windows, which signifie the four quarters of the year, and the twelve months. In old time they put *Janus* before, in all sacrifices, and gave him that name *ab eundo*, i.e. going and hereupon the entries and doors of houses be called *Janua*.

Near the image of *Vertumnus* Pub. *Africanus* had an house, which *Sempronia* afterwards bought together with the wooll-shops, and built the palace which they call *Sempronia*, near the Temple of *S. Gregory* in *Velabrum*.

## CHAP. IX.

*Argiletus*: the house of *Cornelius*: *Æquilibrium*: the Chappell of *Suraquedry* or *Sheath*.

The *Argiletus* beginneth at the bottom of the *Tuscan* street, and endeth at the Theatre of *Marcellus*. But *Fabius Pictor* saith, it began at the head of the said *Tuscan* street, under *Calculus*, between

between it and the great *Lifts*, and so reacheth to the *Aventine*. The name it taketh of a kind of clay or loam, whereof there is plenty in that place: or else of one *Argus*, who being entertained as a guest by *Evander*, laid await for his life, intending after he had murdered him, to be King and reign himself. But the friends and company about *Evander* discovered his trains, and so he was by them slain. Unto him therefore *Evander* reared a tomb even there, and consecrated the place.

Now *Imus Argiletus* is jult by the Theatre of *Marcellus*. In this street were divers shops of artificers or artifices, and especially of Stationers or bookellers, and those they commonly called the *Argiletan* shops.

*Cornelius Domitianus* is said to have dwelt in *Velabrum*.

*Æquilibrium* is between *Velabrum* and the Capitol, near to the staplers and wooll-shops. The name arose hereupon, for that *Sp. Melius*, a Roman Citizen who aspired to be King, sometime there dwelt: who being detected of that crime, was killed, his goods confiscated, and his house laid level with the ground, and the plot where it stood by the Romans was made a void-yard.

The Temple of *Murtius* goddess of Idleness, was under the *Aventine*, upon the ascent of the hill called *Vicus Publicus*; in that part, whereas folk go up to the Church of *S. Prisca*. Hereupon the mount *Aventine* was sometimes called *Murtinus*.

Moreover, some there be that in this place would have the *Asylum* to stand; but we have shewed before that *Asylum* was first built by *Rom*, upon the Capitol. But in process of time, after that so great riches and wealth was gathered and laid up there in the Capitol, and that otherwhiles the Senat used there to meet and sit in council the *Rom*, thought it not with the safest for them that thieves, fellows, and other lewd infamous perions of all sorts, should come for refuge thither, and there abide: and therefore they supposed it better for their security to translate this privileged sanctuary to some other place. Whereupon not there alone, but in many other parts afterwards there began sanctuaries to be set up, not at *Rome* only, but also in other quarters of the world.

## CHAP. X.

*Circus* what it is, why it was so called, and for what cause ordained.

The place where games & exercises of disport were performed, was called the *Cirque*; so named, for that the scaffolds were built in circuit round about to behold the pastimes: and within that compass the said solemnities were exhibited: also for that the pomp was carried in show, and the horses ran about the goals there. Built it was round, but longwile like an arch or bow, having in the circuit about it steps one above another, with apt seats for the beholders, that one should not hinder the prospect of another in the midst were two marks or goals distant alike one from the other. Also the barriers or *carreres*, so called, because the horses stood there pent and kept in until the Magistrate gave the signal to begin the course.

Now these solemnities of games and plaies are festivals in the honour of their gods; for ordained they were first, and still are observed and kept, either for their birth-daies & nativities, or dedications of Temples. And at the very first verily were hunting and baiting of beasts, which they called (*Munera*) to the honour of *Saturn*. But the stage-plaies were due to *Liber*: the *Circensian* games to *Neptune* and *Ceres*. Thus these pastimes were assigned, some to these gods, and others to those; and in honour and memorial of them yearly solemnized. As for the games *Circensies*, they were so called, because when they were to be performed, they had the bank of the river of one side, and swords set to flank the other. But of these games, plaies, and solemn fights, *Sisinius* hath written at large.

## CHAP. XI.

The great show-place called *Circus Maximus*.

*Quintinus Priscus* instituted first this large circuit for running of races, and laid the foundation thereof between the two mounts *Aventine* and *Palatine*. But *Cæsar* was he that enlarged it, and made it more magnificent and stately. For being (as it was) three furlongs and an half in length, and four acres broad; it is thought that it was *Cæsar*'s and not *Tarquins*, who set it out to that largeness: and this foundeth like to a truth, considering that in *Tarquins* daies the City was not so populous, neither given so much to these shews and fights, as in the time of *Cæsar*; and therefore the place required not to great a compass of ground. Now this *Cirque* for three parts thereof to wit, the two sides and one of the ends, had a ditch digged ten foot deep, and as many broad: behind that ditch were galleries built three stories high: and these had seats made beneath with stone, and above of timber: all which galleries had one and the same bales for they closed together round like a globe. Able they were to receive a hundred and fifty thousand men. See more hereof in *Dionysius*, *Pliny*, *Livy*, and others who have written of the Roman Edifices. This *Cirque* *Augustus* adorned and beautified afterwards: for he made the barriers of marble, and gilded the goals, and many other ornaments he it out withal. Lastly, when it was decayed and fallen down, *Trajan* rectified it, made it more ample, and trimmed it up. Yea, and after him, *Heliogabalus* set thereto besides most fair and goodly Columns, and garnished them with gold, and paved the very floor with *Chrysolita*. But as touching the beauty of this *Cirque*, *Nazarius* writeth much. For, by report, so elegant it was, that men resorted to it, not so much to behold the exercises and masteries there, as the pleasant and delectable beauty of the place. *Maximus* therefore it was called, either because consecrated it was to *Vertumnus*, the

the greatest of the gods, or for the excellency and sumptuousness of the games: or else because in comparison of other Cirques, to wit, *Flaminius*, and the other called *Inimicus*, i.e. the inmost, this was the biggest. For *Pliny* hath left in writing, that it lay out in length three furlongs, and one in breadth, so as it would well serve for two hundred and sixty thousand men to sit within it.

## CHAP. XII.

*The Temples and Altars which we read to have been in the Circus Maximus, or about it.*

*Conus* is reported to be the god of Counsell, either for that he concealeth mens counsels, or openeth them unto men. This God had an altar in the great shew-place covered over which betokeneth, that counsell ought to be cloie and covert. For which cause, this altar as we read, was by the old Romans to him consecrated. For they at what time as they consulted about the ravishing of the Sabine maidens, fearing lest they should have been detected before the time de-dicated this altar to this god, and erected the portraiture and image of him thereon. Which altar vetily, either by some injury of the times, or through mens neglect of the gods, continued so foriet, as it the end it was altogether unknown where it stood. At length found it was again, and at all other times remained covered, but in the time of horse-runnings, and then it was uncovered and set open. To this god was the feast also instituted, called *Consualia*. And those disports and pastimes which they devised for the ravishment of the Sabine Virgins, were celebrated at this altar by certain Priests belonging to that god.

In like manner *Neptune*, surnamed the Chevalier, had a Temple in this *Circus Max.* which in the year of our Lord 1526 was found behind the Temple of *S. Anastasia* at the foot of the mount *Palatine*, in the very foundations of the *Circus*: for such marks and tokens were there to be seen, that by good evidences it appeared that this was the very Temple of *Neptune*. For the honour of this *Neptune*, the games *Circenses* were by men in old time solemnized.

Allie to *Genius* the guide and director of secret plots, they directed an altar in the great Cirque. Over and besides these, this Circle contained three other altars: one to the Great gods a second to the Penates; and a third to those gods of heaven and earth, from whom all things arise and have their beginning. These gods above said, the Romans called *Genii*, *Penates*, *Presidents*, and keepers of the City.

*Liber*, *Libera*, *Ceres*, and *Proserpina*, had their Temples about this place called *Circus Max.* which *Pompey* when he warred against the Latines, vowed and the same man upon his return with happy victory built and dedicated them accordingly.

To conclude, in the same compass were the Temples of the sun, and of *Flora*.

Moreover, a Temple there stood near this *Circus*, unto *Venus*, which *Q. Fabius Gurgus* the Cos, caused to be made of the money raised upon the fines of certain wives that were condemned for playing false with their husbands.

*Lucius* dedicated a Temple to *Juventus* without the great cirque, not far from that place.

In like sort, *Mercury* had a Temple near this *Circus Max.*

In *Plinius* daies there was seen in the *Circus Max.* the image of *Fortuna Seia*.

## CHAP. XIII.

*The Naumachy of the great Cir que.*

*Naumachy* is a place so called *ἐν ἀντίοις ταῖς ναύσι μάχιστρον*, i.e. for that in it they used to skirmish with ships. For there were places digged deep like ponds, where were represented some shews of navall fight for the exercise of the Roman youth, that they might know how to charge and annoy the enemy at sea also. And these kind of sports were exhibited and practised not in the cirques only, but also in the Amphitheatres.

## CHAP. XIV.

*The two Obelisks of the Cirque Max.*

The Obelisk (as *Marcellinus* testifieth) was a very huge and rough stone rising like a spire or brooch, by little and little to a mighty height: and that it might resemble a ray or sun-beam, it greweth smaller and smaller in fashion of a steeple, with four sides or edges, and in the top it is very narrow, and there made plain and smooth right artificially. In most of them are engraven and cut certain Hieroglyphick notes, and namely, such as testifie either the founder thereof, or else other memorable matters. Of these figures and characters, the same *Marcellinus* speaketh in this wise: Moreover, the infinite variety of forms and characters, called Hieroglyphicks which all about we see engraven, the ancient authority of the first learning did set forth and mark to. Thus much saith he. Now they drew and portraied therein sundry forms and shapcs of living beasts and birds, and oftentimes devised new and strange resemblances, whereby they referred and kept for their posterity whatsoever was memorable and worth remembrance. This manner continued not in *Egypt* only, but also in other parts of the world, untill such time as letters were found: and then this was given over. At the first one letter implied a whole word and one word went for a whole sent ence. But hereof ye shall find much in authors that have written of these characters. Moreover, as *Pliny* witnesseth, these Obelisks were made of the stone *Simithus*. Them they erected and consecrated

consecrated to the gods, and principally to the Sun: and therefore in hewing and cutting them, they resembled the sun-beams, as we said before. The first that ever devised these Obelisks, was *K. Methres*. At *Rome* were none of these Obelisks wrought and cut out, but brought thither from other parts, and so for beautifull shew and to wonder at were erected. Therefore in the Cirque afore said, called *Maximus*, two Obelisks were seen, one standing upright aloft, 80 foot high: the other lying along in the *Naumachy*: it carried in length a hundred and thirty foot and 8 inches, besides the base or footfall, which *Augustus* translated to *Rome* out of *Hieropolis* a City of *Egypt*: but when he would have set it up on end it fell down and brake in twain. This was hewn out of the quarry, by King *Sannefreus*, in whose reign *Pythagoras* was in *Egypt*.

## CHAP. XV.

*The arch of Settimius in the Cirque. The place of the Tuberos in the Cirque. The shews; the house of Pompey, and the fountain of Juturna.*

*Settimius* having made conquest of *Spain*, brought great store of money into the City chamber: And of the spoils taken from enemies, he reared two arches: the one in the beast-market, called *Forum Iulium*; the other in the great shew-place, named *Circus Maximus*. Upon these arches he set golden images, and other ornaments to beautifie them.

The house and family of the *Helii* was none of the wealthiest, but yet of great credit and estimation with the Romans. Among whom there was to great concord & unity, that 16 of them at one time dwelt and agreed well together in one and the same house. For their singular prowess and worthy acts they were allowed by the Senat and people of *Rome* a castle by themselves in all the shew-places and Theatres, to behold all fights and masteries of activity.

About the *Circus Maximus* stood the shews and brothel-houses, where sometimes harlots and naughty-packs kept, such as made profession of whordom. But this place was afterwards laid even with the ground, and is now a void place.

The house of *Pompey* was near the *Circus Max.* & therein was the statue of *Hercules* erected. The fountain or well of the nymph *Juturna*, is yet (as some think) to be seen, boiling up in the *F. Iulium* near the common sick or vault called *Maxima*.

## CHAP. XVI.

*The Septizonium of Severus.*

Here should follow by course after the great Cirque, the sixt part of the City, namely, the mount *Calvus*. But because we meet with the *Septizonium* of *Severus*, & the arch of *Constantine* (before we come to *Calvus*) between it and the mount *Palatine*, something would first be spoken of them, especially being so excellent building as they are. The *Septizonium* therefore is a mighty mount or terrace raised from the plain ground 4 square, compassed about with seven articles, that is to say, courses of rows of pillars one above another, yielding as it were as many porches of galleries: and in this order they are disposed, that at the higher the pillars stand, the lesser and shorter they be. In the midst hereof, four wals arise, containing within them certain hollow places like cabinets. In the top thereof were bestowed and laid the ashes of Kings and Emperors deceased. *Jul. Capitolinus* nameth this mount *Septodium*, for the Greeks call places much frequented; whereunto many waies lead, *Heptodia* of *ἑπτά, ε. seven*, and *ἰός, i.e. a way*. *Pliny* calleth it *Septisolum*, of seven lofts or solars. For in every course thereof the columns meet together in the head with marbles trionomes. Other beams there be besides, reaching inward from them to the mount it self, so as every such course yielded a stage like a gallery or walking place. Two of these *Septizonia* we read there were at *Rome*, to wit, the one of *Titus* in the street called *Via nova*, of right great antiquity, not far from this of *Severus*: of which at this day there is to be seen no shew or token at all. The other of *Severus*, whereof there remain still, over against *S. Gregories* Church 3 Zones or girdles (as it were) of curious work for the beauty and statelines of the pillars worth the seeing, and pleasant to behold. Reared it was in the broad street called *Appia*, and built by *Severus* himself. That which now is left thereof, leaneth out so, as it seemeth ever and anon ready to fall.

## CHAP. XVII.

*The triumphant arch of Constantine the Emperor.*

These triumphant arches were erected for them only, who having subdued whole Provinces or conquered forraign nations & obtained brave & fortunate victories, seemed worthy of triumph, and thereupon they are called Triumphant arches. Upon these arches for the perpetual and everlasting memorill of acts achieved, were cut and engraven the portraitures of the very places where the war was performed: the resemblances of Fabricks and ranged battels, if the service was on land; and of ships if it were at sea. Howbeit, untill the time of the Emperors, no man raised any arches, and in *Plinius* daies they began first to be built: so as that of *Titus* is of all others most ancient. For before their age, only statues and trophies were set up. But in process of time following, many of these arches were raised: among which, that of *Constantine* is to be seen above the rest, at the corner of the mount *Palatine*, near the Theatre, beautified with triumphall ornaments, and



and remaineth at this day in a manner sound and whole without any hurt. This arch *Constantine*  
erected for himself, upon the victory which he obtained over *Maxentius* at the bridg *Milvius*,

CHAP. XVIII.  
Cælius the mount, and Cæliolus.

**T**He mount *Calvus* in old time was named *Querquetulanum*, for the number of oaks there growing; but afterwards it was so called of one *Calvus Vibennus*, a Duke of the Tulcan nation, unto whom the Romans granted a place in that mountain to inhabit. For when as the Tulcan people, by reason of their multitude, and the strong fenced places which they held, were suspected, commanded they were to remove into a street which of themselves was named *Thulcum*. But such as were without suspicion, kept the hill *Catholus* or *Calculus*, i. e. the little *Calvus*; a place where sometime the goddess *Diana* was worshipped: and at this day there standeth the Chur h consecrated to *S. Evangeliste* the virgin. This mountain afterwards by *Tiberius* was named *Augustus*.

CHAP. XIX.

*The Temples of Faunus, Venus, and Cupid: the Comit Hostilia: the forrain camp: the house of the  
Latiens: the Palace of Constantine and Casorianus: the horseman statue of L. Verrius.*

**V**Pontheridge or side of the mount *Celins* there standeth a round Church, now patronized by S. Stephen, but hallowed and consecrated in times past to *Fannus*, *Fannus* he was called, & *quinte*, for that he foretold things to come by voice and not by signs, The Albans in old time inhabited that part of the hill, where at this day the Church stands of S. Mary Dominick.

In the hill *Calvus* stood sometimes the Temples of *Venus* and *Cupid*, not far from the gate *Nazareth*, where now is the Church of the holy Cross in *Hierusalem*.

The Court *Hofstia* was in two places of *Rome*, the one in the common *Forum*, hard by the Temple of *Peace*, where King *Hofstius* first dwelt, the other in that place, where afterwards the Church of *S. John* and *S. Paul* was built.

A place there was in the mount *Cælius* called *Castra Peregrina*, toward the Northeast and the *Esquilæ*, where at this time the Church of the four crowned Saints is frequented.

The house of the Laterans also was built upon the same mount, at the Palace or stately Hall of the Laterans.

The Palace of *Flavius Constantinus*, near the house of the Laterans, stood between the gates *Calimontanus* and *Gabiusa*.

The Palace of *Casorianus* was built at the gate *Navia*, and the Church of S. *Holy-cross* in *Hierusalem*.

In the street called *Lateranensis*, stood the statue on horseback of *L. Verrius*. Some say it was made for *M. Aurelius Antoninus*, others, for *Septimius Severus*.

CHAP. XX.  
*Of the Amphitheatres, and first of that of Statilius Taurus.*

Now it followeth to speak of the Amphitheatre of *Stailius Taurus*, but before we write there-  
 of, it would be briefly shewed what an Amphitheatre is. Now this word *Amphitheatrum*  
 cometh from *Ἀμφί*, & *θέατρον*, i.e. of looking round about: for two prospectes joyned in one, make  
 the form of an hemisphere or half circle. Some think, that *Tirus* devised the Amphitheatre first, but  
 somewhat prove, that *C. Cæsar* built the first that ever was in *Mars* field: but by the authority  
 of *Suetonius* it is proved that *Stailius* reared one Amphitheatre before *Tirus*.

In these Amphitheatres were prizes and rewards propounded to them that would fight with beasts. Condemned persons likewise yielded there to the eyes of men a horrible and fearful sight to behold, for thither were those prisoners brought by the Lords, within that enclosure to wrestle and maintain conflict with wild beasts.

Moreover, the Emperors before they took their journey to any war or expedition, exhibited unto the people in their Amphitheatres shews of sword-fencers at the sharp for life and death, to the end, that the soldiers should be acquainted with fight, and learn not to be afraid of weapons of wounds, nor, nor of bloudshed, nor to draw back and avoid the perils of war to come; for the novelty and strangeness thereof. A great part of *Sextilius his Amphitheatrum*, is yet to be seen near the walls at *S. Croces Church in Hierusalem*. And at the same time he built it, when *Augustus Cæsar* encouraged and exhorted the Citizens of *Rome*, every man according to his ability to beautify and adorn the City.

## CHAR. XXI.

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The water conduits why they were devised, by what means waters were conveyed into the City,  
to what purpose; by whom first, and how many.

**T**He City of Rome in the beginning, as hath been said in the first book, was but narrow of compass, and contained within small bounds; and the people for commodity and store of water, settled

## CHAP. XXII.

*The conduit or conveyance of Aqua Claudia*

**C**laudia began two conduits, but left them unfinished when he died, *Claudius* the Emperor of famous memory took them in hand again, and in most magnificent manner made an end. To the one of them, namely, which beginning at the fources of springs called *Ceruleus* and *Curtius*, was drawn to the City, he gave the name *Aqua Claudia*; the other, for difference sake of the two conduits of *Anio* he called his own, or the new *Anio*; and distinct it was from that which is named old *Anio*. The water *Claudia* therefore was brought from the gate *Nevia*, along the side of the mount *Calvus* into the *Avenius*. A part also thereof *Caracalla* derived into the Capitoli hill.

## CHAP. XXIII.

*Of those things which now in mount Cælius are not known where they stood.*

**B**efore the Consul having expelled *Tarquinius*, built a Temple to the goddesses *Ceres* in mount *Calvus*, to which goddess also, upon the accomplishment of his prayer and vow, he offered sacrifice. They in old time supposed that she had power over the vital members of the body and to her they committed those parts, and that she should preserve them safe, they did sacrifice upon her altars, and presented oblations.

*Agrippina* likewise began to build a Temple to *Claudius Caesar*, which after her death *Vespasian* finished, and *Nero* utterly destroyed to the very foundation: this also was erected in the same hill.

*Manura Formicans*, Master of *Casari* Carpenters in *France*, was the first Roman that adorned  
 set out his house which he had in *Celins* hill with marble rough-cast. Moreover, the house of  
*Claudius Gentilis* stood upon the said hill, Also the house of the *Thetrici*, who were two of the  
 thirty tyrants. Likewise the house of *Junius* Senator, wherein, when as all other edifices and build-  
 ings upon that mountain were consumed with fire, the image of *Tiberius* remained unthru. There  
 also it is said of *Titus Claudius Cyprian*, the maker of hymns. In this hill was the great *Macellum*,  
 the cave or den of *Cyclops*, the *Spoilorium* and the armorv.

## CHAP. XXIV.

The waist Appia, and Nova, The Temples of Isis, Vertue, Honour, Quirinus or Mars, and the river Almo.

Now follow those places which are worth the remembrance upon the hill *Calvus* toward the *Aventine*. And therefore the way or street called *Appia* we meet with first, which taking the beginning from the arch of *Constantine*, reacheth as far as *Brundisium*: and because afterwards it was paved and repaired by *Caracalla*, it took the name of *Nova*, i. e. the new causey. But that which properly is called *Nova* beginneth at the gate of *Palatine*, and along the foot of the *Palatine* hill, over the great Cirque called *Maximus*, stretcheth out as far as to the lowest fish-pool, where now standeth the Church of *S. Sixtus*. Many other streets there were, called *Nova*. Take heed therefore that in their names you be not deceived, and lest ye think that to be spoken of one, which oftentimes was meant of many.

Between the Church of *Sixtus*, the Fish-pools, and the ruins of the Antonian baths, there was the Church of *Isis Autendiorica*, built by *Antonius Bassianus*.

The Temple of Honour and Vertue, not far from the street *Appia*, was vowed by the father of *Marcus Marcellus* at *Clusidium* in Gaul: and seventeen years after dedicated by his son *Marcellus*.

Two Temples there were of *Mars*, one called the Temple of *Quirinus* within the City, near to the gate of that name, the other upon the way *Appia* without the City.

The river *Almo* runneth along the way *Appia*, under the foot of the *Aventine* into the *Tyber*. It beginneth ten miles from the City in the territory *Marinum*: which commonly afterwards they called the river of *Appia*. In this river the goddess named the mother of the gods, was every year wont to be washed by her Priests, called *Galli*.

## CHAP. XXV.

Of baths and bains in generall.

*Therma* properly hath the signification from a Greek word, *θερμη*, which betokeneth hot. But we use to call those places which either having hot waters, or without them are heat with a stoup, appointed either to wash and bath, or to sweat, by the Greek name *Therma*. That the Romans used in old to bath and wash themselves often than we now daies, is testified by many and divers authorities of writers: and for sundry causes they were wont so to do [as yet the manner is amongst us] namely to scour away sweat, or to wash dust off, in like sort for health and pleasure: whereby it came to pass, that every man, if he were but of mean wealth, had in a manner a privat bath or hot-house by himself: but the same were devised and contrived after divers and sundry sorts. For many publike baths there were ordained for the common people to use at their pleasure. *Serv. Orata* invented first and made the pendant or hanging baths. But after that riot and superfluity abounded in excels, the bathing houses were built with wonderful cost and magnificence, so as they seemed to keep no mean nor measure as appeareth by the very reliques and ruins thereof at this day. And those places where they built these baines and hot-houses they called *Therma*; which contained within them divers places, and an infinite number of roomes, bearing sundry names, and serving to as many uses. For some were appointed to heat water (and those were round built) from whence hot water was let into the baines, not to them only that were on the ground beneath, but also to those which were pendant and hanging aloft: which water after they had done washing, being foul and good for nothing was conveyed by certain pipes and spouts into the finks. They had other rooms also called *Apoditeria*, wherein they that were to go into the bath put off their cloaths and laid them by. In the same places were court-yards, having about them most spacious porches or cloisters, built with arched and embowed roofs most stately: wherein were marble pillars, garnished with divers and sundry colours. In like manner pavements of stone, and walls seeld and hung with marble tables. Also close walking galleries, groves, and swimming places, all for the pleasure and contentment of the people, where they might refresh and solace themselves. These delights so drew and allured mens minds, as that they would wash oftentimes in one day, yea, and in these baines the Princes were wont to sup and bath with other persons whosoever, as it fell out. They had besides private baths to themselves most sumptuously built, and gorgeously set out. And namely, *Antoninus Caracalla*, at his own charges edified certain baths, which by his name were called *Therma Antonina*. The huge ruins thereof are yet to be seen: some of the pillars still stand, others are thrown down. Some say, they were begun only by *Antoninus*, but finished and adorned by *Severus*. They stood about the foot of the *Aventine*, near the street-way leading to *Ardea*, where now is the Church of *S. Balbina*. Under these baths there stood a most goodly Palace, built by the same *Antoninus*, but at this day there is scarce any example or shew thereof.

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## The fifth Book.

## CHAP. I.

The Etymology of the mount Aventine.

The *Aventine* is of the Roman hills the fourth in order. The compas and form whereof, because we have already described in the first book, needles here it is to repeat. But it remaineth to declare, how it came so called, what Temples of the gods, and what other edifices be therein. The *Aventine* therefore, some think, took the name of birds which were wont to flie unto this hill, there to nestle: others, of a King of the Albans, slain and buried there. There be again who suppose, that the Sabins, who being by the Romans enfranchised Citizens, there settled and made abode, gave the name to this hill of *Avantes*, a river in their Province. *Varro* affirmeth that it was so called of a ferryage: For as it hath been said a little before, this mount was divided from the rest, and from the City by certain lakes and the *Tyber*, whereupon, they that would go to it used to ferry over in small punts or wherries. Some guess, that it came to have that name of resort unto it, for that the Latines used in great frequency to repair unto the holy Temple of *Diana* there. *Remmius* also it was named of *Remus*, who chose a place in the top thereof to sit for to take the sight of birds for Augury, and in the end was there entered: *Romulus* therefore commanded that it should not be inhabited, because he would have had it wholly consecrated to his brother. This hill *Ancus Marcius* afterward compassed with a wall, and granted leave to as many as would there to dwell: howsoever, there be some that think it stood void until the time of *Claudius* the Emperor of happy memory, as being an ominous place and unfortunat, by reason of foul birds that haunted it, and therefore not to be received within the walls. But the truth is, when the Romans grew populous, they joynd this mountain also to the rest of the City.

## CHAP. II.

The Temples of *Diana*, *Dea bona*, *Hercules Victor*, *Queen Juno*, *Moneta*, *Luna*, *Victory*, *Minerva*, and *Liberty*. The Altar of *Jupiter Elicius*.

In the top of mount *Aventine* toward the *Tyber*, there standeth the Church of *S. Sabina*, that very place where aforetime was the holy chapel of *Diana*. The feast and holiday of bondslaves was wont to be kept at Rome the thirteenth day of *August*, for upon that day *Servius Tullius*, whose mother was a bond-woman, consecrated a Temple to *Diana* in *Aventine*, and ordained it to be a festival day for bond-servants, who as yet were patronized by *Diana*. Some think that this chapel was built by *K. Ancus* of that money which the Citizens conferred and contributed, who lately had been translated thither from *Politorium*. This Temple was common unto all the Latines, whereupon oftentimes they resorted thereunto.

Very near unto that place stood the Church of *S. Mary*, called *Aventina*. But in times past the place was consecrated to the goddess *Bona*, i. e. good. For *Claudia* a vestall virgin or Nun, built a chapel unto her in the honour of *Fauna*, a sister of *Faunus*, a most chaste maid.

Upon the same bank and brow of the hill, where at this day *S. Alexius* Church standeth, was sometime the Temple of *Hercules Conqueror*. And near unto it another of *Juno Regina*, built by *Camillus* with the pillage got in *Veii*. In the ruinat place of *Decius* the Emperors bains there was a Temple also of *Hercules*, where the Christians afterwards consecrated a Church to *S. Prisca*.

On the side of the *Aventine* hill stood the chapel likewise of the Moon, as *Ovid* doth witness. Thus much of those buildings in the *Aventine*, which had a certain place thereupon in our knowledge: the rest following were doublets in the *Aventine*, but in what part thereof they stood, it is unknown after so long time, and namely, the Temple of *Victory* built by the Arcadians, and in honour of whom they offer sacrifice yearly. *Minerva* and *Juno* had their Temples there in the same hill, by the testimony of approved authors. To *Liberty* a Temple was built and dedicated by the father of *T. Gracchus*, with the money taken for fines and forfeitures. The cloister belonging to that Temple was by *Julius Pains* and *Cornelius Cethegus* Censors repaired and enlarged, and last of all by *Pollio* also re-edified. Now this *S. Liberty* the Romans honoured above all others, and in defence and maintenance thereof, they ever shewed themselves most resolute and constant.

Upon the same hill, *Numa* reared the altar of *Jupiter Elicius*, so called *ab eliciendo*, i. e. of fetching out secrets and hidden mysteries.

In like manner there stood an old altar of *Murcia* in that hill. Now they named *Venus Murcia*, of the Myrtle tree consecrated unto her: or as some interpret, because *Venus*, immoderate and excessive, maketh a man to be *Murcus* or *Marcus*, i. e. sluggish, sloathful, idle, and good for nothing.

The Temple of *Juno Moneta* was likewise built and dedicated upon that hill.

*Camillus* in the same mount consecrated a chapel to dame *Matuta*.

The wood or grove, also called *Laurentum* or *Laurentina*, consecrated unto *Jupiter*, was there: in which Emperor *Valentinian* [the second] son of *Constantine*, and *Galla Placidia* was slain, as *Pliny* witnesseth.

## CHAP. III.

Cacus, and his hole or Cave.

**C**acus, by report of the Poets, was the son of *Vulcan*, whom they believed in old time to breathe out of his mouth fire and smook. This *Cacus* infested the places near unto him with robbing and spoiling. But more probable it is, that he was a most lewd and theivish servant of *Evander*, and therefore the Arcadians called him *vandy, i. e. naught*. A cave he haunted, as by very good conjectures is certainly gathered, in *Aventine* toward *Tyber*, over-against the Church of *S. Mary Aventine*, whereas the river runneth nearest to the hill, and whereas there hangeth over a vast and huge craggy rock, as fit a place as might be to make a starting hole and cave for such an one, and near it is to the gate *Trigemina*. Him when *Hercules* had killed and sacrificed, he reared an altar unto *Jupiter Inventor*, near to the said cave or den.

## CHAP. IIII.

The *Armilustrum*, and some other things in generall.

**A***rmilustrum* was a place where souldiers shewed themselves and their armor, and where they used to mutter; where also in their arms they sacrificed and did service to their gods, with resounding loud trumpets. Some would have it to be in the *Aventine*, others in the *Cirque Maximus*: but that matters not much. Hither the souldiers used to repair when they were returned from war, and here they laid up their harness and weapons. For armor of their own and in their privat custody the Romans had not, to use in the wars: but delivered all up to be kept safe either in the *Armilustrum*, or the tower or castle upon the rock *Tarpeia*.

In *Aventine*, near the Temple of *Juno Regina*, was the *Scala Gemonia*, that is to say, a steep place with a downfall; where wicked malefactors, drawn with a crook, were most miserably executed and killed.

There stood sometime this hill, near the Temple of *Diana*, the house of *Phyllis*.

A part of this mountain was called *Kemuria*; in which *Remus* chose to dwell in: and being there by his brother *Romulus* committed to the earth, he gave it his name.

The Senat and people of *Rome* built in this mountain, to the honour of *Decius* the Emperor, the baths called *Deciana*, and others also near them, named *Variana*. Moreover, the baths of *Trajan* were in this place, where now the vineyard of *Francus Albertinus* is.

The caves of *Faunus* and *Picus* also were in the *Aventine*, as fables report, *Italus* likewise dwelt in the *Aventine*, as *M. Cato* recordeth.

The Temples and edifices of this hill all in generall were (by report) burnt in the daies of *Tiberius*, sometime Emperor.

## CHAP. V.

The sheard hill, and other things within that compass.

**T**he plain and levell ground between *Aventine*, *Tyber*, and the City wall, hath four sides, but uneven; in which there riseth a little hill, commonly called *Tessacens*. The whole compass hereof will hardly be measured with 2000 paces; the height is about 160 foot. It resembleth in shew the form of a gourd; and the one side of it which regardeth the *Tyber* is broader than the other. Near to this hill was the glais-makers freet (and the potters) also the carpenters habitation. And no man doubteth, but hereupon arose and grew the mount called *Tessacens*. For in old time, at *Rome* and elsewhere, as also in some places now adaies, much use there was commonly of earthen vessels made by potters: which even by this may be certainly collected, for that in *Numa's* daies there were four colleges or societies of potters: and these made of clay, not only vessels, but also the images of the gods, and ornaments to beautifie and set out their Temples: pillars and wals were by potters work seled in the outside, nay, the very dead-bodies were bestowed in coffins of baked clay. Since then, in so great store of earthen vessels and potters work, much of necessity must needs be broken, which if they had been cast abroad in the corn-field and pasture grounds, would have made all barren and unfruitful; again, if they had been thrown into the water, would in time have choaked up the channell of the current, and forced the river to swell and overflow the banks: *Numa* therefore commanded this kind of workmen to dwell in one place, and gave order to fling all that was good for nothing, as slith, riff, raff, and broken sheards into one place: whereupon, in proces of time arose a mount which they called *Tessacens*. Among these potters there was a place hallowed to *Venus Myrten*, as we find in some records.

## CHAP. VI.

The Pyramids; the sepulchre of *C. Cestius*, and the garners of the people of *Rome*.

**T**he Pyramids were huge towers four-square, rising up in height, sharp like to a flane, whereof they have the name *τὰς πυρῆς*, i. e. of fire. But *Stephanus* supposeth they were so called, *τὰς πυρῆς*, i. e. of wheat, because into that place where they were erected, wheat was brought out of

of all *Egypt*; which made a great dearth of corn. These at the beginning were reared by the Kings of *Egypt*, thereby to spend and consume their superfluous wealth and substance, whereof they had no use; for fear lest if they had gathered goods, and heaped up a deal of gold, silver, and other riches, they should thereby have given occasion unto some for to lie in wait to take their lives away: also, that the common people should not live in idleness. Afterwards, at *Rome* likewise they bestowed their money thereupon, for to make the world wonder, and to shew their vain-glory. There is yet one of them to be seen, standing upright at the gate *Hofstiensis*, enclosed within a wall. And commonly it is said, that it was the monument or sepulchre of *C. Cestius*, one of the seven Septemvirs, called *Epalones*. But *Blondus* would seem to prove, that it was the place for buriall of the whole Colledge and Society of those Septemvirs *Epalones*. Now were they called *Epalones*, who had the power to ordain and make feasts and solemn bankets to the gods.

It is written, that there were 140 garners of the people of *Rome*, between the mount *Tessacens* and *Tyber*.

In the same compass of ground near *Tyber* was the lake or pool *Hylerna*. Some also affirm, that there stood sometime in that quarter a little town called *Capena*.

## CHAP. VII.

The sweating steeple, and the image of *Jupiter*.

**B**y cause the *Esquilie* should next follow; but because it lieth between the way *Labicana* on the South-east side, and the valley (which for the breadth of 400 foot enloseth that way) on the West we will rehearse what memorable things forever there be in the *Labican* way and the valley aforesaid, before we come to the mount *Esquilie*. In our return therefore to the triumphall arch of *Constantine*, whereof we spake before, we will as we go discourse of the rest. Near then unto this arch there appeareth the half rundle or circumference of an old steeple made of brick; which *Visitor* calleth the sweating steeple: for that the report goeth, how sometime there gushed water out of it: whereby the common people, standing to behold the games and plaies in the next scaffolds of the Theatre until they were almost quenched their drought.

In the top hereof stood the brazen image of *Jupiter*, because their ancestors in old time were wont when they made solemn leagues to use the image of *Jupiter*. But for that it was a trouble either to carry with them or to send the said image, especially if they were to contract and establish any accords in far remote countries, therefore instead of the compleat image they took the scepter only; which might betoken *Jupiter* the King of the gods, as well as if he had been there present full and whole.

## CHAP. VIII.

The Amphitheatre of *Titus Vespasianus*. The Temples of *Fortune* and *Quies*.

**B**etween the two hills *Colinus* and *Esquilie* was there an Amphitheatre. This *Vespasian* built first, and afterward *Titus* his son dedicated and beautified it with the baines, built near unto it with sight great celerity and speed. This Amphitheatre was commonly called *Colosseum*, of *Nero's Colossus*, which was set up in the porch of *Nero's* house. In the same place of the Theatre were the pooles before time of *Nero*, whereof we will speak hereafter in this very book. This Amphitheatre they called also *Arenas*, i. e. the Sand-floor, because the ground was spread over and laid with sand, that the wrestlers might fall soiter and take less hurt, also that the blood should be drunk up, so the end that the sword-fencers in combat might not be afraid upon the sight thereof, and so with less cheerfulness and courage let upon their competitors: and last of all, that the champions, whose bodies were anointed with oyl, being bestrewn with the sand, might with more ease take hold one of another. The whole Theatre and place itself within (which during those daies of the games was covered over with tent-cloth) would receive 80000 men. But hereof see more in *Pliny*, *Pomponius Latius*, and other writers of the Roman acts.

*Fulvius Flaccus* built unto *Fortune* (last by this Amphitheatre) so goodly a Temple, as for state and magnificence there was hardly another in all *Rome* comparable unto it. Besides it, there were many other chappels at *Rome* consecrated to *Fortune*.

Likewise a Chappell of *Quietnes*; and rest was built in the broad street *Labicana*.

## CHAP. IX.

Of *Esquiliz*.

**T**he mount *Esquilie*, as well by *Varro* as others is divided into many parts, and each part thereof took name of those captains who in times past, before the City of *Rome* was built, there inhabited. For one was called *Cispinus*, another, *Oppius*, and a third, *Seppius*. But hereof *Varro* writeth at large. The posterity following changed those names as we shall hereafter hear. Some think that *Esquilie* took the name of *Excubie*, i. e. watch and ward. For when *Romulus* had no very great trust in *Tatius*, he used to have a standing watch by night, for fear he should be secretly forsaken and killed, or else turned out of his kingdom. Others suppose it was so named of foulers, who there used to cast forth chaff, and such refuse of light corn, to beguile and catch the poor birds.

The side of the hill toward the broad way *Laticlavus*, which lieth between the Churches of the 40 martyrs of *S. Clement*, *S. Peter* in *Vincula*, and *S. Martin*, was called by the name of *Carina*, as *Livy* seemeth to testify. From that part therefore, because it was first inhabited, we shall do well to begin our treatise.

## CHAP. X.

The *Carina*, the old *Curia* and the new.

These *Carina*, according to their model and form were houses like to keels of ships, standing within the temple of *Jellus*. Their ruins are yet to be seen near the Church of *S. Peter* in *Vincula*, &c. in bonds.

Near to that place was the old *Curia* built by *Romulus*; but the new was erected near to *Comitum Fabricium*, &c. the Quarrefour or cross way of *Fabricius*.

## CHAP. XI.

The bairns of *Titus* and *Philip*; the statue of *Laocoon*; the Palace of *Vespasian*; the houses of *Balbicus* and *Pompey*.

There remain yet to be seen the tokens and prints (as it were) of *Titus* the Emperors bairns, not far from the Church of *S. Martin* in the hills: for there be great cisterns to receive water, which at this day be called *Septem Sala*, according to the number of those cisterns: and so far reached the house of *Nero*, called *Aurea*, &c. golden.

Not far from thence, in the year of our Lord 1506 one *Felix* a Citizen of *Rome*, chanced to find in his vineyard the statue of *Laocoon*, made by those excellent workmen, *Agessander*, *Polydorus* and *Athenodorus*, *Rhodiums*, who with wonderful cunning portrayed and cut most artificially in one intricate stone, *Laocoon* himself, his children and the admirable windings and foldings of the serpents about them. And now at this day is to be seen at the Vatican, in the palace of *Vespasian* next the said bairns of *Titus*. See more of this you may in *Pliny*. As for the story it self, most leasrnedly and lively it is set out by *Virgil*, and there to be read. Behind these bairns of *Titus*, between East and North, the ruins of others besides are thought verily to be those of *Philip* the Emperor.

Above the bairns of *Titus*, some set *Hadrian's* bairns; for that this place is yet called *Hadrianus*. By the testimony of *Lampridius* it appeareth that *Balbinus*'s house was in *Carina*. There also was *Pompey's* house, in which *Lucretia* his freed-servant taught grammar.

## CHAP. XII.

The cliff *Virbius*; the house of *Servius Tullius*; the golden one of *Nero*; and that of *Virgil*. *Mecenas* his tower and hortiards; the Temples of *Fortune* and *Felicity*.

That part of the *Esquilina*, which overlooketh the Church of *S. Laurence* in *Fontana*, is named *Clivus Virbius*; there also is the grove *Fagualis*, wherein stood the mansion house of *Servius Tullius*.

*Nero's* house, called *Golden* took up all that space, which from that quarter wherein now *Saint Gregory's* Church standeth, lay between *Constantines* arch, the *Colosseum*, the *Carina Esquilina*, and *Mecenas* hortiards. His house before was in his own fire wherewith he burnt the City consumed also; and when he re-edified it anew, he called it *Aurea*. The spacious largeness wherof was such, that it had about it three porches of a mile compass apiece. It contained also a pool like another sea: walled it was about, and resembled a very City. There were to it belonging bolts and hamlets country-like, vineyards pastures, woods, and beasts both tame and wild of all sorts. The house and the porches were double gilded all over, and set out with precious stones, and in one word there was nothing wanting that might serve for pleasure or prodigall riot.

In the entry of this house there stood an huge image giant-like, called a *Colossus*, 20 foot high. After *Nero's* death, dedicated it was to the sun, and then changed the name. Now men think it was called *Colossus* after his name who was the first deviler of all such statues.

Within the same house *Nero* included also the chappell of *Fortune*. This goddess being made of the stone *Phengites*, when all the doors were shut, gave light to the whole house within: such raies of radiant brightness casteth this kind of stone from it. This goddess *Servius Tullius* first consecrated, and of *Segetes*, &c. standing corn, called her *Seia*.

At the bairns of *Dioclesian*, there is a street-way leading up to *S. Antonies* Church in *Esquilina*, where stood sometime a most noble tower of *Mecenas* within his own hortiard; for those most pleasant hortiards were in the plain of *Esquilina*. Here-within was *Priscus* worshipped: upon which ill-favored Idol *Virgil* hath played much in verse.

Near the hortiards of *Mecenas* stood the said *Virgil's* house.

The Temple of *Felicity*, which took up a part of that plot where *Nero's* Gold-house should stand was by him burnt.

Above those gardens or hortiards of *Mecenas* was raised a wonderful piece of work, called *Aggeres Tarquinius Superbi*, &c. *Tarquinius* bulwarks.

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## CHAP. XIII.

The Palace of *Sisinnius*; the plain and market place of *Esquilina*; the grove *Querquetulanus*; also that of *Juno Lacinia*, and of *Mars*; the chappell and altar of *Ill-Fortune*.

The palace of *Sisinnius* in *Esquilina* stood (as they say) where the Church of *S. Mary* the greater now is.

The plain or field *Esquilina*, near the tower of *Mecenas* (called *Inter montes*); among the hills, is between the foresaid bulwarks and the City wall. This plot of ground was in times past called *Esquilina*; because dead bodies were therein burnt. But when the stinking steam thereof was noisome to the City, the Citizens and *Augustus Caesar* by a general consent gave the field unto *Mecenas*, where he made his goodly hortiards, and most dainty gardens. Of which *Cicero*, with other, speaketh much.

In like manner, the market place *Esquilinum* was in the same hill.

That side of the *Esquilina* which looketh toward the grove *Querquetulanus* had in it the grove of *Juno Lacinia*.

In the same *Esquilina* was the chappell and altar of *Ill-Fortune*.

In the way which goeth to the gate *Inter aggeres*, even in the very bulwarks or rampiers of *Tarquinius* stood the arch of *Gordian* made of marble, garnished also and set out with ornaments of triumph. Of the ruins thereof was *S. Gregories* Church in *Damasus* built.

## CHAP. XIV.

The cliff *Suburrans*; the arch of *Calenus*; the shambles or flesh-market of *Livia*, or as some would have it, *Livianum*; the *Fransfina* way; and the *Trophies* of *Marius*.

At the top or upper end of *Suburra* was the *Clivus Suburrans*, so called of *Suburra*, yielding anon easie ascent from thence up into the *Esquilina*.

Anon you meet with the triumphal arch of *Calenus* the Emperor (where now standeth the Church of *S. Peter*) making a goodly shew of the *Tiburtine* stone, wherof it was made. Near unto it was the shambles or market-place, called *Macellum Livia*, or *Livianum*. This, as some think, took the name of one *Macellus*; who being a notorious thief, and practising much to steal into the City, was in the end apprehended, and by the Censors condemned: and his house being seized as confiscate to the City was converted to a place wherein they sold meat and all other victuals; and so it kept still the name (as is said) of *Macellum*. Some are of opinion, that the said house was pulled down, and another built in the ruins thereof, which retained the name still of the former.

From hence beginneth the port-way *Fransfina*, and leadeth to the gate *Esquilina*.

In this way you shall meet on the right hand with a huge bank of brick, half ruinat upon which were erected two *Trophies* of marble; that is to say, certain posts like *Quintus* standing upright with spoils of enemies hanging thereon; and they resembled men that were taken prisoners. It is said, that these *Trophies* were set up by *Marius* in his triumph for the *Cimbrian* war: which when *Sylla* had cast down and overthrown, *C. Caesar* (afterwards Dictator) erected again. The place of the inhabitants thereabout, is at this day called *Cimbrum*. As touching *Trophies*, look to read more in *Plutarch*, *Valerius Max*, and others.

## CHAP. XV.

The house of the *Elit*; the chappell *Marianum*; the region or quarter called *Tabernola*; the bairns and dwelling house of *Gordian*; the Palace of *Caius* and *Lucius*; also the Palace *Licinianum*.

The house of the *Elit* stood in that place where now be the monuments *Mariana* and the chappell of that name.

The plain part of the *Esquilina*, between it and the mount *Celius*, and the *Basilica Lateranensis*, is at this day called *Mervana*, for *Mariana*; and in old time, the region of *Tabernola*.

Near the Church of *S. Eusebius*, in the way of *Fransfina*, was built the bairns and habitation of *Gordianus*. The ruins of those hot-houses are yet to be seen, whereby a man may soon give an estimate, how fair, how stately, and large they were at first.

Between the gates *Esquilina* and *Navia*, not far from the walls, there be to be seen certain notable ruins; this they commonly call, the bairns of *Gabinus*. But in that place stood, in old time, that beautiful and famous palace which *Cesar* erected under the name of *Caius* and *Lucius* his nephews. Hard by the Church of *S. Balbina*, whereas now is the Bear called *Pileatus*, stood sometime the Palace *Licinianum*.

## CHAP. XVI.

The water *Martia* or *Trajana*; and the Temple of *Isis*.

The current of the water *Martia*, passing by the gate *Trajana* through the plain of *Esquilina* went as far as to the bairns of *Dioclesian*, unto the hills next adjoining. This in old time was called *Ansera*. It ariseth out of the spring *Picoma* in the mountains of the *Peligni*, and passeth by the

the Martians country and the lake *Fucinus*, and so runneth to *Rome*; the coldest and most wholesome of all other waters that run into *Rome*. This water *Ancon Martius* began first to bring into the City: after ward, *Q. Martius* turnamed *Rex*, took it in hand; and a long time after *Agrippa* repaired the conduit thereof. Of it read more in *Pliny* and *Frontinus*.

The Temple of *Isis* is by *P. Victor* placed in the quarter *Esquilina*.

#### CHAP. XVII.

Of *Suburra*; the house of *Cæsar* and *Lælia*; and the street *Patricius*.

*Suburra* is a street of all other most frequented: it beginneth at the *Forum Romanum*, and goeth on forward directly by the *Forum Nervæ* up to the hanging or rising of the hill called *Clivus Suburbanus*, whereof we have written before in this book; and it endeth where the way *Præstina* beginneth. Called it was *Suburra*, either for that it sustained and bare up the *Curia* and the wall under it; or because it lay under the old City; or as *Varro* thinketh, of the burrough or street *Succianus*. In this street *Suburra* was the house of *Cæsar*, so long as he contented himself with a mean estate.

In it were sometimes certain stews and brothel-houses, as *Martial* writeth.

The street *Patricius* windeth crooked from the hill *Viminalis*, and endeth at the bains of *Diocletian*. Of it more hath been said in the former book.

The house of *Lælia* likewise was in the same street, as *Martial* witnesseth.

#### CHAP. XVIII.

*Suburra* in the *Plain*; and the Temple of *Sylvanus*.

The mount *Viminalis*, on the West-side of it hath part of the *Quirinalis* opposite against it: and the vale lying between was named *Suburra* the plain.

In the same valley in times past were the ten *Tabernæ*; so called of the number.

The pit also of *S. Proba* was in the same hill; which *Proba* her self made near to the Church of *S. Mariæ* in the field.

At the foot in manner of the hill *Viminalis*, over-against *S. Agabæ's* Church there stood the Temple of *Sylvanus*, as appeareth by many good tokens.

#### CHAP. XIX.

Of the hill *Viminalis*; the Palace of *Decius*; the Lover of *Agrippina*; the bains of *Olympias* and *Novatus*; the dwelling houses of *Q. Catulus*, *Cassius*, and *C. Aquilius*.

*Varro* reckoneth the hill *Viminalis* among the *Esquilina*. *Viminalis* it was named of *Jupiter Viminus*, whose altars were in that hill; or else of plenty of Others there growing.

In the highest rising and ascent of that hill, there stood in old time, (where now is the Church of *S. Laurence* in *Panisperna*) the Palace of *Decius* the Emperor, as may be shewed by the ruins thereof.

Not far from the same place, toward the Church of *S. Vitæ*, were the lavers or washing places of *Agrippina* mother to *Nero*.

The bains of *Olympias* were situate toward *Suburra*; the tokens whereof are now found in the brow of the hill.

Likewise the bains of *Novatus* were built upon the hill *Viminalis*, where the Church of *S. Prudente* standeth.

The hill *Viminalis* had also three goodly houses of most noble personages, to wit of *M. Crassus*, *Quintus Catulus*, and *Caius Aquilius*: the marks whereof are evident to be seen in the side of the said hill.

Upon the same hill in times past a certain feastivall sacrifice was solemnized, which the dwellers and inhabitants there, call *Fagatal*.

#### CHAP. XX.

The bains of *Diocletian*; the Library *Ulpia*; the plain *Viminalis*; the gate *Interageteris*; and the vale *Quirinalis*.

The bains of *Diocletian* are to be seen all ruinat on the side of the hill *Viminalis*; and by their ruins a man may easily gather how stately and magnificent they were sometime. They were begun by *Diocletian* and *Maximinus Hercules*; in the building whereof 4000 Christians were held to work many years together in most slavish manner.

These were afterwards finished and dedicated by *Constantine* and *Maximinian*, new Emperors. Of the vain and superfluous expences which the Romans laid out upon Bains, read *Seneca*, who depainteth out their wastefulness most excellently.

In the same bains was the Library *Ulpia*, which by *Hadrian*, or (as some think) by *Trajan* was thither translated; wherein were the linen records, and those huge volumes, called the Elephantine books, in which the acts of the Emperors, and all the sanctions and ordinances of state were, as *Pollio* witnesseth.

Behind

Behind these bains, from above the rampier or bulwark of *Tarquinius Superbus*, was the plain field *Viminalis*, which spreadeth out as far as to the City wall. There is seen as yet the gate *Interageteris* shut; albeit it seemeth more probable and like to a truth, that it stood in the plain *Esquilina*.

In that very place there was a pit or well of spring running water, which the neighbours dwelling thereby called the pit of the *Vivarium*, or the park pit, within which park they kept enclosed divers and sundry kinds of wild beasts. The harbors and dens of these wild beasts are yet to be seen; whereupon it cometh, that those places or parks which are let out and appointed for feeding of Deer, we use to call *Vivaria*.

The space between *Diocletian's* baths and *Constantine's* arch is named the vale *Quirinalis*; in which they say, that *Romulus* met with *Proculus*.

In the same was the sacred chappell of *Fortuna Publica*.

#### CHAP. XXI.

The mount *Caballus*; the Etymology of *Quirinalis*; the tower *Militiarum*; the bains of *Paulus*; the chappell of *Neptune*; the bains of *Constantine*; the house and streets of the *Cornelii*.

The hill which at this day they name *Caballus* was in old time called *Quirinalis*, as by many signs and reasons may be proved; so as no man skillfull in the Roman story, need to doubt thereof.

This *Quirinal* hill, the six in order of the mountains of *Rome*, (as *Varro* testifieth) taketh that name of the Temple of *Quirinus*; like other, of the *Quirites*, who coming with *Tatius* from *Cures*, there pitched their tents and lodged. This mountain is shaped long, for it comprehendeth that little hill which is between the gate *Colina* and *Collatina*. Upon it standeth the Obelisk of the Moon, engraven with Egyptian hieroglyphick characters. In breadth, from the North Southward, it reacheth to a tower, now called *Comitum*.

In the pitch and top of the hill, above the *Forum of Trajanus*, you shall see the tower called *Militiarum*; where in old time the souldiers of *Trajan* kept their standing guard, and gave the tower that name.

On the same ridge were the bains of *Paulus* built: which place at this day by a corrupt name, is called *Baganara-Poli*.

In the descent and hanging of the *Quirinal* hill toward *Suburra* stood sometime the chappell of *Neptune*, which appeareth by the pictures and other reliques there found.

From hence, toward the North were the hot-houses of *Constantine*, as the ruins of the place do testifie.

The house of the *Cornelii* was built in the street so called; and at this day the name it keepeth still. But more hereof elsewhere.

#### CHAP. XXII.

The Temples of *Saturn*; the *Sun*; and *Bacchus*; *Quirinus* his Temple and porch; the old *Capitoll*; the Chappells of *Jupiter*, *Juno*, and *Minerva*; the house of *Pomponius Atticus*.

In the *Cornelian* street (whereof a little before we made mention) were two gyant-like images; called *Colossi*, resembling two old men, naked, and holding *Cornucopie* in their hand. It is commonly received, that these were the statues of *Saturn* and *Mars*; for that certain it is how their Temples stood hard by; and many evidences there are, besides the very ruins thereof, which testifie so much.

Over-against the hot-houses of *Constantine*, upon the very brow of the hill, there standeth to be seen one half of a marble tower, which the people dwelling thereby call *Meta*. This, men think, was the tower of the *Sun*, by the ornaments there reared and set up by *Aurelian*: for this Emperor worshipped the *Sun* above all other gods; and therefore you shall see stamped in his coin this inscription; *Soli invicto*, To the invincible *Sun*, his mother also, a Priest of the *Sun*, thereupon reared a Temple unto the *Sun*.

In the side of the hill near the foresaid baths are two horses seen standing; the handy-work of *Praxiteles* and *Phidias*. These were (by report) *Tiridates* the Kings, and translated to *Rome*.

That part of the *Quirinalis* which boundeth upon *Vallis Martia* was called the mount and Temple of *Clara* and *Apollo*.

Not far from thence behind this hill, there is another rising and ascent; where, by antique letters it is evident, that the old *Capitoll* stood, together with the chappell of *Jupiter*, *Juno*, and *Minerva*.

Over-against these places, inclining toward the right hand, where now standeth the Church of *S. Petrus*, *Pomponius Atticus* dwelt in an house which came to him by inheritance from his grandfather, and was called *Pamphiliæna*. They write, that this was a most sweet and pleasant seat, by reason of a wood near unto it.

In the same place was built afterwards the Temple of *Quirinus*, kept alwaies shut, to signifye that it was an unknown secret; whether *Romulus* were entered and lay in the earth, or were translated into the number of the gods in heaven.

There was a porch or walking place there of that name; where folk used commonly to meet, to dispatch businesses and contract espousals.

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## CHAP. XXIII.

The path-way or causey called *Alta*; the house of *Sabinus*; the street and statue of *Mamurrus*; the Court and gardens of *Salust*, and the field or plain *Sceleratus*.

The high causey reaching from the baths of *Constantine* to the gate *Viminalis* along the side of *Quirinalis* was paved with four-square stone.

Upon that causey, at a place called the *Pomgranate*, *Flavius Sabinus* had a house, wherein, by report, *Domitian* was born.

It is avouched in old time there was a street of *Mamurrus*: and that his statue there stood where now is *S. Susani Church*.

Not far from that Church was the Court of *Salust*, and his most neat and fine hortyards, where the field called *Sceleratus* lay, and reached near the gate *Collina*. Of those hortyards, as also of the hamlet *Tiburina*, there yet continue some marks and remnants in the bottom of the valley, between the very hill and the way which bringeth to the gate *Salaria*. On that little hill is seen the very house of *Salust*, which the people there inhabiting call *Salustrium*. Of this matter see more in *Cicero* and others.

Beyond the hortyards of *Salust*, near the gate *Collina*, there is an high place like a mound, where in times past the vestall votary Nuns, such as were condemned for incontinency and incest, were buried quick: and thereupon all the plain about it was called *Sceleratus*, together with the way that leadeth thereto.

## CHAP. XXIV.

The Temples of *Salus*, of *Dius Fidius*, of *Fortuna Primenia*, of *Honor*, *Hercules*, and *Quirinus*; also the *Senat-house of women*.

\* *Deus Triominis Sabinorum*

The mount *Quirinalis* had very many Temples & Chappels, although the certain place where they stood is not so well known at this day, namely, one of *Apia*. That of *Salus* was painted by *Fabius Pittor*, and burnt in the time of *Claudius*. By *Junius Bubulcus* Dictator when he triumphed over the *Equians* it was vowed: by him (*Centor*) put to making, and in his second Dictatorship dedicated.

\* *Santus, Dius, and Fidius*, were the Sabins gods, which, when they left their native country and home, with all their other household gods, they carried with them into mount *Quirinalis*. This god (forsooth) was in words and name three, in deed and truth but one, as they said. These three therefore had one temple built them upon this hill, and were called by one name, *Santus*. The opinion received of which godhead was such, that an oath was thought to carry a great power of sanctity and holiness, whereby a man in that threefold name and one Deity, avowed and swore thus, *Meo Dius Fidius*.

*Domitianus*, a Prator or Lord Chief Justice within the City of *Rome*, built a Temple upon that hill to *Fortuna Primenia*.

Besides in that mount were the Temples of *Honor* and *Hercules*. Likewise the Council-House of women was in the mount *Quirinalis*, at which in former times the wives and dames of the City met yearly upon certain solemn set daies. Moreover, it is recorded, that the feast *Agonialis* was celebrated in *Quirinalis*.

## CHAP. XXV.

The Court or Forum *Archimonium*; the pillar *Tiburina*; the house of *Marzial*; the Cirque of *Floralia*; the Temple of *Flora*; the shops of *Minium*, and the common ascent called *Clivus Publicus*.

Between the hill *Hortulorum* (whereof ye may read before in the first book and the chapter next following) and *Quirinalis* there is a valley four-square, but lying somewhat in length. In that part thereof which lieth under the mount of *Clava* and *Apollis*, was the Court called *Archimonium*. For the very Church of *S. Nicholas*, which at this day standeth upon that place is named *De Archimoniis*.

Not far from it there is another place, to wit, *Pila Tiburtina*: There stood the house of *Marzial*, as he himself witnesseth.

Next to it followeth the round Cirque (*Floralium*) where yearly to the honour of the goddess *Flora*, the festival *Floralia* is celebrated. Now this *Flora* was a famous courtesan or strumpet at *Rome*, who having by her whores trade gathered a mighty deal of goods together, in her last will made the people of *Rome* her heir, with this condition, That every year they should celebrate the memorial of her birth day. But the *Senat* thinking this a ridiculous mockery, to honour and dignify so fitly a thing with such a remembrance, they devised a goddess of flowers, forsooth, called *Flora*, and her upon those holidays they seemed to please and content, that she would be good to the growth of trees and corn, and that they might do well in their flowering and blooming time. To this goddess we read that a Temple likewise was consecrated: Among you meet with the work-houses where they make *Minium*, i. e. *Vermilion*. Near unto which was the *Clivus Publicus*.

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## CHAP. XXVI.

The hill *Hortulorum*, the Temple of the Sun, and the sepulchre of *Nero*.

This little hill (*Hortulorum*) containeth but a few things worth the writing. Among which is the house of *Piscinus* a Senator, who gave the name both to a gate and a mountain, which in these daies are called Mount *Piscinus*, and gate *Piscinaria*.

The reliques and marks of his house are seen in that very place, near the old wall. And about the same walls we meet with an huge building in form of an hemispheric or half circle, which men imagine was the Temple of the Sun.

Upon the same hill over-against the tomb of *Marcellus* in the very port way *Flaminia*, fast by the monument of *Domitian* stood *Nero's* sepulchre also.

Now this hill *Hortulorum* took the name of certain hortyards and gardens under it, which in old time, by reason they were continually so well watered, were most fruitful. Down this hill all they were wont (in times past) to descend into *Campus Martius*, who meant to sue and stand for any magistracy.

## The sixth Book.

## CHAP. I.

Of the flat plot of the City, and the Theatre in general.

That it may be understood more certainly in what place of the plain and level part of the City every thing stood, let there be a straight and right line drawn from the Capitoll, through *Pantheon* to *Tyber*, near the Church of *S. Roch*. So shall the City be in manner divided into two equal parts. The one shall lie from the front and side of the *Tyber*, the other from the *Forum of Trajanus* to the gate *Flamentana*, along the foot of the two hills *Quirinalis* and *Hortulorum*.

Begin we will therefore at the Theatre of *Marcellus*, and recount the places in order, as hitherto we have done. As for *Theatrum*, a Greek word it is, and in Latine may be aptly translated *Psitorium*. The first Theatres were appointed among the Athenians, and those in regard of husbandmen, who on festival daies visited the Temples of the gods: afterwards, at *Rome* they began to be taken up. The first, and that the greatest of all others was built of timber by *M. Scavrus*: for, the concavity within would receive 80000 men. After it, were Theatres made to turn about and shew their front one while this way, another while that. But as touching Theatres, see more in *Cassiodorus* and *Plutonium*, who have written plentifully thereof, and namely, by whom they were first ordained, and in what manner built.

## CHAP. II.

The Theatre of *Marcellus* and the Library: the gallery and court of *Octavia*.

*Augustus* built many things under the name of others, as we find written by authors in sundry works. And among the rest was the Theatre of *Marcellus* his nephew or cousin by his sister *Octavia*. A part hereof is yet to be seen between the Capitoll and *Tyber*, where now standeth the palace of the *Sabelli*. It was able to contain 80000 men. See more thereof in *Alconius*.

Haid by the very same Theatre was the gallery of *Octavia*, reared by the said *Augustus* for his sister *Octavia's* sake. Therein were certain curious pieces of work wrought by *Praxiteles*, and namely, the ravishing of *Proserpina*. The portraiture of *Bacchus* & *Sisyphus*, *Allo Apollis Diana*, and thencein muses; the workmanship of *Timarchides*. Within this gallery or walking place, *Pliny* saith, there stood a chappel of *Juno*, and the image of the said goddess. Fast by the said gallery stood the court or palace of *Octavia*, and in it *Cupid* portraited with lightning in his hand. It took up in times past as great a space, as at this day the Churches of *S. Nicholas* in *Carcere* and *S. Mary* in *Portico*.

After the death of *Marcellus*, *Octavia* his mother let up a library near his Theatre. Now the first that ever ordained, That books of all learning should be in some publicke places bestowed for to be read of all that would come: was at *Athens* *Pisistratus* the tyrant, and at *Rome* *Agnus Pollio*.

## CHAP. III.

The Cirque or open-place *Flaminius*, and the Temple of *Apollis*.

That this Cirque *Flaminius* stood in that place where at this day the dark *Rote-houses* and sellers be, hard by *S. Katharins* church, the marks yet remaining testifie. *Flaminius* it was called, either because it was built about the plain called *Campus Flaminius*, or else by *Flaminius* the Consul who was slain at the battell of the lake *Thrasymenus*. In it were the plaies and games exhibited, which they call *Apolliniques*; and therein the horse-runnings were performed. To it the *Senat* used sometimes to come down from the Capitoll to sit in council. *Nepos* also had a chappell there.

*Apollis*

*Apollon's Temple was in that very place, as it evidently appeareth, where now S. Maries Church is under the Capitol, between the herb-market and the Cirque Flaminius, near to the gate Carmentalis.*

## CHAP. IIII.

*The Temples of Vulcan, Mars, Bellona, Hercules, and Jupiter Stator: the column or pillar Bellica: the altar of Neptune: the gallery Corinthia: and the Colosse of Mars.*

**W**ithin the Cirque Flaminius stood most famous Temples of the gods, to wit, of *Vulcan, Mars, and Bellona*, to wit, that which was toward the gate *Carmentalis*. Before the said gate there stood a marble pillar, which the Romans called *Bellica*, for it shewed when war was to be made: The Romans in old time used and retained this manner in proclaiming war: The public beadle, or one of the heralds called *Faciates*, lanced a spear with some other ensigns of war, into that land upon which they meant to levy arms. But when after many conquests they had enlarged their empire and dominion, and that they were oftentimes to give defiance to nations far remote and distant, because they should not need to fling a spear or javelin, as I said before, into that land, they did but stick one in the pillar above named, on that side which regardeth that part whither they were to make their expedition.

To *Hercules* the Great, protector and keeper of the cirque *Flaminius*, they built a Temple in the same place: for his statue was there erected in the very entrance thereof, on that side where now standeth the Church of *S. Lucy* in the dark *Apotheca*.

*M. Fulvius* built another Temple of the allowance that he had of the Censors flock, to *Hercules Mulvorum*: for he had heard in Greece how *Hercules* was *Mulageters*, i. e. the leader and companion of the Mules. The same *Fulvius* translated the images of all the Mules out of the town *Ambracia* to Rome, and consecrated them under the protection and safeguard of that most potent and mighty deity, to the end that they might have mutual help one of the other: namely, the quietness of Mules by the defence of *Hercules*; and the valour of *Hercules*, by the sweet voice of the Mules. This Church much decayed and disfigured by time, *Martius Philippus*, Augustus his father in law, i. e. his mothers husband repaired.

In the same Cirque they would have the Temple of *Jupiter Stator* to stand.

There also (as they gather by certain presumptions) was the altar of *Neptune*, which in old time ran bloud.

*Octavius* reared a porch or gallery, built and born up with brazen pillars, and thereupon named *Corinthia*. This stood between the Cirque and *S. Nicholas Church*, and was also called *Chalcidica*, i. e. brazen or copper.

The Colois or Rately of *Mars*, at the Cirque *Flaminius*, was in the Temple of *Bonus Calcaus*.

## CHAP. V.

*The porch or gallery of Mercury: the Theatre of Octavius: his house, cloister, and gallery: and the Temple of Venus Victicæ.*

**B**etween the Cirque *Flaminius* and the *Tyber*, in the very entry of the Church of *S. Angel* in *Piscina*, there is a porch or gallery, consecrated sometime to *Mercury*, or as some would have it, to *Juno*. This being consumed with fire, *L. Septimius Severus* redified. But the porch which standeth in the Jews street called *Contra*, they say was builded by the Emperour *Severus*.

Between the gallery of *Marcellus* and the mount reared by *Hadrian*, *Pompey* was the first that built a Theatre to continue. For all others before were taken down when the games and shows were once done and past: and when need required, new were set up. A great part of this Theatre when *Pompey* had finished, comes *Caligula* and made an end of the rest. Afterward, *Theodoric K.* of the *Oragoths* redified it. This also received eighty thousand men.

Near unto this Theatre there was a court or Rately Hall, called *Atrium*, the same which at this day they name *Sarrium*; also the house of *Pompey*, & a porch before it. These edifices of *Pompey*, at what time as *Philip* exhibited the stage-plays, were consumed with fire. Near to the same theatre the emperor *Claudius* of famous memory, reared an arch of marble for memorial of *Tiberius Cæsar*.

In the foresaid Theatre (men say) was the Temple of *Venus* the *Victicæ*.

## CHAP. VI.

*The baine Agrippinæ: Pantheon, and the porch thereof: also the Temple of good speed.*

**F**rom the arch of *Pompey*, as you go northward, you shall meet with the baths *Agrippinae*, the marks whereof are seen in that place which now of the inhabitants there, is called *Cymbella*. Now, *Agrippina* they were named of *Agrippa* who built them: See *Pliny* hereof in his discourses of Nature.

Near unto the foresaid baine, there is a Temple of preatest antiquity, and among other old Temples of the city, the noblest of all the rest, which at this day remaineth in manner whole and sound. Because it was dedicated almost to all the gods, they thought good to name it *Pantheon*. In form it was like the world, representing a sphere or globe. At this day they call it *S. Maries the round*. Of this

the temple, *Pliny* and others have made mention, unto whom I refer the readers. In the very porch and entry of this temple, were the statues of *Augustus* and *Agrippa*. The images of *Mars* and *Venus*. At the lappet of *Venus* ear, there hung as a pendant that most costly pearl of *Cleopatra*. Likewise there stood the image of *Minerva*, the handy work of *Phidias*. Moreover, *Hercules*, at whose statue the Carthaginians in old time used yearly to sacrifice mankind. They ascended up to this temple as in the rest, by many steps: for men in times past used to rear the temples on high and made but one way to go into them. A porch to this temple *Agrippa* joined as a peece of work worth all admiration, which of some was called *Prothyron*. For this word *Porticus*, betokeneth no thing else but an ornament or porch, and this before the dore. Herof also have authors written much. This temple first *Hadrian* the emperor of happy memory, and afterwards *Antonine Pius*, redified.

Certain reliques and remnants four angled and somewhat long, of Good-speeds temple, are evidently seen in the streets of *Minerva* and *S. Eustachius*. This god was long ago worshipped, that all things might fall out happily in the end. Portraied he was in habit of a poor man, holding in his right hand a charger, and in the left an ear of corn.

## CHAP. VII.

*The baine of Nero and Alexander: the Cirque named Agon.*

**B**etween *S. Eustachius* church, between *Pantheon* and *Lombards* street, the remnants are seen of the baine and vaults of *Nero*.

Near unto these *Alexander* built others new (by conveyance of water into them, which they they call *Alexandrina*) and thole very fair and delectable: Wherof *Lampridius* hath written much.

Near unto them (some think) were the baths of *Hadrian*: and they would have them to stand in that very place where now is *S. Aloisius* church.

In the plain part of the City there appear most evident tokens of a long and spacious Cirque: which they call at this day *Agon*. It took that name either of the games *Agonalia* instituted by *K. Numa* in the honour of *Janus*, which in that few place are represented the 9 day of January; or because all manner of such thewes and disports, called by the Greeks *Agone*, were wont there to be exhibited. Some would have it to be built by *Nero* or *Alexander*, upon this reason, that other ornaments of theirs were to be shewed there. For the manner of the Princes and Emperours was, ordinarily to bestow their monuments and memorials in one place.

## CHAP. IX.

*The temple of Neptune, Terentus: the Altar of Dis or Pluto: the marsh Caprea.*

**O**n the strand of *Tybre*, where now *S. Blas* Church standeth, sometimes *Neptunes* temple stood. The same was rebuilt by *Hadrian*. Therein were the painted tables hung, were represented the shipwracks.

*Terentus* is a place in *Mars* field, so called, for that in it the altar of *Dis* was hiddden or because the water of the *Tybre* running thereby, eat away and wore the banks of that side: or lastly by occasion of *Evander*, who arrived with a fleet in that place, and there abode. There also in time of the *Alban* was, they hid the altar of *Proserpina* under the ground, that they only might have knowledge thereof, where it was.

In the same *Mars* field (some think) was the fen or marsh *Caprea*, where *Romulus* in a tempest which suddenly arose, was taken a way. Of which matter *Livy* writeth.

## CHAP. X.

*The house Corvina: the broadway or gate: and the temple of Isis.*

**T**he second part of the flat City, reached along the foot of *Quirinalis*, from the *Forum* of *Trajanus* to the gate *Flaminia*. In which part near the Capitol, was the house *Corvina*, built by that name and family, and to this day keepeth still the old name; for commonly called it is *Macellum Corvorum*.

From that house unto the bars or rails in *Mars* field, extendeth the way *Lata*, retaining yet the antique name: and there standeth the church of *Maries* in the broad way.

In the same way stood sometime by report, the temple of *Isis* near the rails above-said, where now is the church of *S. Marcellus*. Now this *Isis* was a goddess of the Egyptians, she was honoured and worshipped also at Rome, together with *Ophir* (named *Serapis* of whom the publick plaies in the quarter *Flaminia*, *Iseum-Serapeum* bare the name. It hapned in the temple of *Isis* that incest was committed; whereupon the Emperor *Tiberius* caused the Priests of that temple to be crucified, & the place itself to be demolished. Other temples of this goddess there were at Rome, for *Caracalla* translated all her sacred rites and ceremonies to Rome, and daily with exceeding great reverence observed the same.

## CHAP. XI.

*The arch of Camillus : the temple of Minerva : and the swine market.*

As a man goeth down from the broad-gate aforesaid toward the *Pantheon*, he shall see a most ancient arch. Some think (but untrue) that erected it was for *Camillus* : for many a fair day after his time, these arches were in no request and use : and therefore it belonged to some other. Generally, Between this arch and *Pantheon*, *C. N. Pompeius* built a temple to *Minerva*, wherein he comprised in a compendious sum, the memorial of his acts and exploits. Other ensignes also in the honour of the City of *Rome*, he there set up, and those he garnished and adorned. Whereof read *Pliny*.

At the foot of the mount *Quirinalis*, in the hort-yards and the *Columnnes*, near to the ascent & rising of the hill which leadeth now into the mount *Capitinus*, there was sometime the market-place *SMARINUM*, so called of selling of swine there. For *Varro* witnesseth, that in old time they had certain set and appointed places for the selling of certain things, and thereof the markets took the name. Thus of oxen, the market *Boarium* ; of fish, *Piscarium*, of swine, *SMARINUM* ; of worse herbs, *Holitorium*, was called, &c.

## CHAP. XII.

*Of the field called Martius, or Tyberinus.*

Forasmuch as in the former book it hath been sufficiently declared as touching *Mars* field, where it lay, it shall be needlesse to make any repetition thereof in this place : but why it was called *Martius*, would be here in briefe considered. Named so it was, because it was consecrated to *Mars* : for when the *Tarquins* were expelled out of their Kingdom, what ground or standing eorn they were possessed of, they divided amongst those Citizens who were not landed at all, reserving only this field *Martius* ; which because it was consecrated to *Mars*, that in it the games and plaies should be solemnized and the youth exercised, they thought that the fruit also there growing should likewise be accounted sacred and accursed, and so deemed it unlawful that any distribution thereof should be made, but threw it all into the *Tybre*, whereof arose the land called *Tyberinus*, of which we will speak in the last book. In this field therefore (besides the native beauty of the place and the delectable sight of the meadows) were erected the ornaments and statues of brave & renowned persons : yea, and out of the very Capitoll (when the place began to be pelted and over-sight by reason of so many ornaments which thither were daily brought, many of them were from thence translated into *Campus Martius*. This field was called of men in old time, *Tyberinus*, like as *Tybre* also was named *Martius*.

## CHAP. XIII.

*The porch, the temple, Column, and Palace of Antonius Pius : the rails or enclosure, called Ovilis.*

Between the *Sciarra* & *Pantheon* streets, near to Saint *Stephens* Church in *Trullis*, there sheweth a stately porch, which most men suppose was that of *Antonius Pius*, for that his temple standeth so near. The Column also of *Antonius* is not far off. This he raised of an exceeding height with winding and turning stairs, like that of *Trajanus*, whereof we have spoken before. Between this Column and the porch, the said Emperor had (by report) a goodly palace. Between the said Column and the water *Virgo*, they say, the rails or enclosure within *Mars* field stood, called *Septa*. Now this place was enclosed within wooden rails, and strongly fenced with posts on every side, wherein the people of *Rome* when at the creation and election of magistrates they were to passe their voices were kept close : and for the resemblance of sheep pens, *Ovilis* of some they were called. By *Livy* they are set down, near the waies *Fornicata* and *Flaminia*.

## CHAP. XIV.

*The hill Citatorum : the Villa Publica, temple of Neptune, and the bridge in Mars field.*

Between *Antonines* Column and *S. Laurences* church in *Lucina*, there is raised a mount, called now *Citatorum*, for *Citatorum* ; not it was a mount indeed, but because the people of *Rome*, when in the choosing of magistrates they were to give their voices, as they were cited, went thither as it were unto some hill. Some say it was called *Acceptorum*, of taking the peoples suffrages : others *Septorum*, for the vicinity of those *Septa* before said. This little mount, there be that would have to rise and increase by the ruins of some porch or stately gallery ; or else of the common *Holterly*, called *Villa Publica*. For there was in times past a place called *Villa Publica*, a large building in manner of a court or hall, wherein were received and entertained all ambassadors of enemies, who might not be allowed either to enter into the City, or go into the publick lodging or Hospitall called *Græcoastis*.

Near to the *Septa*, *M. Agrippa* (as *Dionis* writeth) built a goodly temple with a most beautiful porch to it, in the honour of *Neptune*.

At this foresaid hillock called *Citatorum*, and the Column of *Antonius*, there was a bridge fast by

by the *Septa*, whereupon they that were cited, when they had given their voices, passed by and went their waies : and so were leaved from the rest that were to give their suffrages, because they should not be entermingled amongst them, nor be able to shew unto them, on whose side they had passed their voices.

In the same *Mars* field, it is recorded that in times past stood the temple of *Pietas*, even whereas now the church of *S. Saviour* is.

## CHAP. XV.

*The water Virgo : the lake and chappel of Iuturna, as also that of Pietas.*

The water *Virgo*, which retaineth still the pleasant sweetness to the tast in drinking, and keepeth yet the old name, beginneth to gather to an head near the bridge *Salvatoris*, & being carried in a most deep gutter entrench into the City at the gate *Collina*, and so is raised to the hill *Horatiorum* : where, by arched work it is conveyed through *Mars* field, and yields all the way to the inhabitants, water for their use ; and endeth at the length in the hortyards of *Lucullus*.

Moreover in *Mars* field, there was (as men say) a fountain and well or cistern of *Iuturna*, sister of *K. Turnus*, yielding most wholesome water. This water-Nymph, they avouch (and that right well) to have been called *Iuturna*, a *juvencula*, i. of helping : because she was thought to help the sick. The very place is at this day by a corrupt word, named *Correglio*.

## CHAP. XVI.

*The arch of Domitian : the obelisk of Mars field : the Amphitheatre of Claudius the Emperor.*

The triumphant arch, so dismembred (as it were) and bereft of all his ornaments, standing between churches of *S. Sylvestre* and *Lawrence* in *Lucina*, and taken up a peece of the way or street *Flaminia*, is attributed to *Domitian* the Emperor. And hereupon besides others presumptions) they appropriate it to him, for this emperor reared many such arches in every place.

The Obelisk also there is in this *Mars* field, which *Augustus* transported from *Hieropolis* a City in *Egypt* to *Rome*. Besides the native ensigns and wonderful hieroglyphick inscriptions which it brought with it of the own, therein to be seen, *Augustus* adjoined other ornaments no lesse admirable. But hereof it is better to read *Pliny*.

*Claudius* the Emperor built near the *Septa* in *Mars* field an Amphitheatre, which he decked & adorned with fair statues and most beautiful columns.

## CHAP. XVII.

*The vale Martia : the palace : the porch of Augustus : the Naumachie of Domitian and the temple of the family Flavia.*

The vale *Martia* taketh the name of *Campus Martius* : it lyeth between *Tybre* and the hill *Horatiorum* : within the which, in a place lower then all the rest about it, appear the *Naumachies* of *Domitian* : where in old time he exhibited shews of naval fights. In which place before time likely it is, that *Augustus* had his *Naumachie* ; which being cleaned and scoured by *Domitian*, retained afterwards his name. Read *Suetonius*.

Near to the *Naumachie*, was the temple (as it is thought) of the kindred *Flavia*. In this place, *Julius Capitolinus* proveth that the porch and palace of *Augustus* was built.

## CHAP. XVIII.

*The Mausoleum of Augustus : and the two obelisks near it : also the tomb or sepulchre of Marcellus.*

In the vale *Martia*, between the way *Flaminia* and the bank of *Tybre*, hard by *S. Rochers* church, *Augustus* made a Mausoleum, to serve for a sepulchre as well to himself and all the Emperors, as also for his whole house and name. This building is like unto a turret standing at the gate called *Populi*, which sheweth it felt spoiled now of all the ornaments that set it out. Men would have it to be the sepulchre of *Marcellus*. And *Augustus*, named this sepulchre of his Mausoleum, for the resemblance it had of that of *Manolus* K. of *Caria*, which *Artemisia* his wife built for him. Read *Cassiodore Strabo*, and others thereof.

Close unto the Mausoleum of *Augustus*, were two obelisks, as the ruinate remnants thereof do testify.

## CHAP. XIX.

*The way Flaminia : the Tropæes of Marius : other goodly ornaments of the field Martius in general.*

*C. N. Flaminius* the colleague of *M. Lepidus*, having vanquished the *Ligurians*, paved the causeway or street *Flaminia*. This was led from *Placentia*, through *Narnia*, *Fuliginum*, *Nucera*, *Calinum* to *Fortunes* temple, to *Piscarium*, and so forward to *Arminum*. See *Livy* and *Suetonius*.

Between the *Mausoleum* of *Augustus*, and the hill called *Hortulorum*, were the Trophees of *Marius* over *Ingritha*, Trophies as *Varro* witnesseth, were so called of *εγρη* a Greek word, which signifieth, flight; for that the manner was to hang up the spoils and disrobings of enemies put to flight and slain, upon trunks and posts.

In *Mars* field, were the sepulchres of *Sylla*, *Hirtius*, and *Pansa*, of *Italia*, *Britannicus*, *Drausus* the Emperor *Claudius*, and other right hardy and valiant knights, beside infinite ornaments more, whereof we have written before in this book.

## The seventh Book.

### CHAP. I.

#### Of the river Tybre.

I should follow by due course and order, to treat of *Laniculum* and all that quarter of the City on the other side of *Tybre*: but because these parts are separate from the rest of the City by the river *Tybre* between; thereof also it is meet to say somewhat briefly. And first verily the reason of that name should be shewed. Some think therefore, that the river was called *Tyberis* from the *Tybris*. For the Sicilians when as in old time they had overcome the Carthaginians in battel, and taken a number of them prisoners, enjoined them for the better fortification of their own City, to cast a trench about it, and to let water thereinto: and this ditch in reproach of their enemies, they called *Uger*. And the same men upon a time afterwards, when as they encamped neer *Rome*, gave this very name unto this river also, whereas before it was called *Albula*. Some think it was named so of *Tyberis* a King of the Tuscans, slain upon the banks thereof. *Varro* is of opinion, that it took the name of *Tiberinus*, a neighbour Prince of the Veientians. In holy writings we read it *Tyberinus*. In vulgar speech they call it *Tyberis*: in poetry, *Tybris*. In old time it was termed *Ramon*, as it were, gnawing and eating the banks thereof. Also at one side of the City it was named *Terentus*, as a man would say, wearing the banks. It springeth from the Apennine, above *Arunt*. At the first it is but small and shallow, but before it enureth into *Rome*, it (having received 40 other rivers) is encreased to such bigness, that ships of burden and the greatest bulks, may come up in it as far as *Rome*. This river divideth *Tuscan* from *Umbria*, the Sabins country and the Latins, entreth at the North part of the City, and so passeth through Southwards, between the gates *Hofstensis* and *Portuensis*, leaving *Laniculum* on the right hand and the City on the left, and so neer unto *Hofstia* is discharged into one mean broad stream, and falleth into the Tyrrhene sea. Upon the banks thereof, as if they were consecrate to some divine power, it was not lawfull to set up any building. Certain warders and keepers there were appointed, for the channell and the banks. But of this river, *Pliny* and others have left much in writing.

### CHAP. II.

#### Of the bridge built upon Tybre.

The *Tybre*, as is abovesaid, being so deep as that it is navigable, and beareth the greatest ships, hath no foord in any place that can be waded through; and therefore necessary it was to make bridges over it, and so to join that part on the farther side of *Tybre*, to the rest of the City. *He. cules*, after he had killed *Geryon*, built a bridge, where afterwards stood that which they called *Sublicius*. Also before the foundation of the City, there was a bridge over *Tybre*, called *Sacer*, upon which they sacrificed men to *Saturn* by throwing them down into the river. But when *Hercules* afterwards had put down that manner of sacrificing, he gave order, that mens images made of reeds and bulrushes (which they called *Argeos*) should be cast down in stead of them. But after the City was built, there were other bridges made to the number of eight; to wit, *Milvius*, *Elius*, *Vaticanus*, *Laniculensis*, *Cestius*, *Fabricius*, *Palatinus*, and *Sublicius*. And all these, save the *Sublician* only, *Tullius* overthrow.

### CHAP. III.

#### The bridge Milvius.

The bridge *Milvius*, which men now call *Molvinus*, standeth upon the way *Flaminia*, a mile and more from the City. Built it was in the troublesome times of *Sylla*, by *Severus* when he was Cenfor. Many a time they say it was cast down, and as often set up again.

### CHAP. IIII.

#### The bridge Elius, now S. Angel, the Vatican or Triumphal the Ianiculensis or Aurelianus.

The bridge at this day called *S. Angel*, in times past *Elius*, took that name of *Elius Hadrianus*, for he built that bridge, and neer unto it a sepulchre, which they call *Moles Hadriani*. Beneath

Beneath this is another which giveth passage into the mount *Vatican* and the plain thereof, and thereupon they named it *Vaticanus* also *Triumphalis*, for that over it they went up in triumph to the Capitol, to give thanks to *Jupiter* and rejoice. The piles are yet to be seen in *Tyber*, over against the piddle or the Capitoll of *S. Spirit*. The third bare the name *Laniculensis* of *Laniculum* neer unto it, and *Aurelianus* of the port-way *Aurelia*, or the gate so called. *Antonius Pius* paved it over with marble, and being demolished in the civil wars, it was called the broken bridge. Afterwards Pope *Xystus* the fourth reedified it, and gave unto it his own name.

### CHAP. V.

#### The bridge Fabricius and Cestius.

Beneath the bridge *Aurelius* one furlong over against the Theatre of *Marcellus*, in the very middle of the channell of *Tyber*, there appeareth a shelf or Island, this was united to the City by the bridge *Tarpens*, so called first of the rock *Tarpens* neer unto it, afterwards, *Fabricius*, of *L. Fabricius*, who by that bridge conjoined the City and Island together. The same at this day is called the bridge of four heads, taking the name of four marble images with four faces apiece, standing at the entry of the bridge, but that bridge which closeth the said Island with the part within *Tyber*, was called *Esquilinus* or *Cestius* in times past, but now *S. Bartholomew* bridge.

### CHAP. VI.

#### Of the Island Tiberina.

Of this Islands beginning, we have treated before in the description of *Mars* field. *Livy* and *Dionysius* also let down this story at large. It resembled the form of a bireme gally, and where it is broadest, it is not above a dart shoot over, in length it containeth about two *stadia* or a quarter of a mile. This was in times past called *Lycania*, and was hallowed to the honour of *Esculapini*, whose image from out of *Epidaurus* was thither brought. Of *Esculapini* and his temple read *Pliny*.

A temple also of *Jupiter* standeth in it, dedicated by *C. Seribellus* the Duumvir, which had been yowed by *L. Furius* six yeeres before the Gauls war.

In the same Island were sick folk presented unto *Esculapini* (in the field.) And neer unto the temple of the said god, was a lazar-house, for that this god was the inventor and maintainer of Physick.

In it also stood the chappell of *Faunus*, neer to the very river: but scarcely remain there any tokens thereof. This *Faunus* (as men say) was reported to have been the first that consecrated chappels and temples to the gods, and for this cause, all such places consecrated to the gods were called *Fana*. By the testimony of *Cornelius Tacitus* and *Suetonius* the statue of the emperor *Infans* stood there.

### CHAP. VII.

#### The Senators bridge called also Palatine, and that which is named Sublicius.

Beneath the abovenamed Island, as it were a darts cast off, was the seventh bridge, *Senators pontis*, of the Senators, also *Palatinus*, of the mount *Palatine* neer adjoining: and at this day named it the bridge of *S. Mary* in *Egypt*, by reason of *S. Maries* church neer by.

Now followeth the last bridge *Sublicius*, and which also is counted the most ancient of all others. This was first made of timber by *Anco Marcius* at the very foot of the Aventine mount, framed only with a floor of planks without any iron spikes and nails or props to shoar against it, so as in times of war and trouble it might be taken in peeces one from another. Now *Sublicius* it was called a *Sublicius*, i. great strong posts, But afterwards *Emilius Lepidus* made it of stone, and thereupon named the marble bridge. Upon it in old time sat beggars craving of alms of the passengers. From it also leud and wicked malefactors, were thrown down headlong into *Tyber*. This bridge as well as other, was often demolished and built up again by one or other.

### CHAP. VIII.

Of that side of the City which is beyond *Tyber*. The City and temple of the Ravenats and *Fors Fortuna*: the banks of *Severus*: the horse-yards of *Caecilia* the water *Alfentina*, & the madon of *Mutius*

The region beyond *Tyber* in old time had the name of *Laniculum*, the hill which overlooketh and commandeth the greatest part thereof. We find it also called of men in those daies: the City of the *Ravenates*, who with a fleet having sided the Romans. were permitted to dwell in the *Laniculum*, for fear lest at any time that mountain and hold should be seized and kept by the enemies. Now for as much as this quarter was inhabited by base people, such as followed vile occupations, there were in it but few things worthy of any remembrance. *Severus* therein built certain baies: *Caesar* made horse-yards and prepared also a fair pool called the *Nannachie* for ship-fight there. Also the temple of *Fors fortuna*, was (in *Tib* *Caesars* daies) dedicated in that quarter.

The water called *Alfentina*, was derived out of the poole *Alfentinus*, by the high way or chuley.





there went away some time called *Gabina*, leading to *Gabis* (but it runneth soon into *Preneſtina* for that the *Gabins* dwell upon it.

## CHAP. XVII.

Of those things which were or are without the gates *Latina* and *Capena*.

The gate *Latina* gave both name and beginning to the cauley *Latina*, which through *Levina*, now called *Val-montous*, and *Latium* reacheth to *Campanie*. In which therethood in old time, the temple of *Womens-fortune*, and the image of the same goddess. Of which writeth *Valerius Max.* In the said way the water *Tepala* gathereth to an head and current. From the gate *Appia*, beginneth a cauley of that name, paved by *Ap. Claudius* as far as to *Capua*, whereof look in *Sirabo*.

At the gate *Capena*, was the temple of *Mars* the warrior, or *Grandivus*; and therein the fenceon of *Mars*. Hard by the same temple was the stone *Manalis* brought into the City of *Rome* in time of a drought, and presently there arose a shower of rain: whereupon he was called *Manalis*. In the way *Capena*, stood the oratory or chappell of *Dea bona*: and near to it, they say that *Clodius* and *Papirius* were slain. Nearer to the gate *Capena*, was the altar of *Apollo*, the sacred grove of *Honour*, and the temples of *Hope* and *Minerva*. Like unto of *Tempest*, built by *Marcellus*. Moreover, another of *Ridiculum*: because *Annibal* having there encamped, was forced to depart from thence mocked and scorned. Upon the way *Appia* was the bridge *Valentinus*, built by the Emperor *Valens*, and thereupon, near the hill *Maffica*, standeth the town *Sinnessa*. This way had certain notable sepulchres, namely of *Collatinus*, the *Scipio*, the *Servili*, *Metelli*, *Tullii*, of *Ennius*, *Pompeius*, the *Horatii*, and other. And in that part is to be seen the plain, whereupon the *Horatii* fought that famous combat to the utterance. In it also there is a water and well-spring, consecrated to *Mercurie*. To it upon a time when the people of *Rome* ran, every man dipped therein his branch of laurell, and therewith besprinkled them that were next, with invocation of *Mercurie*: that as many as had this aspersion and sprinkling, might be absolved of their sinnes, and of perjury especially. The grove also of *Egeria* was this gate. The way *Laurentina* fell into *Appia*: wherein *S. Sebastian* (by report) suffered even in the very place where they used to solemnize the feast *Terminalia*, to the god of Meers and Bounds *Terminus*.

## CHAP. XVIII.

Of those things that be without the gate *Hofienſis*, and others in gen.

From the gate *Hofienſis* beginneth the way *Hofienſis* which leadeth to *Hofia*, built by *Anius*. This was called in old time, the gate of the three twins brethren, or *Trigeminorum*: and without it, *Livy* setteth the purse or merchants hall, *Emporium*.

In that part of the City on the other side of the water, were three gates, *Portuensis*, *Aurelia*, *Fontinalis*. At *Portuensis*, beginneth away of that name, and leadeth to the port town *Offia*: where there was a temple of *Portunus*, the god of havens: and wherein the feast *Portunalia* was celebrated to the honour of that god.

From the gate *Aurelia*, the way also *Aurelia* taketh beginning; which along the sea-coast of *Thufcia*, leadeth to *Piſe*. The same was called *Trajana* of *Trajanus* who repaired it: wherein were the hort-yards of *Galba* the Emperor; and there also was his sepulchre.

[At the gate *Fontinalis*, was the feast *Fontinalia* celebrated at *Rome*, namely, to the goddess of Fountains, as saith *Sext. Pompeius*.

## To the Reader.

For as much as *Titus Livius* is prolix and full of variety: and howsoever otherwise willing enough to speak our language, yet most loth to forbeare and forget certain Roman words wherewith so long time he had been acquainted: also for that now & then he saith one in his English tongue and in his French and Italian another; whereby he may be thought either to trip or to have forgotten himself, and the fault imputed to his teacher: in these regards (no thought) I owed thus much for their sake and converse with English *Livy*, as to satisfy them in that behalf. A twofold I owed therefore I have digested: the one dwelling and leading readily to the most material and principal matters contained in the whole body of the History: the other expounding those things that may seem at first strange to the most: and withall, shewing here and there the reason of the foresaid disagreement, hoping that as use will make them more familiar in those strange phrases: so deeper and sweeter conference with him in the primitive *Latine* (the only touchstone of his true speech) shall excuse and acquit me of just blame, who have endeavoured that he might deliver his mind in English, if not so eloquently by many degrees, yet as truly, as in *Latine*.

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Containing the exposition of those terms in *Liby* which are not yet familiar in English, and of some places omitted in the Marginal notes.

*Wherunto the Reader may have recourse, when he meeteth with any  
such difficulty in the History.*

**A** *ulus*, the surname to divers families in Rome.

**A** *Ediles*, certain inferior magistrates in Rome: who were of two sorts; *Plæbii* and *Curules*. *Plæbii*, of the Commons only, two in number more ancient: then the other, choſen by the people alone to ſecond and to aſſiſt the Tribunes of the Commons as their right hands. This name they took of the charge they had of temples, chapels, and oratories: albeſt they regiſtered the Sanctions and acts of the people called *Plæbiſciti* and kept the ſame in their own cuſtody; and were clerks of the market: alſo they exhibited the games and plays called *Plæbii*. *Curules*, were likewiſe twain elected out of the order and degree of the *Patritii*: ſo called of the ivory chair, wherein they were allowed to ſit, as officers of greater ſtate. They let forth the great ſolemnnities called *Ludi Magni*, or *Romani*; were overſeers of the buildings throughout the City as well publick as privat, in manner of the *ædymoni* in Athens; they had regard to the Publick vaults, ſinks, conveiances, and conduits of the City waters; looked to the Arſenal, &c. Moreover, they had power to attach the bodies of great perſons; and were charged to ſee unto the provision of corn and victuals. At the firſt, none but *Patritii* might be advanced to this place: but in proceſs of time, Commoners alſo attained thereunto. Theſe as well as the *Plæbii* were *Sacerdotii*; i. unviolable,

*Erarii*, they were, who being citizens of Rome, were by the Censors deprived of giving their voices in their Century or Tribe; paid all tribute with citizens according to the valuation of their goods: and served in the wars of their own charges: and either because *ara pendebant*, or, *ara non merebant*, it seemeth they took that name.

*Agen quadratus*: *Amine quadrat* *discereis* taken in a three-fold fence. First, the lame that *infesto exercit*, *infesto agmine*, or, *infesto agnis*: which signifies the ordinary manner of enemies marching with banners displayed, either to a battail, or to the siege and assault of a fort: and this manner: of phrase addeth a grace only to the sentence. Secondly, To march or fight in a four square battailon, though not alwaies with equal fides & right angles: and the lame not charged with the carriages at all. Thirdly, When an army is

spread and displaid at large, enclosing the  
impedimenta or baggage in the mids, for safe-  
ty and security.

*Agraria*, were laws preferred by the Tribunes of the Commons, as well for division of lands (conquered from the enemies) among the Commons; as to restrain the possessions of the Nobles within a certain limit and compass.

*Ambians*, The inordinat and excessive desire to be in office of state, appearing by indirect and unlawfull means; either to their friends and kinsfolks, or to the people: against which, many laws in *Rome* were provided; namely, *Acilia*, *Bibia*, *Æmilia*, *Licina*, and others.

*Ancile*. *Ancile* was a buckler or scutcheon, that  
(as they say) fell from heaven into the hands  
of K. *Numa* in time of a plague: and he be-  
ing advertised by *Egeria*, That it was for the  
health of the City, and ought to be kept safe;  
caused 11 more to be made up to it, so like,  
as they could not be known from the pat-  
tern: which hereby was preserved. The keep-  
ing hereof was committed to the twelve  
*Salii*.

*Annales*, were brief memorials, Chronicles, or commentaries, containing the names of consuls every year, the date of times, and all memorable occurrences hapning therein. The high Priests, called *Pontifices maximi*, had the charge by their place to gather the same into tables, and to fet them up in their houses for to be seen: and hereupon they were called *Annales maximi*, & *Maximæ Pontificibus*; and not of their greatness, as those huge volumes, named *Libri Elenbantini*.

*App. Appius*, a forename appropriate to the House of the *Claudii* in Rome.

*Appia vias*. A notable freet or high-way begun by *Ap. Claudius*, reaching from *Rome*, as far as *Capua*: and afterwards by *Julius Caesar* and *Trajan*, it was extended to *Brindis* in *Calabria*. Of all other it seemeth to be the principal, by the testimony of *Papinius* the Poet, who writeth thus of it:

*Appia confarum fertur Regina viarum.*  
Called it was *Triumphalis* (as also the gate *Capena*; ) because through it the triumphs ordinarily passed at the said gate.

*Ara maxima*, The great altar reared by *Hercules*, and took the name of a great heap of stones about it.

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*Arbor infelix*, Is commonly taken for a tree that naturally beareth no fruit.

*Argileus imus*, Is the bafe or low part of a street in *Rome*; in regard of the upper end thereof, called *Summus*: in like fort as *Janus summus & imus*.

*Area*, is taken for some void place; whereupon nothing groweth, *quia areas Forum boarium in Rome. Area quæ posita de bove nomen habet, et differebat from Campus*, for that it is lels. Also a plot of ground made level and clean for to build upon: as in *Suetonius 26. Forum Cæsar de manibus inchoavit*, the *Area* whereof, (*id est*, the trimming and levelling of the plot) cost H-S. milles, *id est*, 100 millions of Sesterii. Last of all, the broad yards before temples, not covered but compassed about with columns, like a cloister with an altar in the mids, be called *Area*.

*Aruspices*, were wilards or fouth-fayers, directed by the bowels and inwards of beasts killed for sacrifice, called also *Exspices*, and in Greek *ἰεγοῦντοι*, who prying into them, had especial regard of the liver: whereupon their whole Art and learning was termed *ἰατροσκοπία*, albeit they observed also the heart, lungs, spleen, and kidneys.

*As*, or *Assis*, usually in *Livy* is taken for a Roman poile, or coin in brass, the tenth part in value of their silver *Denarius*. At first it was a pound weight of twelve ounces: but afterwards, the Sextans, *id est*, the sixt part thereof, was valued worth the whole: and howsoever otherwise it altered in poile, it went always for 3 farthings or thereabout of our english money.

*Augurium*, See *Auspicia*.  
*Annei Romani*, Peeces of gold coin current in *Rome*: in round reckoning equivalent to our spur-riol of 15 sh. For 100 Sesterii made aureum, which amount to 15 sh. 7 d. ob, the 4 part of mina, i. a lib. in silver, and of an ounce of angel gold.

*Auspicia*, *Auspices* were properly the observation of the birds, either by their singing and flying in the air: or by their gesture and manner of feeding in their caves or coup: whereby their Augurs & Pollarii knew in their learning, the pleasure and will of the gods, whether they favoured their enterprises or no. The birds that gave sign by their voice and singing, they called *Osines*, *quasi ore canentes*, as the crow, raven, and owl and thereof came *Augurium*, *quasi avium garrulus*. Those that shewed ought by their flight & wings, were named *Alites* or *Præpiter*, as the buzzard, eagle, crane, gypse, swan, and broad-winged fowls. *ἄνελις* *ἰεγυαί*. The good signs were called *Stispicra*, *auspicia quasi sinistima, quod sinant fieri*, whether they came from the left hand or the right. In pullets or chickens kept in cages, they observed whether they came forth willingly to their meat (for to obtain from it was thought unlucky) whereas their feeding heartily, was a good sign, and called *solistimum tripudium*, *quasi terripudium & terrapudium*, when some of the meat falleth out of the mouth, & *scram pavio*, i. beatech upon

the ground: as it must needs do, when they pecked either corn, or gobbets called off.

## B

*Balistræ*, were certain wars-like engines for to send out and level mighty stones, to batter and shake City wals, made with ropes off-news and womens hair, especially twined together: as appeareth by *Penus Calvus at Rome*, unto whom, by occasion that the women of the City parted with their hair for that purpose, a Temple was dedicated. According to the weight of stones or bullets that this engine would carry, they were called *Centænarie*, or *Talentaria balistræ*.

*Basilicæ*, were stately edifices or halls at *Rome*: at first serving to plead in under covert, wherein they disced from *Fora*: and also to minister justice, of *basinels*, which signifyeth a Judge, as well as a King: but afterwards they used to meet there in consultation: also to negotiate and traffique: and these had not only benches and bars like law-courts, but shops also for the better sort of wares and merchandise.

*Bellona*, The goddess of war: whose temple stood before the gate *Carmentalis*, and neer adjoining thereunto was a column named *Bellica*: from which the Romans were wont to lance a dart or javelin towards those parts where they intended to make war: whereas in former times they sent their heralds to the very confines of their enemies, to perform that ceremony.

*Bigati*, were the Roman *Denarii*, having the stamp of a chariot drawn with two horses, called *Biga*.

*Bœotarchæ*, The chief magistrats of the *Bœotians*.

## C

*C. Caius*, } The forenames of sundry families in *Rome*.  
*Ch. Cneus*, }

*Calendi*, was among the Romans, the day of the new Moon, which fell out with them ordinarily the first of every month: so named *ἔπει τὸν καλὸν*, *id est*, a *calando*, because the petty Pontiff used then to call the people to the court *Calabra*, and there to pronounce unto them how many daies were to the Nones of each month, &c.

*Candidati*, were they that stood in election and sued for dignities of magistracy: during which time, they wore whiter and brighter gowns than ordinary, that they might be the more easily seen and discerned afar off among others.

*Caracrastræ*, as well horse as foot, were they that were armed at all peeces with compleat harness: and such horsemen were named *Defensores*.

*Catapultæ*, were engines of war to shoot arrows or such like offensive weapons, far off: and by that name was called not only the instrument it self, but the arrow or whatsoever was

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was shot out of it: as *Turneb.* writeth in his 15 *Adversar. cap. 1.*

*Censors*, Magistrats of State in *Rome*: whose charge was to value and estimate mens goods, and enrol them accordingly in their several ranges. Also to demise unto certain Farmers, called *Publicans*, the publick profits of the City for a rent, and to put forth the City works unto them, to be undertaken at a price. Likewise to oversee mens manners, whereby oftentimes they would deprive Senators of their dignity, take from gentlemen their horses of service and their rings; displace Commoners out of their own tribe, disable them for giving voices, and make them *Exarii*.

*Centuriæ*, were ranges and degrees of men according to their worth, as they were assessed and enrolled by the Censors.

*Centuriatæ comitiæ*, were those assemblies and elections, wherein the people of *Rome* gave their voices and suffrages according to their behaviour & wealth, by Centuries. And such were at all times most favourable to the nobles.

*Circenses ludii* (as one would say) *Circu-enses*, For in the beginning before the great lists and shew-places (called *Circi* quæ) were built, the plot of ground wherein were performed the horie-runnings and other matters, was flanked of the one side with the river, and environed on the other with iwords, *Vide Turneb. Adversar. lib. 3. cap. 5.*

*Cistophorus*, A peeces of silver coin in *Greece* and those parts neer adjoining, less than *Drachma* or *Denarius*: so called of the stamp, representing a man carrying a panier or casket with holy reliques, in *Cybele mysteriis*, in *Bacchi orgiis*, or *Cereriis initiis*. If it be true, that 7500 of them go to the *Baboick talent*, which containeth 4000 *Denarii*, it is just our groat sterling: but if *Denarius* have proportionem sesquiquartam to it, and that 4 *Denarii* are 5 *cistophori*, (as *Glavian* collecteth our of *Budeum*) it cometh to our tesson of 6 pence.

*Clauacina*, supposed to be the image of *Venus*, found by *K. Titius* in the great vault or sink conveyed under the city, called *Clauca maxima*. And for that it was not known what goddess it resembled, he gave it the name of that place. Others say, it is written *Clauacina*, of the old word *Clau* (to fight): For that the Romans and Sabins (ready to strike a battail) were by means of myrtle branches consecrated unto *Venus*, pacified and reconciled, in that very place where afterwards the said goddess was by that name worshipped.

*Coemptionalis senes*, *Paulus Manutius* upon the familiar Epistles of *Cicero*, giveth this attribute to *Scæpius* in the end of the third book of *Livy*, whereas in all editions it is, *Concialis*. Now these *Coemptionales senes* (saith he) were those old men, in whose tuition and authority, men by their last will and re-

stament left their widows or daughters: and without whom they might not pass in *Domitium virorum per coemptionem*, i. be married according to the ceremony called *Coemption*, whereby the husband and wife seemed to buy one another.

*Cohort*, was ordinarily a band of 500 souldiers; although once or twice in *Livy* we read of *Quadragesimæ cohortes*.

*Comitium*, was a publick place or Hall within the *Forum Romanum*, where the people used to assemble for audience of justice, pleading of causes, and other occasions: whereupon *Comitiales diæ*, were such daies upon the which they might so assemble and meet together.

*Comitia*, or *Comices*, were the solemn assemblies of the people at *Rome*, summoned by the magistrats lawfully: to choose officers, to enact new laws or cancel old, by their voices: whereof were three sorts.

*Curiatæ*, instituted by *Romulus*, *Centuriatæ*, by *S. Tullius*, *Tribunæ*, brought in by the Tribuns of the people: and the first author thereof was *P. Valerius*.

*Curiatæ* and *Centuriatæ*, were *Auspiciatæ*, i. performed with the solemnity of observing the approbation of the birds, and the Senators.

*Tribunæ*, were held by the Commons only: *pænes quos non erant auspicia*, and required neither *Auspicia* nor authoritatem, i. the allowance of the *Pater*. And as in *Comitiis Centuriatis*, the richer and greater men had the vantage: so in *Curiatæ* and *Tribunæ*, the poorer sort (for their number) went away with the better.

In the *Curiatæ comitiæ*, at the first (until *S. Tullius* his reign) passed the election of *KK*, and other magistrats, judgements in capital matters, and laws. But in later times, they served only for two laws: i. *de imperio*, or *de re militarium*: in which the consuls or others (chosen to their magistracy in *Centuriatis comitiis*) had authority of command in the army: the other, *de adoptione*; and these laws were called *Curiatæ*.

In the *Centuriatæ comitiæ*, from the time of *Ser. Tullius*, passed the elections of consuls, *Decemvirs*, *Tribuns consularis*, *Censors*, *Prætors*, and such greater magistrats: and confirmed they were by *Curiatæ*. Also, judgment of capital matters, & the laws named *Centuriatæ*. In this, there was one centurie drawn forth by lot out of all the rest, to give their voices first, and that was called *Prærogativa*. After which, were called to their suffrages, the Centuries of the first and second *Clasiss*, and they were named *Primo-vocata*: the rest which followed, were called *Ture-vocata*.

*Tribunæ*, served for the creation of *Tribuns*, *Ædiles* of the Commons, and other inferior magistrats. Also the laws as touching peace, or enfranchising allies, judgments penal and fines, and those ordinances concerning the good of the Commons, called *Plebisita*.

Some have thought *amils*, and *Curiatæ* and *Tribunæ comitiæ*, were both one: but *Curiatæ* were more ancient, and of greater state as

being *Auspiciata*, and ex *authoritate Patrum*. Herein only they agreed together and differed from the *Centumviri*, that in delivering their voices, the Tribes and Curiae were intermingled: whereas the Centuries were sorted and gave their voice according to their degree, age, and ability in the Censors book. *Congius*, or *Chus*, A measure among the Romans containing 6 *Sextarii*, and every *Sextarius* about 30 ounces: so that *Congius* receiveth *X. libras mensuras*: as appeareth by the old pourtrait thereof in brals, with these two characters, *X.P.*, i. ten pound. Whereby in round reckoning it may go for our wine gallon or somewhat better. And for that great persons were wont at first to give dole unto the common people, of wine or oil by the *Congius*: all other donatives and largesses of that kind, were afterwards called *Congariata*. *Consul*, one of the sovereign yearly magistrates in Rome, succeeding in the place of *KK*. so named. a *Consulendo* either of asking counsel of the people and Senate in State matters, and withal giving his own advice and providing for the good of the weal-publick: or else of judging, for so *Consulere* signifieth: as when we say, *boni consulere*. And *Livy* saith, that *Prætores*, *Consules*, and *Judices*, may be taken one for another. Two of them were usually chosen every year. as appeareth by the law of the 12 Tables: *Regio imperio duo sunt: ique præstant. Judicando Consulendo, Prætores, Judices, Consules, appellatores*, &c. *Corona*, hath divers significations in *Livy*, *Corona urbem cingens*, to invest a City round about with armed men, and to give the assault from all parts at once. *Sub corona vendere servos*, to sell slaves in open market, either having garlands on their heads as the manner was or environed about with a guard of soldiers, which also is called *Corona militum*. Sundry garlands or chaplets there were more-over, called *Corona*, wherewith soldiers were rewarded by their captains, or they honored by their soldiers: (besides those that were presented to Generals by their friends and well-willers, or offered to the honour of the gods:) as *Obsidionalis* or *Graminea*. which was a wreath of a cuich grass called *Gramen*, given to him that delivered an army from straight sieges, and was by the whole army bestowed upon that savior. *Civica*, made of oke branches, for him that in battel saved the life of his fellow citizen. *Muralis*, resembled the battlements of walls: which he received of his captain, that first scaled the walls and mounted over, in the assault of cities. *Cæstrænsis*, in form of a palliade or rampier made with pales or strong stakes: the honor of him who first entred the enemies camp. *Navalis* or *Rosstrata*, pourtraied with the stems or beak-heads of ships, called *Rosstra*: his reward that first boarded the enemies ship, and gave the first means of a naval victory: These were the principal. For others there were not so ordinary, as namely, *Exploratoria* garnished and set out with the sun, moon, and other

stars: bestowed upon them that did special service in espial and discovery of the enemies quarters.

*Curia*, were parishes in Rome, 30 in number, instituted by *Romulus*. Certain halls besides, appointed for assemblies and convocations about Church matters and Religion: whereof some were old, called simply *Veteres*: others new, named *Novæ*. As for *Curia Hostilia*, it was the ordinary ancient place of publick counsil within Rome.

*Curio*, the Priest belonging to each *Curia* or parish aforesaid: and *Curio Max.* the chief superintendent over them all.

D

*D.* *Decius*, a forename: for *Decius*, although it were the gentile name of a house, grew afterwards to be a forename, as *Publius*: and likewise forenames at the first, came to name families, as *Posthumus*.

*D.* *Decimus*, a forename likewise, as of that *Brutus* surnamed *Albinus*, who killed *Cæsar*. *Decemviri*, were magistrates, officers, or fellowships, ten in number.

*Decemviri legibus scribendis*, were ten men chosen to make laws in Rome: who afterwards usurped the sovereign authority, and tyrannized.

*Decemviri sacrorum*, were certain Priests, who had the keeping and perusing of Sibyls books of destinies, and thereour gave order for sacrifices and expiation of prodigies.

*Decemviri*: ten Judges or ministers of Justice, selected out of the great court or counsil of the 100 Centumvirs, and they were called, *Decemviri de litibus judicandis*: assistant they were to the Pretor or L. chief justice.

*Dilectior*, a sovereign magistrat above all others in Rome, from whom no appeal was granted, mere absolute and King-like: but that his time of rule was limited within six months ordinarily: so named, either because he only said the word and it was done, or because he was *Dilectus*, i. nominated only by one of the Consuls, and not otherwise chosen, usually in some time of great danger of the state. He was called also *Pretor Maximus*: and namely, when he was made for the ceremony of striking up or driving a nail: also *Magister Populi*, as *Cicero* 3 de fin. Moreover, he was sometimes appointed to ordain and hold solemn feasts, in regard that it had rained stones.

*Duumviri*, magistrates two in number, of divers sorts.

*Duumviri capitales*, judges to sit upon life and death: from whom it was lawfull to appeal to the people.

*Duumviri sacrorum*, out of the Patricians, ordained for dedication of temple, preparing the sacred beds for the gods, called *Læsternia*: and for the books of Sibylla: these afterwards were increased to five, and so to ten. See *Decemviri*.

Duum-

*Duumviri Navales*, two wardens of the navy, ports, and sea-coasts.

E

*Ephoroi*, were certain Priests whose office was to prepare and set out the solemn feast for *Jupiter* called *Epulum*, and for other gods. Of them were three, called *Triumviri Epulones*, and after seven, *Septemviri Epulones*.

F

*Fæciales* were the Heralds: of whom there was a college of 20, the principal of them was *Pater patratus*, as it were their Dean. And according to *Plutarch*, he ought to be a man that had children of his own, and his father living: for having the charge of making peace and alliances, it behooved that he should be a person accomplished, and as well to look before as behind *quæ retro et ostium*, to regard what is past and what is to come: the one was signified by his father, the other by his children.

*Fæsti* signifieth sometimes *fæstos dies*, holidays: and in that sense *Ovid* entitleth his books *Fæsti*, wherein he setteth down the ordinary feasts of every month. Otherwhiles they are put for law-daies, wherein the L. chief justice or Pretor might use these three words, *Do, Dico, Adde*, which betoken to give leave to the party for to plead, to minister law and justice between plaintiff and defendant, and to pronounce the sentence and award.

*Flamines*, certain Priests among the Romans: they took that name of *Filamen*, a fillet of wollen yarn, that they used to wear upon their heads. Three of them there were *Patricii*, and those were called *Majores*, namely, *Dialis*, for the service of *Jupiter*. 2. *Maritalis*, of *Mars*. 3. *Quirinalis*, of *Romulus* deified. Of Commoners were 12 more, called *Minores*, deputed to inferior charges, and the meaneft of them all attended the service of *Pomona* the goddess of apples and such fruits.

*Fortuna* a great goddess in Rome, entituled with many and sundry surnames.

*Foris Fortuna*, a goddess of Rome, whose temple was in *Transiberina* region, where she was honored & worshipped of idle persons, such as professed nothing, but lived of their rents only, and namely, for that she came unlooked for and undeserved.

*Fortis Fortuna*, i. strong fortune, so called for her power, especially in battail. *Publica*, when she favoured the common-wealth. *Mascula*, good to the male kind, and *Muliebris*, to the female. *Virilis*, kind to folk of ripe years. *Primigenia*, gracious to the first begotten or the eldest. *Equestris*, either for running to help with great speed, or assistant in horse-service. *Obsequens*, pliable and easily intreated to accomplish all their vows and desires. *Parva*, for advancing mean and obscure persons to wealth and worship. *Seia*, for the kind and seasonable ripening of corn and fruit. *Pro-*

*spera*, which was alwaies present and vouchsafed her helping hand. *Malas*, when contrary-wile she was backward and evermore crossed their designs. *Viviana*, for that many a one hath been by her enticements snared & entangled. *Redux*, *idænis*, *Bene Sperans*, *Re-spicens*, *Propria*, *Virgo*, *Calva*, *Conversens*, *gracile tuum*, *vestem*, *quasi estans*, *cæca*, *Vitæa*, &c. See *Alexander ab Alexandr. Marlian.*

*Forum Romanum*, or *Latum*, The great common place at Rome, wherein causes were pleaded, and audience given to publick Orations. Under the name of *Forum* were other places also and courts, as also markets, distinguished by their proper adjuncts, as *Forum Boarium*, *Olivarium*, &c.

*Furca*, Whereof slaves were called *Furciferi*, was a kind of fork or gibbet which slaves carried upon their shoulders when they were scourged by their masters, either about the *Forum* or *Cirque*: whereupon afterwards they were crucified and executed: howbeit, some think they bare it only for a publick shame.

G

*Gabinus cinctus* was a kind of habit and wearing of a gown after the Gabines fashion, when it was cast over the shoulder to backward, that it seemed to compass and gird round the whole body. In that manner the Consul clad, used solemnly to set open the doors of *Ianus* Temple, before he went to the wars.

*Genius*, *Genii* were supposed to be *phœntes* and *pararii*, brokers (as it were) between men & the gods, or rather interpreters and *Salmigrensi*, messengers between, of a middle nature betwixt the one and the other, *Calvus Rhodigin. lib. 2. chap. 3*. But according to *Empedocles*, each one was thought to have his angel from the very day of nativity, unto whom they used to sacrifice upon their birth day, as to their protector. Also every place had their peculiar *Genii*, and then were they called *Lares*, as *Rurales*, and *præmuri* in *Livy*.

*Galli*, Priests of *Cybele* that gualded themselves in a fantastic fury, and used in their service to her, for to strike and beat upon tabers and drums.

H

*Hæstæ*, Besides the ordinary signification, signifieth the Centumviral or Decemviral jurisdiction in supply or assistance of the Prætorian, for that they set up a spear to be seen at the place of judgement. Also it betokeneth port-sale, when they sold either goods or slaves to him that would bid most at such a spear. Moreover, the putting forth of the Cities works, called \* *Ulro tributa*, to certain Publicans or undertakers by the great, at a price, and it was called *Subhæstatio*.

\* *ἐργασίας*.

I

**Ianus** is a God in Rome, sometime represented *Bifrons* with two faces, signifying the time passed, and that to come: otherwhiles *Quadrifrons*, & betokeneth the four times of the year; having in his right hand a character resembling 300, in the left another, shewing threefore and five, according to the daies of the year. But in the plural number *Iani*, betoken certain hals or great foursquare buildings, with four prospects and cross thoroughfares, whereof were divers in Rome.

**Ides**, Eight daies in every month of an old word *Idus*, to divide: for that they commonly fall about the middle of the month, namely, upon the thirteenth or fifteenth daies, according to Horace, *Idus tibi sunt agenda, qui dies mensis Veneris marina; fudit Aprilem.*

**Interdict** of water and fire, were they who for some crime were banished. Which judgement, although it was not by expels sentence pronounced, yet by giving order, that no man should receive such an one into his house, but deny him fire and water (the two necessary elements of life) he was condemned (as it were) to a civil death: and this was called *Legitimum exilium*. But voluntary exile was, when a man to avoid the payment of a grievous fine, or imprisonment, went out of the way of his own accord, and left his native country.

**Iugerum**, which commonly I translate Acre, seemeth among the Romans, to be in measuring of land the *Basis*, ground, and foundation of all other measures in that kind; like as, the *Als* or *Alis*, of weights: of which it borroweth the terms in sub-division and multiplication, whereof the least is *Semiscriptulum*. Now is the *Scrupulum* in land measure fifteen foot square, according to which, it may soon be gathered, how much *Iugerum* containeth; considering it hath that name, a *divobus altitum junctis*: by which reckoning it beareth 28800 foot of ground within the square. But for that, others think that *Iugerum* is almuch as *mojingo bonum uno die exarari potest*, i. one daies work of a yoke or team of oxen: for want of another fitter word (except I would call it a journal) I have expressed it by our familiar term of an acre, which is not much under or over a daies work in plowing of oxen here in England.

**Interregnum**, or *Interregency*, is properly the time between the former King deceased, and the creation of a new: and he that ruled in the mean space, was called *Interrex*. Which terms continued afterwards in the free state when there were no Kings, in the case of vacancy of head-magistrats.

**H-S.** This Character compounded of two capital *I*, and the letter *S*, thus coupled together, is *Sestertius*, that is to say, a silver coin among the Romans, consisting of two *Asses* and an *hal*: and thereupon it hath the name *Sestertius* as a man would say, *Semis tertius*, i.

two, and half the third: and therefore you see the numeral note of two, and *S*, for *semis*, which is half. It is the fourth part of the Roman *Denarius*, and in value among us is three half pence farthing cue. But *Sestertium* in the neuter gender, betokeneth almuch as *mille Sestertior*, i. a thousand Sesterces, so that *decem Sestertia* signifieth ten thousand Sesterces, and *decem Sestertium* is as much: for you must in this manner of speech understand *millia* for the regimen of the Genitive case. But if you add unto *Sestertium* the numeral adverb, it sheweth the same *Sestertium* in the neuter above said, multiplied a hundred times so much as the said numeral beareth. For example, *decies Sestertium*, is *decem Sestertium*, a hundred times told, and as much to say as *decies centena millia Sestertium*, which is a million of Sesterces in the primitive signification: whereby a man may soon reckon how much is *millies Sestertium* and the rest, either under or over *decies*. The same is to be said of *Numus* and *Numum*, for it is the same that *Sestertium* and *Sestertium*. Moreover, *decies*, *millies*, and such like adverbs, whether you put *Numum* or *Sestertium* thereto, or no, is all one: so that by this form of speaking, *ejus bona fuerant vicies*, is meant thus, his goods amounted unto two millions of Sesterce peeces. Thus much for *Livy* and other Historians and writers in prose: for I am not ignorant that Poets for the verselike confound these two words many times, and put *Sestertii* for *Sestertia*, as *Georgius Agricola* hath well observed.

**Jupiter Indiges**, Indigetes were these called, *quia nullius rei indigebant*, because they need nothing, or *quasi in deis agentes*, i. conversing among the Gods, having been sometimes men; or by reason that they might not *indigitari*, i. be named; or rather for that they were easy to be entreated; and last of all, *quasi in loco degentes & ideo propitii*, i. the tutelars gods and protectors of this or that place: which I rather incline unto.

**Justitium**, was the stay of civil jurisdiction and pleas for the time, upon some suddain troubles, as *Tumultus Gallicus*, &c. Which vacation, if we will be somewhat bold, may be called not unfittly a Lawfeed, as *Solfistium* the Sun-feed.

K

**K. Kaim.** } The forename of many Romans.

L

**L. Lucius.** } The forename of many Romans.

**Latina**, *sc. feria*, Certain holydaies *Conceptivæ*, appointed by the Priest or Magistrate, as occasion required, and not set feasts. The solemnity was published and held by the Roman Consuls newly created, upon the mount *Albanum* to *Jupiter Latinis*: and a sacrifice was there

there offered which they call *Latus*, for the health of the Latine people: at which, the manner was to give a dole of flesh called *Visceratio* to the Latine States.

**Latissimum**, is in some sort declared in the fifth and two and twenty books of *T. Livius*, and is as much to say, as the solemn ceremony of trimming and setting out a bed, not for repose but repast, according to the ancient manner: wherein they laid the images of their gods, reared upon bolsters and pillows: the principal whereof was that in the honour of *Jupiter* at the *Epulum Jovis*, wherupon *Jupiter* was laid, *Juno* and *Minerva* sitting of either side by him.

**Lectum** is usually to be understood in *Livy* for the bed whereupon they laid themselves at ease when they took their recreation, and *Triclinium* is taken for *Conclave*, i. the parlor where they were wont to lye, because the usual manner was to set three such beds or pallets together: (whereof the room had the name) and a table raised somewhat higher from the floor, and placed so, as it served all three pallets; and was open at one side for the servants to come unto it, and either set meat thereupon, or to minister what was called for. Upon each of these beds there ate or leaned ordinarily three persons: so as nine was the full number of guests at the board, according to the rule, *No fewer than the graces, nor more than the muses*. For *Livy* in this verse, *Sæpe tribus lectis viduas cenare quaternos*, seemeth to glance at theiggardie of that would rather want meat than guests, and so set twelve at the table which was but for nine, whereby also they were pent up together too freight.

**Legati**, are usually taken for Embassadors sent from one Prince or State to another. Also for Lientenants in an army, having the charge of a legion under the General; and in his absence, the charge and command of all. Who likewise were sent as Nuntios or messengers of credence from the Generals in the field, to make true report unto the Senat, of the success of their affairs. Moreover, they are oftentimes put for deputed-delegates, or commissioners assitant to the Col, or L. General, in matters of state; having their principal directions from the Senat, but commission to deal in the particulars after their own discretion: much like to those that be called *Legati à latere*.

**Libitina**, the goddess of funerals; and after a sort, the superintendent over sepulchres; supposed to be *Venus Epitymbia*. In whose Temple were all things to be fold necessary for the interring and burial of the dead. Whereupon they also who were employed to carry forth and bury corpses, were called *Libitinarii* as well as *Vespillones*; in Greek *νεκροφύλας*, and *νεκροθάλας*. It is put for death in *Horace*, when he saith, *Non omnia moriar, magnæque pars mei, Vita tibi Libitinam*: and in *Livy*, as well for the ministers as furniture to sepulchres belonging. The Chappel to this

goddess stood without the City, and a gate there was *Libitinensis*, at which they carried forth their dead. For at Rome they might not commonly bury or burn a dead corpse within the City, unless it were upon a special privilege: and the law of 12 tables provided therefore in these expels words, *In urbe non sepelito neve urito*: but in some barren part of their land, each man bestowed the ashes or bodies of their dead. The practice whereof is evident by many examples in histories; and at this day are monuments standing of their tombs reared near the great cauley *Appia*, and elsewhere about Rome. The confirmation hereof, with some other circumstances of a place in the 3 book of *Livy*, gave me occasion haply to translate amiss. There hapned to be a great mortality in Rome and the territory about it, not only of men but of cattel also: at what time as the Volcians and *Æquians* were encamped within three miles of Rome, with a purpose to give the assault to the City; but they were suddainly stricken with a fear that they durst not approach neer, *et æque procul visa atque imminentes tumuli avertere mentes eorum*, &c. where I have englished *imminentes tumuli*, tombs & graves neer at hand, in opposition of *testa urbis* [*Romana*] *procul visa*: and the rather, because it presently followeth, *In deserto agro, inter tabernæ perorum atque hominum*: where *tumuli*, may wel be put for tombs and monuments; and [*imminentes*] neer at hand: as *Livy* and others do take those words. But if any man would have it meant rather of the 7 hills of Rome commanding and overlooking those houses aforesaid, I will not be against it, but rather my *servitus ægritudine* shall go with him: and pardon me I hope he will, if either there or elsewhere I have seemed to nod and take a little nap, *Nimque opere in longo suo est obrepere somnum*: seeing that I have taken my self in the manner, and not slept until my neighbour awaked me.

**Lictors**, in *Livy* are ministers or sergeants attending upon the magistrats of Rome: namely, Dictators, Consuls, Prætors: for those only were called sometime magistrats *ad æquum*, as superior to the rest: so called (as *Festus* thinketh) *quod fasces virgarum ligatos ferant*, for that they carried rods tied up in bundles: which rods were of birch, willow, hazell, or the Carpine-tree, [a kind of Plane or Maple] and within them stuck an axe, all to signify whipping and death. These officers made way before those magistrats, and were ministers also of the execution.

**Livum**, was the Angurs staff, much like a bishops crozier, crooked at the end.

M

**M. Agister Equitum**, Master or general of the horsemen. This was an office or dignity among the Romans, incorporate as it were in the Dictator alone, who ever had the absolute naming and chusing of him: and ordinarily

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narly he was subject to him, howsoever *Mimius* was by strong hand and a violent course of the people, made equal to *Q. Fabius* his Dictator. Commander he was under him of the Cavalry: also his Lieutenant-general and coadjutor with him in all executions. The same that *Tribunus celerum* in the time of the KK.

*M. Marcius*. The forenames of certain Romans, postrophus, *Mantius*. *Manipulus*, in an army, was at the first a petty company of ten souldiers following one javelin having a wisp of herbs or hay fastned to the upper end, as a man would say, an handful of men: used after, for a small band or squadron of souldiers: and *Manipulares* were they termed, who served in one such *Manipulus*.

*Mauria*, otherwise called *Lencoeia* or *Ino*, the daughter of *Cadmus*. Into her temple, at the time of her solemn feast, might no maid servant enter: and if any did, they were sure to be beaten forth by the dames or wives there assembled: in remembrance of one *Anigera*, the chamber-maid of *Ino*, with whom her husband *Athamas*, as the thought, was more familiar than she liked well of.

*Megalasia*, were plaies or games at *Rome*, not (as the letter seemeth to import) *Magnis*, which were *Romani*, but in the honour of *Cybele* the goddess, named also *Idaea*, *Magna mater i*, the great mother of the gods.

*Multa decem millium arie gravio*, &c. was no doubt, a fine of brassen money set upon a mans head, after the weight of so much: every As weighing a *lib*. of 12 ounces. For before that silver was cast and stamped for coin: *As grave* *pluvisis ad ararium convehant* (as *Livy* saith) when they paid tribute or subsidy to the City chamber, as they were assailed.

*Mundus Muliebris*, the Elegancy of women. *Nam quem visus Graci nomine ornamentis appellaverunt, cum non perfusa al solutis elegantia mundum i*, the world. *Plin.* first book fourth chapter.

*Murcia* or *Murtia*, one of the names attributed to *Venus*, *quia prater modum, non moveret sed faceret hominem murcidum i*, nimis desidiolum & inausum: contrary to that other goddess *Aegonia*, *qua ad agendum excitaret*. And hereupon it is that *Murcia* is put for the goddess of sloth and litherneis.

N

*Novatula*, was an easment proposed in favour of debtors at *Rome*, whereby the old debt-books and obligations were cancelled, or the *Nomina* dashed out. Among the Athenians this practise was called *Sisachia*, an easing of burden, or *Chreocopia*, a cutting off striking out of debts.

*N. Numerum*, a forename to some houses of *Rome*.

*Nundina*, were the market daies appointed every ninth day at *Rome*, for the peasants of the

country to repair unto the City, to sell commodities or to buy their necessities. And hereupon *Trimundinum*, is the space of 27. daies, comprehending three market daies.

*Nones*, were daies in the month so called, because they began the 9th day ever before the Ides: honored by the Romans both for the birth-day of *K. Servius*, and also for the chasing out of the KK, for otherwise it was not festival (as *Ovid*, saith) *Nonarum tutela Deo caret*.

O

*Ova* or *Ova*, were eggs set upon the goles in the solemnity of the horse-running, at the plaies *Circenses*, to reckon or score up (as it seemeth by *Livy*) the races, which were performed with 24 courses to represent four and twenty hours of the day. Neither was it for nought, that choise was made of egg, rather than other things: for as eggs are laid by birds (the swiftest of all other living creatures) so they also were to contend and strive to be most active, &c. or else because *Castor* & *Pollux* (those renowned horsemen) came of an egg, as Poets fable.

P

*P. Publius*, a forename to some Roman families.

*Panatholium* or *Panatholisk*, was a solemn diet or counsel, wherein all the states of *Aetolia* assembled to consult of publick affairs.

*Patres*, were at *Rome* 100 Senators or Noblemen, counsellors of state: chosen in this manner: 3 out of every one of the 30 Curio, and those make 90: 3 more out of each tribe, (which then were but three) and one by *Romulus* himself: and as this number made the body of the Nobility or Senat at the first: so, out of every Curia, he chose ten of the most personable and active young men, to the number of 300, (which he called *Celeres*) to guard his person. From whence came the order of the knights or gentlemen of *Rome*: a mean degree between the two estates of Nobles and Commons, as it were the seminary, to replenish the Senat, when the places were void, and to augment the number of them. These were called *Patres Conscripti*, *Ascripti*, & *Selesii*. And like as the former were named *Patres Majorum gentium*: so the latter sort, *Minorum gentium*: alluding to the several ranges of the gods, who were some of them, *Majorum gentium*, such as ever were counted in heaven: termed also *Selesii* others, *Minorum gentium*, who had been men, and were after canonized gods. [The off spring and progeny of the *Patres*, were *Paritii*, in opposition evermore of *Plebeii*, Commoners.

*Porticus*, were either the porches & other stately buildings before temples, as belonging unto them: or else goodly galleries and walking places apart by themselves under which men retired in the rain, and where they used to walk to cool themselves in summer.

*Prada*,

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*Prada*, booty, pillage, or sackage in the own kind, as it was gotten from the enemy, to wit, slaves, prisoners, beasts, goods, armor, &c. *Manabla*, the money raised of such pillage or prey, fold.

*Prator*, one of the superior magistrats of *Rome*. In the City he ruled as Chief justice: in the province he commanded as L. governor and deputy: and was General in the field as well as the Consul. At first, the name of Consul, Pretor, and Judges, was all one.

*Prærogative Centuriæ*, were those centuries in *Comitia Centuriatæ*, which by lot had the first place in giving their voices: the rest that followed, were called *Primo-vocata* and *Invocata*, and delivered their suffrages in their course.

*Prætexta toga*, a robe embroidered of purple, common to men and women, *Ingenitatus insignis*, & *ornamentum*. *Cicero* in *Verrem*. 3. Whereby it appeareth, that it was allowed but to certain persons: and, as *P. Manutius* writeth, to 6 sorts.

1 The children of the *Patritii*, until 17 years age. 2 All Senators upon festival daies. 3 Wardens at the games or plaies called *Comptuliti*. 4 All magistrats, as well in the City, as in the colonies or borough Towns incorporate, called *Municipia*, and Masters of *Confraternities*. 5 All Priests, and among them, the *Augurs*. 6 They that triumph. And this differed from the rest, being wrought with gold and damask work.

It seemeth that these differed likewise one from the other, in the manner of the guarding: laid broader or narrower: as also in the rich or deep colour, whereupon they were called *Diabrupta*: or that some of these robes were all one purple, other but parcel. And whereas the gentlemen of *Rome* are said *Purpuram induere*, it is to be understood either of *angusti-clavus*, or else of some lighter colour, as the violet, and not of that rich red purple, which is scarlet. For that robe which was done upon our Saviour Christ, \* one of the Evangelists called *aoxistis*, and other two, *woxigey*.

*Pullarius*, the Chickmaster or pullitier: one that had the charge and overseeing of the sacred chickens, kept in a pen or coup for *auspicia*: who by observing their gesture or feeding betimes every morning, related what was foretold thereby good or bad. See more in *Auspicia*.

*Pro-consul*. Some have thought, *Pro-consule*. *Pro-pretor*. That they should be *Pro pretore*. *Pro-questor*. Swritte otherwise thus, *Proquestore*. but they are in mine opinion out of the way: for in deed *Pro-consul* is he, who having bin Consul, went out of his magistracy at the years end, and nevertheless was sent forth into his Province again with full Consular authority: whereas *Pro-consule* (to speak precisely) is the Viz-consul, namely, one that having never been Consul created, but some privat person, yet upon an urgent occasion, might for the while supply the place of the Consul. The same is to be said of the rest. And

hereof you may read in the oration of *Cicero*, *pro lege Manilia*. Howbeit in my translation of *Livy*, I have sometime used *Viz-pretor* and *Viz-consul*, for *Pro-pretor* and *Pro-consul*: because that manner of composition frameth well with our terms in English. Moreover, we read once in *Livy* of a *Pro-dictator*, in the proportionable signification to the other.

Q

*Quadrigati*, were the *Denarii Romani*, having the stamp of a chariot drawn with four horses, called *Quadriga*. *Quadrans*, a peece of balle brass coin or poile at *Rome*, the fourth part of As, which is a cue and a c.

*Quæstors*, were inferior officers in *Rome*, as treasurers to receive and lay out the City-mony, whereof there were *Urbanis*, *Provinciales*, and *Castrenses*.

*Quæstorium*, a plot or quarter in the Roman camp, where the treasurer lodged and other officers of the camp.

*Q. Quintus*, the forename of sundry Romans. *Quindecenviri*, the same that *Dumviri* first, and *Decemviri sacris faciundis*. Their number was 15, and albeit they were encreased by *Sylla* Dictator to 60, yet they retained still the name of *Quindecenviri*.

*Quintana* was a gate in the Roman camp, at which provision was brought in to serve the market. Read the annotation in the end of *English Tacitus*.

*Quingeviri Menfarii*, were certain men, five in number, appointed upon occasion to discharge the debts of the commons, so called of *Menfa*, a table set out in publick place: upon which they either counted or weighed their mony.

*Quingeviri muris reficiendis*, were five officers at *Rome* chosen extraordinarily for repairing of the walls and turrets of the City.

*Quinquatrus* or *Quingentaria*, were certain feasts and games at *Rome* in the honor of *Minerva*. They continued five daies, and began the fifth day after the Ides of *March*. i. the 20 of *March*: and these were called *Quinquatrus Majores*. For others named *Minores*, fell about the Ides of *June*, and that was the minstrels holiday, as appeareth in the ninth of *Livy*.

*Quintilis*, the month of *July*, before *Julius Caesar*'s time.

*Quirinalia*, was a festival day to *Quirinus*, appointed for them to sacrifice, who had neglected or missed to do divine service in their parish at the feast *Fornacalia*: and it was called the fools holiday: for that they were ignorant of the time of the former feast, or knew not their own Curia.

*Quirites*, the name appropriate to the citizens of *Rome*: and so they loved to be called within the City: but in the camp, if the General gave them that term, it was taken for a great disgrace unto souldiers and men of arms.

\* Math. 27.  
\* Marc. 15.  
John 19.

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**R**

**R**orarii, were light armed footmen, resembling our forlorn hope: so called *a rore. & Dew.* For like as there falleth commonly a drizzling dew before a good shour of rain: so these *Rorarii* skirmished loosely, before the legionary souldiers came to the battail.

*Roftra*, were three-tined pikes of brais, fet in the noſe or beak-head of war-ſhips to offend the enemy, as appeareth by *Virgil*, *Roftriſq; tri-*  
*dentibus*: and thereupon by *Synecdoche*, the  
ſtems of ſhips were ſo called. And for that  
the publick pulpit for orations at *Rome*, was  
reared and adorned with ſuch, it alſo was  
called *Roftra*.

*Rudera*, [Cum militet religione tacti rudera] *accensum*.] To make sense of this place, I have translated *Rudera*, peeces of brasse money: for that I cannot see what should be meant by rubbish stone in that place, which was not demolished by *Antibal*, for any thing that I can find; but only robbed of the silver & gold within the chappell of *Feronia*: in stead where of were found *aria acervi*: by reason that the soldiours, who had some sense of religion & touch of conscience (whereof their leader *Antibal* had never any) caft from them [*Rudera*]. Now, probably it is that *Rudera* is corruptly put for *ara*, the later end of the word: or if we admit *Rudera*: it is well known that *Rudus* as well as *ara* significth brasse and brassen money, as appeareth by *Rudusculum* the diminutive: for as of as came *Æsculum*, so of *Rudus* (no doubt) *Rudusculum*: and like as of *Æsculum*, *Æsculana*, a god of the Painims, father of *Argentibus* (because copper & brasse money was before silver coin): so of *Rudusculum*, the gate *Rudusculana* in Rome, set out with brasse, Now that *Rudusculum* is put for a small peece of brasse coin, it is proved by the form of words in buying and selling, and in manumission (*Rudusculo libram ferro*) which is all one with *ara Libram percutere* of *Peri*. By which I collect, that *Rudera* in this place may stand for *aria*, peeces of coin. For there went *arsaepe*, *aria acervi*, which *Horace* putteth for heaps of brasse money, and not for brassen images. And well it may be, that the soldiours upon some devotion, threw into the Church their oblations of such money as they had in their belts or bandoliers. This conjecture & construction of mine may serve, until somewhat here may be made of rubbish stone, or better expofition come in place. The word (I am sure) will bear it: and the context in all sense and congruity, doth require it.

**S**

**S***Alutare Deos*] after a devout and reverent manner they bowed unto the Idols or gods of the heathen as they passed by, and withal, touched their hands: which *Lucretius* sheweth in these verses,

— *Tum portas propter, aliena*  
*Signamantis dextræ ostendunt attenuari*  
*Sæpe salutarium, tactu præterque meantum.*  
*Sceleratus Vicius*, a street in Rome named before-  
*time Cyprinus*, which in the Sabine language  
 signifieth [good:] but upon occasion of a  
 wicked act committed therein, it was by the  
 contrary, called *Sceleratus*.

*Secession*, was a general insurrection and revolt of the commons in *Rome*, wherein they left the City, until such time as they had the authority of their Tribuns strengthened and confirmed: yea, and certain laws enacted and established by a solemn oath, with a curse denounced to all them that went about to abrogate or abolish the same: which thereupon were called *Sacra et leges*.

Sex. *Sextus.*  
Serg. *Sergius.*  
Serg. *Servius.*

} All, forenames to Ro-  
mans

*Sextilis*, the month of *August*, so called by the Romans before *Augustus* *Cæsar* his daies, for that it was the sixt in number: as *Quintilis* the fift, beginning at *March*.

*Suburra*, 97 a. In *Iuvenentem* grassantem in *Suburra*. It might well be that yonkers there made a fray or committed some riot and felony: for it was a freer mot of all others frequented; and besides, in it kept strumpets and curtsians, like enough to give occasion of much quarrel & misrule among youth, as appeareth by *Iuvenal* and *Marial* in this Distichon.

*Fame non nimium bona, puella,  
Quales in media sedent Suburra.*

*Suffrages*, were the voices of the people given by Centuries, Curia, or tribes, which in *Rome* went affirmatively under this form, *Uirogas, i.* be it according to your bill: and negatively thus, *Antiano, i.* I deny or reject it.

*Sordidati*, were they that changed their weed in *vestiti*, i. (whiles either themselves or their friends were in trouble and danger of judgement) that is to say, put off white, which was the ordinary colour, and did on black: but if they changed their apparel upon sorrow and mourning for the loss of friends or any public calamity, they were called rather *Pulcrati* and *Atrati*.

*Sella Curulis*, a seat or chair of office. One of the regal ornaments at *Rome*, belonging to the Kings first : afterwards, during the free state, used by Dictators, Consuls, Pro-consuls, Pretors, and Propertors, Censors and Ediles, namely, those called curules; for distinction from those that were Plebeii; and last of all, by the emperors in the time of the monarchy. This chair was made of Ivory, on which the above said magistrates usually sat, not only in the Senat-house when they consulted or gave audience, or when they beheld the public games & plaies; & rode either in triumph, or other wife in the streets, mounted upon their Chariots; but also at home within their private houses; & whosoever else it pleased them to : & this badge or ensign of honor they had both in time of their magistracy, & afterwards : &

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as such Senators were called *Curnles* (for the rest, who had not attained to those dignities, they named *Pidenes*, as some think, for that they went on foot to the Senat or places before mentioned) so those magistrats likewise above said, were entituled by the name of *Curnle*. And *Curnlie* was that chair called either of *Curnus*, a chariot, for that they sat thereupon within their chariots; or, *quasi Curnus*, because it was made crooked or curvise, like unto our folding chairs.

Senator, a Counsellor of Estate. A name it was of honor, and not of age, as the word implieth for to that place men attained often times very yong. Senat was the body of that degree and common Council, opposite unto *Plēbs* at *Rome*, namely, when it was *biceps* and the whole people comprehended under *Senatorialis ordo* and *Plēbeius*.

**Sextans**, a small brazen peece of mony at Rome, which being the sixt part of As, cometh to a cue or half a farthing.

*Sextarius* was the Basis of measures in *Rome*, as  
As of weights: and look how *As* was divided  
into twelve ounces, so *Sextarius* into twelve  
*cyathi*, and in measures *Sextans* was the sixth  
part of *Sextarius*, which weighed twenty  
ounces; much about a winepint and a half a-  
mong us.

Of *Sibyll* books so often mentioned in *Livy*, which being three in number, were bought of *Sibylla* by King *Tarquinius* the proud, at the price of nine, after she had burned six of them before his face : which books were kept diligently in the Capitol : and wherout the Decemvirs by their learning made report of the will and pleasure of the gods, See *A. Gellius*, 1 book 19 chapter.

*Signum*, was the general name of all the ensigns in the field. But *Aquila* more particularly was the main standard to a whole legion: so called, for that upon the top of a spear was reared and fastened an Eagle in flight at full relief, and the same sometime was gilded standing upon a base or footstall of the same metal. The other ensigns, as well of cohorts which were bands of five hundred men usually, as of centuries, companies of hundred named more especially *Vexilla*, and were generally called *Signa*, had the portraiture of Minotaures, wolves, bores, horses, dragons with sundry other devices according to the fancy of the Colonels or captains, containing also the name of the cohort or Century, and the legion to which they belonged.

**I**

**T**alentum Atticum, As wel ponderale which was weighed, as numerale or nummularium which was counted in money, was of two sorts: The leis, of sixty pound Attick, and every one of them confited of a hundred Drachmae or Denarii Romani, If Mina then be three pound two shillings six pence, sterling, the leis talent Attick amounteth to 187 pound ten shillings of our English money. The great

ter, or simply the great, talent, in *Livy*, is  
fourscore mina, and hath proportionem in-  
teritvov or Sefsguitertiam,  $\frac{4}{5}$  minus, which co-  
meth to two hundred and fifty pound ster-  
ling. Now was the Euboick talent (whereof  
*Livy* also speaketh) half of *Talentum majus*  
*Atticum*.

*T. Titus.* } A forename to many houses of the  
 { Romans.

*Tefudo*, A target-fence, which the Legionary Romans fouldiers, made either in the open field when they were overcharged with their enemies, or in approaching the walls of Towns to give assault. In the former, after they had enclosed within them their baggage and light armed men, they rested themselves upon their knees, with their targets close, couched together over their heads, to avoid the enemies shot: and after they had well breathed they would rise up all at once again, fresh and lusty to a new skirmish. In the later, they had the like target-roof, but pent-house wise, one overlapped the other after the manner of tiles, and so they scaled walls without offence from above.

**T**emphlū bath in *Liuy* three significations, 1. a sacred house or chapel dedicated to some god or goddess for divine service, as the temple of Jupiter in the Capitol, &c. 2. An open place, from whence a man might see all about him, as having nothing to hinder his prospect, and which likewise might be seen from all parts, whereof cometh the verb *Contemplari*, i. to behold. And such did the Angurs chuse for to take their signs of bird-flight. 3. Any place hallowed, although not for divine service, yet for debating of serious human affairs, as their Curia and Council-chambers, yea, and the Rostra at Rome.

*Thalassio*, An Auspicate or lucky word used at  
Bridals or weddings in *Rome*, like to this  
among the Greeks. *ὕμνω δὲ ὑμέναιος, δὲ ὑμνω*  
*Hymen*. O *Hymenae*, *hymen*, &c. *Catul.*

*Thens*, whereof *Livy* writeth in the fifth & ninth books, were certain petty chariots or dreyes of silver or ivory, carrying the images and ornaments of their gods in great pomp upon certain high daies: and they wholed their horses drawing the same, wore their richest apparel, holding in their hands and training the false reins stretched out at length in formal wife, whereupon *Festus* thinketh they took the name *Thens* *quasi* *Tens*.

*Trabea* was a royal robe or mantle of estate, all of deep purple or scarlet only; at the first: but afterwards, embroidered richly with gold. Livy seemeth to confound it with *Vestis purpurea*, *Pitta*, *Palmeta*, and *Triumphalis*. And in truth, all one they were in the principal substance and matter thereof, namely, purple or scarlet: but different in the setting out, being embroidered with gold, more or 'less, distinguished also with white among (for that was a royal colour) as may appear by the diadem, which was a white wreath, or band done about the head of Kings, or in the manner of the work: for either it was *palmeta* or

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called *à latitudine clavurum*, i. of the broad buttons of gold, *ad instar p. clavurum*, i. to the breadth of ones hand, as *Festus* thinketh: or branched and damasked with flour-work, like to the date-tree: or else *pistia*, i. of tiffew or embroidery.

*Tribuni* of the Commons were certain Magistrats, as *Provoits* or *Protectors* of the Commons, to restrain and keep down the excessive power of the nobility: chosen and confirmed by the general oath of the people, whereby they were *Sacro sancti*, i. sacred or inviolable, and no violence might be done to their person. They had a negative voice and power of inhibition, called *Intercessio*, whereby they might cross and stop the proceedings of the Senat, or any magistrat, save only the Dictator: even the very Consuls, whom in some case they might command.

*Tribuni* military in Consuls authority, or *Consulari*, governed the State of *Rome* many years in stead of Consuls.

*Tribuni* military in the army, were Colonels over a thousand.

*Tribuni avarii*, were the keepers of the City chamber or common Treasure, as it were, the masters of the exchequer.

*Tribes* in *Rome*, first three, containing each of them ten *Curia*: but afterwards they were five and thirty, containing all the natural citizens of *Rome*.

*Tribu moveri*, was a kind of ignominy and disgrace, when a man was displaced by the censors out of his own tribe into another more base than it, and namely, *transfusa in urbanam* of which *urbana* there were four. *Suburrana*, *Esquilina*, *Palatina* and *Collina*: into which King *Servius* distributed those that were manumitted, and *R. L.* afterwards *forensis turbanam*.

*Triumviri capitales*, Three Judges delegat to sit upon life and death, touching felonious crimes. They were called also *Quaestores paritales*, &c.

*Triumviri Monetales*, Three officers for the mint of money, either brals, silver, or gold. They are represented in old coins by these five letters stamped thereon, *E. A. A. F. F.* for *aureo*, *argento*, *flando*, *ferundo*: that is to say, for the melting, coining, and stamping of brals, silver, and gold. They were afterwards four in number, and named *Quatuorviri*.

*Triumviri or Tresviri nocturni*, Three overseers of the night-watch, for fire &c.

*Triumviri Menarii*, Three Commissaries deputed for the time, and as occasion required, in stead of bankers or treasurers to receive a stock of money, and to lay the same out upon extraordinary charges, as in the time of the second Punick war, when the City chamber was without money. Which stock was put into their hands out of private mens purses, by way of a voluntary benevolence and contribution, as appeareth in the six and twentieth book of *Livy*.

*Triumviri [Extraordinarii]* Three likewise to

levy souldiers and able men for to bear arms (without the usual order of musters) throughout *Italy*, upon some special occasion.

*Triumviri colonie deducendae*, three commissioners who had authority to enrol new inhabitants into any colony: also to let out and divide the City lands gotten by conquest, at their discretion among them.

*Triumviri* also there were three, Wardens to oversee the sacrifices, the oblations and offerings to the Gods.

*Taurilia*, certain festival games instituted (as *Festus* saith) by King *Targuin* the proud, for to pacify the infernal gods; upon occasion of a contagious malady that hapned to women great with child, endangering both them and those they went with: which arose upon the corrupt flesh sold abroad in the market of oxen and bulls, killed for sacrifices: whereupon the money employed about those solemnities, was called *Tauricium* as.

*Solitaurilia* or *Suovetaurilia*, was a solemn sacrifice at the institution, review, or purging of the City every fifth year: and this was called *Lastrum conditum*. It was performed by killing a bull, a ram, and a bore. At which solemnity all that were able to bear arms, assembled in order of battail.

*Triumph*, a solemnity in honor of them who have vanquished their enemies: so called, for that their souldiers refounded, *to triumph*: (as *Varro* thinketh) or of *triumphus* for *triumphus* one of *Racchus* names, the first inventor thereof: or of *triumphus* upon three voices: because it was granted by the suffrages of souldiers, Senators, and common people: as it may appear in *Livy*, by the triumph of *L. Paulus Aemilius*, who had like to have been disappointed thereof, by his own souldiers.

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*Venus Erycina*, *Ovid. A. F. A. B. à seculo nomina colle tenet*: she was so called of a promontory in *Scilly*, called *Eryx*, where there was a goodly temple built in the honor of *Venus*: and afterwards at *Rome* also in memorial thereof.

*Versus Fescennini*, certain licentious and unchast songs, used among the *Painims* at weddings: the manner whereof, came first from the City *Fescenninum* (as some think): or as others, *Quia fescennini putabantur arceri*, because they were thought to have vertue to withstand witchcraft and forcery.

*Vestales virgines*, were certain professed Nuns vowing virginity, who had the keeping of the sacred fire of *Vesta*. *Nec tu aliud vestiam, quam puram intellige flammam*, *Ovid.* This *Vesta* was brought from *Troy* with the image of *Minerva*, called *Palladium*, and other holy reliques.

*Viro tributa*, *tyranabitu*, were certain City works, for which the censors did bargain with the Publicans or undertakers, at a price, *Verbera*,

*Verbera*, although it signifieth a special herb, called *Verberna*, i. e. *verven* in English, and in Greek *spisegion*, because doves delight much to be above it: yet the word is attributed to divers other herbs put to holy use among the *Painims*, which are called *Sagina* in Latine, and in Greek *isagistra*. But *Discorides* describeth one sort thereof which runneth by the ground, and groweth not so high as our *vervin* doth, and it seemeth to be that which the Physicians, Herbarists, and Apothecaries call *Gramen asperis* in Greek, *dent de chien* in French: and the coich grafs in English: according to which saith *Livy*, *Fa-*

*cialis ex arce puram graminis herba atulit*, *Vilioratus*, i. e. *guinarum nummus*, A piece of Roman silver coin, half *Denarius*, and a double *Sestertius*, having the image of *Victory* stamped upon it, either standing on foot crowned with a chaplet of bay, or else carried in a triumphal chariot drawn with four steeds, holding forth in her right hand the forelaid garland, as is to be seen in divers antiquities of coin.

*Veteres* signifieth a place in *Rome* called *Veteres*: *Curia* in respect of *Novae*, or certain shops called *Argemara* of bankers, in regard of others also, named *Novae*.

## A Table of all the Orations in *Titus Livius*, by way of division of the general into particular members, fitted for all sorts

of speaking or writing, and digested according to the severall places of the three principall heads of all Causes in Oratory, to wit, the Deliberative, the Demonstrative, and the Judiciall.

To reconciliation and peace-making, between Romans and Albans, by *Metius Suffetius* Prince of the Albans, to *Tullus Hostilius* King of the Romans. 14.H

Of *Appius Claudius* a Tribune military to the people of *Rome*, for the continuance of war and keeping souldiers in wintering camp at the siege of *Veii*, against the Tribunes of the Commons. 105.A

Of *L. Lentulus* the chief of the Roman Embassadors to the army and the Consuls that they would of their own accord yield themselves unto the Samnites at the place called *Caudina* *furca*, where there was no hope of escaping. 257.C

Of *Decimus Mus* the Consul to the people, that there might be Augurs and Pontifes chosen out of the Commons. 290.H

Of *Acedux* the Spaniard to the captain of the Saguntins, for the sending back of the hostages into their own Cities, whom *Annibal* had demanded of all the States, and bestowed in safe custody at *Saguntum*. 359.F

Of *Minucius* the Master of the horse unto his souldiers for joyning camp with *Fabius*, when he perceived that both he and his were saved by the prowess of the laid *Fabius*, after himself had unluckily fought against *Annibal*. 363.G

Of the Roman captives in the overthrow at *Cannae* to the Nobles of *Rome*, that they might be ransomed. 378.H

Of *Varro* the Consul, to the Campan Embassadors, that after so great loss and foil of the Romans they would to undertake war with the Carthaginians, that neither *Annibal* might think himself conqueror, nor the Romans conquered. 383.G

Of *Fabius Maximus* to the people, That the command in war being taken from *Ocellus*, they should consider what General should make head against *Annibal*. 414.G

Of *P. Sulpicius* the Consul to the people about removing the war into *Macedony*, and to aid the Athenians against *Philip*. 626.I

Of *Aristhenus*, a Prince of *Achaia* to the Achaeans, for the demands of the Roman Embassadors, that they would stand for them against *Philip*. 658.H

Of *M. Porcius Cato*, in maintenance of the law *Oppia*, which *C. Oppius* a Trib, of the Commons in the Punick war had made for restraint of womens apparell against the Nobles and Tribunes of the Commons, who went about to abrogate the same. 684.H

Of *Annibal* in the councill of King *Antiochus* concerning the contracting of peace with King *Philip*, and the whole course of war, which *Antiochus* prepared against the Romans. 739.C

Of reconciliation by *Q. Cecilius Metellus* to *M. Lepidus* and *M. Fulvius* Consors, who for many years together had borne a deadly malice and enmity one against another. 1088.K

Of *M. Servilius* for *L. Aemilius Paulus*, that he might have triumph granted over the Macedonians by him conquered, when his own souldiers withstood the same, for that they were scant in the pillage: and *Servius Sulpicius Galba* opposed himself against it. 1226.H

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swasion.

Of *Cn. Martius Coriolanus* to the nobility against the Commonalty and the Tribunes in distributing the old provision of corn. 55.D

The fraudulent dissipation of *Accius Tullius* King of the Volscians, to the end that the Volscians might not be present at their solemn games, and so he might alter his terms up against the Romans. 56.O

Of *M. Furius Camillus* the Dictator, to the people against the Tribunes of the Commons, for going to dwell at *Veii*, when *Rome* was in a manner razed. 174.N

Of *Appius Claudius* against the Tribunes of the commons, that the laws concerning debt, the proportion or stint of lands, the elections of Tribunes military, and that one of the Consuls should be of the commons, might not pass. 52.I

Of *Titus Manlius Torquatus*, that the Roman captives at the Cannian overthrow might not be ransomed. 379.B

Of *Q. Fabius Maximus*, surnamed *Cunctator*, that the Province of *Africk* might not be decreed to *Scipio*. 564.M

Of *L. Valerius* a tribune of the commons, in the behalf of women (against the sentence of *Cato*) that the law *Oppia* should be annulled, which was made to suppress the superfluous expence of women. 686.L

Of *Tanquil* the wife of *Tarquinius Priscus*, to *Servius* her son in law, that he might succeed in the place of his father in law deceased, who was murdered by two shepherds. 24.M

Of *Tullia* the daughter of *Tarquinius Priscus* to *L. Targuntius* her husband, to aspire unto the kingdom, against her father. 27.E

Of *Accius Tullius* a Prince of the Volscians to his countermen, wherein he stirred them up against the Romans, for that they were commanded by them to depart the City, so as they might not be present at the publicke games. 57.D

Of the ancient Senators of *Rome*, for the putting down of the Decemvirship, and restoring the Tribuneship of commons. 101.E

Of the legats of the commonalty of *Rome*, which was gone into mount *Sacer*, by reason of the obsequy of the Decemvirs, who would not give over their Magistracy: that now having dispatched their business, they would return into their native country, to their own houses, wives, and children. 104.H

Of *Valerius* the Consul to the horiemen, that they would valiantly fight against the armies of the *Aequi* and *Volsci* joyned together in *Algidum*. 108.H

Of *Horatius* the Consul, Colleague of *Valerius*, to his men, That if their hearts served them, they would set up such a shout, as at the charge of a battell. 107.C

With a grievous complaint, Of *Caius Canuleius* a Trib. of the Com. unto the commonalty, against the nobility, for the publishing of laws concerning marriage of nobles with commons, and that there might be one Consul a commoner. 115.D

Of *Volturnus* King of the Volscians to his people against the Romans, that they would with sword make way, where they saw him go before. 130.L

Of *Mamercus Emilius* the Dictator to his souldiers, being frightened with the strange sight of the burning fire-brands which the Fidenats and Veientians did carry. 132.M

Of *Sextus Tarpeianus* a Decurion of horsemen to his souldiers, in a desperat battell, by occasion of the rashness of *Caius Sempronius* the Consul. 135.E

Of *Camillus* being banished to the Ardeats, That they would take arms for the Romans against the Gauls, who had won the City of *Rome*, all but the Capitoll. 171.C

Of *M. Furius Camillus* the Dictator to his souldiers, terrified at the great number of their enemies, to wit, the Antemnats, Volscians, Latines, and Hermicks. 182.H

Of *Aulus Cornelius Cossus* the Dictator to his souldiers, and to *Quintius Capitolinus* the Master of the horsemen, against the huge multitude of the Volscians. 184.N

Of *M. Manlius Capitolinus* (after his imprisonment) to the Commons, whom by gifts and larges he had allured against the Nobility for suppressing and deposing of Magistrats. 188.L

Of *M. Popilius* a commoner consul and colleague of *Scipio*, to his souldiers: against the Gauls who had encamped in the Latine territory. 217.E

Of *M. Valerius Corvinus* the Consul to his men against the Samnits. 222.L

Of *Pub. Decius* a military Tribune, to *Aulus Cornelius* Consul, when there was no hope seen of escaping out of the hands of the Samnits. 223.F

Of *P. Decius* a military Tribune, to break in upon the enemy from the hill which he had seized. 224.L

Of *M. Valerius Corvinus* the Dictator to the mutinous and wicked souldiers (who being snared with the pleasures and delights of *Capua*, had plotted to dispossess the Capuans of their City) that they would not fight against their own country. 227.F

Of *Titus Quintius* the Roman, chosen captain against his will by the mutinous Roman souldiers, That laying aside anger and hope, they would not make trial of the fortune of a battell against them. 228.L

Of *L. Annianus Sennius* a Praetor of the Latines unto his souldiers, to demand of the Romans, that

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that if they would have them to be in league and society, they should elect from among them one of their Consuls and part of the Senat. 231.D

Of *Quintus Fabius* the Dictator, to break upon the enemy, to revenge the death of the Roman Citizens, and to recover the Colony from the Samnits. 269.F

Of *Virginia*, the daughter of *Aulus*, a Patritian, and wife of a Commoner Consul, to a laudable contention in virtue, at the dedication of the altar called *Ara Pudicitiae plebeae*. 279.B

Of *Alorcus* the Spaniard to the Saguntins in exceeding great despair of their state about the articles of peace which *Annibal* at the point of victory did impose upon them as conquered persons. 323.G

Of *P. Scipio* the Consul to his men against *Annibal* and the Carthaginians. 335.D

Of *Annibal* to his souldiers against *P. Scipio*. 616.H

Of *Cnaeus Lentulus* a military Tribune to *Lucius Emilius Paulus* Consul, to save himself by flight at the overthrow of *Canna*. 373.C

Of *Lu. Emilius* the Consul unto *Cn. Lentulus*, for fortifying of the City of *Rome*. 386.D

Of *P. Sempronius Tuditanus* a military Tribune to his souldiers, who had escaped out of the Cannian overthrow, That they would make way by sword and valour through the thickest troops of the enemies. 374.I

Of *L. Pinarius* captain of the Roman garrison at *Enna* to his souldiers: for to prevent treason and treachery intended. 432.I

Of *L. Marius Septimius* the General, to his souldiers, That they would charge upon the army of *Adrubal* to revenge the death of the *Scipios*. 466.L

Of *P. Scipio* to the old souldiers, to make war beyond *Iberus*. 518.L

Of *Scipio* to his souldiers at the siege of new *Carthage*. 497.F

Of *Porcius Cato* to his souldiers, That they would recover by arms and prowess the rule and government which the Romans had lost beyond *Iberus*. 691.A

(A cold exhortation) Of *T. Quintius* to his souldiers at the siege of *Lacedaemon*. 699.C

Of *Acilius* the Consul to his souldiers against *Antiochus*. 744.O

Of the Rhodians in the Senat, with a petition for reward, after *Antiochus* was overcome by *L. Scipio* with the help of the Rhodians. 977.C

Of *Cn. Manlius* the Consul to his souldiers against the gallogreeks, for that they had aided *Antiochus* against the Romans. 996.H

Of *Perseus* the Macedonian King, in regard of the hope of victory against the Romans. 997.E

Of *M. Furius Camillus* to the people of *Rome* against the Tribunes of the Commons, that leaving the ruins of *Rome*, they would not go to *Veii* another City. 174.N

Of *M. Valerius Corvinus* Dictator, to the mutinous and rebellious souldiers from fighting against their native country. 227.F

Of *P. Cornelius Cethegus* the Campan to his son, not to kill *Annibal*. 386.K

Of *Vibius Virius* to the Campans, That they should not yield themselves to the Romans. 478.N

Of *Metius Suffetius* captain of the Albans, to *Tullus Hostilius* King of the Romans, about peace making between Romans and Albans. 15.K

Of *Tullus Hostilius* King of the Romans to his own souldiers, concerning the treachery of *Metius Suffetius*. 17.D

Of the two Delegates, *Valerius* and *Horatius*, about the demands of the Commons, who through the Decemvirs fault were departed into mount *Sacer*, for that they having finished the time of their government refused notwithstanding to leave their Magistracy. 102.M

Of *Appius* the Decemvir at the resigning of the Decemvirship. 103.A

Of *M. Dullius* a Commoner, for hope of liberty after punishment taken of the Decemvirs. 106.L

Of *Camillus* to the Tusculan Senators, about sending Embassadors to *Rome* for treaty of peace. 193.D

Of *Quintus Cincinnatus* the Dictator to *Aulus Sempronius* the General of the horsemen, concerning the manner of war against the Prenetins. 195.B

Of *Camillus* the Dictator to the Quirites, concerning the opposition of the Tribunes of the Commons. 200.L

Of the Roman Consul to the Campans that they should not take arms against the Samnits, with the answer of the Campan Embassadors. 221.F

Of *Furius Camillus* to the L. of the Senat, as touching the Latines subdued, and by what means they might keep them quiet in continual peace. 238.K

Of *Spirius Posthumus* the Consul (who was put under the yoke at *Caudina Furca*) in the Senat, of the peace made at *Caudium*. 259.E

Of *Aulus Cornelius Arvina* the Praetor herald to the Samnits at the delivery of the sureties that undertook the peace. 261.D

Admonition	Of <i>Annibal</i> to the Spanish souldiers, about removing the war.	327.B
	Of <i>Fabius Maximus</i> the Cunctator to <i>Æmylius</i> the Consul, concerning <i>Varro</i> , and the order of war-service with the enemy.	363.F
	Of <i>M. Shabba</i> the captain of the souldiers to <i>Annibal</i> the Victor, that he would make use of his victory: with the answer of <i>Annibal</i> .	374.L
	Of <i>Perolla</i> the Campane to <i>Pacuvius Calpurnius</i> his father about the killing of <i>Annibal</i> , with the answer and dehortation of the father from that wicked deed.	386.L
	Of <i>Annibal</i> to his souldiers against <i>Claudius Marcellus</i> .	514.I
	Of <i>P. Scipio</i> to <i>Masaniissa</i> King of the <i>Massestæ</i> , who fell in love with <i>Sophonisba</i> wife of <i>Syphax</i> , King of the Numidians and daughters of <i>Asdrubal</i> .	604.L
	Of <i>T. Quintius Flaminius</i> in the general council of <i>Greece</i> , for making war upon the tyrant <i>Nabis</i> , by reason of <i>Argos</i> the noble City of <i>Greece</i> , which by him was held.	694.M
	Of <i>P. Sulpicius</i> the Roman Ambassador to <i>Minio</i> the chief of the friends of <i>Antiochus</i> who was fled, for that he refused conference with the delegates.	719.F
	Of <i>T. Quintius</i> to the Achæans concerning the Island <i>Zacynthus</i> , which they pleaded to be under their subjection.	749.B
	Of <i>T. Quintius</i> to <i>M. Atilius</i> the Consul in defence of the <i>Ætolians</i> .	752.I
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	Of King <i>Eumenes</i> to <i>L. Æmylius</i> the Prætor, that he would not conclude peace with <i>Antiochus</i> , but by the authority of the Senat and grant of the people of <i>Rome</i> .	765.C
	Of <i>Scipio</i> to the petition of <i>Heracleides</i> the Ambassador of <i>Antiochus</i> for peace.	774.D
	Of <i>Scipio</i> to the petition of <i>Zensis</i> the Ambassador of King <i>Antiochus</i> about conditions of peace.	778.M
	Of <i>P. Scipio Africanus</i> accused for robbing the common treasure to the commons: as touching his exploits.	886.L
Petition	Of King <i>Eumenes</i> in the Senat, concerning <i>Perseus</i> King of the Macedonians.	1187.B
	Of <i>P. Lucius Calpurnius</i> to the people, that they would bestow the honor of the Tribuneship freely offered unto him, upon his son that sued for it.	999.F
	Of Embassadors yielding <i>Falerii</i> to the Senat.	163.E
	Of peace by the Tusculan legats in the Senat.	203.C
	Of <i>Sexsus Tullius</i> to the Dictator, that he would give the souldiers leave to fight.	211.D
	Of the Campan legats in the Senat for aid against the Samnites.	220.M
	Of <i>Annius Sennius</i> the Prætor of the Latines to the LL. of the Senat, that one of the Consuls might be chosen out of the Latines.	232.I
	Of <i>Quintus Fabius Maximus</i> the Consul elected to the people, that he might appoint <i>Publius Decius</i> a staid and discreet man to be his colleague.	297.C
	Of <i>Minutius</i> the Master of the horsemen, to <i>Fabius</i> the Dictator, when he joyined camp with him.	364.I
	Of <i>Sophonisba</i> the wife of <i>Syphax</i> , to <i>Masaniissa</i> , that he would not suffer her to come in the proud and cruell hands of any Roman.	603.A
	Of <i>Annibal</i> to <i>Antiochus</i> , that he would account him amongst his chiefest friends, in opposition to the Romans, against whom he had fought six and thirty years.	721.A
	Of peace by <i>Zensis</i> the legat of King <i>Antiochus</i> to the Romans.	778.L
	Of King <i>Eumenes</i> in the Senat, for reward and recompence of labour employed, and charges spent in the Roman wars against <i>Antiochus</i> .	781.E
	Of <i>Romulus</i> to <i>Jupiter Stator</i> that he would assist the Romans against the Sabines.	8.N
Prayer	Of <i>Quintius Fabius</i> the chief of the City, to the Tribunes of the Commons, that Quinquagesims might not be created, for setting down laws and conditions concerning the Consuls power.	88.H
	Of <i>Virginius</i> to the souldiers, whose offer of honourable dignity he refused.	100.L
	Of <i>Camillus</i> the Dictator to <i>Apollon</i> and <i>Juno</i> at the siege and assault of <i>Vesii</i> .	159.G
	Of <i>P. Decius</i> the Consul, when he devoted himself for the Roman legions in the Latine war, who afterward by his death recovered victory to the Romans.	235.D
	Of <i>Asiarchus</i> the Prætor of the Achæans, to <i>T. Quintius</i> , that he would deliver and set free from the tyrant <i>Nabis</i> , the most ancient City of the Greeks, <i>Argos</i> .	695.C
	Of <i>Romulus</i> to <i>Jup. Feretrix</i> , at the offering up of spoils, and dedication of the Temple.	8.H
	Of the Saguntins to the LL. of the Senat, with a gratulation for their victory.	563.D
	Between Romans and Albans by <i>Meisus Suffetius</i> .	14.H
	Of <i>C. Mamius Scaevola</i> , to <i>Porseta</i> King of the Chusines.	43.B
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Congratulation	Of <i>Papirius</i> the Dictator to the people, about the abolition and pardon of <i>Q. Fabius</i> Master of the horsemen, who against his Edict had fought.	351.B
	Of the Syracusians to <i>Marcellus</i> , for killing of <i>Annibal</i> favourers, who held and oppressed <i>Syracusa</i> , and for reconciliation with the Romans.	460.M
Commendation	Of King <i>Eumenes</i> son of <i>K. Attalus</i> , for the Romans victory against <i>Antiochus</i> , with a petition of rewards for cost and labour employed in that war.	782.I
	Of <i>P. Scipio</i> to <i>Lucius</i> Prince of the Celibierians, for rendering to him his spouse.	503.F
	Of <i>Spurius Ligustinus</i> the Centurion to the Commons, with a request that they would assign him a place of service worthy his deserts in the Macedonian war.	1057.F
Praise	Of <i>Scipio</i> by <i>Annibal</i> , with a petition of peace.	613.A
	Of <i>Antigonus</i> , by <i>Philip</i> King of the Macedonians, whom he thought worthy to wear the crown of <i>Macedony</i> , disinheriting his son <i>Perseus</i> a parricide.	983.C
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	Of the School-Master of the Faliscans Treachery, by <i>Camillus</i> .	163.B
	Of the filthy ceremonies of the Bacchanals, with a solemn invocation of the gods, by <i>Posthumus</i> Consul, to the people.	959.C
Accusation	Of <i>L. Quintius Cincinnatus</i> the Consul, to the people against <i>Aulus Virginius</i> .	84.H
	Of <i>Aulus Virginius</i> against <i>Appius</i> the defendant.	104.K
	Of <i>L. Sextius</i> a Commoner Tribune, against <i>M. Posthumus</i> a military Tribune to the people.	142.H
	Of <i>T. Manlius</i> the Consul against <i>T. Manlius</i> his son, whom he had beheaded, for that in the Latine war he fought against the enemy without his commandment.	234.H
	Ora recrimination of <i>C. Manlius</i> the Dictator against certain noblemen, who accused him of ambition or unlawful suing for dignities, because they might not come to their answer when they were accused.	272.H
	Of <i>P. Sempronius</i> a Tribune of the Commons against <i>App. Claudius</i> , who within the lawful time that is to say, eighteen months, would not resign up his office of Censorship.	276.K
	Of <i>Hanno</i> against the Carthaginians, about the league broken with the Romans by <i>Annibal</i> , whom the Roman Embassadors required to have punished, as the author guilty of that crime.	322.I
	Of <i>P. Scipio</i> against the mutinous souldiers, who in his absence had thrust the Colonels out of the camp, and bestowed the sovereign command upon the chiefest heads of that sedition.	556.H
	Of the Legats of King <i>Philip</i> in the Council of the <i>Ætolians</i> against the Romans, with a disavow that the <i>Ætolians</i> should not side with them.	637.A
	Of <i>L. Furius Purpurio</i> and <i>P. Æmylius</i> , against <i>Cn. Manlius</i> , that he might not have a triumph granted.	935.C
	Of <i>Perseus</i> the son of <i>Philip</i> the Macedonian against his brother <i>Demetrius</i> , whom he accused of Parricide.	957.F
	Of <i>Q. Marcius</i> the Roman Ambassador against <i>Perseus</i> King of the Macedonians, for the covenants of league broken.	1045.G
Defence	Of <i>M. Manlius Capitolinus</i> before <i>Corn. Cossus</i> the Dictator, and the LL. of the Senat.	186.M
	Of <i>Sp. Posthumus</i> against the Tribunes of the Commons, who hindered the submission made upon the Samnites at <i>Caudina Furca</i> .	297.C
	With a perswasion, Of <i>Hanno</i> to the Carthaginians, that they would think that joy vain which was risen upon <i>Annibal</i> victory over the Romans at <i>Canna</i> .	388.L
	Of the Embassadors of those souldiers who remained after the Cannian overthrow to <i>Mar. Marcellus</i> , concerning the disgrace offered to them by the Senat, with a petition of a better state and condition.	442.O
	Ora recrimination, Of <i>M. Marcellus</i> against the Syracusan Embassadors, who complained of injuries done unto them by him.	490.O
	Of <i>Cornelius Scipio</i> Consul, against <i>Q. Fabius Maximus</i> , who dissuaded that the province of <i>Africa</i> should be granted to <i>P. Scipio</i> .	567.D
	With a recrimination, Of <i>Annibal</i> to the Carthaginians, who blamed him when he laughed in the general mourning of the City.	607.F
	Of the Roman Legats in the Council of the <i>Ætolians</i> against <i>Philip</i> , with a perswasion, that the <i>Ætolians</i> should abide in league and amity with the Romans.	927.G
	Of <i>Philip</i> the King, to those imputations which the Romans and others did challenge him for.	666.H
	Of <i>Nabis</i> tyrant of the Argives to <i>T. Quintius</i> in the general Council of <i>Greece</i> .	698.L
	Of <i>Cn. Manlius</i> the Col. against <i>L. Furium</i> and <i>P. Æmylium</i> , who interposed their negative, that he should not triumph for the war which he managed against the gallogreeks.	975.D

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- Of crimes objected to the Achæans by the Lacedemonians, by *Lycortas* their Prætor, before *Appius Claudius* chief of the Roman Legats. 929.E
- Of *Demetrius K. Philip* his son, accused of parricide, against his brother *Perseus*. 933.B
- Of *Ares* brother of *Xenarchus* the Prætor of the Achæans, for *Perseus K.* of the Macedonians against *Callicrates*, who had persuaded that no society was with him to be contracted. 1087.A
- Defence Of *Perseus* the Macedonian K. to *Quintus Martins* the Roman Embassador. 1021.F
- Of *L. Emilius Paulus* for making delay in his going into *Macedony*, with an admonition to the people, that they would not feed the rumours of war, but keeping in their prattling, for that it was a great hinderance to them that were to be employed in war-affairs. 1015.C
- Of *L. Emilius Paulus* to his souldiers, wherein he sheweth the reason why he delayed battle. 1019.G
- Excuse Of *Scipio* to the petition of *Annibal* concerning the conditions of peace. 614.L
- The upbraiding Of *P. Horatius* to the people of *Rome* for his son accused of felony. 16.L
- Of *Himilco* a man of the Barchine faction, against *Hanno*, who accused the Carthaginians for the breach of the league with the Romans by *Annibal*. 388.L
- Of *Lu. Quintius Cincinnatus*, against the licentiousness of the Nobles in creating of Magistrates. 84.H.85.D
- Of *C. Pontius* Generall of the Samnites against the intolerable pride and inhumane cruelty of the Romans, with a perswasion to a just and lawfull war. 255.B
- Of the same *C. Pontius* to the Roman Faciall herald at the delivery of Consuls, Captains, Treasurers, and Colonels, sureties for the Caudine peace. 697.G
- Of *M. Rufius Minutius*, Generall of the horsemen against *Quintus Fabius* the Dictator, for his delays and cowardlie against *Annibal*, beseeching *Sinnessa* a Colony of the Romans, even before their eyes. 355.E
- Of *T. Quintius* against *Nabis* the Argive tyrant, for that he accounted of the Roman allies as enemies, and had joyned himself with their enemies against the Romans. 699.C
- Of *Veturia* to *Coriolanus* her son, making war upon the Romans for the Volscians. 58.L
- Of *Minio* the principall friend of *Antiochus*, to the Roman Embassadors. 719.D
- Of Rhodian Embassadors in the Senat with a clearing of crimes objected. 1014.O
- Purgation Of *P. Valerius Publicola* Consul to the people, in the case of seeking to be King. 82.H
- With a challenge, Of one of the Carthaginians to the Roman Legats, shewing upon what plot and advice *Annibal* had besieged *Saguntum*. 325.E
- And lamentation of *Lucretia* to her husband, her father and friends, for the violence offered her. 34.I
- Of *P. Valerius Publicola* Consul, to the Tribunes and the whole Commualty against *Appius Herdonius*, who with banished men and slaves had in the night seized the Roman Caltie. 82.M
- Or a grievous lamenting with an exhortation of *T. Quintus Capitolinus* the fourth time Consul to the Commons, touching the discords of the Citizens. 108.M
- Of *Perolla* the Campan, to *Pacuv*, his father, that he had thrice betrayed his country. 386.B
- Of *Virginius Decius* to the multitude of the Campans gathered about him, untill by the commandment of *Annibal* he was bound and led to execution. 387.C
- Of the Samnit Embassadors to *Annibal*, that he would aid them against the Romans. 405.F
- Of the Locrenian Embassadors in the Senat, against *Q. Pleminius* Captain of the Roman souldiers, for the great injuries offered to them by him and his souldiers. 581.G
- Of *Philip* the Macedonian to the Roman Legats. 891.L
- Of *Philip* the Macedonian touching the unfortunate estate of him and his children. 899.G
- Of *Callicrates* the Achæan against *Perseus* King of Macedony. 953.B
- Of *Lu. Emilius Paulus*, as concerning his wonderful calamity and of his triumph, which was (as it were) a spectacle and mocking stock of this worlds mutability. 1113.F

- Of the Volscians to the Roman Legats, who after the loss and ruin of *Saguntum*, required of them to stand firm in league and society with the Romans against the Carthaginians. 404.N
- Rebuke Of *M. Marcellus* to his souldiers, in that they abandoned their camp with that fearfulness, whereby they lost the opportunity of fight, which *Hannibal* refused. 637.A
- Of *Arifthenus* Prætor of the Achæans against them: for that in their Councill they were silent, and answered not to the Roman Legats. 620.I
- Of *L. Emilius Paulus* to *K. Perseus*, because he submitted to the Roman Legats, with an admonition to his men of the change and alteration of this world. 1205.F
- Humble intreaty Of *L. Virginium* to his souldiers, whereby he refused the majesty of a Decemvirship offered unto him without his seeking. 122.H
- Of *Titus Manlius* the Consul to the Latine Embassadors, requiring of the Senat, That one of the Consuls might be chosen out of the Latines, and that they might have a part in the Senat. 283.E
- Of *Iulius* against the Decree of *Appius* the Decemvir, to the end that *Virginia* his Spouse should not remain without her fathers house. 118.H
- Of *Lu. Virginium* the father against *Appius Claudius* for his daughter *Virginia*. 119.A
- Of *Cornelius Cossus* Dictator against *Marcus Manlius Capitolinus*, for that by his excessive gifts he had stirred up the people against the nobility. 224.L
- Of *Caius Fabius* the Dictator, touching the rashness of *Rufus Minutius* Generall of the horsemen. 495.E
- Of *P. Cornelius Scipio* against *Cacilius Metellus* and other young men of *Rome*, who plotted to abandon *Italy* for fear of *Hannibal*. 519.C
- Of *Tib. Gracchus* to his souldiers, of penalty to be inflicted upon those slaves who refused to fight. 519.C
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significant Expressions, and of Your self observe and for true reasons Correc̄t the Error of Translations made with the great pains of Learned men. Whereby I reaped so great and various fruits of purest pleasure, as I could not but often ingenuously confesse to my most intimate acquaintance, That whatsoever Time, or Labour, or Study, or Care I bestowed in this employment (for Trouble, I call my Conscience to witnesse, I never felt any) I thought all abundantly recompensed with that reward I could every hour receive from you. For to omit other benefits, what an advantage was even in this, to be every day in the presence of so great a Prince, to be seen and countenanced by You, to obtain the Title, Place and Honour of a Favourite? Truly my Happinessse seemed so great to me, that I began to be afraid of it. For though, by the Grace of God, I ever put off these my worldly Accoutrements, as knowing I must one day leave them or they me, yet out of impotency of mind I might by too great happinessse have grown insolent, but that by certain Arguments I learnt in time to know that so great a fortune was not conferred as Due to any mans Merits, but as the free gift of your Grace and good will. And in this so high and great an Happinessse there are many excellent Circumstances particularly considerable. I am tied only to my own Vocation, employed only in mine own Studies, that is, I am so free that I am not employed and wearied in any service not proper to my own Office and calling. Neither have you a care of my Time and Health only, but also of my Modesty and Bashfulnessse: I appear not, but at the time of your Studies, neither then do I break in without command, to stand as an idle and dumb Spectator, vainly losing time, or boldly vaunting of my Liberty and Familiarity. Neither is my work base or vile, we do nothing which requires either Secrecy or Excuse; whosoever will not betray his own ignorance must needs confesse the employment, on my part worthy of a man, on yours becoming a Prince. Hitherto I have related part of the Favours you have bestowed on my Person; it remains likewise I should acknowledge those Favours (as much more bestowed on me) which you have conferred on others by my Interest: In which confession I have cause to fear, that I shall not only contract Envy to my selfe, but give Occasion to others to accuse your Majesty, as being too Facile in granting what is requested. To these I shall answer, That I do indeed acknowledge and admire your Goodnesse, which hath far exceedd my Deserts, and that others also may obtain equal or greater Favours if they ask them with the same Respect that I have done: as first, I never desired any thing but what was Just and Equal; nor secondly, any thing misbecoming the Office and Majesty of my Prince; thirdly, by all those Boons I have obtained for others, I know not that I am a penny the richer. But in this strait, wherein it is easier to think of more things then to write them, many things come into my mind which I am forced to pretermitt. This I shall say, I am in doubt whether I am more beholding to your Majesty for small Favours bestowed at my Request, or for the great ones; for as these carried the greater Price, the others did more manifest your Humanity. That your mind capable of highest things would condescend to so little ones. We Read of a King, who when a Physolopher asked of him a Groat, said, It was too little for a King to give; when he presently asked a Talent; said, It was too much for a Physolopher to receive. Your Majesty hath more magnificently used the same Method, in Your smaller favours, regarding what was fit for me to receive; in the greater, what became Your self to give. With the like Clemency You have had compassion on some miserable men (whom I therefore commended to Your Majesty because none had pity on them) and done that which I dare yet scarce speak, both for the Greatnesse of the Thing, and for the Greatnesse of the Thanks due, which cannot

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cannot at present be expressed. But I may happily be accused of Folly, that I should think your favours may be more Elegantly declared or praised by any man's Oration, then by your own Deeds and Works; or that I should think you stand in need of my Commendation for having bountifully remitted to the City of the Vangiones the greater part of their Taxes, by which benefit I believe the City was preserved, and shall do well and justly if they honour your Majesty as a second Foundress; You have hereby for ever obliged the Commonwealth of the Vangiones, and me in particular, making us your everlasting Debtors. For I know not who of Right oweth most to you, they who received the benefit or he who procured it at your Hands. Is there any thing can be equalled to, or preferred before what I have already said? Yes surely even this, In that you have promised to make me a better man, not, as all men are improved, by Laws and Manners, nor, as many, by Example, but, as yet none, by Your care and Diligence in Converse with me: For you have promised to make Enquiry with me (that is to direct and shew me) how Wise and Prudent men ought to be qualified, and by what signs they may be discovered; which when I have learned, I make no question of being much better then now I am. And I so much value this your Promise, that I would not free your Majesty from your Obligation for half your Kingdom: And I shall not refuse, whensoever You Command, to declare the Reasons of this my Resolution. And to perform this, will, I suppose, be neither unpleasant to You, nor yet Difficult, seeing You tend forward to the height of that Wisdom, which even among the Learned you shall find more who pretend to teach then do indeed truly know & understand it. In this thing I may well boast whereby I am more happy, not only then ordinary men, but the servants of Solomon himself, who are justly esteemed happy in having opportunity of bearing his Wisdom, but would have been much more happy if he had taken peculiar Care to have instructed them in his own Person; which we read not be ever did. But I perceive that contrary to my will and the nature of my Argument, the very Paper admonisheth me to make an end. I shall therefore now be silent, humbly adoring your Majesty, and giving You to understand, That not only this Book is Dedicated to Your Majesty, but my whole self with all my Soul and the Affections thereof, with what I am, or have, or can do, being for Your sake simply, and to do any thing whatsoever without exception, unless what is against Conscience, & beyond my Abilities to perform.

MAD AM,

The Lord Preserve and Keep you.

At Holmia the 17<sup>th</sup> of the Calends  
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THE Power of the Samnites was now by many Battels much broken, neither was any doubt made of happily finishing the War, in case the Enemy in this low and weak condition were prevented of time sufficient to recollect and strengthen his spirits. Therefore *Q. Fabius* the Consul, in the year now in the heat of his Youth, and assuring himself the glory of putting an end to this War, having made a sudden levy, marcheth incontinently with his Army into Campania. For the Samnites being an hardy people, and by all their overthrows brought rather into Despair then Fear, while the former Consuls carried back the Legions to Rome attending on their Triumph, laid hold on that opportunity, and what with the Relicks of their former Armies, and some new Levies, had gathered together a considerable force, and because they knew the Plague was at Rome, and had heard that the present Consuls were men not much to be feared, either for any experience in Marshal affair, or for any great Authority they had, they grew confident, invaded, depopulated, and wasted the Territories of the Campanians whom *Livie* Book 7 they had always hated, but now more vehemently, looking on them as the Authors of the danger and calamities they now sustained. The Roman General had a heart no way misbecoming the dignity of his *Fabian*-Family, but the final account he made of a Nation so often beaten by his Country-men, and his earnestness of being in action, did at this time quite overcome him of all Counsel and Deliberation. He marcheth swiftly towards the enemy, and having discovered the Samnite scouts, who upon sight of the Roman troops retired back to their own main Body, and judging this to be a flight of the whole Host, without any consideration had either of the place or the condition of his men, he commands in all haste that may be the Battle to be begun, as if the hope of Victory consisted only in Expedition: But the Samnites having notice of their approach, were very circumspect, had seized on advantageous places, marshalled their Army, and incensed the minds of their Souldiery with their commanders Orations; and consequently the Event of the Battel was accordingly; for the Samnites being in good Rank, and well prepared, made no great business to rout the Romans, being very weary with their journey and furious march, out of all order, as if they came rather to plunder then to fight. Three thousand of *Fabius* his men were lost, a greater number wounded, and only by the benefit of the Night was the total destruction of his Army prevented. Then retiring to a more commodious place, as well as in such a Conformation may be expected, they fortified their Camp, where there was little better comfort or confidence then in the field, the Weary had no convenience of rest, the Hungry wanted food, and the Wounded had no application of Medicines, for issuing out with their weapons only, they had left all their carriage and baggage in the former Camp:

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So that the whole night was passed away with the Groans of the dying, and the Complaints of the living, every one with horror and despair waiting for the next day as their last. For being tired with labour, disempered with long watchings, weakened with wounds, terrified with an unlucky overthrow, and their number much diminished, they thought it impossible to resist the enemy, whom when they were found and entire both in body and mind, and filled with hopes of Victory, they were not able to encounter upon even terms. Things being at this ill pass the Remedy (as it often happens) proceeded from the enemies mistake, who daunted with the Rumour of the other Consul's approach, and fearing lest while he assaulted *Fabius* his Camp, the new forces would surround him, contented himself with what success he had above his hope obtained, and diverted his course another way. The Enemy being removed, the Romans likewise betook themselves to a safer Refuge: when these tidings were brought to *Rome*, the City was exceedingly moved, not so much with the loss, as the disgrace of the business, and took it deeply to heart. That the longest war they were ever troubled with, when it was now just at a period, should by the rashness of one Consul be revived again, and that more formidably then before, by reason of the great hopes and confidence which the Samnites would assume in contemplation of this their success. Neither was this the sense of the Tribunes of people alone, whose proper art it was by their frequent Orations to fill the Citizens minds with envy and hatred, but even the Fathers, upon discufs of the business, pronounced very heavy and severe sentences, and a Decree was made by the Senate, That *Fabius* the Consul should be commanded at a certain day appointed to come and plead his cause at *Rome*. He was no sooner at *Rome*, but a swarm of accusers flew about him; and indeed the fault could not be excused, and what was only left of moment on his behalf, even the esteem of old *Fabius*, was made use of as an argument against him; for they thought him least of all men to be pardoned, and being extracted from so illustrious a Parent, and brought up in the midst of his Fathers triumphs, had, by his Imprudence with so foul an overthrow, cast a stain not only on the Roman Glory, but on the renown of his own Family, and the many victories of his Ancestors obtained. Their minds being thus exasperated (that it was not likely the Defendant should have a fair hearing) were first by the consideration of his Fathers eminent Piety, and afterward with his Oration totally appeased. For he fearing lest for this miscarriage his person would be removed from his Command, insisted not at all in excusing the Crime, but modestly recounting his own and his forefathers merits, desired there might not be in his old age so ignominious a Character imprinted on the *Fabian* Family: Neither did he require that for the sake of so many other *Fabii*, who almost from the foundation of the City, had by their virtue and counsel augmented the Roman Empire; nor that for the sake of those three hundred *Fabii*, who by their own deaths, and almost the total loss of the *Fabian* name, had protected the Commonwealth, the error of one single person should be forgiven, if it were found remediable, and that a greater commodity would accrue from the punishment then the preservation of his son. But whatever was in this young man to be feared, is already come to pass, whereas unless we cut off our own hopes, I cannot say by an unjust, but by an untimely severity, Those many good deeds which his spirit and lively Genius, which likewise his virtue (by me, in your esteem, none of the worst Tutors, being disciplin'd and directed) doth fairly promise, are yet justly to be expected. It hath turned to the improvement of many mens wisdom and circumspection, that they miscarried in the beginning of Affairs, who being admonished of their error, have often recompensed small losses with larger success; and I doubt whether it ought not rather to be imputed to the Envy of Fortune then to any man's fault, that the constant felicity both of the Commonwealth, and our Family, is by a small detriment thus interrupted; though indeed it is rather to be accounted the good will then the envy of the Gods, by whose providence it is come to pass, that with this overthrow, not so fatal to the City as effectual to our instruction, we are put in mind of our humane condition, to abate that deadly pride which is usually the effect of excessive Prosperity. Whatsoever the matter is, Countrymen, I did certainly foresee some ill luck, when upon the Convention of the Senate, I did earnestly solicit you would not create my son Consul. For when I considered that my Father, Grandfather, Great-Grandfather, and other my Ancestors had frequently, and my self five times born that Office, I began to mistrust whether the Gods or Men would willingly, and with an equal mind, suffer the supreme Honour to continue in the same Family. And I with my prayers had then prevailed, or that you would be pleased still to continue the benefit bestowed. I left what against my will, you confer'd on my son as a Token of Honour, prove an occasion of unheard of Infamy to us both, nay, left your selves be suspected of Rashness, for posterity will judge, that either you conferred the command on *Q. Fabius* without cause, or that without cause ye deprive him of it, if by a contrary Judgment ye shall destroy your former Sentence. But if you will please to decree things more favourably, both your own Authority, and the reputation of the *Fabian* Family shall yet stand found and his youthful folly, as it was committed with some loss to the Commonwealth, shall be amended to his greater emolument and profit. But who dares promise these things? Truly, Countrymen, I will, even I will engage my self to the Commonwealth for my son, and happy may it prove to the Senate and People of *Rome*, and our own private Family; I will also go Legate to the Consul, and partake of whatsoever fortune he shall happen either to find or to make. My spirits are yet vigorous, neither considering mine age, is the strength of my body much

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Valerius  
Maximus 4.1.5

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Maximus 5.7.1

much decayed, I can performe a souldiers duty, I can stand in Battel, and if to all things else I were impotent, yet with the Memory of my Former victories I can both terrifie the Enemy and Encourage our own Souldiers; and, which is of greatest concernment, I can with Counsell and Caution temper and direct the impetuous Heat of the Consul's youth which is the only Cause of the last Misfortune; If I knew not the Disposition of my sonne, and were not assured he would embrace any good direction, I would not certainly now near the end of my life hitherto led without Blemish, after the bearing so many Consulships both to my owne liking and yours, after signal victories and illustrious Triumphs, I would not hazard all my Glory purchased with so many yeares travel and danger, at home and abroad, by trusting it to the Rashness of one inconsiderate young man.

This Oration did both move the mindes of all who were present, and also ingenerate a Confidence of better success for the future. Old *Fabius* was by an Unanimous consent created Legate, all preparations were made with what diligence care and Expedition might be; and the Consul took the field with no less favour and Hope of the People, then he had lately returned with their indignation and reproaches. Henceforward both in their march and in their Camps nothing was omitted either of good Discipline, or what the art and experience of an old General could ordaine, and those Companions whom *Q. Fabius* the Father had by good turns, or by the admiration of his virtue obliged to himselfe, were very ready to perform whatsoever was enjoyned them; the Souldiers also greedy to blot out their former disgrace, and confiding in the Counsell of a Leader, under whose conduct they remembered the *Samnites* to have been often beaten by themselves: and their Fathers did earnestly desire opportunity of encountering the Enemy. On the other side the *Samnites* were no less elevated with contemplation of their late victory, so that one Party striving to retain the purchase'd Glory, the other to repair what was lost, they joyned issue most vehemently with all the force and might on both sides. And now behold the *Romans* in a worse condition then before, *C. Pontius Herennius* the Enemies General having hemm'd in the Consul with a select band; when *Maximus* observing the danger his son was in, setting spurre to horse flings himself into the thickest of the Enemies Troops: He was followed immediately by a Party of Horse, who beside the motion of their own Courage were aflamed to see one Old man assault with a resolution to overcome so many spirited young Lads in the flower of their strength. This sudden storme govern'd the Fortune of the whole Battel; The *Roman* Legions animated with the boldness of their Cavalrie, at first well received the Enemy, and straightway repell'd them: *Herennius* in vaine resisting, who, that day performing all the Offices both of a good General and a good Souldier, endeavouring to rally his men to retain the Cowardly, and withstand the assailants, could neither hinder the Flight of his files, nor afterward find opportunity of escape for himselfe. Four thousand *Samnites* were taken with their General, The Battel and the flight swallowed up 24000. The Enemies Camp was likewise seized on with vast plunder in it, which was quickly much encreased by Forrage of their Grounds, and taking in of Towns both by storme and upon Mercy; This great change of Affaires was wrought by the access of one onely Person, in whom that the lately Victorious army is now routed by the Conquer'd party, and the Consul carries away captive that General by whom he was formerly himselfe shamefully beaten, which was a pleasing spectacle to the *Romans*, and a great Ornament to his Triumph, which by the ready good-will of the People he made into the City the next yeare. While the *Fabii* thus order'd things in *Samnium*, the other Consul *D. Brutus* (whose Province was among the *Falisci*) had the like happy success: For being assisted by *Sp. Carvilius* his Legate (for 'twas thought fit to joyn a Legate also with him, a man as skilful in war, so one that had experience of the Enemy, against whom last year he did fortunately manage affaires) he did walk no small of the Relidue of *Etruria*, and overcame in a set battel the *Falisci* daring to encounter with him. These newes being brought to *Rome*, when the time of Convening the Senate was come, and it seemed not fit for the Commonwealth to withdraw the Consuls from their charges, an Interregnum was agreed upon; The Regent *L. Posthumius Algelus*, in a Court of his own holding, was himselfe declared Consul, a precedent till that day unheard of, unless in the Person of *Appius Claudius*, which nevertheless no good man approved. But *Posthumius* behaved himself in his Magistracy with as much arrogance as he assum'd it, Being vainly puff'd up with the Nobility of his Extraction, and this his third Consulship, he did utterly despise his Colleague for this year, *C. Junius Brutus* as one much below him, being but a Plebeian. When the Provinces came to be disputed on, he would not suffer *Brutus* to be compared with him, nor lots to be cast; out of all Order claiming the Administration of the *Samnitick* warre as his Due, inasmuch as according to his own saying, he had in his two former Consulships done great things against that Enemy. The business being canvass'd with much contention in the Senate, when *C. Junius* perceived he was not able to maintain his Right against the Grace and Power of his Colleague, did at length declare he would desist, lest by the discord of the Consuls the Publick good might be hindered. The Resilience did still continually rage both in City and Country, for which having tried all remedies now for three yeares, they could not either with their divine or humane applications allay it. Wherefore consulting either with the books of the *Sybil* or the Oracle of *Delphos* (for this also is reported) they sent Ten Ambassadors to fetch *Æsculapius* to *Rome* from *Epidaurus* where it is said he was borne; For though the Answer were doubtful, neither could the Fathers force the

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liv. 3.37.

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event of things, they thought fit to obey the Gods who would themselves open a way for their fortunes to proceed by. A very strange thing then fell out, but of most undoubted truth, by reason of the incertainty of so many Authors affirming it, as likewise appears by the structure of the Chappel in *Tibur* then erected and consecrated. When the Roman Embassadors had delivered their Message, the Epidaurians entertain'd them kindly, but because it did not appear what was convenient to be granted them, they were conducted to the Temple with liberty to convey away what should seem convenient for their use. The Altars of this God among the *Græciæ* was most commonly in open and high Places; the *Epidaurians* also five miles from their City had a Temple of great fame in those days, and very rich by the gifts of men who believed their health to proceed from thence. Being brought thither, while they stand in admiration of the Largeness of the Statue which was cut by the excellent skill of *Thalymedes the Parian*; Behold an huge Serpent creeping out of a secret place fills all their minds with horror and Devotion: For the Priests with great veneration cryed out, *The God himselfe is in this Snake, and being sometimes seen in this Shape, it always imports a good and healthful Omen.* Two days was he seen in the Temple and then again withdrew himself; the third day through the midst of the throng of Spectators and Adorers he went directly to the Port where the Roman vessel attended them, and entering into the Ship, he rolls himself up according to his spiral manner, in the Cabin of *Q. Ogulnius* President of the Embassy. There is an ancient story that the same *Æsculapius* having assumed the forme of a Serpent was carried from *Epidaurus* to *Sigyn* by a oake of *Muler*, one *Nicagora*, the wife of *Echetus* driving the waine.

The Romans rejoicing at the good Omen, as having the God himself present among them, hoisted sail, and in a few dayes with a prosperous Voyage, crossed the Seas and arrived at *Antium*; where the Sea being troublesome, and their navigations hindered; the serpent which had kept it self still and quiet all the voyage, creeping out of the Ship, glided to the Porch of the most eminent Church in that City, and there abode three whole dayes together: The Romans much fearing they should never draw him from thence, seeing he had not in so long time returned to his wonted sustenance; but at length having regained him with much cheerfulness they conveyed him to *Rome*: The whole City ran out to the sight of so incredible a wonder; on the banks of the river as he passed by many altars were erected, incense and sweet odours prepared and sacrifices slain. They were now jult come to that place, where *Tiber* a little dividing it self, suffereth an *Island* to appear in the midst of it, when the Serpent forsaking the Ship, betakes himself into that *Island* by swimming, and was not afterwards any more seen by man; hence was the place call'd the *Island of Æsculapius*. The Fathers all agreeing that the Gods had chosen that place, decreed a Temple to be there erected to *Æsculapius*. The sickness whether by this remedy, or that it had otherwise run its full course did suddenly cease; the Temple was quicken'd by many extraordinary offerings, and its renown wonderfully spread abroad by those who profest to have received help in their diseases from this God. *E. Pothumius* the Consul carried the same pride with him into his Province which he had exercis'd against his Colleague at home: For whereas *Q. Fabius Gurges*, the last years Consul, did by order from the Senate manage affairs in *Samnium* as Proconsul; *Pothumius* arrogantly writes to him commanding him to depart the Province, in as much as himself was sufficient to wage that War. *Fabius* answering with the Decree of the Fathers, and that it was not safe for him to desert a business imposed on him by the Senate: the Romans upon this news feared left by the discord of the Commanders, the Common-wealth would be dammified: Wherefore 'twas thought fit to send Legates to the Consul, to desire in the Senates name that *Fabius* might be suffer'd to continue with the Army in *Samnium*. *Pothumius* having returned an absurd and broken Answer; addid withall a speech of singular impudence: *That during his Consulship, he was not oblig'd to obey the Senate, but they him*, and that his actions might correspond with his words, forthwith dismissing the Legates, he marcheth with his Army to *Cominium*, which City *Fabius* did then besiege; resolving (if by no other means he could) by fight to remove his Rival: The Roman Army had afforded the enemy a full spectacle, if *Fabius* had resist'd with the same he was assaulted; but he being better temper'd both by nature and his Fathers documents departed the Province, having profest that he yielded not to the Consuls fury, but to the good of the Commonwealth. *Pothumius* in a few dayes reduced *Cominium*, whence leading his Army to *Vesuvius*, and taking that also, he carried about the War to other Towns, many whereof partly by force, partly by treaty were brought under his power. In this Expedition ten thousand of the enemies were slain, six thousand two hundred cutting down their arms, yielding themselves to the mercy of the conquerors. The Consuls achievements were no way contemptible, but the disgrace of them were spoiled by his pride and insolence: Wherefore when he did by Letters advise the Fathers that the City and Territory of *Vesuvius* was very convenient for a Colony therein to be planted, the counsel indeed was accepted, but without mention made of the Author of the Victory and the counsels, other men had the conduct of the Colony of twenty thousand; for so I find it in Authors of no small credit: A great number indeed and almost they should ing belief, but that it seems reasonable, that in the midst of Nations, yet unsubdued the *Latins* think of placing a considerable force, as a double guard both against the *Apulians* and the *Lucanians*. Now the stubbornness of *Pothumius*, as besides other grudges and offences, it contradicted him much envy; so it tended much to encrease *Fabius* his Favour and good opinion with

Val. Maximus.

Plutarch.  
Suet.  
Rom. 94.Livie, 45. 18.  
Favian Auth. de  
virt. lib. 6. c. 22.Plut. Diatod.  
Hist. Nicæla.  
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Liv. Epit. 11.

Pausan.

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Ovid.  
Val. Maximus.

Ovid.

Sueton in Claud.  
lib. 2. c. 5.Tab. marmorea  
apud Nicom.  
de arte gym.  
nastica. 1. 1.Dion. apud Val.  
lib.Dion. apud Val.  
lib.Horatius scypr.  
2. 1.

with all men, so, that when he came to the City, and had made relation of his performances, his triumph was readily assented unto. Being now Proconsul he did on the Calends of *August* make his triumph over those *Samnites* who are called *Penris*: Old *Fabius* followed his Chariot on horse-back, whom the people beheld, and by their acclamations acknowledged not only an Assistant, but the author of the Victory. He accumulated all the glory of the enterprize upon his own honour with as much complacency as when, being yet a little one, he did in his own triumph diers, the rest laid upon the Treasury; and *C. Pontius* the Samnite being first led in Triumph was long time sustain the Roman violence, gave them many considerable overthrowes, but of all the most shameful one at the Caudine Spinies: He was reported to say, *That had he been reserved to freed them to hear fury.* It seems then the fortune of the City was not better defended by their less at the honour had been granted his Rival, then that the like had been denied him, by weakness of mind oppressing his own contumacy, to the authority of the Fathers, did both exasperate the wound of his own spirit, and imitate those imaginations against him, which ought by his enemies, not from reproaches against the Senate, and to spite the Fathers, he distributed the whole prey among the soldiers, and disbanded his army before a successor could be sent him. He triumphed likewise contrary to the pleasure of the Senate, which, though some refer to his second Consulship, I believe more fitly agrees with this conjuncture, and it is so affirmed by authors of no mean credit in Histories: By these doings he drew new hatred upon himself, and slides what hath hitherto been mentioned, *twas objected against him, that before he march'd armed Liv. Epit. 11. out of the City, he employed two thousand choice men out of his Legions to dig up a piece of ground, and detained them many days in this work, not remembering they were his soldiers, not his slaves; and were leavied to enlarge the Publick Land, not to manure his.* Being earnestly preff'd with these his suit was valued to stand him in two hundred thousand pieces of money. Now *P. Cornelius Rufinus*, and *M. Curius Dentatus* entered their Consulships. Each of these with his Legions did utterly wath *Samnium*, depopulating their grounds, and ruining their Cities, and in many set battels having the upper hand compelled them at length to sue for peace, for having in so many battels lost the prime of their Youth; and in *Pontius* the chief counsel and conduct, they now this fourth time a League might be renewed with them. 'Tis likely too the Romans even of a certain peace. I find the war with the *Samnites* to have begun when *M. Valerius* was the third time Consul, *A. Cornelius Cossus* being his Colleague, and being through four and fifty both parties in play with much trouble and vexation; whether *Cornelius* triumphed for this War is uncertain; as for *Manius* there is no doubt, for his fortune being more eminent in that he subdued other enemies, he triumphed twice in the same Consulship: For the *Sabinæ* a Warlike Nation, now grown wealthy with a long peace, whether they were moved with their own proper series, which (having swallowed up their neighbours) they foresaw approaching to themselves, have these did *Cornelius* lead forth his Army, and that he might both divert the enemies, and give the *Sabinæ* some taste of the miseries of War, he sent part of his forces by privy journeys into and valiation on every place: This stratagem did soon dissolve the formidable Army of the *Sabinæ*. Consul had an ease Victory over the dispersed forces. In this Expedition they proceeded as far as the Adriatick Sea, gaining the possession of so much ground, and so many men, as the flying of *Cornelius* began to be famous, who (according to the genius of those times being more preff'd himself, *That he had taken so much ground, it must needs have turned into wilderness, but Aust. de virt. necessity have perished with hunger, but that he had taken so many men, they must of live.* c. 33. When the *Sabinæ* sued for peace, not only that was afforded them, but likewise the Freedom of the City, (though without the suffrage of the Tribes) this favour was in memory of their old years Consulship (underwent by *M. Valerius Corvinus*, and *Q. Cædicius Nottus*) we have devotion of the *Adria* (from whence the Sea taketh its name) and to *Sena in Gallia*: Nevertheless considering those Regions were not as yet to such a purpose sufficiently settled, I think fit rather to encline

Columnæ cap.  
solina.Plutarch. in Q.  
Fabii Cunctator.  
c. 43.

Livie Epit. 11.

Livie, 10. 39.

Dionysius.

Liv. Epit. 11.

From the founda-  
tion of Rome  
663.  
Eutropius. B. 2.  
Orfip. 32. 2.

Livie Epit. 11.

Livie 7. 29.

Livie Epit. 11.

Florus B. 1. 15.

Florus velleius.

Liv. 45.

Florus.



Cicero de Le-  
gibus 2.1.1.2.  
S. 10. ff. de O. l.  
Liv. Epl. 1.1.

to other Authors who refer the beginning of those Colonies to after-times: But in the City for retraining many villanies and outrages daily committed, there was a new Magistracy constituted under the name of *Capital Triumvirs*, who were appointed Judges and Moderators to take cognizance of offences, to imprison the guilty, and, when occasion was, to inflict punishments.

The words of the Law in that case made by *L. Papirius*, Tribune of the people, I find to be these, *Whoever shall be chosen to give judgment among the Citizens, let him require of the people three Capital men, and those three men, whoever shall be chosen, let them exact judgments, let them judge, let them be of equal authority, as by the Laws and decrees of the people they ought to Exalt, to Judge, and to Be.* In which clause commission is likewise given of requiring Mults or Fines, for in those days that piece of money which was disbursed by way of punishment, was called a *Sacrament*, because (the public sacrifices being many, and the Treasury but low) it was destin'd to be expended in sacrifices.

Plin. Nat. Hist.  
7.41.

Zonaras.

Florus 1.  
From the  
Foundation of  
Rome 465. 466

Tab. Marmoræ  
apud Osmirium  
in fabros.  
Vit. Maximus  
51. 52.

Dion. apud Pa-  
lisam.

Dionysius.  
Liv. 8. 18

Zonaras.

Liv. Epl. 11  
From the  
Foundation of  
Rome 467

Plin. 16. 10  
Agellus 1. 5. 27

Of the Taxes that year, there is no other memory left, but that two hundred seventy three thousand Citizens were rated. That this years Censors did likewise choose *Q. Fabius Maximus* Prince of the Senate, there is a likely conjecture, which is otherwise confirmed, for that honour did constantly remain in three of that Family successively; as for example, *Maximus* received it from *Ambustus* his father, and transmitted it to his son *Gargæ*. While affairs were in a good state abroad, they were troubled with discord and sedition at home. The Community being far in debt required a general discharge by public authority for all debts and bonds paid aforesaid, without any satisfaction; this was an old device, and for two hundred years and upwards variously agitated, even as any turbulent Tribune could exasperate them, or the Extortion of *Uffurers* move their indignation. Under the former Consuls, the fear either of the Petition or the Enemy did smother these contentions in some measure; but *Q. Marcus Tremulus* and *P. Cornelius Arvina* being Consuls, and the year ensuing *M. Claudius Marcellus*, and *C. Nautius Rutilus* bearing office, they broke out most violently, for the appeasing whereof, more than for any other occasion, a Dictator was created, whom I take to be *Appius Claudius*, who was afterwards surnamed *Cæcus*, in as much as among ancient monuments I find him to have been Dictator.

Besides the harshness of unconscionable usury, the villainous lust of *C. Plautius* added fire to the peoples minds now already hotly disposed, causing them the sooner and more vehemently to break out into flame. *T. Veturius* (the son of that *Veturius* who being Consul was delivered up to the Samnites for an unworthy League made with them) by reason of his domestic calamities, overcharged with debt and not able to pay, was forced to yield himself slave to *Plautius*, patiently performing all servile duties. *Plautius* not content to have reduced to this base condition a young man of excellent Beauty, of a Consular Family, and likewise of great hopes, did moreover attempt to corrupt his Chastity, having before deprived him both of Estate and Liberty.

But *Veturius* disdaining and resolving to suffer any thing rather than commit to horrid a wickedness, was with most grievous stripes tormented, whereupon he thrust himself forth into the publick, and being by the multitude conducted to the Consul's Tribunal, he complains of the cruelty and lust of his Creditor, shewing with the bunches and fresh marks of the lathes. The Consuls therefore judging it a business not to be neglected, informed the Senate thereof, where upon sentence pass'd, *Plautius* was condemned to prison, and by a Law in that case established, All men whosoever through the whole City had bound themselves slaves for debt, were set at liberty. I am not ignorant that instead of *T. Veturius* some Authors make mention of *Publius* the son of a Colonel, who was one of the contrivers of the Caudine peace. Forty years before this, for the like cause, was a Law made for the annulling such Indentures; nevertheless the *Uffurers* growing so hard-hearted, and the former Law, by the patience of Debtors (refusing nothing in the midst of their penurie) being by degrees neglected, 'twas thought fit they should be admonished by so fresh an example to provide more full and diligent caution for the future. But the people desiring to be freed not only from their Indentures, but from the Extortion of *Uff money*, were not satisfied with that Law though favourable to their revengeful minds. And (as in some more acute diseases, the pain is rather intended by a gentle application of medicines then remitted) not long after the matter was so Exulcerated, that when the Tribunes of the people with their greatest endeavours contended for a Law concerning Letters of Protection from Creditors, and that the Creditors did with equal force and animosity resist: The Commonalty after the example of their Ancestors, quitting the City, retired cross the water to Mount *Janiculus*, resolving never, without obtaining their request, to return to their own household-Gods. The Consuls finding little remedy against this combustion (*M. Valerius Potius*, and *C. Ælius Potius* are thought then to be Consuls) they were fain to flee to the last refuge in distressed times, and create a Dictator, who was *Q. Hortensius*; he applying what the Time and the Cause seem'd to require, and understanding the main breach of peace to consist in this, That the people were sensible of the violation of their Decrees, and the Publilian Law, thought fit to yield to the times, (though many strove against this opinion) and by a new Law made in the *Æsculete*, he diligently provided, That whatsoever the Commonalty should ordain, all the Romans should be obliged unto. With these Lenitives the people being reduc'd to concord, and returned to their own houses, the Dictator, either by the sudden force of his disease, or overworn with care

care and pains, dyed during the time of his Magistracy, which had hapned to none before. Henceforward for a while there was less dissention at Rome; but the Dignity of the Empire began insensibly to decrease, in as much as the Commons not being guarded against the fraudulent proceedings of Ambitious men, and yet earnest to manifest their authority, accepted of any the very Foundation. A singular Lesson to those who are invested with the guidance of affairs, an higher nature, not to provoke them by injuries and oppressions of great ones to aspire to a cunning suflage, which the Fathers, to the danger of their own Courts, were fain to authorize. For hitherto it had prevailed that no man executed any magistracy by the peoples votes, *Liv. 1. 17* unless the Senate assented thereunto. *Cicero pro Pla.*

The Improvident vulgair did for some time contain themselves within their former bounds, and though they seldom contradicted the Fathers Sentences, yet they were always feared as having power to do so. But then *Manius* the Tribune made a Law whereby the peoples Authority was much augmented, but the wholesome, and honourable severity of the Senate much weakened. *Q. Hortensius* the Dictator being dead, some report another was chosen to administer affairs, to wit, *Q. Fabius Maximus*; if so, this was his third Dictatorship. *L. Voltinius*, *C. F. C. N.* is said to have been Master of his horse; For there was war at this time with the *Volturnians* of the *Etruscan* Nation, which was very reasonable to clear Rome of the sedition of waging war with the *Lucanians*, who being troublesome neighbours, had by many selves to the Roman Protection: And *C. Ælius* the Tribune propounding a War against the *Lucanians*, the people decreed it. The armies therefore were drawn into the field, and in each place things performed, the memories whereof, with the Annals of those who wrote them, is the Consulship of *C. Claudius Canina*, and *M. Æmilius Lepidus*, whereof no memorable thing is delivered to posterity; only the Etruscan and *Lucanian* war seem to have been still in referred to one of his four Triumphs, for so often I find he Triumphed. But in what year, or with what Magistracy invested, he manag'd those affairs is uncertain. *468*

But things of greater weight were now ingendering, which were attended with a very considerable slaughter, for a war was now arisen against the *Senones* a people of *Gallia*. They had often warre and often peace with the Romans; and now, after their last overthrow in the fields *Polib. 2* of *Senonas*, where, *Decius* having Devoted himself to Death, a great Number of their men were slain, had lien still for almost ten years; Only they had suffer'd their young men to be hired by the *Etruscans* against the Romans. But now marching into *Erruria*, with a greater power then they had usually done, they Besieged *Arretium*. Now the *Arretines* had before this requested a league with the Romans, which being denied they did nevertheless obtaine because the Romans always thought it mainly concern'd them to have the *Senones* beaten. Wherefore sending Embassadors to Rome they craved assistance against the common enemy. In the mean time the year was gone about wherein *C. Servilius Tucca* and *Lucius Cæcilius Metellus* were Consuls; in stead of *Cæcilius* some annals mention *Calpurnius*; But the lesser Nobility of the *Cælian* family is thought not to have attained the Consular dignity till the year from the foundation of the City six hundred and fixtie. *Ann. 469.*



## BOOK II.



*Cornelius Dolabella*, and *Cn. Domitius Calvinus* being Consuls, when the Terror of the Gallique warre began again to move it selfe, and news was brought that many of the Tulsans had joynd forces with the Senones, the Fathers thought the Danger of the Aretines a thing not to be neglected by them: And because they could neither recall *Dolabella* from the Volfinians, nor *Domitius* out of Lucania without great hindrance to their affairs, *The Fathers ordain L. Cæcilius Metellus* the last years Consul, and now *Prætor*, with all haste to Leavy an army, and raise the Siege of Aretium; Nevertheless lest the warre should seem to be rashly undertaken, they thought fit to send Embassadours before, to Declare that Aretium was under the Roman Protection, and that the Gauls being in League with them would do more justly, if they would not lead their Army against their Friends and Companions. The message being proclaim'd among the Senones, *Britomaris* a fierce young man of the Royall Blood, whose Father had been slain by the Romans amongst the Etrurian auxiliaries, burning with desire of Revenge, caused not only the men, but the Ensignes of their sacred Office to be hewne and torne in Pieces. The Rumour of so horrid a fact being related in Rome and in the Camp of *Dolabella*, their mindes were vehemently incensed, and warre proclaim'd against the Senones; and *Dolabella* forthwith leaving the Etrurians, marcheth with his Army through the Sabines, and Picensian territories with very long journeyes into the Countrey of the Senones, taking the field with a ed with this sudden Invasion, now in the absence of their main strength, taking the giving the Ensmall and inconsiderable body were easily routed and overcome. The Consul giving the Ensmall and no my Breath, Burnes up his Townes, demolisheth his Buildings, waiteth the whole land, and very having slain the youth and carried away the weaker multitude of Women and Children, left very little ligue that ever that Countrey had been inhabited by Mankind. *Britomaris* himselfe being taken and punished with various and exquisite Torments was reserved for the Triumph. At the same time things succeeded not so prosperously at Aretium; For *L. Cæcilius Metellus* had ill fortune in his fight before the Town with the Senones and Etrurians, seven Colonells with many other men of Note, together with the *Prætor* himself were slain, and of their Legions and Auxiliaries about Thirteen Thousand were wanting.

But the Joy for this victory prevailed not so much with the Gauls, as sorrow and Conternation for the Lamentable Desolation of their Countrey: Wherefore gathering together all their Countrey men then in Armes in Etruria, full of Grief and Anger, void of counsell and hope; having no habitation whereto to be received at home, (I know not what Fate drawing them to their destruction) in a heat of Resolution they drive toward Rome, thus Computing, That there is no other way to recompence the desolation of their own Countrey, but by forcing the Romans to see the like Ruine of their City. That their Spirits and Forces were now no less inferior to, nor the cause of their March from Aretium of less importance, then that of their Ancestors who marched from Clusium of the same Etruria and took Rome: With the like speeches incensing themselves they Rush on, by nature impatient of Delay, and now halty in their Counsells, that they might overwhelm their Enemies unawares; But travelling through an Enemies Countrey, they met with many obstacles, so that the Romans had Leisure to provide against this Fury. At length wandering through unknown and unfriendly places, guided by no certain Line, they light upon *Domitius* the Consul, and immediately joyne Battell with him; But their unhappy rashness confounded both their Reason and Discipline: many being slain in Bartel, the Residue growing mad with Rage and despaire sheathed in their own Bowells, those weapons they had in vain drawn against the Enemy. Inomuch as so sudden and vehement a Judgement overtook a late most flourishing People for their villany in murdering Embassadours, that in the space of few months they were totally cut off, and ceased any more to be numbered among Nations, whose laws they had violated and Transgressed: For even the small Remnant of the Senones who had betaken themselves to their Neighbours and Kinmen the Boii, were the next year by *Dolabella* the Consul with an universal slaughter clean swept away: For whereas the Boians and Etrurians were involv'd in these late disasters, and possessed with fear of the same Calamities they were at the Lake called *Vadimonis* in a set Battell overcome, many of the Etrurians slain, few of the Boians escaped, the very name of the Senones so utterly extinct,

that there is not thought to be left alive one Man of that Nation which had set Rome on fire. About this time I think it more probable that the Colony was planted in *Sena*, the Romans having now an entire possession of their Countrey, and quite taken away their Name out of that part of Italy. Nevertheless the Etrurians and the Boians next year recruiting their Army with young men now grown up, ventred once more to try the Fortune of a Battell. Then it was I believe by *Q. Ennius Papus* that they were beaten, for his and *C. Fabricius* his first Consulship hapned that year, and 'tis certain the Province of Etruria fell to *Papus* by Lot. But in most Annals yet extant, the Memory of these Transactions is swallowed up by the Intervening of greater matters. For whereas the Romans had by so many continual fights and victories very mightily encreased their Virtue and Power, all the free Cities and Nations in Italy being brought into feare, conspired in a great and most dangerous warre, joyning together all their Counsells and forces as against a Common Enemy, and Plunderer. Neither thought they fit any longer to deferre their Designe, while now the Remnant of the Boians and Etrurians sufficed to distract the Roman Powers. And first of all the Samnites, again breaking their League and openly joyning force with the Lucanians and Brutians, commenced the Warre. But these were overcome by *C. Fabricius* in many pitch'd fields; especially in one most remarkable when they joynd battell near the City of the Thurines, which *Statius Statilius* had again freightly besieged; where the Enemy was with a very great slaughter beaten, and their Camp likewise forced and taken. It is reported that while the camp was strenuously defended, A young man of large proportion of Body was seen to bring Ladders to the works, whereby the Romans being animated obtained a complete victory. Twenty Thousand are said to be slain in the fight and in the Camp, Five thousand together with the General taken Prisoners, and twenty Colours. The next day the Consul resolving to reward those whose valour had been eminent, and promising a CORONA VALLARIS to him who first entered the Enemies Camp. After diligent Enquiry made after the man, the souldier was not to be found (if so he were a souldier) who would claime this Honour; 'Twas therefore believed and voiced abroad that *Mars* was the Author of this feat, and the Cause of Victory. And by the Consul's order supplication was made unto him, which the souldiers with Laurels on their heads performed with great Joy and Gladness. The Tarentines had not as yet assisted the Accomplish with any open aid; for though they were the Principal Authors of the Confederacy, yet they thought it wiser to let the Roman forces be provoked and the Fortune of warre tried with other men's danger then their own. But this Diffimulation served not their purpose, for a meer accident provoking the Rashness of the Giddy rabble betrayed all their Counsells. Even at this Time, that part of the Italian shore, after the Manner of the Grecians (by whom Tarentum and most of the other Cities were builded) did excessively delight themselves with fights, and stage plays: The Tarentines above others were most Luxurious in this kind, inomuch as it is said they had more Feasts and Solemn Playes then Dayes in the Year. It hapned they were then met at their sports in the greater Theatre by the Haven side, when *L. Valerius* (some say *Cornelius*) one of the Admiralls of the seas was deleyced entering the Haven with ten Roman Vessels: A Fatal Error to both Parties. For the Romans ignorant of all things betook themselves thither as to a friendly and amicable shore; the Tarentines on the other side Conscious of their own Privy practises interpreted this Navy to be sent with an hostile Intention. There was then present one *Philocharus* whom for his loose Conversation the Citizens call'd *Thasis*; He mentioning the articles of some former Leagues, said it was not lawful for the Romans to saile past the Promontory of *Lacinium*, that therefore they should go out and meet the sole-hardy Barbarians, and suppress their Pride with a Mischief. The giddy Rout besotted with continual drinkings manifest their assent by Acclamation, so that one scandalous persons opinion in a matter of so great importance was generally received, and without further Consideration they take up armes, and assault the Ships: The Romans as not dreaming of any such Encounter, being utterly unprepared to fight, betook themselves to flight. The Tarentines swiftly pursuing, Five ships only made their Escape; as many being hemm'd about were brought into the haven whereof Four were by the Admirall were drown'd and one taken; The Men, as many as were of age and strength fit for Warre, were slaine, the rest made slaves. Presently with the same vanity they wage warre against the Thurines, accusing them, That the Romans came into these parts by their meanes, who though they were Grecians; had yet in the time of their distresses choosen a Barbarous Nation to be their Protectors, rather then the Tarentines their Neighbors and Kinmen. The City is taken and plundered, the Chief men cast out and banish'd, and the Roman Garrison compounding for their own safety are dismissed. The Romans hearing the Newes, were according to the Greatness of the Injury most exceedingly incensed, yet thought it not convenient at that season to undertake a new warre: An Embassy was decreed to complain of the Outrage, and instruction was given the Legates to Require, That the Captives should be set at Liberty, the Thurines goods or the just value of them should be restor'd, the Exile call'd back, and the Authors of these Misdemeanours deliver'd into the hands of the Romans. The Tarentines according to the Greeke Custome were wont to assemble their People together in the Theatre, where the Embassadours being with much Difficulty admitted, they find a Rabble-rout totally debauch't with Drunkennes and Idleness, for this likewise was a great Holiday with the Tarentines. There when *L. Posthumus* the Prince Legate began to declare his

Florus.  
Polybius  
Plinius  
Polybius.  
471.

Dionys. apud  
Fulvium Hist.  
man.

Livie Epit. 12.

Plinie. 34. 7.  
Val. Max. 1. 8.

Amianus  
Marcellus. 24.  
15. Val. Max.  
1. 15.  
Amian. Mar.  
cellus.  
Val. Max.

Strabo. 6.

Florus 1.  
Apian apud  
Fulvium Hist.  
man.  
Tamaras.

Apian.

Florus

Dion. apud  
Fulvium.  
Apian.  
Oronius 4. 1.

Conarus

Apian.

Dio.

Livie.  
Epit. 12.  
Apian.

Dio. apud  
Ful. Hist. man.

message, he was entertained with such mocks and scoffs of the wanton multitude, that he carried home greater causes of hatred than he came to complain of. For they had him in such contempt, that not regarding any thing else he spoke; when, as being a Roman, he chanced to pronounce any word not so exactly according to the Greek manner, the whole company would burst out into laughter, crying out upon him and reviling him as a Barbarian, they fear'd and flouted at the Habit of the Embassadors, for they came in their gowns, and at last fairly thrust them out of doors, in vain claiming the privilege of the Laws of Nations. Now, what is scarce fit to be spoken, but may prove of good example to curb the insolence of popular licence, it is reported, that as the Embassadors pressed through the crowd of the Tarentines out of the Theatre, a certain Buffoon, one *Philoxenus* (for in this the Tarentines were beholding to their good manners, the Names of their Jesters were recorded in their Annals, though their Princes were forgotten) like an impudent Dog, piff'd upon the sacred Vestments of the Embassadors. This might seem the crime of one only mad furious fellow, but that forthwith the whole drunken society did own it, and the whole Theatre resounded with laughter, and clappings of the hands, as approving the fact. *Posthumus* lifting up his voice, *We accept this, O men, O Jesters* (saith he) *seeing ye bestow these things upon us we required not at your hands.* And when he turned himself to the multitude shewing his desired garment, they renew'd their laughter, and began to dance, singing scurrilous and reproachful Verses against the people of Rome, wherefore *Posthumus* again crying out, *Laugh on, saith he, laugh on, Tarentines, while ye may, for hereafter ye shall weep sufficiently:* Whereat the Tarentines being nettled, *Nay, saith he, to weep ye the more, I tell you before hand, this garment shall cost you much blood the washing.* After this, receiving no other answer, they sailed home. Now at Rome, *L. Æmilius Barbula*, and *Q. Marcius Philippus*, had begun their Consultship, by whom the Senate being convened, and the Robe deduced, as it was, being shew'd by the Embassadors, who declared to the Fathers the whole series of affronts and indignities heaped on them by the Tarentines: Their spirits were in an high manner incensed, and not so much as any temple made of vindicating their reproach by Arms. But because they had already to deal with so many mighty Nations, they could not resolve whether now immediately, or hereafter to send an Army against the Tarentines, and the debate continued many days even from morning till night: Some were of opinion, *That nothing should be attempted before the other Cities, at least the nearer Tarentus were reduced;* others contended, *That the war should incontinently be commenced;* at last, numbering their votes, it was decreed, *That the business of the Tarentine war should be refer'd to the people.*

The people with an unanimous consent agreed upon the War, and accordingly letters were sent to *Æmilius* the Consul, who was then gone to the Army into *Samnium*. *Thus omitting all things at present, he should quick his Camp in the Tarentine Fields, and, unless he could procure satisfaction for the injuries received, that he should prosecute them with a just and holy War.* The Tarentines perceiving they had now no longer to deal with a few unarmed men, but a just and well order'd Army, rousing themselves out of their accustomed slothfulness, began frantically to enter into counsel, what was to be done; to accept of the war was dangerous, to do what the Romans required in satisfaction was base, and so avoid both impossible. While their opinions were thus doubtful, one among the rest stood up and said, *Why do we chafe, O Tarentines, wait the time in vain alterations? the times are come which require Deeds rather than Words, which that they may be order'd to the publick benefit, there is need of free Speech and sincere Counsel.* Neither am I much moved that heretofore, by a strange disease incident to Free Cities, ye have been delighted with flattering and sugar'd Orations, though of ill consequence, because then, as in time of Prosperity, ye regarded not much what mainly tended to the good of the Commonwealth: But now the Roman Army is upon our Borders, the fear of the enemy before our Gates, and this is sufficient to instruct us to prefer what is profitable before what is Pleasing. Neither would I have you so interpret me, as if I stood up to hit you in the teeth with past misdeemours; for unseasonably to object old crimes is the part of an enemy, and one who wantonly insults over others infirmities: And an honest man that is careful of the common safety, will hide and excuse the faults of his City, unless the remembrance of them be of concernment to the avoiding some publick Calamity. For seeing we are but men, to pretend freedom from all error, would argue too much Pride: Be often to fall at the same stone, and not to grow wiser when the very event plainly chastiseth our rashness, is not consistent with right reason. We have at one man's warning allured and drown'd the Roman ships, and presently with open war vexed our Kinsmen the *Lucanians* and *Bruttians*; moreover, we have suffered ourselves indignities to be cast on the Roman Embassadors; so that a war we might have avoided, a heary dangerous war we are now provided for, both in a most unskilful time overtaken us. Finally, the Roman Camps are now pitch'd in our fields, and we as yet wavering in our counsel, deliberate still whether it be safer to accept a formidable war, or make a dishonourable peace. And I would to God at length, that laying aside all self flattery, and forgetting self-interest, and aiming at the publick honour and profit, we might freely and truly consult together, there might certainly a way be found of making an honest league, or a safe war. But now that you are clearly divided into two parts, I may say safely, that no settling counsel out of judgment or at the close of things remains, but every man

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byass'd by his own inclination. For how comes it to pass that so few of the young men, and poorer sort stand for peace? and why do none of the rich and ancient men desire war? what other reason can be given of so equal a division in the City, but these that would fain in quiet rest the commodity of their Lands and Usury, the other in time of war, hope for command and liberty of plunder? This is an old disease amongst us, neither of a long time hath our Commonwealth wanted such men, who even with the danger and detriment of the City have studied to increase their own private wealth. All which may happily be prevented (for I must speak what I think at present most conducive) if ye will neither buy peace on such base conditions as shall infringe the privileges of a Free City, nor yet trust singly to your own Forces in so difficult a war. Our Ancellors have often committed the conduct and command of their Armies to foreign Leaders: Either out of *Peloponnus* or out of *Sicilie* we have sent for *Archidamus* the son of *Agislaus*, afterward for *Cleonymus*, then presently for *Agathocles*. Even in our own memory when we were infested by our Neighbours, our Fathers made use of *Alexander* the Epirot: By which means they did not only themselves succeed prosperously, but left things in a flourishing condition to us. There is at this day the same friendship between us and the Epirots, neither are they now less potent in an Army and a Commander: And the benefit is fresh in memory, which *Pyrrhus* received from us, in that with our whole Navy we assisted him in his attempt against the *Corcyrans*. Therefore esteem this not as my counsel, but as the counsel of the wisest men who have heretofore happily governed this Commonwealth, which ye ought therefore at least to follow, because in the former example you may discern both the reason and ground, as also the issue and success of it. And yet otherwise, there may be arguments most evident and sufficient to the same purpose: There is no man amongst us so singularly eminent, to whom all the rest will willingly submit themselves, and what danger there is in emulation, when we have to do with a fierce and potent Enemy, ye are not ignorant. And whosoever ye shall make General, either by his too great affection to peace, or by his ambition of carrying on the war, may wrong your affairs; not to say, that it is not safe to commit a war into the hands of any ordinary person against the Romans, an hardy stout Nation and inur'd to Arms. But the truth is, which none can doubt of, that *Pyrrhus* is not by any man exceeded in virtue and experience of Martial affairs. But perhaps he will not come? Certainly, being a man desirous of action, and having no other war at present, he will not only come himself, but bring a formidable strength, and that of no fresh-water soldiers. And if ye fear his encroachment upon your Liberties, ye may treat with him on such conditions as the Commonwealth may be secur'd. By this means ye may either obtain an honourable peace, or bestow a glorious one. Though indeed it be not the least of my hopes, that the Romans will rather beforehand deal with us on equal terms than admit of *Pyrrhus* into Italy, having heretofore feared a King of much less glory and renown out of the same *Epirus*. This counsel prevailed not only so far, as to make them see a probable way opened to the publick safety, but likewise the assembly being divided into two contrary opinions, neither part being able to prevail over the other, they did all unanimously concur in this, as seeming indifferent to both sides.

\*It is reported, when the Rumour was spread about the Citie, that a decree was made for the invitation of *Pyrrhus* that one *Maton* a covetous fellow, taking a dry wither'd chaplet upon his head, after the manner of Drunkards together with his minstrel, entered the Theatre; the people according to their idle custome, commanded him to sing and his woman to pipe, after a while silence being made, *Maton* cries out, *Ye do well, O Tarentines, in that ye grant Liberty to them that please, to sing and Dance, for when Pyrrhus once comes into the Citie we shall scarce be allow'd to live after our own minds.* The People being somewhat moved at this saying, and murmurings and whisperings arising: Those who were authors of the injuries against the Romans (fearing lest if peacefull Counsels prevailed they should be delivered up to punishment) having chid the people, *That they would suffer themselves to be unworthily divided by a rash fellow, forcibly thrust Maton out of the Theatre.* So that afterward without contradiction the Decree was ratified. But the Roman Consul, hearing nothing from the Tarentines tending to peace, and understanding that Embassadors were sent with presents to *Pyrrhus*, sets himself to the War, wasteth their grounds, taketh their Cities some by force, some by composition, and fills all places with loffe, and terror. The Tarentines lend forth forces to hinder the spoile, but, after a sharpe conflict, the Romans having the better, the *Græcians* are driven backe into the Citie with great loffe. Then *Æmilius* without resistance waiteth and burneth the whole Country round about. The Tarentines terrified with these calamities, (like a people, the more insolent in prosperity, the more dejected and fearful in adversity) submit themselves to the Government of *Agis*, who was a constant author of maintaining the Roman friendship. Their desire and hopes of peace were much augmented by the discourse of some prime men who were diffinied by the Consul, and declared his Humanity, *With what Indulgence and candour he entertain'd those who were taken in several places of the Countrey, or in the last fight.* But the confidence of *Cineas* who was now come with Auxiliaries from *Epirus* changed their minds, and erected their spirits. For *Pyrrhus* being a man of vast conceits, and in emulation of *Alexander* the Great, comprehending large Empires in his fancy, believed now a way to be laid open to accomplish all his designs, as if the Fates themselves had invited him.



all the Italians. In the utmost part of the Italian shore over against Sicilie is seated the City of *Rhegium*, (by a Grecian name so called) very wealthy and flourishing in those days: The Citizens thereof judging by the Arrival of *Pyrhus* that a great and terrible warre would ensue; and frighted likewise with the *Carthaginian* Navy floating up and down in those seas, not trusting in their own strength, thought fit to send for a Guard from *Rome*. The Romans sent them Four thousand souldiers (which being leaved out of the Colonies of *Campania*, were call'd the *Campanian Legion*) under the Conduct of *Decius Juba* their Colonel; These at their first coming were very faithfull, and very diligent in defending the City. At length seeing no warre approach neer them, and being by degrees debauch'd with idleness and imitation of the Greek Customes, they began to compare the Advantage they had now in their hands with the hard and laborious life they had hitherto led; and with much Covetousness and Envy did frequently discourse in all their meetings and quarters of the convenient situation of the City, and the happiness of the Inhabitants. *Decius* was well pleased with this, who being himself grown as Licentious, had long ago conceived an inward desire of seizing upon the City. The design was favour'd by occasion of the present warre, which he wholly took up the Romans that they had no Leisure to mind the affaires of *Rhegium*; Besides on the opposite shore were the *Mamertines*, an Example of the like successfull villany, and ready no doubt to defend the like Treachery in others, especially being tyed with the Relation of the same Common Country. For they likewise were of *Campania*, and of late years going to warre amongst the Auxiliaries of *Agathocles*, and being entertained by the Mellennians as Friends, having slain and cast out the Citizens, possess'd the place themselves: Tharing likewise among themselves their houses, wives and Estates. They called to mind also the Campanians of old, who by the like wicked art got *Capua* from the Tuscans. When they had now agreed upon the Business, there was nothing left to be consulted on, but only the Manner, how safely to execute their Design, left in so populous a Citie, the lesser number should be surrounded and slain by the greater. *Decius* counterfeith Letters as wrote from the Rhegians to *Pyrhus*, to betray the *Roman* Garrison to him; these Letters as if they were intercepted, are read to the souldiers in private, *Decius* bitterly complaining of the Perfidiousness of the Rhegians; and some souldiers being suborned to it, cry out, 'Twas time to provide for their own safety by the sword, and turn that Destruction which was destin'd to them, upon the heads of the Authors; and as the business was set, a Messenger comes in with news, That *Pyrhus* his Navy was seen by the shore, and secret discourses were had between him and the Rhegians. The souldiers now beside their former Covetousness, were much incited with the Treachery of the Enemy, and fear of Danger; it is therefore by Common Consent resolv'd upon, That as the Townsmen shall be oppress'd unwarre and unprepared, that having slain the *Aden*, all the Publick and Private wealth of the City shall be distributed to the Legion. Behold now an unworthy and horrid fact; *Decius* having invited some of the Prime men to Supper, against the holy Rites of Hospitality, takes away their Lives; others were every where slain in their own houses; the greater part of the Rhegians being thus murdered, the rest were banished their Country, even by those whom of late they had entertain'd under the Name of Friends and Companions, for preservation of themselves and their Country. Execution being done, there is now a new face of Publick affaires; the houses and Estates of the poore wretches like the Plunder of an Enemy, is divided amongst the Thieves; and while the Blood is yet fresh and warme, the Matrons and Virgins are forced to Marry the murderers of their husbands and Parents; and the Cruel Perfidious Legion arrogates to it selfe the Title and Rights of the City of *Rhegium*. But it hath pleas'd God well to provide for Mankind, that such rare examples of high Mischiefe should prove likewise as manifest Examples of Vengeance and Divine Justice; Let us should onely by consideration of the success be animated to the like Villany, and Not by the Issue and event be deterr'd from evil doing, so that no true Felicity attends the Wicked, neither can there be a greater Madnes then for any man to perswade himself that he can grow happy by doing Mischiefe: For suppose there were no Punishment after Death, which all wise men acknowledge to be the greatest. (for the folly of ordinary men is so great they will scarce believe what is before their eyes, much less be moved with the terror of things unseen and as farre off,) yet let all things as to outward shew succeed prosperously, nevertheless the Conscience of offences committed doth by secret wounds continually lacerate and torment the minde: the Name of the Living, and the memory of the Dead is had in perpetual hatred and Detestation among men: and what is by ill means gotten, and with care and labour preserved is most commonly to their great grief snatch'd away again, neither God nor men suffering Wickedness to go long unpunished. It will not be amiss briefly to relate the punishment of *Decius Juba*, and his mad Accomplishes as in these days it befell, for their Final destruction after great variety of troublesome Chances, was deferred to the Tenth year, as shall in fit time be declared. These Rascals did not long enjoy Comfort or Tranquility amongst themselves. The feare of the Romans and *Pyrhus* they did indeed avoid, as by reason of the present Conjunction of Affaires, so by holding strict society with the *Mamertines*, and resolving to Offend neither Party: For 'twas thought safest in their first beginnings to abstain from warre at the present, while their New City which had so violent and sudden an Original, should have time to strengthen, compact and knit it selfe well together: they saw that without Danger they could not molest the King, and were in hopes the more readily to obtain Pardon from the

the Romans, if they bore not arms against them. The first cause of diffention, as is usual among Thieves, arose from an unequal division of the Plunder. *Decius* in the sedition was cast out and betook himself to *Messana*, the Souldiers at *Rhegium* chose *M. Celsus* his Secretary for their Commander, and *Decius* carrying with him a great bank of money, was honour'd with the same dignity by the *Mamertines*, though his fortune was neither prosperous nor of continuance. For it hapned, that being troubled with sore eyes, he caus'd some Eminent Physician to be sought out for him; the Divine Vengeance hereby overtaking the wicked man with most sharp and bitter punishments: A Physician was therefore brought unto him, who prov'd to be by birth a *Rhegian*, but because he had lived so long at *Messana*, his original was not only unknown to *Decius*, (who would never have trusted himself to the mercy of a *Rhegian*) but likewise to most of the inhabitants of the City.

He being mindfull of his Country and resolving now to be revenged for its Calamities, perswaded *Decius* that the remedie he brought, was indeed strong in Operation, but of quick and most certaine efficacy: So applying the medicine which he had temper'd with the Juice of Cantharides, and giving order it should not be removed till he returned to the Patient, without delay he taketh ship, and flyeth from *Messana*. *Decius* being along time sufficiently tormented with incredible paines, seeing his Physician came now at him commanded the Medicament to be removed, which being wash'd off, he perceived himself to be stark blind. So that being now a blind Exul, infamous and dispis'd, he is reserved to judgement, as if he were bound in Chaines; by a wonderfull Method of Divine Vengeance, in that he received this Plague from one to whom he had trusted his health, even as he himselfe had by Cruelty and treachery circumvented those whom he ought to have protected. 'Tis fit such Examples as these should be recorded in History and transmitted to posterity, for the Benefit of mankind which is never sufficiently convinced how farre these Cunning practices are different from wisdom and right reason; so that neglecting the Rules of Virtue, Honesty, and Fidelity, they doe for love of false and onely seeming good things by foul and villanous lusts involve themselves in true Evils.

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## BOOK III.



OW at *Rome*, part of their forces being kept at home for guard of the City, and for a reserve against the uncertain chances of war, the Armies and Provinces were committed to the charge of the new Consuls, *P. Lævius* and *Levinus* was designed against the Tarentines and *Pyrhus*, and *T. Cornicius* sent to finish the *Etrurian* War. *Levinus*, thinking it would much avail as to his own reputation, so to the Terror of the enemies to provoke them first; and that it was profitable to the Commonwealth, to avert the fear and inconveniences of War, as far as might be, from the Roman Territories; leading his Army into *Lucania*, did

there fortifie a Castle in a convenient place, furnishing it with a strong Garrison, both to retard the proceedings of *Pyrhus*, and to keep the *Lucanians* in awe, whose treachery was feared, lest they should dare to revolt to the enemy. *Pyrhus* having intelligence of the Roman Consul's approach, though his forces were not yet assembled together, judging it both dishonourable and hurtful now in the beginning of the War to manifest any token of Fear, with what flourish he had at present, did forthwith march out to meet him. But that he might find some colourable pretence to draw out the business and gain time, he sent a Messenger with Letters of these Contents: *Pyrhus* the King wishes Health to *Levinus*, I understand that thou art come forth

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forth with thine army against the Tarentines, but leaving it for a while, come thou unto me with a small Retinue, and I, taking cognizance of the quarrel, will compel even those who are unwilling, to yield one to the other in what is equal and right. To this *Levinus* answer'd, We neither accept of thee as an Arbitrator of our Controversie, nor fear thee as an Enemy. But thou seem'st to do very absurdly in assuming to thyself the Judgment of other mens Causes, who art thyself guilty of a Crime, and hast not as yet received due punishment for entering Italy without our consent. Know then, that I come no less against thee than the Tarentines, to try our Right and Title with a just army, by the Judgment of Mars the Author and Founder of our Nation. And without delay moving his Ensignes, he sits down between the Cities of *Pandofia* and *Heraclæa*, in a Champian ground, being divided from the Enemies Camp by the River *Sirinus*.

'Tis reported that *Pyrrhus*, walking downe to the River side to view the Roman campe, when he had well and diligently consider'd it, said to one of his freinds, *Megacles* by name, *These Barbarians have marshall'd their Army after no barbarous manner, but we shall soon try what metall they are of.* Then having placed strong guards upon the banks, to hinder their Passage through the *Fordes*, he resolv'd to expect the coming of his Companions, not only for the Reason of War, hoping the Romans in an enemies Country would quickly be in want of necessary accommodations, but as much regarding the Spirit and confidence of *Levinus*, whose admiration was by a new Testimonia encreas'd with him, in that he had freely without punishment dismissed those spies, which were sent to view his Campe, telling them moreover, *That he had another Army bigger then this.* In the meane time the Campe being no neer, there were many Pickereerings and light skirmishes which tended nothing to the main chance. Almost fifty dayes being now spent in these light skirmishes, the Consul being moved with the same reasons to hasten the fight, as *Pyrrhus* was to defer it, assembling his Souldiers together, gave them to understand his Intentions, and encourag'd them against the fear of a new enemy, extenuating, as much as might be, the fame of *Pyrrhus*, and the Terror of the Elephants; at length preparing himself for all assays, he resolv'd either to fight the enemy by Consent, or compel him to Battell. Therefore seeing *Pyrrhus* still continue in his resolution, he sendeth out beforehand all his horse, as if to forrage the Country, himself with his Legions in Battell Array, expecting till the tumult and noise on the other side of the River should give them warning. The horse fetching a compass far from the Camps, crosse the River where no Guard was, and immediately advance to the enemies stations on that side the River: The *Epirots* terrified with their sudden approach, betook themselves to their Camp. *Pyrrhus* understanding the enemy was so neer, marcheth in all haile to the River with his whole body of horse, consisting of three thousand, hoping the Romans in their passage through a blind Ford, striving with the stream and unevenness of the ground, and breaking their orders, might there be vanquished. But the Roman horse interposing themselves, *Pyrrhus* riding at the head of his Troops, conspicuous in his shining armor, of singular strength of Body and Resolution of mind, he managed the fight every way correspondent to his Fame and Reputation. He so exactly order'd the whole Battell with his Counsel and Directions, as if he were free from all other labour; yet, as occasion serv'd, he would charge and fight in person, as if to him belong'd only the Office of a Private Souldier, and that the case of the General issue were another man's business. In the mean time one *Leontatus* a *Macedonian*, having observed a certain enemy, who neglecting all others, intended himself only against the King, as he flew up and down the field, directing his horse to whatsoever quarter he spied him in, gave *Pyrrhus* notice of it, who answer'd, *No man can avoid the Fate of Mortals, but neither this Italian, nor any other, shall grapple with me without his reward, and due punishment.* He had scarce spoken the words, when *Oplicus* (so was the man named, a Captain of one of the *Frentan* Troops) wounded the Kings horse with his Spear, *Leontatus* likewise wounding his, whereupon the Kings friends round besetting him killed *Oplicus*, stoutly fighting for himself, and delivered the King. But this accident did much daunt the Kings party, as believing him to be slain: Wherefore to confirm his Souldiers, as likewise to decline dangers intended against him, he changed his Armour and weapons with *Megacles*, and leaving him in the Fight, went himself to order and lead up the Regiments. The Roman Legions were now come up, and the Battell a long time fiercely continued with so doubtful success, that 'tis reported Fortune seven times changed, sometimes the Romans sometimes the *Epirots* turning their backs.

But the death of *Megacles* had like to have reduc'd *Pyrrhus* his affairs even to a most desperate condition, who being in the Kings Armour was assaulted by every valiant Enemy who affected the Glory of slaying the King: And at length an Horseman, *Dexter* by name, having kill'd him, and taking off his Helmet and Gorget, with loud cries carried them to the Consul, thereby ingenerating a beleefe in both the Armies of the Kings Death. Hereupon the *Grecians* were full of Terror and Confederation, and no doubt had immediately quitted the Field, but that *Pyrrhus* assoone as might be, uncovering his head rode up and down, with a loud voyce witnessing, *That he was a live, and present amongst them*, hereby taking away as much Confidence from the Romans, as feare and Despaire from his owne souldiers. *Levinus* perceiving the Time come, wherein to trie the utmost Remedy, gave the Signe to his Horsemen whom he had placed in Ambush, to fall upon the backe of the enemy. But *Pyrrhus* against this

this Troupe commanded his Elephants to be led, which he had likewise reserved for the last Terror to the enemy. This one Contrivance dash'd all the Romans hopes, and gave the Issue of the Battaille cleerly on *Pyrrhus* his side. For the men themselves being all onfild at the vast bulk of their bodies, and the terrible shew of armed Warriours on their backs thought they had rather seen some strange and formidable Monster, then the shape of any Creature by Nature produced, and as for the horse, they being frightened with the sight, smell and noise of bealls they had never before seen, did forthwith, confounding their ranks, flee every one what way was most open; and either flaking off their riders, or against their wills forcing them to fight, they ran upon their own battell, and filled all things with fear and tumult. The Rectors of the Elephants following the pursuit, many of those that fled were wounded from those who flood in the Towers upon the Elephants, and more were killed and trodden under foot by the bealls themselves. The Consul making use of his best skill, did as yet keep his main battell together, till, by the command of *Pyrrhus*, the Theffalian wing being sent amongst them, did rout and scatter them, not being able to resist. And no question but in the place they were hemm'd in, they had every man been slain or taken prisoners, but that, besides the Custom of the *Pyrrhus*, who thought it not General like too severely to press upon those who fled, left by despair of safety they should be provoked to make more sharp resistance, the evening likewise being far spent compelled them to relinquish the pursuit. Fortune likewise favour'd the remnant of the unfortunate Army, in that an Elephant being wounded turned back and with its braying confounded the rest. This putting a Remora to the enemy, gave liberty to those that fled to crosse the River into *Apulia*, where they sheltered the selves in a fenced City against the present danger. I find that in this fight there were fourteen thousand eight hundred and seventy foot of the Romans and their friends slain, with two hundred and fourscore horsemen; there were taken in all eighteen hundred and twelve, in which number were eight hundred and two horsemen; there was lost likewise two and twenty Colours. Whereby I wonder the more why some Authors, who undertake exactly to relate this encounter, deny that any notice was taken how many were wanting on the Kings side, whereas *Dionysius* writeth, that *Levinus* lost little lesse then fifteen thousand, and that on the Victor's side thirteen thousand fell. But *Hieronymus Cardianus*, an impartial writer of those times, affirms, That of the Roman army there fell but seven thousand, and of the Kings army under four thousand. But this is by all agreed on, That the Victory cost *Pyrrhus* the very Flower both of his Captains and Souldiers, and that he was heard to say, *He was no less Conqueror then Conqueror in that Battell.* And when he offer'd the spoils and gifts to *Jupiter of Tarentum*, he confes'd as much, inscribing that sentence in the Title, and when his friend complain'd, he repli'd, *Of a truth, if I obtaine such another Victory, I shall returne into Epirus without e're a Souldier.* I have likewise an Author that the King himself received a grievous wound in this fight, but because others report no such thing, and that I often see the circumstances of several battels confounded, I dare not in the general silence of so many and those more accurate Authors, give credit to one single one.

That it was fought with great animosity and valour, this one argument is sufficient, That when *Pyrrhus* next day view'd the slain corps (which for the reputation of his Humanity and Clemency he caus'd to be buried) he finding that all the Romans died with honourable wounds, having their faces turn'd to the enemy, he cry'd out, *How easie were it for me to gain the Empire of the whole world, if I had but Roman Souldiers!* Neither did he defer with any complement and large promises to court those who were in his power, to receive pay under him, and not being able to persuade them, he did, nevertheless treat them with great humanity and clemency, freeing them from chains and whatever other reproach usually attends the fortune of prisoners. But the Romans thus batter'd by the late fight were terrified with another misfortune, though not of so great loss, yet which caus'd more fear and Religious horror. For it was imputed to the manifest anger of the gods, that their men who were sent forth for forrage and relief, were overtaken by a sudden and most violent Tempest, wherein four and thirty were amidst the stupendous noise of the Heavens, struck dead by Thunderbolts, and two and twenty smitten and left half dead, their Cattel also by the same form were most of them slain or made of no use.

*Pyrrhus* in the mean time having taken the empty and forsaken Camp of the Romans, made quick use of his victory, waiving all the Neighbour Countries, and turning many people from the Roman friendship. The Lucanians and Samnites then come in to him, whom lightly chiding, *That they had not assisted him in the battell*, he nevertheless gave them part of the spoils; therein much rejoicing and exulting, *That by his own strength, with no other aid but that of the Tarentines, he had slain so many of the Romans.* *Pyrrhus* being thus intent in reaping the fruit of his Victory, *Levinus* on the other side curing his wounded, and recollecting his disperfed men, had gathered together a force no way contemptible, and the Senate (though many imputed the losse only to the Consul's default, and *Fabius* by *Pyrrhus*) decreed a recruit and supply to be sent him. When the Cryer proclaimed, *That they who would serve their Country in the place of them who were slain, should give in their names*, they list'd themselves so fast, that presently they completed the number of two Legions.

The Consul recruited with these forces, follow'd the Steps of Pyrrhus, vexing his Army with what Inconveniences he could. And understanding the Kings Resolution to seize upon Capua, leading his Army thither in half, he prevented him, and preparing all things for Defence, he deterr'd him from assaulting the City. Pyrrhus turning his Course to Naples, and there likewise being frustrated of his Expectation, forthwith by long journeys march'd toward Rome in the Latine high way, and now having pass'd through *Arundia*, and the *Hernician* Territories, taking in *Regella* by the way, he was come to *Præstia* within Twenty miles of the City; But the Magistrates there, affoon as they understood of the Overthrow, had by Order of the Senate armed their choice young men: and the Fortune of the Roman People had in this time of their Necessity, provided them another very strong help and succour; For the other Consul *Tib. Coruncianus* encountering the Etrurians with better success, had tied the whole Nation to new Covenants, and being called back by the Senate to the Defence of his Country, having no other Enemy to distract him, came home with his Victorious Army. Pyrrhus having in vain attempted to draw the Etrurians again into Armes, and considering that, besides a City secure with its own guards, he had two Consuls with their Armies, one on the Front, the other on his Rear, returned back into *Campania*; where meeting *Levinus* with greater forces then before his Overthrow; he said, *He had to deal with a Lernæan Hydra, whose heads bring lately struck off, spring up again in a greater Number*; yet confiding in his former Victory, he drew out his Army and martial'd it as resolving to fight, and that he might discover the Cheerfulness of his soldiers, and likewise terrifie the Enemy, he caus'd his men to shout and the Elephants to be provoked to bray. But the Romans returned a farre greater and more terrible shout, whereby conjecturing the Spirits of each, he judg'd it fit to abstain from fight at the Present, and complaining of ill omen in the Entrailes of sacrifices, he drew back his Army first into his Camp, and afterward with much plunder and a great Troop of Captives, to *Tarentum*.

The Romans (who in their hardest times had remitted nothing of their Constancy, but as to the main Issue of the warre always spake high, as conceiving ample hopes) thinking this a most fit time to give rewards and Encouragement to Virtue, decreed a Triumph to *L. Æmilius Barbula* for those exploits performed in his Consulship. He triumph'd *A. D.* the fourth of the Ides of July, over the Tarentines, Samnites, and Salentines who are Auxiliaries of the Tarentines. But *P. Valerius* was order'd to draw the Remnant of his Conquer'd Army into the *Setine* fields, there to fortifie his Camp, and cause them to winter in their huts; About the same time the Senate disputing whether it were fit to redeem the Captives, resolv'd affirmatively, that which chiefly perswaded them, was I believe the Horsemen's Case, for they had stoutly maintained the fight during the absence of the Elephants, at whose approach the horse without any fault of the Riders yielded them up to Death, and to Bonds; upon this Errand went Embassadors of Principall Dignity, *P. Cornelius Dolabella* famous for his Detestation of *Sena* in *Gallia*, *C. Fabricius Lucinus*, and *Q. Æmilius Papus*, who two years since were Colleagues in the Consulship: Pyrrhus by Nature was Endow'd with humanity, the inefable Companion of great Spirits, and that he did encrease by his Ambition, according to the Vulgar Error, esteeming all Virtues the servants to Domination, to which only being intemperately given, he did direct all his Counsells for the attaining it; And though he were not inferior to any Commander of that Age in Boldness of mind and the Arts of Warre, yet was he wont to try all means before he came to Blows; he would sollicit the mind of his Enemy as he saw most opportune with Feare, or Desire, or Pleasure, or Mercy, or with equality and benefit of Conditions. Therefore understanding Embassadors were coming from Rome, and judging so many Consular men were not sent but upon some Grand Affaires, he was in good hopes they would treat of Compounding a Peace. Therefore that their accels might be the safer and the more honourable, he sent *Lycus* (by nation a Molossian) even to the borders of the Tarentine Territories, to meet them with a Guard. Himselfe on Horseback with rich Caparisons met them without the Gates, and having magnificently brought them in, he entertain'd them with all Respect, liberality and plenty that might be.

They premising somewhat tending to Moderation of the mind, as how great the Inconstancy of Fortune is, how sudden the Changes of Warre, and that future Contingents cannot be foreseen, deliver their Message, That they came to receive their Captives, whether he would suffer them at a Certain price to be redem'd, or to be exchanged for Tarentines and others. Pyrrhus whose Custom it was, not to transact any thing of moment without advice of his friends, convened them now together; and *Milo's* Opinion was, That he should detain the Captives, make use of his fortune, and not cease the Warre till he had thoroughly subdued the Romans; Cincars his Counsell was very different, for, speaking first of the Constancy of the Senate and People of Rome, which they had often seen even in the hardest times to be invincible; he added moreover, As for other Enemies 'tis likely We may hate their manners or contemne their Armes, but with this Nation, O King, 'tis better making Friendship then Warre, and 'tis convenient not only to return the Captives, but freely to dismiss them without Ransome; Neither is any delay to be made, but that you send back the Embassadors with Presents, to conclude Peace upon equal Terms; For this I take to be the time, wherein with honour and Credit you may accomplish a Business (in my judgement) very necessary. For now your affairs having succeeded prosperously,

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you shall both more easily by Treaty obtain what you desire, and likewise seem for no other Cause but the innate Greatness and Goodness of your mind, to offer Peace unto those whom you might by force have reduced into Slavery. And farre be it from Thee, but that Thy Designes should prosper as they have begun; Yet We are but Men, and if Fortune change bet side, neither will it be so easie a matter to Obtaine Peace, neither can it with so much honour be treated on. When the rest agreed in the same Opinion, the King himselfe likewise assenting, commanded the Roman Embassadors to be called, to whom he spake in this Manner; Your Errand, Romans, seemeth to me very unworthy, for having no Consideration of entering into Friendship with me, you require back the Prisoners of Warre, whom being restor'd, you are ready presently to make use of against me. If therefore you will intend your Minds on better Counsell, beneficiall to both Parties, and make a League and Society with me, I will restore all your Citizens and Companions in Armes without price or Ransom; otherwise if you continue hostility, I shall think it no wise part, to strengthen your Hatred against me with the hands of so many Valiant men. Neither is it any so scarce with me as to need any from the Romans whom it would better become, if we were Friends, to be enriched by my bounty; Withall he commanded gifts of good value to be given the Embassadors, with promise he would bestow more and of greater Price. These things were spoken and acted openly in the Presence of all the Embassadors. But with *C. Fabricius* he had afterward a longer and more serious discourse. Neither shall I think it unfit to relate what I find in good Authors; When therefore they had speech together in secret without witness, among other things 'tis reported the King said thus: My desire is to have all the Romans my Friends, but especially your selfe, whom I esteem above all others, as most eminent in Civil and Military virtues, only one Thing I am troubled to find wanting in you, that having but slender substance you are not able to maintain that Port and Splendour which justly attends Great men as their Due; But I will not suffer you any longer to be sensible of this injury, and despite of Fortune, I will freely bestow to large a summe of Gold and Silver, as you shall easily exceed the Revenues of the Richest. For I am perswaded it belongs to my Place and Fortune, to relieve the hard Wants of Worthly men, who have endeavor'd more to obtaine Glory then Wealth; Truly I think it to be a faire and honourable Work, and that there cannot be, either a more illustrious monument of Kingly Magnificence, or a more precious and Acceptable Offering unto the Gods; so that I shall rather think you do me a Courtship, then receive one at my hands, if you will suffer your selfe to be relieved by my Plenty. Neither truly would I urge this to you if on my side only the Bounty should seem Glorious, on your side the Acceptance dishonourable. But now seeing I tempt you not to Treason or the commission of any Fact misbecoming your Grave Majesties; what Reason is there why you should with a resolute and obdurate mind refuse a small Gift, with a free and Friendly intent offered? For I desire nothing of you, but what may, may of duty ought to be done by the best of Men, and most tender of their Countreys Good, that you would persuade the Senate to forsake their wilful stubbornness, and recall their minds to Equity and milder Counsells, giving them to understand the Truth, that neither can the Warre be continued without your great Loss and Danger, neither can I (having promised help to the Tarentines, and proved Victor in the last Battell) without manifest breach of faith, and diminution of mine Honour relinquish it; Neither indeed do I delight in fighting with you whom I judge farre more worthy my Friendship then my Hatred, and had much rather return home into mine own Kingdom, where many businesses in the interim arise, which require my presence. And for this I will give you what assurance you shall desire, whereby you may be satisfied concerning my Intentions, and resolve the Doubts of others; if any shall think it not safe to truit to Kings, by reason of the fault of some, who, standing to their Agreements and Covenants so long only as it seemeth for their Profit, when they perceive any benefit to be gain'd by Change, have chosen rather to break their Faith then lose an Advantage. And when the Peace shall be concluded, there is nothing will please me better, or be more commodious to us Both, then that you would bear me company into *Epirus*, where you shall have the Principall place among my Subjects, be my Lieutenant in Warre, and Partner of all my Fortunes. For I esteem no Possession more precious then that of a Valiant and Faithfull Friend, and certainly the splendour of a Kingly Fortune, and the Majesty of Royal affairs will well become your great Mind. These things if we shall in Common confere, mutually helping one the other, we shall without any difficulty attain to the greatest Happiness that man is capable of or can imagine.

When the King had thus made an end of speaking, a little distance *Fabricius* answer'd, Concerning my Vertue, if any could be observ'd either in my military or Civil employments, it is needlesse for me to discourse seeing you have already trusted the Relation of others concerning it. Neither is it necessary to declare my poverty, that, being the master of a little ground and a small Cottage, I maintain my self neither by usury nor the sweat of servants, but by the labour and exercise of my owne Body, seeing this also you have truly learn'd by the discourse of others. But if, either on your owne accord, or following the Opinion of others, you judge me, by reason of my poverty, to be in worse condition then any other Roman, you are wonderfully deceived. For despising Riches, embracing Vertue, and doing my duty, I was never sensible of any misery; neither in private or publick business did I ever repine at my Fortune. For what Reason have I to speake ill of fortune, unless I should impute it as a

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crime to her, that I enjoy all those things which to create and high spirits are most desirable, not only with the Rich, but many times before them? I am dignified with the greatest honours our country affordeth. The heaviest wars are committed to my Charge, I am entrusted with the care of our most holy Devotions, I am call'd into the Senate, my opinion is asked concerning the most weighty affairs, I am commended and cheerfully imitated by many; neither am I of less esteem than the most potent man in the City; I seem unto others an example and pattern of attaining Virtue and Glory; to all this bestowing no cost either of mine own or others. For in other places, where particular mens wealth is great, and the publick stock but small, the Magistrates sustain the dignity and splendor of their office by their own expense: In our City the custom is much different, no private mans fortune being on any side burthensome. All this great and glorious pomp, wherewith our Citizens, who are chosen to the administration of grand affairs, are so magnificently set forth, is of publick allowance; which order maketh all men equal, so that the poorest man shall want nothing for the maintaining either the publick or his own grace, neither shall the richest in any thing abound. Wherefore seeing, though I am the poorest of all, yet I do in no good thing yield to the richest of all; why should I complain of Fortune? should I desire to be equal with Kings, who may hoard up vast sums and heaps of gold? But hitherto I have spoken in reference to my life in Publick, even in private also my indigence is so far from being a burden or inconvenience to me, that contrariwise, as often as I compare my self with the rich ones, my condition seemeth incomparably more happy, and I reckon my self among those few who have attained to as much Felicity as this life admits of, in which regard I mightily rejoice and give thanks to my Poverty. For it seemeth to me idle and foolish to pursue after things superfluous, and that my little ground being rightly till'd and manured yieldeth all necessaries; I know not to what end I should be solicitous of greater Riches. My Meat hunger makes sweet to me, and thirst my Drink; after labour my sleep is easy and quiet; my garments, if they defend me from cold, are of proof sufficient; and my household stuff, according as it is apt and fit for those uses it was ordained to, so it very well pleaseth me. So that herein also I should be injurious to accuse Fortune, that it hath not allowed me larger substance than nature desires, which hath neither ingenerated in me a covetousness of what is too much, nor a dexterity of scraping it together. Wherefore with this my poverty I judge my self more wealthy than the richest men, yea, then thy self also, for I have so much that I desire no more, whereas unless you thought your self poor notwithstanding your possession of *Epirus*, and all other your Territories, why came you over into Italy? But Riches you may object, gives one a fair opportunity of doing good to mankind, and that in my poverty can be bountiful to no body. Truly this troubleth me no more than that in other things also I do not abound: That the gods have not endowed me with knowledge superexcellent, and the Art of Prophecy, and many other the like things, whereby I might benefit those who in these kinds want help. But if I freely communicate to my friends and fellow-Citizens those things which are in my power, and suffer every one in common to participate of what may any way please them, I shall think my self free from that crime of being useless or unprofitable to mankind. Neither would I have you esteem those things small and contemptible, because others seem greater in your eyes, and therefore you are ready to buy men with large bribes. But, if for supplying the necessities of the poor, Riches were altogether to be desired, and that in this respect the possession of moneys were to be reckon'd as a part of Felicity, as you Kings seem to be persuaded; which, think you, were the better way of purchasing wealth, that I should now wish disgrace receive it at your hands, or that I should, when it was in my power, have long ago gathered it upon most honest accounts? For my prosperous management of Publick affairs, hath given me fair opportunities of growing Rich; as often at other times, so especially when four years since, being Consul, and sent with an army against the Samnites, Lucanians and Brutians I overcame those large and fertile Territories waiting and spoiling, when being conqueror in many Battels, I took by force and demolish'd wealthy Cities, wherupon the Souldiers being largely rewarded, and all debts paid which the Commonwealth had contracted with private men for carrying on the War, there was yet so much remaining that I carried into the Publick Treasury four hundred Talents. Now after I have scorn'd to acquire just and honest Riches by those spoils which were in my hands, and by the example of *Valerius Publicola* (and others who have advanced the Roman State) have preferred Glory before money, shall I receive gifts of thee, and embrace a shameful and dangerous opportunity of growing Rich, having neglected a fair and honourable means? And truly, that wealth I could freely, with pleasure, and good conscience have expended in just and honest uses, which what I receive of you I cannot do: For that money is rather to be accounted lent than bestow'd which proceeds from another's bounty, and however it be given and received under the specious pretence of hospitality, friendship or good will, 'tis burthenome to an Ingenious and high Spirit till it be restored. And what do you think will be the issue of this business when it is known (as conceal'd it cannot be) if the Censors, who with ample authority exercise the superintendence of Manners amongst us, shall (according to that power wherewith they are invested to enquire into the Lives of the Citizens, and punish those who deviate from the Institutions of our Fathers) publicly summon me to give an account of the reasons, why I received any Gifts from thee?

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Many report that *Pyrrhus*, resolving at any rate to winne a man of such Excellent vertue, did yet more earnestly tempt his Conitancy, and after other magnificent promises, making a proffer of half his Kingdom could not therewith move him, but that till he perished to deny the Accomplishment of the Kings desires, For, saies he, if I am an evil man, why doe you court me? If good, why would you corrupt me? adding moreover, That this business would prove neither pleasing nor profitable to *Pyrrhus* if it should succeed, for if he should make use of his liberty, *Pyrrhus* would be hateful both for the King and his Friends, as for his Justice and Abstinence, if the *Epirians* once had experience of them, they would forsake the King and apply themselves wholly to him. These things, and what hereafter I shall add, being by various Authors related, I thought neither inconvenient nor unprofitable to collect and declare, that the mind and sense of those men may be known, who supported the Roman State in most difficult times, and improv'd it to that incomparable height of Glory and Empire it attain'd to: and that by a clear example it may be apprehended, what Virtues and Manners ought to be practis'd by those men, who would become objects of Admiration, and transmit to their posterity a more flourishing Commonwealth then they received from their Ancestours. These things being spoken and heard on both sides, the King at present contented himself, but on the morrow, calling *Fabritius* to be sent for, he prepared an Elephant before hand to frighten him, who standing at their backs behind the hangings, as they were discouraging, the hangings being on a sudden withdrawn, at the Masters command laid his inuon on *Fabritius* his head, making a most horrid noise; but he, being a man of a settled spirit, gravely turning himself about, smiled, saying, Neither yesterday did your gold entice me, nor to day your beast terrifie me. Afterwards being set at supper, when he heard *Cineas* discouraging of the Grecian Philosophers of the Sect of *Epicurus*, that they esteemed Pleasure the greatest good, and the cares of the Commonwealth the chiefest hindrance of Felicity: That the gods in their opinion led such a life free from the care of humane affairs, free from all afflictions either of anger against the wicked, or favour to the good, giving themselves over wholly to ease and pleasure: *Fabritius* thereupon is said to cry out, The gods grant that *Pyrrhus* and the Samnites would practice this wisdom while they wage War with the people of Rome. These were the manners of those times, this was the Emulation of great men, to excel not in wealth or Luxury, but in Virtue, in Counsel, in Patience, in the Love of their Country. Neither were these sudden Motions and fits, or speeches premeditated out of hypocrisie for the present occasion, but they did confirm the faith of their words by the constant Tenour of their Lives, whereby they are rather to be admired then imitated by our Age. The same *Fabritius* when all his silver plate consisted of one Salt-celler and a little dish, which yet was sustained by an horned foot, the Samnite Embassadors presenting him with a gift of money and very rich household stuff, let his hands to his ears, thence to his eyes, nose, mouth, throat, and at length to his belly, saying, As long as I can command these, nothing shall be wanting to me, carry ye back your money to those who stand in need of it.

After the same manner he spent his whole life, inasmuch as in all his Patrimony there was not sufficient whereby to raise Portions for his Daughters; (an Honourable poverty) I fo that the Senate caused money for that purpose to be disbursed out of the Publick Treasury, being afraid to let those Virgins passe without Dowry, whose Father was not ashamed to leave fo. The same vertue and continence was found in other Princes of the Senate; among the rest *Q. Fabius* who had so often been in Chief command, and having once borne the Censorship denied to be made Censor againe, saying, It was not for the good of the Commonwealth, that the same men should often be chosen Censor; he died with the same Testimony both of his poverty, and the peoples Love, for after his Death they bestow'd so much money that his son *Q. Gurgus* did bestow a dose of flesh upon the people, & likewise made a publick Feast. *Curius* out of the same gallantry of mind refus'd the gifts of the Sabines as *Fabritius* did the Samnites: *Emilius Papus*, who was in most offices Colleague with *Fabritius*, also *Tib. Cornicianus*, and many other men of great note, by reason of their likenesses in manners, lived together in great love and friendship: So that the Poet seems to me to have conceived in his mind the Idea of those times, when he said, The Roman State was upheld by men and manners of the old Fashion. *Pyrrhus* seriously considering and pondering these things, was inflamed with a great desire of composing all differences with this Nation, and immediately restored two hundred of the Captives without Ranfome, and gave leave likewise to all the rest to go to Rome and visit their friends at the Feast of Saturn now approaching, relying only on the word of *Fabritius*, who promised, That when the Holy-dayes were past they should return, unless peace were in the mean time concluded.

And such was the Gravity of the Senate, and the fidelity of every single Person, that at a Day by the Fathers appointed, they every man redelivered themselves up to *Pyrrhus*, having in vain urged their Country-mens obdurate minds to Articles of Peace. For the Crafty King, thinking this to be a nick of time for his purpose, while the Romans being mollified with the sight of their dearest friends, and desirous of retaining them, might happily be the more ready to lay down all thoughts of hatred and hostility, resolv'd now to send an Embassy to Rome to Treat of Peace on those Conditions he had propounded to *Fabritius* in Person. He despatched, that the *Tarentines* might be comprehended in the League, That the other *Grecians* inhabiting Italy might continue free, living according to their own Lawes: That whatsoever the *Aprians* Romans

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Some Report it was the Kings Physician who treated with *Fabrics* either in person or by Lecturer, and that upon his discovery, he was hang'd. As there may be doubt in these Circumstances, so no question they are deceived who say that *Curius* sent back the Physician to the King. It is said that *Pyrrhus* at this time wondering at the Experience of so great Vertue in Enemies, cry'd out, *This is that Fabricius, who can with no lesse difficulty sever from the Rule of Justice and Honesty, than the Sun be turned out of his Course.* He did immediately, let him should be Overcome with Kindnesse, return the Romans all the prisoners he had, and sent *Cineas* again

Brutians and Samnites. It appears there was no great matter done against the Etrurians, in that there was no Triumph made for that war, neither was the whole nation, but few Cities engaged, who re-assumed against the Romans those arms they had so lately laid down, being solicited by the Samnites, who found themselves left naked by the departure of *Pyræhus*. Among the



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other nations as the war was more heavy, so was the Victory more illustrious over them. C. Fabricius the Consul (his Colleague, as is imagined, being gone into Etruria, inasmuch as upon the Epirots departure one Consul Army was thought sufficient) overcame the Lucanians, Brutians, Tarentines and Samnites: Some Cities, among which were *Heraclea*, he drew into Covenants, and over those people he Triumphed before the Ides of December.

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An assembly of the people being held, New Consuls were chosen for the year ensuing, P. Cornelius Rufinus again, and C. Junius Brutus again. Other Nobles were Candidates with Rufinus, but by Fabricius his favour he was chosen. Wherein Fabricius considering the times, prefer'd the publick safety before private quarrels; For by reason of their difference in Manners there was Enmity betweene these two, Fabricius being of proove against Money was guided only by his care of the common good; Rufinus more greedy of wealth then ordinary, many times order'd his counsels and actions to his private gain. But being otherwise Industrious and a good commander, Fabricius judg'd him to be prefer'd before his Competitours who were far inferior to him in Marshal affaires. 'Tis reported, when Rufinus gave him thanks,

Cicero de Orat. 2. 66  
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That being at enmity with him he had helped him to the Consulship, especially when so great a War was on foot; he answer'd, 'Twas not much to be wondred, if he had rather be king'd, then sold to the enemy. For there was great War remaining in Italy, and Pyrrhus finding all things goe according to his desire in Sicily (whether he now was gone) 'twas reasonably fear'd he would quickly return a more formidable enemy by the Access of the strength of so Noble an Island.



## BOOK IV.

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THESE things were doing in Italy, Pyrrhus having ship'd his Army and Elephants, sail'd from the Tarentine Port into Sicily, after he had continued two years and four months in Italy. Being conducted by *Thimo*, who met him with his Navy, he was received by the Sicilians with wonderful cheerfulness, freely delivering up into his hands their Towns, their Forces, their Money and their Ships. Being thus in a short time possell'd of the dominion of the Græcian Cities, he did also by force of arms extort from the Carthaginians all whatsoever they held, excepting only the City of *Lilybæum*, which the Carthaginians

being helped by its convenient situation, defended against all his assaults. Whence justly conceiving great and vast hopes in his mind, he resolv'd, leaving his eldest son the Patrimony of his Father, to settle the other two, the one King of Italy, the other King of Sicily. Both the reputation and virtues of this King were indeed at that time very great; and the Sicilians having for many ye. rs sustained both foreign and civil wars, and a plague worse then both, the tyranny of usurpers, seem'd willing with joy to entertain any indifferent Prince over them. But when, a little after, he proceeded to raise moneys against their wills, and put to death some of their Nobles, he contracted much hatred, which was encreas'd by the covetousness and arrogance of his Officers, whose vices did every where as much wrong him as his own, therefore next to the first and principal care Kings ought to have, of being themselves Eggegiouly good, 'tis for their honour and safety to make a choice of virtuous Favourites, seeing private men are blam'd only for their own faults, but other mens crimes are imputed to Princes. But these things

things hapned afterwards. Now at Present, while their Zeal was hot, he was with the highest Honour and magnificence received, first by *Tyndarion* Prince of the Tanrominitans (for in that part of the Island he landed) then by the People of *Catana*, and so pass'd with his foot-Army to *Syracuse*: His fleet he commanded to be brought about not farre from the shore, ready prepared for fight, as thinking the Carthaginians would not suffer him to approach the City without hazard of a Battell. But it hapned, that a little before Thirty of the Carthaginian ships were upon other Employment gone from the Navy, which because they were not return'd the Admirall refus'd to venture on the Fight with the Rest. Wherefore Entering without Resistance, *Thimo* and *Pisistratus* yielding Possession, he took into his hands the Publick Treasure, an hundred and twenty Covered ships, Twenty open ones, their Weapons, Engines, and all other Furniture for Warre.

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In the Interim came Embassadors from the Leontines, whose Prince *Heracleidas* offer'd the City and all his Forces, Four thousand Foot, and five hundred Horle. Neither were other Cities flower in their submission, but came in driven as it were by a Torrent of Fortune. Pyrrhus treating them all with much Humanity, and gaining their Good wills, sent every one back to his own City, entertaining now more Ample Hopes in his mind, intending if affaires proceed so favourably to pass over into *Africke*. Things went not so well with his Confederates in Italy, for *Milo*, who was left at Tarentus with part of the Army, was not able to protect them from the hostility of the Romans, now in the absence of the King and his main strength. But as yet it was well for them that the Romans deferring a while the Tarentine warre, both the Consuls converted their forces against Samnium. The Samnites (seeing their Fields burnt, their Castles surprized, the whole burthen of the Warre to fall on them, and that they were forsaken by their Friends) being inferior both in strength and Courage, forsaking their Townes and Villages, betook themselves to the high and craggy Mountaines, carrying with them their Wives and Children, and what things of most value they could in such a Tumult and feare convey away. Among the Romans besides the Emulation of their Commanders, there was arisen great Negligence and Carelessness (the Inseparable Companion of Prosperity) caused by their own Constant good success, and their Enemies Fear. Hercby they suffered some Loss and more Disgrace; for their souldiers confidently creeping up craggy and difficult passages were beaten back and destroy'd by the Samnites, who had possell'd themselves of advantageous places; many were slain, being overwhelmed with stones and Darts, or tumbled down the Precipices; others having no convenience either of retreating or fighting were taken alive. This Accident caus'd the Commanders to divide their Forces, for each laying the blame of the Misfortune upon his Colleague, boasted he could have managed the business with better success if he had been alone. C. Junius with his Legions remained in Samnium, P. Cornelius drew out his forces against the Lucanians and Brutians; where carrying about the Terror of his Armes, waiving the Grounds and burning the Villages, he had occasion offer'd of greater Attempts. In the utmost parts of the Italian shore, towards the East and the Ionian sea, where the promontory of *Lacinium* stretcheth forth it selfe, is seated *Croton* of old very famous, and now also considerable for it's Wealth. Through the midst of it in those dayes ran the River *Acarnus*, Ovid Metam.

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on each side whereof the Multitude of Buildings were encompassed with a wall of Twelve miles circumference. This City the Consul not daring to beleagure, had thoughts of obtaining by Treachery, for he was put in hopes by many of the Roman faction there, that if he would timely advance his forces to the walls of it, being now destitute of foreign Aide, he might easily take it by the help and assistance of those who were weary of Pyrrhus his Domination. But it hapned about that time that either out of fear of the Enemies Neighbourhood, or suspicion of Treason, which is seldom long hid, the Crotonians had procured aid from *Milo*: *Nichomachus* came to them with a strong band of Lucanians, who issuing out upon the Consull (not aware of any thing, but confidently coming up to the walls without fear of Danger) beat him back with the slaughter and wounding of many of his Men. Rufinus desiring by Council to remedy that loss he had by his Rashness sustain'd, on set purpose encreaseth the Rumour of his Overthrow, and that he might seem stricken with the greater fear pretends to desist from his Enterprise, commanding the Baggage to be pack'd up as for a sudden Departure: This News was quickly blaz'd about the City (as from a Camp so neer mult needs be) and besides a probable cause of the business, their Credulity was help'd forward by their desire to have it so; when on a sudden (their mindes being already thus inclin'd) a certain Captive (being thereunto suborned by the Consull, in hope of Liberty and further Reward) comes into the City, as if in this hasty departure of the Romans he had taken opportunity to Escape; He informs them that Cornelius Rufinus, having not strength enough to force Croton, was gone to Locri, being invited by some who promised to betray it to him. By and by comes another who confirming the former news, added moreover, That the Romans were now on their March. And withall they discover his knifings and Troopes moving that way which leadeth to Locri. *Nichomachus* being deluded by this Wile, marcheth swiftly with his forces the neere way to Locri, intending likewise to defend it, which when Rufinus by secret Messengers understood, he turneth back presently to Croton, as upon better advice, so with better success then before. His diligence was made prosperous, not only by the security of his Enemies, but by the favour of Fortune also: for a thick mist chanced to surround him, so that he was almost within the walls with his Zonarus

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Strategem. 3. 6.

Zonarus

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Victorious army before the Crotonians underfoot he was returned. The joy of this victory, of it selfe ample enough, was abundantly encreased by other as glorious successes; Fortune seldom observing a man on either hand. For *Nicomachus* perceiving himself to have fallen into a remediable Error, not knowing what to doe, as he returned to *Tarentum*, was met by *Rufinus*, lost great part of his men, and very hardly escaped himself with the Rest; When not being content to defend one Citie he lost two. For the Locrians likewise being animated with this success, having slain the garrison *Pyrhus* left among them, with the governour of it, whose oppression they could no longer endure, betook themselves to the friendship of the Romans. Notwithstanding this Proceffe of affaires, the Samnites and other nations were not so far dejected, but that still they resolved to endure the worst that Fortune could bring upon them, encouraged, beside their own innate obstinacy, with their Hops of *Pyrhus's* Returne, hearing the news of his victories in *Sicily*. For *Pyrhus* (that we may relate his actions out of *Italy* also, which were performed in those times and places, having influence upon, and being joyned with the Roman affaires) having settled things at *Syracuse* and *Leontium*, went about the same time with his Army to *Agigentum*, meeting Messengers by the way with News, that the Carthaginian Garrison was thrust out of the City, and that the *Agigentines* yielded themselves and all they had into his protection, which accordingly at his coming they did. For *Soffistratus* (who had delivered up *Syracuse* to him) together with the Citie, presented him with eight thousand foote, proper young men, and eight hundred horse, a force nothing inferior to the *Epirots* *Pyrhus* brought with him. Thirty other Kings, which *Soffistratus* had the command of, did by his means submit themselves to the Kings discretion.

These things thus transacted, he sent to *Syracuse* for all sorts of weapons and engines, which were of use in the siege of Cities. For now his design was to assault the Cities under the Carthaginian Jurisdiction, having an army of thirty thousand, besides fifteen hundred horse, and the Elephants he brought over into *Sicily*. The first he tooke was *Heraclæa*, where was a Punicke garrison, then *Azonia*; After which the *Selinuntians*, *Halicynæans*, and *Agelians* following his fortune forsook the Carthaginian party, giving an Example to many other Townes in the same quarter of doing the like. The *Erycines*, considering in the number of their Auxiliaries and strength of the place, he was resolved with all his power to assault, having therefore order'd his men, himselfe armed, coming up toward the walls, Vowed a Vow to *Hercules*, if that day he should manifest himself to the *Græcians* a Warriour worthy of the Race he came of and the office he bore. After the signe was given, and that the defendants, with a cloud of arrows being driven from their stations, gave way to the placing ladders upon the walls, the King himselfe first of all men entred into a most noble fight against all opposers, tumbling some down with his shield, slaying others with his sword, and terrifying all with the greatness of his Courage and strength; neither was this fight more glorious to him, then in every consideration prosperous; for without receiving any wound, with great honour he gained the Citie at that one storm, his souldiers being no lesse animated by his Example then fearful of his danger, for both which reasons they fought with the greater contention. He then did sacrifice to *Hercules* according to his vow, and for many days exhibited Plays and Shows of severall kinds in great Magnificence and Pompe. In this year I find there was a Triumph at Rome over the *Lucanians* and *Brutians* before the Nones of *January*. But I wonder to find it ascribed to *C. Iunius*, seeing *Rufinus* his Province was amongst them, and that he tooke two famous Cities, and that other Authors stile him a Triumphall Man.

Rome being not very secure, considering the progress of *Pyrhus's* his affairs, was otherwise much terrified with Prodiges and Pestilence; The most horrid Omen was, that the statue of *Jupiter Capitolinus* being smitten with Thunder, the head thereof was broken off and carried quite away, neither could it be found but by the art and care of the South-fayers. The Plague likewise committed great slaughter amongst them, taking away man and beast by a common Murrain; but was most formidable in *Abortives*, for there was no young ones almost of man or beast which came forth safe and entire, in so much as it was believed the anger of the gods would consume all living creatures. Which Affliction made the other Consulship of *L. Fabius Maximus Gurges* very famous, wherein he had *C. Genucius Clopius* for his Colleague. And yet they left not off their war against the Samnites and *Lucanians*, and two certain arguments there are that they made great slaughter of their enemies, for the same year *L. Fabius* the Consul Triumphed over the Samnites, *Lucanians* and *Brutians* in the *Quirinals*, and those people sent Letters to *Pyrhus* and Embassadors, declaring, *They were utterly undone without speedy help; that they could no longer sustain the power of the Romans, but must of necessity prevent the uttermost extremity by yielding up themselves.* This thing much inclined *Pyrhus* to depart the Island and transport his forces again into *Italy*, seeing also his affairs now to be more difficult in *Sicily*, by reason the affections of men grew cold; and, by the consideration of some injuries received, were turned into hatred against him.

Which his resolution, and the series of ensuing affairs, that they may the better be understood, I have thought good more at large to relate his Actions at the present. When therefore he had possessed himself of *Eryx*, and placed a Garrison in it, he marched to the City of the *Ægins* which is of a very convenient situation, near the Haven of *Panormus*, and well fenced with works; there being received with the good will of the Citizens, he removed his

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Camp to *Panormus* it self, which received its name from the fair and ample haven which leadeth to it: This he took by force, and having likewise taken a place called *Epirite*, seated in a pleasant mountain, but upon hard passages, between *Panormus* and *Eryx*, he had now the possession of all the Carthaginian Province, excepting only *Lilybæum*. This City was lately built by the Carthaginians, as an habitation for the *Mætiens*, whose town *Dionysius* the Tyrant had in the Punic War demolished. Wherefore the Carthaginians, seeing that of all their dominions in *Sicily*, their hopes were confid'd to this only place, relolved with their utmost strength to defend it against the preparations they underfoot *Pyrhus* made for the siege of it. Wherefore bringing in thither a considerable strength of Souldiers, with plentiful provision, as likewise ammunition of all sorts (which they had opportunity enough to do, having the command of the seas) they diligently adhibited all care possible to fence it on every side: Especially where it lay open to the land they erected many Forts and Towers, encompassed with large ditches: Their work was the sooner finished, in regard the town being for the most part of it built upon the Rocks of the sea, needed no artificial Bulwarks in those places. Now, though they made great preparations for the War, and had hired many forces, as from other Countries, so from *Italy* also; yet they sent Embassadors, promising, *If they could obtain peace upon equal conditions, to assist him with money and ships.* *Pyrhus* would hear no mention of money, desiring only to retain those Cities he had taken, seeming willing to allow them the possession of *Lilybæum*. But the Kings friends, and the Sicilian Princes enforcing him, *That so long as the Carthaginians held Lilybæum, (as a ladder ready prepared whereby to scale all the rest of Sicily) the Island would never be void of the fear of them;* caused him to return answer, *That there was but this one condition of peace he would agree to, to wit, That they should clearly quit Sicily, and suffer the sea to be the bounds of either's dominions.* The hopes of peace being thus broken off, he dreweth his forces forthwith toward the City, and Marshalling his army not far from the walls, in such order as those who were tired might (by turns) be relieved by fresh men, he began the assault. But the *Lilybæatans* having a sufficient number of souldiers to defend them, and being provided of Engines and Ammunition kept the City safe. For the Carthaginians had brought in so many Catapults and Scorpions that the whole compass of the walls was not able to receive them.

When therefore a shower of all sorts of weapons and darts overwhelmed the Kings Men, slaying many and wounding more, they desisted from their Enterprize. *Pyrhus* likewise set himselfe to work to make Engines of Battery, beside those he brought from *Syracuse*, and digging Mines under ground, he attempted all arts belonging to a siege: But the Carthaginians stoutly resisting, when he had for almost two months wearied himself in vaine, and saw that the besieged having free egress and regress at sea, the Citie could not be taken, he broke up his siege and employ'd his forces other where. For some Greek Cities, besides other heavy oppressions, being compelled to pay tribute, implored his assistance against the *Mamertines*, living upon the sea coast. *Pyrhus* therefore leading his Army in halt, when he had taken and slain some *Mamertines* he found gathering Taxes in those places, Encountering their main body proved Conquerour, and took by force and demolish'd many of their Garrison. And hitherto the King by his illustrious performances had obtained great Power and Honour, having besides his other Vertues, with his singular Humanity not only won, but deserved the Love and Affections of the Cities. But this so great Felicity, which one would think so firmly grounded, was in a moment destroy'd, as by that Levity of Mind which was never wanting in this people, and by the Intemperance of his friends, so chiefly by the Kings own fault. Who, being in adversity irreprehensibly good, was puffed up with pride in his prosperity, in which Condition Mens minds are indeed generally found to be weakest. When therefore, as we have said, he esteemed a Fleet necessary for the accomplishment of his undertaking, and that though he had many ships, yet they were not well furnish'd with Sea-men, he very much offended the City with a strict Press of Sea-men, being now on a sudden changed, and from his former gentleness proceeding to proud commands, threats and extreme punishments; these things nevertheless were tolerated, as having the pretence of publick good. But, when they saw those very men to be slain, by whose good will and assistance chiefly he had obtained *Sicily*, many people, not by degrees, or interposing delays, but on the sudden changing their minds, revolved from his friendship, and applied themselves (as for every one was most opportune) some to the Carthaginians, some to the *Mamertines*. So that cruelty, which when it is alone is always grievous, doth then become utterly intolerable, when being exercised against the well-deserving, it contracteth (beside the hatred properly due to it self) the detestation of an unthankful and perfidious mind. He seemeth to have brought himself to this necessity of governing by violence, being too much over-ruled by the naughty Affections and counsels of his own men, for unto them (being no whit better) did he below the riches which were sequestered from the friends and kinsmen of *Agathocles*. The chief Magistracies of Cities he committed to his Pensioners and Captains, not according to the statutes and customs of the Cities, nor for the due time prescribed, but in what manner, and for as long as he pleased. Law suits, and controversies, and the whole administration of publick busineses he assumed to himself, referring many to his Familiars and Favourites, who were hateful for their avarice and luxury, a like intent upon gaining and spending money by wickedness, who being greedy to satisfy their own lust, make no distinction

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between Right and Wrong. Mens minds being hereby cens'd they begun first to murmur, afterward openly to Complain, why they had repented of their former Condition, if now the very same things were to be born Withall? that in vain was Pyrrhus invited and received, if he studied to imitate those manners he came to punish; that no injury can possibly be of so sharp sense and Apprehension, as that whereof he is the Author who ought to have been the Avenger. And now many began not very obscurely to move sedition, and cause a Revolution of things, whereas he harkening to pernicious Counsell, chose rather to encrease causes of Offence, then take them away: as if what evil was by Injustice committed, were by Cruelty to be mended. In the mean time the Carthaginians, observing that Pyrrhus was not very strong in his own Country forces, and was daily less affected by the Sicilians, conceiving hopes of recovering their lost Province, had sent over an new Army which found buisness enough for the Epirots, many flying over to them who stood in fear of Pyrrhus's cruelty. Pyrrhus under pretence of the Punick War, introducing Garrisons into the Cities, resolved by false accusations of Treason to take away the lives of the greatest men, thinking afterward the more easily to keep the people in awe. At length he aimed at *Thenio* and *Sofistratus*, the principal men of the whole Island, by whose assistance chiefly (as we have declared) he obtained the command of *Sicily*. *Thenio* was slain, *Sofistratus* fled to the enemy affording him no less help and authority to the calling Pyrrhus out of *Sicily*, then he had before to the bringing him in and confirming him there.

Upon this many Cities revoluing, greater part to the Carthaginians, some to the Mamertines, Pyrrhus his affairs were reduced from a most flourishing Condition to a very narrow and evil state. In this Conjunction the embassage of his Italians confederates came not unwelcome to him, complaining, That having lost all things, they had very few Cities left which were able with much ado to keep the Enemy from entering their walls. This gave him a faire and honourable Pretence of departing, that he might seeme, not expelled out of *Sicily* by the Carthaginians, But to return into *Italy* for the Relief of his oppressed associates. Being now full going, when he seriously considered the situation and wealth of the Island, and disposition of the Inhabitants, O (saith he) what a fair field do we leave the Romans and Carthaginians to fight in for Superiory! And his Preface proved true, as was witnessed by the wars suddenly ensuing, wherein so many Navies were destroyed, and Armies routed.

But the Enemies Courage increasing with their Fortune, Pyrrhus had neither a safe departure out of *Sicily*, nor a quiet Voyage to the Tarentines in *Italy*. The Carthaginians assailing him in his Passage cross the sea, sunk severly of his ships, and made the rest useless (the Epirots almost utterly unskilful in Maritime affairs, being not able to grapple with men of such Experience therein) so he fled out of the Fight with Twelve ships into *Italy*, who had come thence, with above an hundred, besides a greater number of ships of Burthen. But gathering together those fouldiers who made a shift from the Overthrow to escape to shore, he had presently a strength so great that he conceived hopes of taking *Rhegium* by storme. But being beaten off by the Campanians who defended it, he presently fell into a great danger. For as he led his Army through blind and difficult passages, the Enemy out of Ambush fell upon his Rere, and slew a great Number of his Men, with two Elephants. 'Twas no contemptible force, neither for Number nor the quality of the Warriours, which thus assaulted him; they were little less then ten thousand old fouldiers, most of them Mamertines, who trusting in their friendship and cognation with the Rhegians, having understood that Pyrrhus intended to return for *Italy*, had crossed the sea before him, and in hope of prey had privily disposed of themselves in advantageous places to make a sudden irruption upon him.

Pyrrhus, according to his wonted Boldness fighting in the front of his Battel, received a wound in his head, which when he was gone aside to dress, one of the enemies of large stature, and gallant in his Armour, advancing before the rest of his Fellows, Challeng'd him with a loud Voice, bidding him, If he were a live, to come forth. Pyrrhus burning with anger, and Terrible in Countenance, the blood running about his face, his men not being able to hold him, made a sudden assault upon him, and with a blow on his head struck him to the ground. 'Tis reported, his sword was so well temper'd and his Arme so strong, that at one stroke he cleft the Man in sunder, even from the head to the bottom of his body, his parts on each side divided falling to the ground. The enemy terrified with the strange novelty of this spectacle, and admiring him as above the ordinary Rank of Men, left off the fight. Pyrrhus, being rid of this trouble, had notwithstanding little joy. For, inasmuch as he now lost part of his Carrisight ages, and that the wealth he had gather'd by the spoils of the Sicilians, was lost in his last fight ages, and that the wealth he was in great want of moneys, so that his fouldiers murmuring for with the Carthaginians, he was in great want of moneys, so that his fouldiers murmuring for pay, knowing not how elsewhere to provide it, he was compell'd to seize upon the Reputation of *Proserpine*: Her Church at *Locri* was in those days most famous for the Reputation of it, he comholines; which town, when Pyrrhus had taken by the assistance of his faction within it, he committed many horrid facts by slaughter and rapine, more then the just revenge of his slain Garmitted had require. But there being nothing urged which men would or could contribute to him, he laid hands on the holy money, being urged thereunto by his worst friends, who had most com-laid hands on the holy money, being urged thereunto by his worst friends, who had most com-laid hands on the holy money, being urged thereunto by his worst friends, who had most com-

monly been the authors of every pernicious counsel: These were *Evagorus* the son of *Thermodorus*, *Balacer* the son of *Nicander*, and *Dinarchus* the son of *Nicetas*. They did not only per-

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swade Pyrrhus, telling him that all things must yield to Necessity, but were themselves instruments in the sacrilege, digging up a vast summe of Gold, which had many years been preserved in vaults under ground. Pyrrhus rejoicing said, there is nothing more foolish then unseasonable Devotion, and not to accept of Money ready prepar'd to one's hand is the part of a mad man. And putting it into his ships he gave order to have it carried to Tarentus, himself going by land.

But this his fact was not more foule in the Commission, then it was unhappy in the Issue. A storme suddenly arising upon the change of Wind, in the night time, turned about the ships in the dark; breaking some into pieces, and forcing others into the Maïne. The ships which conveyed the Holy Money being shatter'd and torne into pieces, were sunk with all the men in them, but the Money it self lying upon some loose planks, was by the waves carried to the shore very neer the Temple, from whence it was the day before taken. Pyrrhus understanding the Accident, commanded the money to be diligently gather'd up and returned to its former place, thinking thereby to appease the Angry Deity. Nevertheless henceforward he had no better success, Fortune Eluding all his Designes whatsoever, even those which were upon good advice, and Virtuously undertaken. Which he did always after constantly impute to the Anger of the Offended Goddess, as *Procerius* the writer of his History, and himself in his Commentary do affirme; and when the thing was newly done, not being able by many Sacrifices to make propitiation to *Proserpine*, he put to death all the Authors of that unhappy Counsell, the instruments of the Fact, and every one who had but lightly consented to the Commission of it. And these being executed according to their Deserts, Pyrrhus prosecuting his Design had afterward a quiet journey to Tarentus; The Romans being still more afflicted with the Plague, and fearing a new war upon Pyrrhus his return into *Italy*, attempted all Meanes both Divine and Humane for their Relief. 'Twas an old opinion, that the Pestilence might be stayed by the Dictatours striking in of a Naile, for the Experiment of which hopes 'tis probable that *P. Cornelius Rufinus* was chosen Dictatour, for as the greatness of the Calamity might well provoke them to try all Remedies, so we find that *Rufinus* was the year after taken notice of by the Censours, when he had been twice Consul and twice Dictatour, neither can there be found a more certain monument of, or a more convenient place for that his Dictatourship. Against the sickness providing what Remedy they could, their Chiefest care and diligence was required in matter of Armes, especially in regard of the Difficulty in raising Men. For besides the length of the Warre, the continuance of the Pestilence had made men weary of entering into action, inasmuch as the young Men did with wonderful Oblinacy decline the service. But the severity and constancy of *M. Curius Dentatus* the second time Consul overcame this their wilfulness, for he now had entred the Magistracy with *L. Cornelius Lentulus* his Colleague. When therefore in the Capitoll he first began his Leavy, because no man answered, he caused the names of all the Tribes to be cast into an Urne, and the *Pollian* Tribe coming out first, he caused the first man of that Tribe whose name was drawn to be summon'd; and when he refused to appear, he sequestered and sold his Goods; when afterwards he appealed to the Tribunes complaining of the Consuls Injustice, he sold him also, saying, The Commonwealth had no need of such Citizens who knew not how to obey. The Tribunes nevertheless did not relieve him, and afterward the example being judged very wholesome grew into Custome, for a slave. Others being terrified by this Precedent did the more readily give in their Names, and having filled up their Legions both the Consuls marched into the Enemies Country; *Lentulus* into *Lucania*, *Curius* into *Sannium*. Pyrrhus having intelligence of their motion, mustered his army at Tarentus, and found himself almost twenty Thousand strong in Foot, together with three thousand horse.

With these and the choice young men of the Tarentines he entred *Sannium*, but found not the Inhabitants so obedient as heretofore, they came not in so freely and readily as they had done, not only because their courage was over-wearied with the great and many losses they had sustained, but because they were justly exasperated, imputing all their calamities to Pyrrhus, which they had not suffered, had not he by his departure into *Sicily* betrayed his Italian associates. Nevertheless he gathered together so great a strength, that he sent one part into *Lucania* to busie the other Consul, while himself encountered *Man. Curius*, thinking if he once overcame him, he should easily complete his Victory over the rest. But the Roman very well understanding, that there is no *Batalia* comparable to the Macedonian Phalanx, when it hath Rome to spread and expatiate it self, kept himself in craggy and difficult places; and because he expected help from *Lucania*, and that the Auguries also and Entrailles of beasts promised no good success, he declined fight as much as might be: so much the more earnest was Pyrrhus to engage before the two Consular Armies were joyned together. Chusing therefore out of his Army those who were most forward, he resolved to assault the Roman Camp in the night time, when he might not be discovered. But while he prepared all things for his intended purpose, he fell into a deep sleep and dreamt, that the greater part of his Teeth fell out, and that an abundance of blood flowed out of his mouth; in consideration whereof being much perplex'd, he intended to desist from his enterprize; but his friends earnestly perswading him, Left he should never again have the same opportunity offer'd him, he gave order to advance. Near the City of

Adula

Plutarch

Zonaras

Dionysius

Zonaras

Dionysius

Plutarch

Pyrrhus. C. 51.

Illustr. 13

Plutarch

Dionysius apud

Valerian

Plutarch

Paulsen. b. 1

Appian

Plutarch

Appian

Zonaras

Plutarch

Pyrrhus. c. 53

Polyb. 1. 18

Plutarch

Liv. 29. 18

Appian

apud Valerian

Dionysius apud

Valerian

Suidas

Alcum.

Appian

Livie 29. 18

Appian

Dionysius

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Suidas in

apud Valerian

Livie

Dionysius

Appian

Plutarch

Pyrrhus. c. 53.

Livie 7. 31

Pighius in

Annal. Romanis

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Varro in Satyra

Vergil in

Vergil in

Val. Max. 6. 3. 4

Livie Egit. 14.

Plutarch

Pyrrhus. c. 54.

Frontinus

Stat. 2. 2.

Dionysius

Fulvius

Culverius Italia

antiqua 4. 8.

*Maleventum* (for that was the name of it in those days) are Mountainous and Woody places, which by degrees stretching themselves into somewhat more even ground, at length end in a very fair and open plain which is called by the name of the *Taurasus Fields*.

Plutarch

Now *Pyrrhus* beginning his journey from the Lower grounds up to the hills and woods, when his lights failed, was wildered for want of knowledge in the ways, in so much that (the day breaking) he was discovered from the Roman camp. The Romans being moved at the unexpected approach of the enemy, yet, (because there was no doubt made but fight they must, and their sacrifices now proving more favourable) with the Consul's conduct cheerfully issued out, and falling upon the foremost of the enemy, (who were far from the Main body, and not in a very good order) drove them backward, killing no small number of men, and taking some Elephants which the enemy left behind. This success encouraged *Curius*, to follow his Fortune and descend into the open field in Battel-array prepared to fight. Neither did the Epirots make any delay. The encounter was very fierce and furious on both sides, but the Romans having had the upper hand in the late skirmish, were much fuller of Courage and hopes. The Epirots giving back, *Pyrrhus* now again fought Refuge from his Elephants, and thereby (one of his own wings flying) he forced one of the Romans Wings to retire even to their Reserve. There had the Consul placed a strong force (resolving upon this occasion to engage himself) which he commanded, being now fresh, to renew the fight, and beat back the Elephants. Former experience had taught them an easy and ready way to oppose these beasts, that they were sooner diverted by fire than the sword: Against them therefore were provided Iron instruments involved in much Pitch and Tar, which, being set on fire, were darted upon the backs and Towers of the Elephants, and whether they light on the skin of the beasts, or on the wood of the Towers, they stuck fast by reason of their hooked sharp points. These instruments and divers sorts of darts, being flung from the upper ground, drove the Elephants into fury, partly by terror, partly by the pain of their wounds, so that their masters not being able to govern them, they rushed back upon their own battel, filling it with fear and slaughter. The beginning of this Rout is reported to be by a young Elephant, which being wounded in his head, sent forth a querulous noise, at which known voice the Dam was first startled, and the increasing tumult, at length the rest were all in confusion and turned into flight. Very remarkable was this fight, both for the number of the slain and the fruit of the victory. For *Pyrrhus* being hereby utterly overthrown, neither did the rest of *Italy* long hold out, neither, after *Italy*, was any other Nation and King able to stand against them. 'Tis said the King in that Battel had thrice the number of the Romans, even fourscore thousand foot, and six thousand horse, of these they who report the most say, six and thirty thousand were slain, they who report the least, say six and twenty thousand, thirteen hundred were taken prisoners, and eight Elephants.

Orosius

Plutarch

Florus. 1. 8

Zonaras

Plutarch

Florus. 1. 8

Dionys. apud

Valerium

Orosius

Eutropius. b. 2

Frobenius. Hist.

4. 1

*Pyrrhus* with a few horsemen escaped to *Tarentum*. The Camp of *Pyrrhus* being taken, as it caused admiration, so was it of great use to the Romans. For they heretofore, as other people, ordered their Camp (scatteredly by companies in the manner of Cottages: *Pyrrhus* is held to be the first who rightly measuring and dividing spaces, contained the whole Army within one Trench; and by his example the Romans being assisted, and adding what they thought convenient, attained to that most perfect manner of pitching their Camps which afterwards they used.

This year was very famous, not only for their happy war abroad, but by reason also of Domestick affairs, and the notable severity of their City Discipline. *Q. Fabricius Luscinus*, and *Q. Emilius Papus*, being Censors together, took away from many the Publick horses, and passed by many in calling the Senate. But most remarkable was *Cornelius Rufinus* his note of Infamy, who having been twice Consul and twice Dictator, was ejected the Senate by the Censors, and this reason given of his Punishment, *That they found in his house the weight of ten pounds in plate to serve at meals*: And in this Condition not only himself but his Family for a long time remained, whereof not any one attained to the highest honours, before *Sylla* the Dictator.

Plutarch

Sylla. c. 1

Val. Maximus

1. 9. 3

Liv. Epit.

Fasti. Capitol.

Florus. 1. 18

Such was the Parimony of this City in those days, and afterward so great the extravagancy, that it was by the Fathers condemned as an argument of intolerable Luxury, what their children would shortly esteem but a base and contemptible piece of household stuff: Every mans elate being ceased and valued, the Army was purged by sacrifices; there were ceased two hundred seventy one thousand, two hundred twenty four Citizens. Both Consuls entered the Capitoll in triumph, first *Curius*, whose triumph was the more illustrious, for the same of his Exploits, and great joy of his victory, so did it exceed in Pomp and splendour. For heretofore their triumphs being over poor People their neighbours, were set out only with broken armes and Gallick waggons, nor any spoiles led but flocks and herds of Cattel. But now there was a worthy shew both for the varietie of Nations which were led Captive before the Chariot, and for the Beauty and Magnificence of the spoils. Epirots, Thessalians, Macedonians, Apulians, Lucanians, Brutians were led Bound, there were carried Painted Tables, and the works of choice and rare Artificers, Gold, Purple, with other beyond sea varietie, and the instrument of the Tarentine Luxury. But the most wonderful and joyful spectacle were the Elephants with their four Towers on their backs. (for the rest were dead of their wounds) This was the first time they were ever seen at *Rome*; the common people called them *Lucan-Bulls*, giving them their name from the creature they were hitherto best acquainted with, and their

Seneca de Brev.

vita. c. 13

Eutropius

Hist. 6. 6

deno;

denomination from the place they first saw them in; within few days after was the other Consuls Triumph nothing so gallant, though his performances were not to be despised, he had overthrown the Samnites and Lucanians, and taken many Townes, but in comparison of *Curius* his Glory the Esteem of these things were not so high. Among the rest who had Rewards bestowed on them for their Courage, he gave to *Serv. Cornelius Merenda* a Crown of Gold out of the spoiles, because by his help chiefly a Certain Town of the Samnites was taken. While the Romans thus enjoy'd the comfort of their Victories, the Enemy was in a far different posture. They had been long weary of *Pyrrhus* his Domination, but now after this unhappy fight, their minds were so filled with fear and Indignation that they could take no Rest.

Plin. 33. 2.

The King having been a long time averse from the Roman Warre, now utterly despairing of the Conquest, thought of nothing more then how to get safely and honourably out of *Italy*. But keeping his Council to himselfe, he encouraged his Associates, *That they should not be cast down by one unlucky Overthrow, that they had not received so much loss by the last fight, as by the former they had caused to the Romans, who notwithstanding could not be persuaded to Peace upon equal Conditions; That now they should imitate the Roman Constancy, and reserve themselves for better fortune, and all would yet go well; That there is yet strength sufficient left, whereby to maintain a long Warre. That in Greece he had many Potent Friends, from whom he might certainly expect succour.* Neither were these things incredible. For he had already, especially *Justinus* 17. 1.

by *Pyrrhus* (who was then King of *Macedon*) been manifestly assisted, he being then in great Estimation both among Greeks and Barbarians, being much honour'd by the Epirots (then a most powerful Nation) as also by the Macedonians and the Kings of *Ibryum*, having obliged some by Courtiesies, others by Fear. Yet all his boasting was more with intent, to retain his Confederates (now ready to revolt) in Fidelity, till the seas were open for his Returne, then to continue the Warre in *Italy*, or that he put any Trust in Foreign Aid. Sending nevertheless his Embassadors to the Kings of *Asia* and *Macedonia*, of some he craved monies, of others Men, of *Antigonus* (who was then King of *Macedon*) he craved both. With these hopes keeping his associates firme to him (having in the mean time underhand provided all things for his Departure) his Embassadors now returned from *Antigonus*. Assenbling therefore his own and the *Italian* Princes, he read unto them not those Letters which now he received, but others which came before from *Antigonus*, promising plentiful Alliance suddenly to be sent; By this Craft having deluded both his own Associates, as also the Romans who garrison'd near him, the night following without any hindrance he hoysed sail, and made the *Ceranian* Mountaines a Promontory of *Epirus*. But that he might seem not dishonourably to have relinquished the war, and ingenerate a believe of his Return after he had accomplished the Design he was call'd aside for, he left behind him *Milo* to defend the Castle of *Tarentus*, and that he might not only by hope of Reward, but by fear of the like Punishment, continue faithfull, he gave him a feat whose cover was made of *Nicias* his skin, whom he had put to death for his Treason against him. Leaving therefore with him a garrison of soldiers, with the Rest (to wit eight thousand foot, and five hundred horse) he returned into his Kingdom, having been six years absent. At *Rome* not knowing but that *Pyrrhus* would renew the warre, they did at their Assembly choose *M. Curius* Consul again, because he only having had good success against the King, was thought like to carry on the warre with greatest Authority, and best fortune, of the Patricians *Serv. Cornelius Merenda* was chosen, being promoted by his late purchased honour, and the Commendation of his Countreymen, under whose command he was last year; These being made Consul, converted the heat of the warre against the Lucanians, Samnites and Brutians, who defending themselves rather by the Difficulty of Places then by Armes, gave no occasion of any Memorable action like the former. Neither was *Curius* his Glory hereby diminished, every one still judging, that that Valiant *K. Pyrrhus* fled not so much for the overthrow sustain'd, as fearing such a Captain as *Curius* now again coming forth against him. To him therefore was attributed the Glory of having chased *Pyrrhus* out of *Italy*, and finishing the Warre. In that year which followed *Curius* his Third Consulship, there came Embassadors from the *Alexandrian* Kings with gifts to *Rome*, and in the Consulship of *C. Duys* and *C. Claudius Canina*, *Ptolemy Philadelphus* hearing of *Pyrrhus* his flight, sent to congratulate with the Romans, and to desire to be esteemed their Friend and Associate. The Romans thought it very honourable that their Friendship was sought by Kings so Potent and farre distant, therefore courteously receiving and entreating the Embassadors, they agreed to enter League with *Ptolemy*, for the Confirmation whereof, and to return the like Kind office to the Kings, they sent Embassadors to him chosen out of their Principal Men, of the Consuls *Q. Fabius Gurgus*, and with him *C. Fabius Pictor*, and *Numerius Fabius Pictor*, and *Q. Ogulnius*. These being gone, the Consuls had good success against the *Italian* People, who fill out of Necessity and Despaire kept up their Armes: The Triumph which *Claudius Canina* made in the *Quirinals* over the Lucanians, Samnites and Brutians, is an Argument, that his Actions were of the greater Consequence; But the Joy of all this Prosperity was somewhat diminish'd by *Sexilia* a Vestall Virgin, who against the Rules of her Order being found guilty of Incest, was thought to provoke the Anger of the Gods,

Paul. nias. b. 1.

Justin. 17. 2.

Polyanus

Strategem.

6. 6.

Plutarch

Pyrrhus. c. 57.

Livie

Epit. 14.

Eutropius. b. 2.

480.

Zonaras

Eutropius

Numb. 17. 29.

Dion. apud

Eutropius.

Livie. Epit.

Livie. Epit.

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But appeasing the gods by Sacrifices and Ceremonies, they turned the punishment on the head of the delinquent, and buried her alive at the Colline Gate. While the same men were Consuls there were Colonies planted, *Cula* among the Volscians, and in *Lucania Pelustum*, which the Greeks call *Pesidonia*; this City the Lucanians had taken from the Sybarites, and from them it lately came under the jurisdiction of the Romans. The memory of the year following is more notable, as putting an end not only to the war of the Samnites and others, but of the Tarentines also. *L. Papirius Cursor*, and *Sp. Carvilius* the second time Consuls, having *Lucania, Samnium*, with the Brutians and Tarentines for their Provinces, did by their wisdom and worthy deeds fulfil the expectation of all men, for indeed this pair of Consuls was on purpose chosen in hope of finishing the War this year. The Samnites being conquer'd by *Carvilius* the seventy first year after the war first began, did now with greater faithfulness receive the conditions of Peace imposed on them. *Lu. Papirius* with great slaughter having overcome the Brutians and Lucanians, compelled them to sue for peace. But (as it happens in one main war against many neighbouring People, the confines of whose Territories were interchangeably mixed) *Papirius* had to do also with the Samnites, *Carvilius* with the Brutians and Lucanians, and both of them with the Tarentines. Neither were the forces only of the Tarentines roused and put to flight, but their City also recover'd into obedience. Which business ought to be the more punctually related, because, besides the Victory of a most famous City, it comprehended the death of *Pyrrhus*, the subdity of the Carthaginians, and the first beginning of emulation between them and the Romans.

*Pyrrhus*, when two years since he sailed from *Italy*, left a Garrison in the Castle of *Tarentus*, thereby to beget hopes of his return, which afterward being the more confidently expected by reason of his success in *Macedonia*, did strengthen the minds of the Italians against their present losses. For being a man of a fierce stirring spirit, not able long to rest, he had made war upon *Antigonus*, because he sent him no assistance into *Italy*, and overcoming him in a set battle, had almost driven him out of his Kingdom. Whence the Romans were in perpetual fear lest he should return into *Italy* with a more numerous Army, and renew the war more heavily then before. But his unexpected death did suddenly cut off both his hopes and fears of all men. For being insatiably desirous of encreasing his power, under pretence of refecting *Glaucum* in his Kingdom of *Sparta* (being then at odds with *Arctus*) he entred *Peloponnesus* with a purpose to keep it in his own hands; and though he did in vain assault their City, yet he afflicted the Lacedemonians with great calamities: In *Argos*, in the mean time, there being two Factions, *Aristippus* the head of the one called in *Antigonus*, *Aristias* Patron of the other invited *Pyrrhus* to his relief and for the pulling down his adversary. For *Antigonus* was also come into *Peloponnesus* to assist the Lacedemonians against the common enemy. In the same night at divers Ports were both the Kings forces admitted into the City by the Argives. *Pyrrhus* understanding his men were hard put to it, entred the City himself, and beholding a Brass Statue of a Wolf and a Bull as fighting, was presently possessed with an opinion of his approaching death. For he was informed by an ancient Oracle, That that place would prove fatal to him where he should see a Wolf and a Bull fighting; he was therefore resolv'd to draw back his forces and retreat out of the City. But the Elephants and souldiers coming in to his succour, meeting *Helennus* the son of *Pyrrhus*, quite stopp'd up the passage, so that some striving to go out, some to come in, the enemy likewise fore pressing upon those who gave back, the Argives, Macedonians, Epirots and Lacedemonians who came along with *Arctus*, some Elephants also, all crowding and being crouded one by another in narrow streets, caus'd great fear and tumult amongst them.

*Pyrrhus* in the midst of all, every where endeavouring to protect his own, and beat back the enemy (giving advice, crying out with his voice and lifting up his hand) was by a certain young man of *Argos* lightly wounded with a spear. This young man's mother a poor old woman (sitting amongst others upon the house top to behold the fight) when she saw *Pyrrhus* in fury and violence letting upon him who wounded him, being astonished at her son's danger, suddenly snatched up a Tile, and with both her hands flung it down on the Kings head. So miserable and void of honour was *Pyrrhus* his death, then whom that Age brought not forth any man more worthy, either for Courage of Mind, Soundness in Council or Skill in Marshal affairs, besides many other endowments both of Soul and Body. But by his Ambition he destroy'd the fruit of all his Labours, and defaced the Ornaments of his Virtue; he would have been much more happy if contented with his own fortune; and certainly the most potent Prince living had he used as much Wisdom and Circumspection in keeping what he got, as did Valour and Industry in the acquiring.

This news, being brought into *Italy*, did diversly, according to their several Affections, cause joy in some Cities, and sorrow in others. Other People who were at their own disposal, bought their Peace of the Romans upon what terms they could. But the Garrison of the Epirots, and *Milo* governor of the Castle refrained the Tarentines from using their Liberty. Between whom, by degrees from lighter injuries and Reproaches, at length brake out open Enmity; so that the Tarentines being on each hand pressed with great Difficulties, having the Romans their Enemies without the walls, and the Epirots within, sent Embassadors to crave succour from *Carthage*. The Carthaginians, who possessed great part of *Sicily* and with'd the

Coast.

Coast-Towns of *Italy* rather in their own hands than the Romans, readily came with a mighty Navy, pretending only to cast out *Milo*, but relolving, if they gained *Tarentus*, to Livie Epitom. maintain it against the Romans. When therefore *L. Papirius* the Consul was also come, *Tarentus* was shut up on all sides, the Romans beleaguering that part of the Citie and Castle by land, the Carthaginians besieging the same Castle by sea. The Romans, in this state of affairs, being no less solicitous lest the Carthaginians should take the Castle then that themselves should loose it, subtilly attempting all means of victory, treated with *Milo* by Convenient Messengers, That if by his means they obtained *Tarentus*, they would suffer himself, with all his Men, safely to depart with bag and baggage. *Milo*, sending nothing at present more convenient for him, deals with the Tarentines. That joining Councils together they might deliberate on their Common safety: and at length persuades them, To send himself Embassador to *Papirius*, diligently to conclude on Articles for all their Benefits. As they had willingly heretofore assented out of weariness of Cares and dangers: *Milo* accordingly, being gone to the Consul, with whom he had secretly contriv'd his Designe, brings back pretty faire conditions, and a most certain hope of making an agreement not to be repented of. The Credulous Tarentines hereupon with much security and confidence lay aside all care and Circumspection, giving *Milo* opportunity of delivering not only the Castle, but also the Citie it self up to the Romans. The Carthaginians no whit contented with this Event, nevertheless pretending, *Themselves friends to the Roman*, and that the only cause of their coming was to Expel *Milo*, hoisted sails and returned. Some Authors affirm that the Romans forwar'd the Carthaginians, That if they intermeddled in the Tarentine affairs, they would make a breach of the League, and that they not only flighted this admonition, but sent Auxiliaries to stand in Battle against them; upon which account chiefly the War brake forth between the Romans and Carthaginians in *Sicily*; though the Carthaginians, willing to cover their fault by Perjury, took Oath, That they did nothing with evil or deceitful intent. As I will not deny but that some such passage might happen between the Generals, or that the people commonly discourefe fo, while the Romans brooked not the others preference, and the Carthaginian endeavour'd to keep close their design; so I think there afterwards arose more probable causes of that War, in that it brake not out on the sudden. And that it was occasion'd chiefly upon the Mamertines account, while the League was entire between the Romans and Carthaginians.

The Consuls returning home, were received with the joy and salutes of all, and triumphed in great Pompe, with much Goodwill of the People. In the mean time *Q. Fabius Gurgus*, mora. and the others who were sent to *Alexandria*, relate in Senate the Result of their Embassy, Liv. 18. 2. That they were received and Entertained with all kind of Hospitality and Benevolence, that great and Magnificent gifts were sent to them at their first arrival, but much greater at their departure, that they thought it to become the Roman dignity and abstinence, modestly to refuse the first, that the other, which were by all means to be received, they had, before they did any other business, added to the publick Treasury; that at *Alexandria*, when being invited to publick feasts, they had Crowns of Gold sent them according to custom, they did for luck's sake receive them, but in the night time put them upon the King's Statues. The Senate wonderfully rejoicing, both at the Success of their Journey, and the Gravity of the Embassadors, giving them thanks, That they had by their Continence render'd the Roman Manners Venerable to Foreign Nations, commanded the gifts they had convey'd into the Treasury to be restored them. The people likewise decreed the like, saying, The Commonwealth would be excellently well managed if the base means of growing rich by Publick employments were taken away: And the Quæstors, according to command, willingly restoring the money the Embassadors worthy of the reward of their Abstinence, did with as much credit receive the Egyptian gifts as they had refused them. *Q. Fabius*, who was prime man in the Embassy, was, I believe, in this consideration also preferred before many Egregious men, and chosen Prince of the Senate by *M. Curius* and *L. Papirius* the Censors, being now, by reason of the Nobility of his Family, his Fathers Merits, two Consulships, and as many Triumphs, inferior to none in Honour. The same men being Consuls, *M. Curius* the Censor was at cost, out of the enemies spoils, to bring the water of the River *Anien* to Rome: So much scorning to encrease his private wealth by them, that being on a time by some ill-willers taxed of having perverted the publick money, producing a piece of wood which he was wont to use in sacrifice, took Oath, That of all the enemies plunder, he never brought nothing else into his house. He was a man indeed of high deserts, as for the greatness of his Exploits, so for his many illustrious examples in other Virtues, as we shall by the by manifest, by relating some of his Actions and Sayings. For I count it not unworthy or unbecoming the Office of an Historian, to recount those things whereby those who are hereafter to undertake the management of publick affairs may be no less instructed to the attaining Felicity by Virtue, then by Military counsels and performances. In the Sabine War (when there was such plenty of spoils that *Fabius* the writer of the History, thinketh the Romans then to have had the first taste of Riches) *Curius*, claiming nothing of so rich a victory, but the conscience and fame of it, continued in his former poverty and hardiness of life.

For when the Grounds of the Enemy were appropriated to the Common wealth, he distributed to every private Person but forty Acres by the Man: And the Senate allotting him a greater portion, he being contented with the same Measure he had meted to others, said, He



Plutarch  
in Appian.  
Frontinus lib.  
4.3  
Dion. 18.3  
Plutarch  
Athen. de virt.  
lib. 11.  
Cicero Catone  
Plutarch  
Cato Major

Was no good Citizen who would not be satisfied with as much as others were. This was afterward the Curian Cottage among the Sabines, where when the Samnites (being lately overcome) found him frying of Carrots, and presented him with a vast summe of Gold, I had rather, sayes he, eat these out of my Earthen platters, and rule over those who are rich in gold. Near this place Cato the Elder having a Farm, went often thither, and contemplating in his mind the poore Tenement and Little Ground, which so Eminent a Man after three Triumphs, till'd with his own hands, together with the Temperance and abstinence of his Life, did thereby provoke himself, out of the Emulation of his vertue, to the like Constancy and simplicity of Manners. And truly there needed such men to lay the foundations of a future Empire so firm, as it might bear the weight of the superstructure, and not only resist the Forms of the Enemy from abroad, but scarcely and with much adoe be ruined by its own inbred Vices.



## BOOK V.

Zonaras  
Livie Ept. 15.  
Polybius 1.7



THE most potent enemy of Rome being now after many battels vanquished, and peace settled throughout all Italy, The Senators entered into Consultation how to make a good use of their Victories. They concluded to fine all Nations who had born Arms against them; the loss of part of their Territories, taking a more severe revenge of the Tarentines, by how much the more wantonly and intemperately they had offended; they were therefore commanded to resign up all their Arms and Ships, their Walls were demolished, a Tribute imposed upon the City, and nothing granted them but Peace and Liberty. There was

now nothing of an old score more to be intended, then to punish the Treachery of that Legion, which circumventing the Rhegians by craft, had now for ten years possessed their City. They foreseeing that the Roman affairs proceeding so prosperously, their wickedness would not pass unrevenged, had very diligently taken care for whatsoever belonged to strengthening the City, and provided all things for their own defence, being very conscious that what is obtained by cunning and violence, cannot but by the same arts be maintained. Besides their own innate Fierceness, they much confided in the friendship of the Mamertines, and were puffed up with their success against the Carthaginians and Pyrrhus, whereby they had sufficiently made experiment of the strength of their City, and the courage of their own minds, having quickly repelled the enemies from the siege. They sored therefore to such an height of Rebellion, that daring to take Croton, which was by some betrayed to them, they slew the Roman Garrison and demolished the City. Wherefore L. Genucius the Consul, who was that year Collegue with C. Quinctius, had commission to execute vengeance upon them, and the Rebels being confined within the Walls, the City was besieged. But while they strongly resisted with their own and the Mamertine forces, the Consul having sustained some inconveniences, and become in want of necessary provisions, was assisted with Corn and men by Hiero, who was at that time Prince of Syracuse. For he, being offended with the Mamertines, did likewise hate their associates of Rhegium; he was likewise moved by the encrease of the Roman power, to prowlige them to future benefits, as occasion should serve.

The Citie being at length forced to yield, the Mamertines were by the Consul dismissed upon certaine Covenants, the Ronaways and thieves, many whereof had fled thither as to a sanctua-

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ry, were put to death: The Legionary souldiers were carried to Rome that the Senate might passe Judgement upon them. Herein was shewed a notable Example of publick severity, for the Senate decreed, first, They should all be secured in prison, and afterward, be led to Execution. And when M. Fulvius Flaccus, Tribune of the People interceded for them, declaring, They ought not to take away the Lives of so many Citizens, contrary to the Laws and Customs of their Forefathers, The Senators persifting in their Resolution neglected the clamours of the Tribune, and Justice was accordingly executed upon the guilty. But left by so severe an act they might contract an odium, and the sorrow of the vulgar people be aggravated if such a multitude should at one time be put to death, they did every day execute fifty, first scourging, then beheading them. Moreover it was ordered that neither their Bodies should be buried, nor any Mourning made for their Death. Decius Fabellius (who had lived unto that day, after the Loss of his fight, that he might die with the more griefe) took away his own life in prison. Following the greatestt number of Authours I have reported the whole Legion, even foure thousand men, to have been beheaded in the Market-place at Rome; but I think it more probable what is related by Polybius, That but three hundred of that Legion came alive into the Romans power, that the rest, at the taking of the City, desperately fighting, chose rather to be slain, as well knowing that after such hainous villainies, nothing could be expected upon surrender, but more torment and a cruel ignominious death. The City of Rhegium with all its former Rights, Laws, and Liberties was restored to the ancient inhabitants, as many as could any where be found or enquired out.

This act of Justice did much increase the Reputation of the City of Rome, and thereby was gained no lesse Love from all the Italians and neighbouring People, then their armes had caused fear. In the Consulship of C. Genucius, and Cn. Cornelius there was war with the Sarinates, a people of Umbria, inhabiting the Appennine Mountains: By what reason provoked, or in what hopes trusting, they now opposed the Formidable power of the Romans (those writings which are remaining making no mention) I am not able to Divine; Likewise the whole Proceedings of the war are utterly lost, and of the memory of these things, nothing else is come to our knowledge, but that Cn. Cornelius Triumphed over the Sarinates. 'Tis reported there was a most sharp winter in these Consulstime, in so much that the Sap being chill'd Trees withered; That Tiber was covered over with deep Ice, and that the Cattel perished for want of Fodder; so great and vehement was the coldness of the air, that monstrous hills of snow lay unmeltd in the Market place for forty dayes together. The thing being unusual in that Climat, and by many look'd upon as a Prodige, perplexed mens minds with wonderful terror, their fear being not long after much encreased, when Q. Ogulnius Gallus and C. Fabius Pictor being Consuls, many strange unheard of fights were seen, and many more reported. At Rome the Temple of Salus with part of the walls was smitten with thunder and lightning; three Wolves before day brought a carcass half eaten into the City, and being themselves feared by the noise of men, left it in the market-place torn into pieces limb from limb.

At Fomii the walls were laid to be often struck and cast down with thunderbolts, and news was brought that in the Calenian fields, the earth opened, and fire suddenly brake out, which flaming for three whole daies together, burnt five acres of ground to ashes, inso much that not only all the fruits on that place were blasted, but even the Trees died at the very Roots. These things caused more feare then misery at Rome; No great matter ensued, but that a War was made against the Picentians, which being the next year finished, added likewise that province to the Roman Jurisdiccions. Now in the Citie began the Coining silver, (their wealth being encreased by their victories) whereas before Brasse only was used in all Exchanges; but then pennies and half pennies were made of silver, which went for ten, and five pounds of brasse; there were likewise lesser pieces which being esteemed at two pound and an halfe of brasse, were from their value called, *Sesterces*. It was called, *Moneta*, because it was coined in the Temple of Jmo, to whom that Name was given, by reason the did *Movere*, that is, admonish the Romans when in the War of Pyrrhus and the Tarentines they Consulted about their wants, That money would not be wanting to those, who observed Justice and professed Wars. The Consuls C. Gallus and C. Fabius went forth to apprehend Lollius the Samnite, who having been Hostage at Rome had privily escaped, and now possessing a certain Castle, committed Plunder and Pillage round about, stirring up the minds of his Countrymen to Rebellion, when they were scarce well composed by the last peace.

But he with the forces he had gather'd (being for the most part unarmed) could not long resist: The greatestt difficulty and danger was in the Province of the Carcines (a part of Samnium near the Frentanes) where the Romans assaulted a well fenced place, the Receptracle of Lollius his spoils, and from great hopes falling into as great fear, did at length obtain the Victory. Some of the Garrison upon condition of Pardon, let the Romans into the walls in a bright Moon-thint night, and the Townsmen multifying themselves together upon the tumult, when they first began to fight a great drift of snow fell and took away their fight: This accident was a great help to the Carcines against the Romans, who were ignorant of the Passages, in so much that they were in very great danger, and now ready to give back and retreat (which in the dark could not have been done without much loss) when on a sudden the snow ceased and the Moon shone out again, and then being freed from blind fear, they did by their courage make way to

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ward their Taxes and Customs encreasing with the Commonwealth, there was a necessity of doubling the number. *Appius Claudius* who in the time of his Magistracy was surnamed *Candax*, and *M. Fulvius* were Consuls the year ensuing, which was very memorable, in that then first began the war between the Romans and Carthaginians in *Sicily*. Then first brake out Hostility between two most potent Cities, which after many years, after many bloody overthrowings given and received, could not at length be ended without the utter ruine and destruction of one of them.

But, before we enter upon the History of the War, it will be necessary to relate something of former times concerning *Carthage*; for in the ensuing Narrative many things will occur, hard to be understood and judged of, unless both the Original and encrease of that City be first known.



## BOOK VI.



HAT *Carthage* was built by the Tyrians of *Phœnicia* (besides the constant agreement of old Histories) the perpetual friendship of those Cities while they flourished, as also the manifest likeness both of their Language and Manners doth clearly testify. 'Tis reported that *Elisa* (who was likewise called *Dido*) the daughter of *Agenor* the son of *Belus*, flying out of her Country (by reason of the hatred the bore to her brother *Pigmalion* for the unjust slaughter of her husband *Sichæus*) entred that Creek of *Africa*, and possessed that *Peninsula* where *Carthage* was afterward built, her small beginnings promising little

hopes of so great power and wealth as afterwards was obtained: For 'tis believed *Dido* purchased no more ground then might be compassed with the hide of a Bull or Ox, which being cut out into very slender thongs contained a larger space, then the sellers did imagine, and it was sufficient whereon to Erect a Cattle, which from thence is thought to be called *Byssa*. Afterward seeing (many placing their habitation near them for Traffick sake) they began to look like a City, and that the Africans were willing to entertain among them men so rich and very gentle and quiet, they hearkned to the counsel sent from *Ticca* (which was also a Colonie of the Tyrians) which advised them, After their example to build a City. So it was agreed, That the Africans should afford them ground, and that the *Phœnicians* in recompense thereof should pay a yearly Tribute.

The work being finished, *Dido* gave it a name in her own Language, *Carthadas*; the Greeks called it *Carchædo*, and the Romans by an error in Pronunciation, *Carthago*. This City having Loving Neighbours, an Industrious people, and what was above all, a Wife Queen, did in a short time wonderfully increase. These things seeme to have beene acted some seventy years before the foundation of *Rome*; for about so ancient a Circumstance Authors do not very well agree. But as *Elisa* her life was notable for variety of Chances, so was her death very remarkable. *Tarbas* a Petit King of some African Province, fought to marry her, threatening upon refusal to raise war against her. But as he was averse from marriage by reason of her singular Chastity and love of her former husband, so the very well understood that in these tender beginnings of affairs, a war would prove fatal and destructive; therefore taking time to deliberate, as if the had at length overcome her own Resolution, and were inclined to marry the African, caused a

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Pile of wood to be erected before her intended marriage, whereon to sacrifice to the Infernal gods in behalf of her husband *Sichæus*; And after many Sacrifices offered, the did at length ascend the Pile, and killed her self with a sword brought with her; her love to her Husband and Subjects exceeding the care of her own health. The Carthaginians returned her what honour they could, and while the Commonwealth flourished, worshipped her as a Goddess, raising a Temple in the place where she lived, calling her *Dido*, which in their language signifieth a *Virago*.

When after her death no man was thought worthy to succeed her in the Kingdom, the City began to be governed by the Mixed Power of Nobles and Commons. The Name of Kings still remained, but they were like the Lacedæmonian Kings; but that the honour was not to any Certaine families annexed, but conferred on any Prime Man who exceeded others in Virtue and Riches. These had the management of Wars abroad (wherefore the Romans called them Pretours and Dictatours, comparing their power with the usufage of their own Commonwealth) at home they were Princes of all publick Consultations, with their advice the affairs of the City were ordered: Things of heigher concernement were referred to the people, their sentence decided all controversie between the Kings and Senators: They also had authority to alter the Laws made by the Kings and Councel, if they seemed contrary to the good of the Publick, which any man had Liberty to question. Which too great power of the Commons, being augmented to an intolerable height, by flattering Parasites and Orators, did in after time infinitely wrong, and obstruct the Carthaginian affairs. Moreover in the Senate there were thirty of the more Antient appointed as a supreme Councel, and these had greatest authority with all Men. There was likewise a Superintendour of Manners, invested with the same power as the Roman Censors to maintain publick Decency and Discipline. In proceesse of time, after many victories, their greatness being encreased, they chose a greater Number of Commanders for the War: Among which *Mago*, the most Egregious both in courage and fortune, having left behind him two sonnes well educated and instructed in the art of Warre, and they also to their more numerous offspring, as it were by hand, delivering the same skill and knowledge, it was thought fit by some meanes to curb the too great power of that Family; to this purpose an hundred men were constituted to passe sentence upon the Generals themselves: Their power was very formidable, as for the largeness of their Commission, so for the continuance, which was during life, whereas even the Kings now, were not for so long a time but yearly created, whom at home they commonly call *Suffetes*, that is to say, Judges, much like to the Roman Consul. But when the *Centumviri* or hundred men behaved themselves with much insolence, *Hannibal* by a Law reduced them into Order, it being decreed, That the Judges should yearly be chosen, and that no man should continue in office two yeares together. Their gods and holy Rites they brought most from *Tyrry*, some they did afterwards add. *Juno* chiefly adored, and *Asculapius* not a little, in whose honour they erected a Magnificent Temple in the City, *Apollo's* house was likewise very rich, covered with plate of Gold, wherein was a famous statue which after the Ruine of *Carthage* was carried to *Rome* and placed in the great Show-place called *Circus Maximus*. But to *Hercules* at *Tyrry* they every year lent a ship, with great care well trimmed, with the Tithes of their yearly fruits, and spoiles gotten in War.

From the same Founders also they derived another most horrid Rite, to offer an humane sacrifice once a year to *Saturne*, whom they called *Belus*, the Relicks of which Barbarous Cruelty could not be quite abolished by the Destruction of the City. The other Manners and Customes of the City were more civilized by their conveniency of Commerce and Traffick, to which being by nature, and Education from their Forefathers much addicted, they did apply all their studies and Councels. Hence by an unavoidable mischief the Love of Riches corrupted their Courts of Justice, made Vertue a servant to money, inflamed the Peoples minds with Covetousness, and infected them with a sordid custom of Cheating and Lying, forcing the Commonwealth wholly to give it self up to these arts. Inasmuch as it came to passe that as little Faith was had in Carthaginian Contracts and Covenants, so the chiefest part of the publick strength consisted in ships, their Infantery the main support and pillar of all Empires, was had in no Request. Their Horfe in very little: As often as they waged War by Land, they made use of Mercenaries, who had no true Love to the Commonwealth, whose faith was to be bought with money, their discord troublefome, and their conspiracies pernicious. Which error was so Capital, that before the utter destruction of the City, no other enemy but those did ever bring them so near to final ruine.

Neither did a lesser crop of misery spring from this, That their Magistrates and Publick Officers did by mutual connivance exercise Exortion and Purlin the State without punishment; so that 'tis the lesse to be wondered, that a war arising between these two Cities, the Romans proved conquerors, when as the Senators in all hard times added their wealth to the publick stock, and the Carthaginians made a gain of the Commonwealth. But these vices grew up together with the City, so that at first being weak and little they were pretty well born withal, afterward for a while the greatness of their Empire, and the singular virtue of their Commanders made them the lesse sensible, by whose means chiefly, I find, was both obtained and established the happiness that ever attended *Carthage*. Their first beginning in Arms was against the Africans, requiring Tribute for the ground the City was built on; neither could they extort that right out of their hands but by many battels: hereby they enlarged their Empire, and the best planted part of *Africa* was reduced into subjection to them. Their command of the seas gave them fair

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Jufinius.  
Strabo

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Servius Fol-  
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Æneid. 1. 344

Aristot. Polit.  
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Polyb. 6. 49  
Livie 30. 6  
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Amilcar c.3

Iustin. 19.1

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Liv. 30. 7  
Livie 33. 32

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Appian Punic  
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Plutarch c. 1  
Polyb. legit.  
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Diodorus  
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Jufin. 18. 2  
Hieron. 1341.  
c. 46.

Plin. 26. c. 37  
Frisenſius  
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Curt. 4. 3. 17  
Arist. Politic.

Cicero contra  
Rutilium 2. 35  
Polyb. 6. 49  
Polyb. 6. 67

Polyb. 6. 64

Livie 33. 32

Jufinius 19. 1

Iustin. 19. 2

fair opportunity of passing over into *Sardinia* and *Sicily*; the one was rude and Barbarous, not able to resist, into the other they were invited by its Beauty and Fertility, which was, by reason of the Inhabitants perpetual discords exposed to the injuries of the most Potent. Out of *Sardinia* into *Corsica* their passage was short, and they did the more easily possess the Island as being not very rich.

But in *Sicily* for a long time they fought with various Fortune, obtaining many victories, and receiving many overthrows: *Amilcar* the son of *Hanno* when he had carried over three hundred thousand men, was vanquished by *Gelo* and slain. With which calamity being terrified, the Carthaginians did abstain from *Sicily*, till being called over by the *Ægelians*, who were opposed by the Selinuntians, they sent thither *Annibal* the son of *Gefco* the son of *Amilcar*; he destroying *Selinus* and *Himera*, did again encrease the Carthaginians power in *Sicily*. *Imilco* did at sea vanquish *Leptis* the brother of *Dionysius* the elder, and the Sicilians *Amiral*, he took and sunk an hundred ships, and flew above twenty thousand men, he surpris'd many Cities, and took also part of *Syracuse*, but a sudden Pestilence arising, which consumed most part of his Army, forced him to return home with very few men. Neither did they yet despair of gaining *Sicily*, but in few years after sent out *Hanno* with a fleet, commanding him to fight *Dionysius*. *Sicily*, but in few years after sent out *Hanno* with a fleet, commanding him to fight *Dionysius*. Afterward *Mago* being invited by *Sectus*, when he was in the City of *Syracuse* it fell with threecore thousand foot, he was call'd out by *Timoleon*; afterward the same *Timoleon* in a very great battle overcame *Annibal* and *Amilcar*, having in their army seventy thousand men, and forced their Camps likewise. But they had not a quicker and greater turne of fortune in any war then in that against *Agathocles*, who being beaten in *Sicily*, besieged in *Syracuse*, having no manifest hopes of safety, did yet of his own accord carry the war over into *Africa*, where having overcome the Carthaginians in many battels, and cauled the Libyans every where to revolt, he brought them into very great danger and fear; and returning home again he expelled them clearly out of *Sicily*; till at length the death of the King, and the confusions which followed upon it, again gave them hopes, and opened them a way to regain possession. After this (as we have said) they variously fought with *Pyrrius*, proving at length to be the superiours.

In the mean time some Cities also in *Spain* became Tributary to them, whether being called to the assistance of the Gaditanes against some oppressing Neighbours, they sent relief to their Kinsmen (for Gades likewise was founded by the Tyrians) and reduced some adjacent Regions of *Spain* into their own Jurisdiction. This was the posture the Carthaginian affairs were in when they took up arms against the Romans. But the Syraculans and their King *Hiero* possessed the greater part of *Sicily* which was not subdued by the Carthaginians; the residue was held by the Mamertines. They while they were in League with the Roman Legion at *Rhegium*, and could have assistance from them, were not content to secure their own Territories, but invaded those of the Syraculans and Carthaginians, forcing many Cities to pay Tribute to them to avoid plunder, wallings of their grounds, and other incommunities of war. But when *Rhegium* was taken, and their companions worthily executed, being bereaved of that help, they were not able to uphold their former greatness; and having lost whatsoever they held out of *Messana*, were now at war with *Hiero* for the City itself. Concerning which King *Hiero*, I think it not inconvenient somewhat at large to discourse, because he in these times being first an enemy to the Romans, afterward for many years a companion and friend, was of very great moment in the settling of affairs. For in him was found singular happiness, great virtue, and most eminent wisdom; and in those dayes the power and state of *Syracuse* did with him flourish and with him fall.

This man not being helped forward by any wealth or glory left by his Ancestors, owed all his fortune to himself, promoted from a low estate to vast power, not as many, by accusing great men, or by the slaughter and banishment of his opposers, but by wonderful modesty both in attaining and in exercising his power, as well knowing there is no Kingdom so well and firmly established, as that which is in such a manner order'd, that it more concerns the Subjects to fear the loss of it then the Prince.

Having reigned therefore four and fifty years, in such a time when two most potent Cities on each hand did with most sharp contentions, fight for the dominion of the world, troubled with no War abroad (unless in his first year) nor assailed by any Treason at home, he died being above ninety years old, his senses being at that age entire and his body found, as a certain argument of his Temperance, being not only beloved by his own people, but had in great Estimation both with the Romans and Grecians; when he would often have divell'd himself of the Principality, the Citizens did openly prohibit him; And his son *Gelon*, who, at above fifty years of age, died before him, did all his life time, even to the last, with constant faith and obedience honour him, shewing a rare example of Moderation, in that he chose rather for ever to want a Kingdom then lose his Father. This *Hieron* was by his Father *Hierocles* (who derived his Pedigree from *Gelon* an ancient Tyrant of *Sicily*) exposed to the mercy of the world; forasmuch as he being a Noble man was shamed to bring up a child which he had begotten on a servant. But being destitute of all human succour, the Bees for many days fed him, putting honey into his mouth as he lay upon the ground. *Hierocles* being much affected with this Providence, and the answers of the Southlayers, who affirmed, That hereby Kingly power was prefignified

signified, took home the Infant, acknowledged it for his own, and in hopes of his future greatness took diligent care for his Education. As he was learning his book among his equals, 'tis reported, that a Wolf suddenly appearing in the midst of the boyes took his book out of his hand. When he first entered into the Wars, 'tis said, An Eagle pitch'd upon his shield, and an Owle upon his spear; which was thought a signe of wisdom and strength, and by reason of the Kingly bird, of highest honour and dignity. But he himself shortly gave more certaine evidence, being of exceeding comeliness and strength of body, but much more illustrious and beloved for his wit, Temperance, Gentleness, Justice and Moderation; having often fought single Combates sometimes in the Battel, sometimes against private Challengers, he was always Victour, and by *Pyrrius* frequently rewarded with many Military Gifts for his valour; and *Pyrrius* his Kinswoman *Nereis* was afterward married to *Gelon* the son of *Hiero*. *Pyrrius* being driven out of *Sicily*; when (according to the ill temper of those times) a dissension arose between the army and Cite of *Syracuse*, *Artemidorus* and *Hiero* were, in the Camp near *Mergana*, by suggestion of the souldiers chosen Commanders. By the advice of *Hiero*, and the help of his friends, some souldiers being privily sent into the Cite reduced it into their Power; where *Hiero* shewed himself a gallant Man, and fit for the government of any Realme whatsoever; For, of the several factions which were therein, he neither flew nor banished any one Man, but by his clemencie, Moderation and upright Counsel so compounded their differences, that he was chosen Pretor of *Syracuse* with the good will and affection even of those against whom he came, as much as of those men who invited him thither. He with his whole heart as sincerely tending the publick good as his own (having observed an ill Custom of a long standing in *Sicily*, That the General could no sooner lead his forces out of the City but there was either some sedition raised in the Army, or some innovation made at home) began to consult with himself, In whose hands to entrust the City when he should be forced to go out to War. He married therefore the daughter of *Leptis*, who was very popular, of great authority among the Citizens, of eminent honesty and faithful to his trust.

Having thus provided for Domestick affairs, he devised a remedy (very necessary indeed, but not altogether praise-worthy) against the infoleny of the mercenary souldiers: For drawing into his army against the Mamertines when they met him near *Centuripe*, he order'd his battel near the River of the *Cyamophans* with such art, that he left a good distance between the Citizens and the Mercenaries, then commanding the Mercenaries to begin the fight, as if he and the City forces would on some other side Charge the enemy while they were already busied. The Mercenaries by this means being surrounded by the greater number of Mamertines, were slain; himself (having thus employed the enemy) marched fair and softly with his other forces to *Syracuse*.

Having in this manner purged the Army of those who were ill disposed and inclined to sedition, he diligently Traineth his City forces, hireth new Auxiliaries, and now having the goodwill of all (the most insolent being removed and the rest not daring to murmur) he order'd the Government according to his own pleasure. In the mean while, the Mamertines proud of their late victory and grown more fierce, rashly, and without fear invaded and spoiled the Syraculan Territories. *Hiero* now confiding both in the City and Army, forthwith marcheth out against them, and pitcheth his Camp near the enemies City, almost empty by reason of having sent out every way so many Troops. The Mamertines understanding the danger, suddenly return home to the relief of their City, with all their forces joyned. *Hiero* removing his Camp out of the Mamertine Fields, taketh the City of *Mile*, and in it fifteen hundred souldiers, thence gaining by the way some Cattle, he marcheth to *Amelesum* (which is seated in the middle between *Agrynum* and *Centuripe*) which (though it were well fenced, and protected by a strong Garrison) he forced and demolished, the souldiers he received into pay, and caused to fight under him, the grounds he divided between the Centuripines and Agrynes. Being animated with this success, he again invaded the Mamertine Territories, taketh *Amelesum* upon composition, but the Abacenes and Tyndarites voluntary surrender themselves to him. Hereby were the Cities on each hand next to *Messana* on both the coasts subject to *Hiero*, (for the Tyndarites inhabit toward the Etrurian Sea, the Tauromenians, who were at this time in friendship with the Syraculans, toward the Sicilian Sea.) The Mamertines therefore being streightned, send out their forces under the conduct of *Cis* their Pretor to oppose the enemy, who now was lodged near the River *Longanus* in the Mylean fields. The battel being begun, and the fight along time doubtful, *Hiero* suddenly sending in fresh Troops upon the Flank of the Mamertines, made the Victory his own. For before the fight *Hiero* had placed together two hundred Messanian Exals, valiant men, who hated the Mamertines, with four hundred choice men of his own Army, commanding them, To go about the hill *Thorax*, and by a sudden incursion to fall upon the enemy on the other side, which they stoutly performing were the cause why the whole Mamertine Army fell by the sword.

*Cis*, seeing all lost, and desiring nothing more then to dye, was taken prisoner, fore wounded, and conveyed into the Syraculan campe, finding the Prediction of the Entrails and Southlayers true in another sense then he expected. For before the Battel the Prophets looking into the Intestines of the sacrifice promised, He should lie in the Enemies Camp that night: Which he esteeming an argument of victory too late found himself deluded by another.

Interpretation, with grief and sickness call down, when the next day among other hopes, he espied that his son rode upon in the Field, conjecturing thereby his death, he resolutely pulling the cloaths and plaisters off his wounds made way to his own death. The Mamertines, understanding their overthrow, grew full of despair, and were now ready to present their humble supplication to the Conquerours, when an unexpected accident prevented them. It happened that at the same time Hannibal, the Carthaginian Pretor, was in the Liparian Islands, which are adjacent to Sicily. He having intelligence of Hiero's Victory, fearing lest (the Mamertines being utterly vanquished) the Syracusan power would grow too great for the Carthaginians, came suddenly over under pretence of congratulating with Hiero for his Victory, and hindering him from directly marching to Messina, did himself make first entrance, and when the Mamertines were now ready to yield, did not only possess them with hopes of retaining their liberty, but left a strong Garrison of his own soldiers amongst them. Hiero understanding himself by this craft deluded, & being not sufficiently prepared for a siege, made now more difficult, returned to Syracuse, where being received by all with very great joy, he was by a universal acclamation saluted King, which Title he afterward retained with the consent both of the Citizens and others of the Island without.

When Hiero was retreated, the Mamertines having a little space of refusing confidence, began to deliberate upon their present condition, but were divided into two Factions; some thought it should be disputed, 'But that they should commit themselves to the protection of the Carthaginians, which as for many other reasons it was convenient, so having admitted their Garrison, 'twas little less than necessary. On the other side 'twas said, 'The Carthaginians were no less enemies to the Mamertines than Hiero, that without doubt their purpose of defending the City was not out of good will, but desire of Dominion; That of a long time they had aspired to the Empire of Sicily, neither were call down from their bold hopes by loss of Armies and Navies, no not by wars in Africa, and fear of their own state at home; That therefore without exception they must prove Vassals if they commit themselves to those who have so strong a Navy, and possess greatest part of Sicily it self. That 'tis therefore no way expedient to desire aid from the Carthaginians, a covetous, unfaithful people, who will lay heavier burdens upon them then they could fear from the Syracusans. If the Punick Garrison came only with intent to preserve the City from Hiero, they may now upon fair terms be dismissed having done the work: But if they have some other clandestine design, it behooveth them with the greater care to prevent the danger of their deceitful friendship. That they should rather implore assistance from the Romans, as a people invincible, of unquestionable faith and sincerity, who will have neither occasion nor opportunity of keeping Messina under their jurisdiction, as having not a foot of ground in Sicily, nor any use of sea affairs, and consequently taking no care therein. That they would be abundantly content to keep Italy secure from Hiero and the Carthaginians, having made Messina strong, as an obstacle to their further proceedings. That therefore they should continue to rely upon the Roman faith rather than any other Nation; that indeed they could neither with honesty or any convenience change their former counsels, having already sent Embassadors and obtained hope of success and relief. For the Mamertines before their last battle with Hiero, beginning then to distrust in their own strength had craved assistance of the Romans as their Kinsmen. And the people being persuaded by the Consuls who were desirous of employment in the Wars, had decreed that aid should be sent to them; but the Senate out of shame to be counted authors of the business, did defer it. For they who had lately so severely punished their own Legion for the wicked surprize of Rhegium, if they should now assist the Mamertines, who had by the like treachery obtained the mastery of Messina, they saw they should clearly lose the reputation of their Justice and Fidelity, which by their former act they had acquired. But now having heard of the Mamertines overthrow, and not doubting but if they were forsaken by the Romans, they would apply themselves to the Carthaginians, with one consent they ordained to lend them relief. For in the Senate many had before inclined to this opinion, as foreseeing that otherwise Messina quickly, and not long after all Sicily would come under the Carthaginian power, which if it were once come to pass, they should be forced to fight with the Carthaginians for their own possessions in Italy.

For this danger would prove unavoidable, as well by reason of the insatiable desire of Rules in those who are potent, as by the convenient situation of the places. For Italy, proceeding in a long tract between the two seas from the Ligurians and Venetians, to the Bruttians, is there divided from Sicily by a very narrow Channel. For there is no doubt made but that these Regions in old times were a continent, afterward divided by the sea, whether the grounds being low were easily overflowed, or whether some earthquake or strength of the Tides cut off the Islands. From hence many think that Town to be called Rhegium, because things which are broken, are by some such word nominated in the Greek Tongue. 'Tis therefore very credible that the first inhabitants of Sicily came out of Italy, as may be conjectured by the very name. For the Opici are said to have built a Citie on the adverse shore over against Italy, which because it was situate in a Creek of the sea bearing the figure of a Sythe, they called it, I believe, Sicilia, which the Grecians afterward coming, called Zancle, both those words in the several Languages signifying a Sythe. From thence, as often it happens, the name was derived to the whole Island, Which was by many called both Zancle and Sicilia.

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This Island far excelleth all others in the Mediterranean Sea, both in extent of ground, and fruitfulness of Soile, yielding abundance of Oyl and Wine and Corn of the best; adorned with many, and those very great Cities, even to wonder; and if you consider the Commodity of the Havens, and situation of the whole Island, there is scarce to be found in the world a place more fit for the chief seat of an Empire: For, being near adjacent to Italy, on the contrary part it looketh toward Africa, on another side lyeth Sardinia, and on east it hath Peloponnesus divided from Greece by the Ionian sea: On every hand the voyage is short, and the passage easy for ships whether bound outward or homeward. And truly, though other reasons were alleged, yet the only cause of the War between the Carthaginians and Romans, was, without doubt the great desire each of them had to be Masters of this Island. The Romans found fault, That the Carthaginians contrary to the league had assisted the Tarentines; the Carthaginians on the other side charged them, for having entered into Confederacy with Hiero against them. But to lo great a power were now both these Cities advanced, that it could not be avoided, but that at some time or other for some cause they must needs find occasion to fall out. For as Trees planted at no great distance for a while do not much hinder one the other, but being grown to some bignesse beare one the other of Juice and nourishment from the earth, and at full growth interwinding both root and branches mutually destroy one the other: So rising Empires cannot long be at Amity and friendship, but, swallowing up what is interjacent between each others Dominions, desire to try the superiority between themselves, neither being able to put a limit to their own ambition or to enlarge their Territories without removing all Opponents.

To these causes may be added the great power the Comminality had in each City, together with their earnest desire of undertaking the War. In Carthage the vulgar sort did much prevail, and now in the increase of their City, growing rich by many Commodities, were willing for gains sake to have war upon war. The condition of the Roman people was not much different, for having in the former wars sustained damage in their estates, they hoped by the riches of Sicily to recompense themselves, and therefore, according to that power they had lately extorted from the Senate, did approve and confirm their sentence who perswaded the war. Hereby Appian the Consul being commissioned (whereas otherwise the major part of the Senate had assented, overpowering the votes of those who stood to old Rules) without delay sendeth Claudius a Tribune of soldiers beforehand with some few ships, to observe an opportunity, and if any were offered, to waste over into Sicily. When he was come to Rhegium, not daring to hazard his ships because he saw the seas obstructed with a greater fleet of Carthaginians, he entered into a Fishermans vessel and crossed over to Messina; there discoursing with the Mamertines as the present occasion required, being not able to overcome the contradiction of the Carthaginians, he returned without having done his business. But awhile after understanding there was a dissention at Messina, some pleading against the Roman assistance, the greater part bearing ill will to the Carthaginian Garrison, he again crossed the sea, and among other things to the present purpose told them, His coming was only to set the City at liberty, which when he had effected he would immediately return. The Carthaginians answered, The Romans need not trouble themselves for the liberty of a City which was under their jurisdiction, the Carthaginians had already out of their good will taken care that the Mamertines should not be compelled to be subject to the Syracusans: That therefore he might depart, or else give some other reason of his being at Messina. Claudius denied, The City was free so long as a Foreign Garrison continued therein contrary to their pleasure.

To this when no man returned any answer, the Carthaginians out of pride, the Mamertines for fear holding their peace, he cunningly and readily proceeded, 'Tis plain, faith he, by this your general silence, that the Carthaginians cause is unjust, and that the Mamertines are desirous of liberty, otherwise neither would the one forbear to justify their own Right, and the others; if they consented with the Carthaginians, having no cause to assemble, would freely and openly speak their minds. At this there arising a kind of a noise in the assembly, many praising his speech as true, and indeed agreeing with their inward thoughts; he (thinking he had, for the present, sufficiently moved the Mamertines and tried the disposition of their minds) were back to Rhegium. And not long after, having made ready his ships, he attempted to passe over; but being much inferior to the Carthaginian Commanders, both in number of vessels, and skill in sea affairs, and being beaten back by the violence of the Waves, in a sudden Storm arising he returned to his port, having lost some ships, and hardly saving the Rest. But being nothing terrified with this misadventure, he new trinned his ships, resolving upon a better opportunity once more to make trial of Fortune: When behold messengers came from Hanno (Governour of the Mamertine Garrison, and Guardian of the seas) bringing with them all the ships and men which the Carthaginians had taken in the former fray: Hanno's design herein was to cast the blame of the breach of Covenants upon the Romans, he therefore also complained, That they had by force attempted to sail in those seas which were in the possession of the Carthaginians; and furthermore perswaded them to have a great care of preserving peace and maintaining the league.

But hearing that Claudius would not admit of any conditions unless they would withdraw their forces out of Messina, and that again he endeavoured to cross the sea, he vanquished, That he would not suffer the Romans so much as to waste their hands in that sea. Nevertheless he could not

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not prevent *Claudianus*, who observing the Nature of the sea, laid hold of an opportunity when the wind happily helped the Tide, and arrived in *Sicily* without opposition. There calling a Council of those Mamertines he found in the Haven, he persuaded them, *To call Hanno to them, as if they had some business at present to consult with him about.* For *Hanno*, not much confiding in the Townsmen's doubtful minds, had with the fouldiers possessed the Castle, neither was he willing to trust himself in any of their Assemblies: Yet fearing if he betrayed his Diffidence he might encrease their complaints, and by his absence give them occasion to join with the Romans, he came to discourse with them, where the time being spun out with disputation and wrangling, the Romans, with the Mamertines their approbation, laid hands on him and call him into prison. So being circumvented by craft, and frightened with menaces, when no other condition would be accepted, he was compelled to refore the Mamertines their Castle, and draw away his Garrison. The Carthaginians upon intelligence of the business, were above measure exasperated, and (whereas otherwise they used to punish their Commanders for evil counsels (though they prospered) exclaiming both against the folly and cowardize of *Hanno*, miserably crucified him, and immediately sent both sea and land forces to *Messana* with another *Hanno*, the son of *Hannibal*, to order affairs in *Sicily*: He drawing his forces together at *Lilybæum*, marched to *Selinunt*, where pitching his Camp, he left his foot army and went to *Agrirentum*, and (having fenced the Castle there) he drew the people, being friends to the Carthaginians, into arms against the Romans: From whence being returned to his Camp, Embassadors came to him from *Hiero*, who being no whit content with the Romans arrival into *Sicily*, thought this the fittest season wherein joyning forces for a time with the Carthaginians, both they and also the Barbarians in possession of *Messana* might be driven out of *Sicily*. Having therefore had discourse with the Carthaginian General, they easily agreed to enter into confederacy against the Romans, who had supplanted both to their equal loss, each of them having failed of their hopes of *Messana*: 'twas ordered they should jointly besiege *Messana*, and suffer no part of *Sicily* to be subject to any power but the Carthaginians or Syraculans. So the Carthaginian Commander with his whole strength moved against the Mamertines, having first sent an Herald to charge the Romans, *If they would be esteemed friends of the Carthaginians to depart Messana, and within a time prefixed to quit Sicily.* The ships were commanded to keep their station about *Pelorus*: the foot army fortified their Camp at a place not far from *Messana*, called *Cubilla*, in the Greek tongue *Eupal*. *Hiero* likewise, according to agreement, came with his Syraculan Army, and laid siege to the Citie on the other side, about the Hill *Chalcidicus*, so the Citie, being round begirt, could not safely receive succour either by land or sea.

About the same time, when the Herald brought back no peaceful answer from *Messana*, the Carthaginians, partly out of anger, partly out of distrust, cruelly put to death all their Mercenary fouldiers which were Italians by Nation. These things were no sooner heard at *Rome*, but the Consul *Appius* was forthwith sent with a strong Army to *Rhegium*, thence he sent some before, to treat with the Carthaginians and *Hiero* about breaking up the siege, in the mean time, seeing the seas so strongly guarded, he was very solicitous and intent in contriving how to cross over with the least danger. The Consul's Embassadors brought back no friendly answer from the Carthaginians, but were by *Hiero* with an accurate oration sharply reprehended, he first having recounted the many good offices he had done the Romans, proceed saying, 'I am in doubt, Romans, whether I should grieve for my self or for you; I indeed have lost friends of you somewhat worse then I took you to be, but ye have lost that Reputation of Justice and Integrity for which ye were so famous among all Nations. With the Mamertines ye never had any friendship or society, ye had heretofore League with the Carthaginians, and lately entered into one with Me. Being now willing to break these Leagues, can ye give an account, by what injury from us, or merit of the Mamertines ye are thereunto provoked? But because the Carthaginians are able to speak for themselves, omitting what concerneth them, I shall at present put you in mind of things in reference to my self alone. The Mamertines your good Country men, did, as you know, receive pay under the Syraculan Banners, and being dismissed for their Return for *Italy*, after they had been entertained as friends and Companions by the poore credulous Messenians, committed a most horrid fact, as hath not been remembered by man, slaying in the night time their Land-lords, and keeping in their own power, their goods, wives, children and the Citie it self. Which unless you selves (being of the same opinion with other men) had judged to be a most vile and execrable villany, you would not so severely have punished the self same fact of the Campanians committed upon the Rhegians, by the Mamertines Example. By the same indignitie therefore wherewith ye were moved to take revenge of wicked villanies, by the same am I moved not to let the Mamertines go unpunished, especially seeing they have since committed so many Robberies almost all *Sicily* over, burying as it were the memory of their first offence with others afterward committed. For (to omit other things) in that they destroyed the Cities of *Camarina* and *Gela*, then under the Syraculan protection, is reason sufficient why I should with a just and pious War prosecute the boldness of such most impudent Men. If ye therefore undertake to defend them because, being born in the same *Italy*, they are as it were your kinsmen, how much more justly might you have spared the Rhegians which were your fellow-Citizens? When in the taking of *Rhegium* I helped you with Auxiliaries and Provisions, how should I possibly then Divine that ye would hereafter

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hinder me when I should upon as just causes besiege *Messana*? But what need I use many words? if you have any care left of your reputation and faithfulness, if any sense of honesty, at least if any shame, I ought not to doubt but that you will with your forces rather assist me, in my just cause then oppose me. But if the consideration of these things seem light unto you, however the event of war be doubtful, 'tis most certain all the world will plainly understand, that the Romans were incited to bare arms against us, not out of any colour of Justice and Equity, not by any injuries received (for that ye can no way pretend) not out of any pity or good will to the Mamertines, but merely by their own ambition, and inordinate desire of adding this Noble Island to their Empire.

When this answer was returned, *Appius* having observed that so strong a Navy guarding the passage he could not without manifest danger cross over, plotted a very subtil and cunning device, he said, *He did by no means desire that Hiero should be alienated from the Romans, that the war was not decreed against him, neither could be prosecuted without the peoples command.* At a day therefore appointed he commanded his Sea-men to be ready, having their ships prepared for the voyage as if he would sail home. Now he was not ignorant that there were many both Carthaginian and Syraculan fouldiers in the Rhegian Port, under the pretence of being Merchants, by whom he thought this news would quickly be conveyed to those who would have it true. And it happened accordingly as he had foreseen, for he no sooner had entered into his ships on a clear Sun-shine day, and sailed along the Italian shore, but presently news was carried to the Carthaginian fleet which guarded the seas, whereupon they now not fearing the enemy would make any attempt that way, left the passage open, sailing themselves likewise away whither it pleased them. The Consul, who had forethought it would so come to pass, feared his course backward in the night time, and arrived in *Sicily* with his whole Navy, no body so much as observing, much less hindering his coming.

It was a bold Enterprize and full of hazard, for an army unskilful in sea-affaires, in the night time, blindly to venture with rude and illbuilt ships through a sea dangerous in it self, though it had not been dark, nor any enemy to be feared: And the exploit was thought worthy to be made known to Posterity, by a new Cognomen thereupon given to the Consul. For, because he made use of many vessels, made of the Trunks of trees, for the transportation of his fouldiers, he was, in admiration of the fact, by the simplicity of that age affirmed *Candax*, which signifieth the trunk of a tree. For the Romans having no use of sea affairs, had neither any covered ship or long boate, or good skiff in a business of such concernment as this was, but made use of those *Trivemes* which the Tarentines and Locrians had lent the Eleats and Neapolitans, together with little vessels of Traffick of fifty Oars. But *Appius* landing not far from the place where the Syraculans had pitched their Camp, encouraged his fouldiers and declaring to them, *The Victory would be certain if they came upon the Enemy unawares*, immediately proceeded to assault their Camp. *Hiero* being awakened with the sudden tumult, marched out with what forces were ready; for a time the fight was very sharp, the Roman horsemen were beaten back, but the Legions stoutly standing to it, *Hiero* was overthrown, and with his men fearfully retreated into his works. *Appius* having commanded the dead bodies to be plundered, entered into *Messana*, freeing the Mamertines from great fear, and filling them with better hopes for hereafter. *Hiero* seeing himself beaten before he could see the enemy (as himself afterwards confessed) and suspecting that the Carthaginians had betrayed the passage over the sea, when he had revolved many things in his doubtful mind, began to be in fear of the main chance, and in the dead time of the next night he drew his army out of their Trenches, and marched directly without halting to *Syracuse*. When he was gone, *Appius* thought fit to make use of the terror of his late Victory in vanquishing the Carthaginians also, and having ordered his fouldiers to refresh themselves in time, marched out in the dawning of the day to assault the Carthaginian Camp, which was pitched in a very safe place, by nature and art diligently fenced, for on one side the sea, on the other side deep Marishes and Bogs encompassed it in the form of a *Peninsula*: That narrow space of ground where was passage to firm land was fenced with a strong wall against all assaults. Here the Roman fouldiers beginning the storm, could not prevail against the strength of the place and multitude of defendants, but being beaten back with darts and stones (as in the storm of a City) they were forced to retire without having done their work.

Many times it hapneth in war that ill success in the beginning giveth occasion of better fortune, while they who are worsted endeavour with better advice and more courage to make up their loss, and the enemy on the other side being bewitched with a flattering opinion of felicity, and taking no heed against future chances, are carried away with rashness, as at this time it came to pass to the Carthaginians, for they not being content to have repulsed the enemies, issued out of their Camp and pursued them as if they had fled, thinking the Romans had yielded not so much to the difficulty of the place, as to their virtue and courage.

When therefore they were come out of their works, the fortune of the fight changed with the place, and a great number of them were slain, some fled into the Camp, others as they had convenience into the Cities round about; neither durst they any more stir out of their Camp as long as *Claudianus* was at *Messana*. The Consul, considering the nature of the place, and difficulty of its situation, thought it no wisdom to make a second assault, and seeing his

This year gave a beginning to a cruel custom, which afterward was frequently and most intemperately usurped, That the blood of man should become a publick spectacle of pleasure, being profusely shed for the sake of any mean and wanton spectator. The authors of this barbarous custom were *M. and D. Junius Brutus*, who by a strange kind of piety, intending to honour the Ashes of their dead father, did with great labour of the Citizens exhibit a Fencing-Shew. But this injury to mankind was most severely revenged by a Pestilence, which all this

own courage, and not to any lucidity of the place they took it. Zurbarán  
After these and other exploits of no greater moment, winter now approaching, the Confils disposing several Garrisons in convenient places, returned into Italy and so to Rome with the residue of their Armies. There was a Triumph decreed to *M. Valerius* (whose success and Festus Capitolini  
pains had been most remarkable) over the Carthaginians and *Hiero*, which was performed the sixteenth of the Calends of *April*. Among the spoils was brought a Clock, which is therefore taken notice of, because it was the first which was seen at Rome; it was taken at *Casina*, and by *Valerius*.

Valerius placed upon a Pillar in public near the Rostra : He also on the side of the Court built by *Hofitius* set up a Table, whereon was painted the Battel wherein he overcame *Hiero* and the Carthaginians, which before his time was not done by any man, but afterward by many. This *Valerius* had his Surname *Messala* from *Messina*; but I wonder that some Authors of so small note should imagine it was derived from his taking that City, whereas the series of affairs does evidently demonstrate, that it rather proceeded from his delivering that City from the troubles it sustained (after *Appius Claudius* his departure) from the Carthaginians and *Hiero*, removing the one enemy and reconciling the other.

In the mean while the Pettulence still raging, a Dictator was named for the knocking in of a Nail, who was *Cn. Fulvius*, *Cn.F. Cn.N. Maximus Centumalus*, he chose for Matter of the Horse *Q. Marcius*, *Q.F. Q.N. Philippus*. In the same year the *Æternian* Colony was planted, whereas the year before one was deduced to *Firmum*, or as some will have it to *Castrum*. After this *L. Posthumus*, *L.F. L.N. Megellus*, and *Q. Mamilius*, *Q.F. M.N. Vinius* were created Consuls, and both of them had *Sicily* allotted for their Province: There were but two Legions allowed them, which were thought sufficient, because now having Amity with *Hiero* the war was more easie; they considered likewise that provisions would be the better procured if the Army were but small. The Consuls having transported their forces into *Sicily*, and being joyne with their associates, passing by things of lesser moment, thought fit with their whole strength to besiege *Agigentum*, which City the Carthaginians had plentifully furnished with all manner of accommodations, intending it for the Magazine of their wars. For they seeing *Hiero* had forsaken them, and that the Romans made *Sicily* their chiefest care, they thought it behooved them to make the more diligent preparation for the war. In the first place therefore they sent the greater part of their forces into *Sardinia*, to lie in wait against the Italian shore, by that means to divert the Romans from *Sicily*, or at least to compel them to send the smaller forces then otherwise they would have done.

But being frustrated of their hopes (for the Romans had strength sufficient, both wherewith to guard their own Coasts, and invade *Sicily* with a new army) they hired many Mercenary souldiers of the *Ligurians* and *Gauls*, but more out of *Spain*, whom, together with great plenty of provisions, they sent to *Agigentum*, resolving to make that their Magazine of Corne, and the Receptrace of their Armies; being, by reason of its conveniency of situation, and multitude of buildings, fitter for such occasions than any other Citie of *Sicilie* of their Jurisdiction. The onely feare of War therefore being about that Citie, the Romans, having confined the Carthaginians within their works, pitched their Camp within a mile thereof. The grain was then ripe in the fields, and because they foresaw the siege would prove long, the souldiers sent out to reape and bring in Corne, wandered somewhat too far and more carelessly then ought to have been done having an enemy so near. The Carthaginians omitted not to make use of this occasion, and had indeed given a great overthrow to the Romans, but that they regained as much by their courage, as they had lost by their negligence. For, when they who were sent out to forrage were not able to resist the assault of the Enemy, the Carthaginians pursued them even to the Camp, where dividing their forces, some prepared to storme the workes, while the others maintained the fight with the guards without. Then, as often at other times, the Laws of warfare duly observed and the incorrupted Rigour of the Roman Discipline saved them from an hazard tending to the destruction of their whole army. For (it being a deadly crime among the Romans for any cause whatsoever to forsake their station) the guard without, knowing it was to no purpose to fly back, though they were much overpowred in number, maintained the fight with wonderful courage, losing many of their own men, but killing more of the enemies, till the Troupes had time to arme themselves and come to their Relief, so the Enemy being there repulsed, and those who had now almost entered the workes surrounded, the Romans made a very great slaughter of them, and pursued the rest even to the Citie. This accident made both the Enemy more fearful of flying out, and the Romans more wary in their Forrage. Henceforth the heat of their Contention being not so great as before, (for the Carthaginians seldom made a sally, and then only in manner pickering and light skirmish) the Romans thought fit to divide their forces, and plant their Camps on two sides of the Citie, on the one side near to *Æsculapius* his Temple, on the other in the high way leading to *Heraclea*. Their Camps were fenced with Trenches on both sides, toward the Citie, against their Sallies, and toward the Country both to secure themselves from any invasion, and to hinder Relief from entering the Citie. The space between the two Camps was guarded with many companies of souldiers.

In all these affaires they were much afflicted by the Sicilians, who lately had made friendship with them, of whom together with the Romans there were an hundred thousand. They brought provisions as far as *Erbesus*, from whence (it being not far off) the Romans fetched it into their Campe. Whereby they had very great plenty of all Necessaries. At this stay the siege continued for almost five months, neither much prevailing over the other (for they attempted nothing but light skirmishes) till at length the Carthaginians began to have the worst on't. For a great number of men, little lesse then fifty thousand warriors, having been so long shut up in one town, had spent almost all their corn, and saw no likelihood of procuring more, the Romans guarding all the passages, so that they were much afflicted both with their present misery,

erie, and expectation of future. Therefore *Hannibal* the son of *Gesco* (who was Commander in chief at *Agigentum*) by many messengers craving relief against hunger and other dangers, *Hanno* the elder was sent into *Sicily* with some Elephants and Souldiers which were for that purpose raised. His Army consisted of fifty thousand foot, six thousand horse, and three score Elephants, with which forces he sailed to *Lilybæum*, thence he marched to *Heraclea*, whither forthwith came messengers promising to deliver up *Erbesus* to him: Being by their means made master of *Erbesus* (from whence the Romans hitherto had all their provisions) he seemed to have effected a business of great moment, as much afflicting the Romans now for want of necessities as they had done the *Agrentines*.

And now the Romans began to consult about raising the siege, which they were very near giving over for a desperate business, had not the King of *Syracuse*, by trying all ways, made a shift by stealth to convey to them some corn and other commodities, whereby their present want was in some measure relieved. *Hanno* considering the Romans now to be faint with hunger and other infirmities following it, whereas his own men were well and lusty and in perfect strength, approached near the Romans, resolving, if occasion were offered, to fight them. Marching therefore with his fifty Elephants, and whole army from *Heraclea*, he sends his Numidian horsemen before to play about the enemies Camp, to provoke the Roman horsemen, and, if possible, to draw them out into ambush. The Numidians according to order carelessly flying about the Consul's Camp, the Romans issue out, beat back those who opposed, and pursued them as they fled out of order, that way which they knew *Hanno* to be coming. The further they followed the pursuit, the more difficult was their return to their own works, inasmuch that many of them were lost after they had met with fresh forces, which caused those who fled likewise to turn and fight. *Hanno* being by this much encouraged with hopes of the main Victory, placeth himself upon an hill called *Torm*, about a mile and a half distance from the Roman Camp; nevertheless the battel was deferred longer then was expected between two Armies so near one the other; sometimes the Carthaginian, sometimes the Roman unwilling to hazard their whole fortune in one battel, while *Hanno* was desirous to fight, the Romans contained themselves within their Trenches, because they were exceeded by the enemy both in number and cheerfulness, being themselves terrified and dejected with the losse their horsemen had sustained.

But when they (seeing their associates troubled and daunted at this their fear, the Enemy on the contrary grow more confident, and thinking it better to fight with the Carthaginians then endure such want) were resolved upon the Battel, then *Hanno* began to fear, and decline the encounter. Two months were thus spent; nothing of greater moment being performed, but light skirmishes which happened every day. At length, being moved with frequent entreaties from *Hannibal*, who had daily sent out Messengers, and by lighted fires given him often notice, that the besieged were no longer able to endure hunger, and that many were thereby compelled to flee to the enemy; *Hanno* was resolved no longer to defer the battel, giving order to *Hannibal* at the same time to issue out of the City. The Consuls having intelligence hereof, kept themselves very quietly within their Camps; *Hanno* the more furiously presents himself in Battel-array, marcheth up to their very Works, boldly provokes them to fight, reproaching them with fear and cowardize. They on the contrary being content to repulse the enemy from their Trenches, neither ranged battel against them while they stood, nor pursued them when they retreated. When things had been thus transacted for some dayes together, and the Carthaginians were fully perswaded the Romans durst not venture on any further action, *L. Posthumus* the Consul wisely made use of the enemies security and contempt to his own good. For silently ordering his whole battel within the works, when the Carthaginians according to their custom came up to the works, he issued out with a few and held them in action with light skirmishes from day break till noon, then the enemy withdrawing themselves, he brought forth his Legions and made a charge upon them.

*Hanno*, though he saw a necessity of fighting contrary to his expectation, stoutly entering into battel, maintained it doubtful till the day was almost spent. But the Romans, having on purpose well refreshed their bodies and prepared them to fight, were not so much troubled with heat, thirst and Labour as were the Carthaginians, who, before the battel, being weary with fasting and standing all day, the longer they fought, were the lesse able to resist by reason of the weakness of their Bodys. At length the Mercenary souldiers who stood in the front were no longer able to endure the brunt, and did not only give back themselves, but falling in disorderly upon the Elephants and other Regiments behind, routed the whole battel and caused them to fly before the enemy who so hotly charged them. Things were managed with the same successe in the other place, for *Hannibal*, issuing out to fight, was beaten back with the greater losse, and forced into the City again. The Carthaginian Camp was taken, three Elephants wounded, thirty slain, eleven came alive into the Romans hands: The men had the same fortune, for so great an Army very few escaped with their General to *Heraclea*; they who were shut up in the City, seeing no way or means of safety left them, were afflicted with very great terror and despair: When *Hannibal* following the best counsel his ill fortune had left him, observing that the Romans, what with weariness of their late fight, and joy of their Victory, kept not their guards so strict as heretofore, about the third watch of the night went out of the Town with his Mercenaries; and having crossed the Trenches filled up with boats stuffed with

Zonas  
Polybium  
Diodorus

Orosius

Diodorus

Zonas

492  
Eurypius b. 2

Zonas  
Polybium

Frontinus Strab.

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Zonas

Frontinus

Diodorus

Frontinus

Frontinus de  
Aque ductibus

Zonas  
Cicero de Offic.

Cornel. Nepos  
Amilcar c. 1.

Polybium 1. 10  
Zonas  
Polybium

draw (which he had beforehand prepared for this purpose) he was a good way on his journey before the Romans, at break of day perceiving what was in hand, surpris'd part of the hindmost Troops; Hannibal with the rest betook himself into places of security. The Agrigentines seeing themselves forsaken by the Carthaginians, either out of anger, or to curry favour with the Conqueror, slew many of those who remained in the City. The Town was not therefore saved from destruction, above five and twenty thousand Free-men were fold into slavery.

In this manner was Agrigentum taken, in the seventh month after it had been first besieged, to the great profit and glory of the Romans, but with the expence of much blood, for of the Consul's Army and his Auxiliaries, there perished by several means above thirty thousand during this siege; for which cause, and by reason winter now approaching, nothing of moment could be undertaken, they returned to Messana. These Commanders going to Rome in hope of Triumph the next year L. Valerius, M.F. M.N. Flaccus, and T. Otacilius, C.F. M.N. Crassus being made Consuls went into Sicily. The Carthaginians having set forth a great Navy as to the plunder and wasting of Italy, thought thereby to divert the Consuls from the care of Sicily, but they having sufficient guard upon the coasts to repel the invaders, did nevertheless cross over into Sicily, where they received many towns which yielded themselves to their protection, being terrified by the late example of the Agrigentine overthrow. The Carthaginians in the mean time made no resistance, for besides their late ill success they were vexed with the sedition of their Mercenaries, the Gauls being chief in the Mutiny for want of many months pay; for the punishment of whom, Hanno devised this stratagem, first soothing them with fair speeches he desires them, At present for a while to be quiet, telling them, He was in certain hopes of suddenly surprising a very rich Town, by the plunder whereof the Gauls should be sufficiently satisfied, both for their pay, as also for the forbearance of it. Having by this means at present appeased them, and moreover received thanks, he takes a convenient time to treat with his Treasurer, (who was most faithful to him) That he would, as a Runegado, flee over to Otacilius the Consul, under pretence of having perverted his Accounts, and inform him, That next night he might circumvent four thousand Gauls, who would come to Entella to take in with the help of some Traitors within.

The Consul though he gave not much Credit to a Runegado, yet thinking it a business not to be neglected, did send a Choice Brigade of souldiers upon the design; the Gauls came accordingly as they had been deceived by Hanno, and the Romans suddenly arising out of ambush to receive them, there was between them a very fierce and cruel fight, wherein every one of the Gauls were slain and because they died not unrevenge'd, Hanno was doubly pleas'd, both that he was rid of his insolent Mutineers, and that he had cunningly punished them to the no little loss of the enemy. At Rome, in the mean time, Minucius the Pretor propounded in the Senate, the bringing of the water of the River Anten to the City, which work M. Curius the Consul had design'd out of the enemies spoils, but several impediments arising, the business for nine years deferred, was now again consult'd about: and two men appointed as supervisors, Curius and Fulvius Flaccus; but Curius dying within five days, the Glory of finishing the work was attributed to Fulvius alone. About the same time Hamilcar came from Carthage into Sicily as successeur to Hanno. For the Carthaginians, when Hanno returned after his overthrow, received him with Ignominy, fined him in his six thousand pieces of Gold and removed him from his Government. Some Authors being deceived by the likeness of Names, have delivered, that this Amilcar was Father of Hannibal who managed the second Punick War against the Romans; but not rightly, for Hamilcar the Father of Hannibal came into Sicily with command, being but a young man, at the latter end of this War, but his great fame prevailed, that the acts of another less known Amilcar were ascribed to Amilcar Barca the most Noble and Egregious of that Name. Hamilcar therefore the successeur of Hanno seeing the Romans far stronger then himself in their land army, durst not assault any In-Land Cities, nor defend out of the Mountains and difficult places into the Campagne: but having a strong Navy whereby he was doubtless Master of the seas, made diligent use of those his Forces, and, having sent Hannibal againe to plunder the Coasts of Italy, himself sailing about the Sicilian shore, easily recovered many Port Townes which had joynd themselves with the Romans. Whereby it came to passe, that the Romans easily taking and defending the In-land places, the Carthaginians the Maritime, the Fears and hopes were on both sides very equal, and it was hard to judge to which of these two Nations the Victory of the whole War would encline.

BOOK



## BOOK VII.



OUR years were now expired since the Carthaginian war began, neither had the Romans any cause to complain either of their own courage or fortune; for they were Victors in every battel, both over Carthaginians and Syraculans as often as they durst encounter: They had taken many rich Cities by storm, and others upon Articles submitted themselves; but as long as they waged war in an Island, they could not at their pleasure send provision and recruits when need required. And the Carthaginian ships with free and unexpected arrival being themselves secure, did not only molest and vex the Sicilian Cities upon the shore, but likewise wasted the coasts of Italy, both to the losse of the Roman Empire, and likewise to their disgrace; whereas the African shore was clear and free from the enemies invasion. The Senate therefore and people of Rome diligently consulting upon the matter, did resolve to prepare a Fleet, and fight the Carthaginians not only by land, as hitherto they had done, but to try their fortune at sea also. This was the very first serious thought the Romans had concerning sea affairs, which they accomplished with as much Courage and good Fortune, as they had conceived it with Wisdom and Resolution: Inomuch as the Empire of the whole world might well be judged due to the Romans, who being willing by sea to encounter a people most skilful in sea affairs, wanted neither Boldnesse to attempt it, nor Diligence to manage it, nor Constancy effectually to perform it. For the Romans to that day being so utterly ignorant of sea affairs, that there was not a man amongst them who ever had seen one, neither had any one Man of War of their own, or any Carpenter who knew how to build one, yet having with great confidence undertaken the design, they did in a very short time both learn to sail and venture to fight and overcome those people who for many ages had had experience in sea affairs.

The care of building the ships was committed to Cn. Cornelius L. F. Cn. N. Scipio Afina, Orosius. and C. Duilius, who had newly entered the Consulship. They had one Carthaginian ship of 437 five Oars, which Claudius took with his foot army (at what time he was studying to passe 437 over into Sicily) while in heat of fight it came too near the shore and was grounded upon the sands in a shallow place. The Consuls ordered the whole Navy to be built after that Patterne, and so diligently prosecuted the work, that in threecore days after the timber was felled, they had threecore ships standing at Anchor. But the Consuls halted their expedition no less by their wit, then by their Industry. For, (being neither willing to hazard to fight with men unskilful at the oar, nor yet to freighten the time allotted them for action in training up and exercising men on purpose) they contrived a device, which though it may at first seem ridiculous, yet in the use and event proved exceeding Commendable, That, while the ships were in building, their Men should sit on shore and there be taught their office how to Row. For being placed in the same order as they were to observe in the ships, and a Boatwaine being let in the midst of them, they were commanded, at his word given, to move their Oars, and again to forbear, even as if they were sailing.

By this exercising themselves in fancy onely they were so improved, that when the ships were ready, after a few daies real paines-taking, the Consuls were willing to trust themselves and

Polybium.

437  
Aul. de viris  
11. lib. c. 37  
Plinie x. 6. 39  
Florus 2. 2

Zonaras  
PolybiusOrosius  
Polybius  
Livie Epit.  
Zonaras  
Plinius

Orosius 4.7

Polybius

Plinius 1.1.

Plinius  
PolybiusFrontinus  
Strabo 1.3.  
PolybiusVal. Maximus  
7.1.7.12.

and the safety of all their Legions to their care. When lots were cast for the Provinces, the Land Army fell to *G. Duilius*, the Fleet to *Cn. Cornelius*, who, taking along with him seventeen ships, sailed before hand to *Messana*, to make preparation for the coming of the Fleet, which he ordered suddenly to follow him: but before it came, he fell into the hands of the Enemy, which came to pass by the cunning of *Boudes*, *Hannibal's* Vice-Admiral, and his own Crepidity, giving credit to some *Liparans*, who were suborned by the Enemy, to put him in hopes of taking the City of *Lipara* by Treachery. There being circumvented by the Carthaginian ships, he nevertheless resolved to encounter them, and seek his safety by fighting: but that *Boudes* by another fraud, trained him and his Colonels into his own ship, under pretence of Treating on Conditions of Peace. They were no sooner come but clapt up in chains, the others being hereby terrified did without blows yield themselves up, *Boudes* gaining all the Vessels, sent the Prisoners to *Carthage*. Soon after the Carthaginian Commander committed the like fault to his greater shame, in that the fresh example of the Consul's incogitancy did not learn him to be more circumspect. He had under stood that the Roman Navy failing by the Italian shore, was putting forth to sea, and that they could not now be farre off. Desiring therefore, as near as might be, to observe it, that he might accurately know the number of their ships, their swiftnes, and in what fashion and plight their new made Vessels were in, he sailed forward with fifty ships, not foreseeing any danger, his ships being confusely mixed without any order, as when they ride in Harbour or any safe place: At the turning therefore of a certain Promontory, suddenly falling into the Roman Fleet, which came prepared and sailing in good order; he was vanquished before he could prepare himself to fight, and having lost the greater part of his Navy, himself likewise being in great Danger, he very hardly escaped with the rest. The Victorious Navy, understanding *Cornelius* his mishap, sent Messengers to *C. Duilius* to give him notice of their approach, and prepared themselves for fight, having intelligence that the other Carthaginian ships were not farre off. There while they delicently considered the inconvenience of their own Vessels, that they were rudely made, and fatte inferior to the Carthaginians in swiftnes, it came into the mind of a certain ingenious man to invent an Engine, whereby to lay hold and keep fast the Enemies ships, which Engine they afterward called a *Raven*, or *Crow*; the fashion of it was this. There was a straight round piece of Timber, four ulnes long, some nine inches Diameter, having at the end thereof a pully or windlase, to which, being fixed on the foredeck, there was fitted a bridge, six ulnes broad, and four feet long, made of planks fastned together with iron nails. In this Engine there was left a long hole whereby it might be fitted to the piece of Timber, by the space of four ulnes, even the whole length of the Timber. The other part of the bridge or ladder, which was not infered in the Timber, being of two ulnes long, was so fastned by hinges, that it might be pulled up, or let fall, to the end of the bridge was affixed a strong sharp piece of iron, with a ring at it's head, whereto a rope being tied, through the pully of the timber, it might be drawn down into the Foredecke. Then as they lifted, by the Rope they could draw it up, or let it fall down, with its sharp piece of iron laying hold on and keeping fast whatsoever it fell-upon. In the mean time the Consul *C. Duilius*, committing his foot Army to the Charge of his Colonels, came to the Navy, and understanding that the Enemies spoiled the Region of *Mylæ*, sailed with his whole fleet to that shore.

The Carthaginians were glad of this, assuredly promising themselves victory over Inland-men, altogether unskillfull in sea affaires, whereby they became an example, That no Enemy whatsoever ought so to be despised, as to cause one to remit ordinary discipline, and grow secure. *Hannibal* the Admirall, who had conveyed his Forces out of *Agigentum*, was in a Vessell of seven oares on a side, which formerly belonged to King *Pyrrius*, the other ships followed him: not as to a fight, in any distinct order, but, as every one thought fit, making halt to their despicable Enemy. But, when approaching neerer, they saw the Engines hanging at the foredecks of the Roman ships, wondering at the novelty of the business, they paused a while, at length the most Courageous men laughing at the rude invention of an unskillfull Enemy, the foremost ships with all the violence that might be flew upon them. Then the Crows being let down, into what ships soever they light, so pierced the planks thereof that they held them fast against their wills. The Roman souldiers, if the ships were fastned side to side, did every part leap in and assault the Enemy; if they were joynd only in the foredecks, they went two by two over the bridge annexed to the timber, with so much the more facility, because on each side of the bridge a little fence knee high, made their passage safer, and their footing more secure: They who went foremost, holding their bucklers before, defended their faces from the Enemies darts, those who followed held their shields down to the little fence, so guarding their sides, and entering the Enemies ships; so that the fight was not performed with the Beakes of ships, but with swords and hands, like to a set Battell. The Romans therefore excelling in strength and Courage, had an easy victory over men lightly armed, and trusting more in the nimbleness of their ships, then in their hands: They quickly forced thirty Carthaginian ships, among which the Admirall frigot was taken, but *Hannibal* leaping out of his ship, when it was now taken, into a Cock-boat escaped Captivity, and sending a truly friend in post-haste to *Carthage*, to prevent the News of his Overthrow, did thereby cunningly decline that Capital punishment which otherwise had attended him. His friend entering the Senate, as if all things had been well,

well, asked their Advice, whether they thought it fit that the Roman Navy should be fought withall? and every one unanimously agreeing, That there was no scruple to be made, and that the business should not be deferred; he told them, 'Tis already done, and we are beaten whereupon, no body daring to accuse the Fact, wherof every one in his own Person would have been Author, *Hannibal* escaped the sentence of Death, but was deprived of his Admirallship. The rest of the Carthaginian ships, (for the greater part was left) after the Flight of the Admirall, were very much troubled and doubtful in Counsell what to do; they were ashamed to fly having received no harm, the Enemy not so much as pressing upon them; on the other side to set upon the Roman ships they were afraid, by reason of their Engines: At length sailing round about, and finding on every side the foredecks of the ships opposed against them, with those formidable Engines, having used all the art they could, they despairing of the victory went their way.

'Tis reported that fourteen Carthaginian ships were sunk in that fight, one and thirty taken, with seven thousand men, three thousand having been slain. With this success did *C. Duilius* fight with the Carthaginians near the *Liparæan Islands*, where the Romans got much prey, but much more ample Glory and Renown. The Consul taking charge again of his Land Army, Marched to *Syracusa*, and delivered it from danger, it having been brought even to the utmost extremity by the Carthaginians; after that he took *Messala* by storme, *Hannibal* never daring to encounter with him: and so having confirmed the minds of the Associate Cities, Summer being past, he returned to *Rome*: After his departure the Carthaginian affaires began again to prosper. For first the Romans after seven months continuance were faine to raise their siege of *Mastiprat*, having lost many men before it. When afterward a Disension arose between the Romans and their Auxiliaries, and that the Associates encamped themselves apart between *Paropus* and *Therma*: *Hannibal* thought fit to make use of their madnes, and falling on them unawares slew four thousand of them: and it wanted little but that the whole Roman Army had likewise been involved in the same overthrow.

Then again many Townes were taken by *Hannibal*, some by force, some by Treachery: which though it was no good newes at *Rome*, yet the loss was counted small in respect of their Navall Victory. For the Roman courage having already approved it self invincible by Land, they had great cause to rejoyce, that by this Fight they had gained reputation of strength by sea also. Wherupon wonderfully encouraging themselves as to the whole Warre, they judged the Author of this their New Glory worthy also of new Honour, *Duilius* therefore was the first who ever made a Navall Triumph, which was on the Intercalary Calends over the Sicilians and the Carthaginian Navy. They likewise bore with him, when, not content with this Honour, he did without all precedent assume another to himselfe, that returning from supper, a light Torch was carried before him while the Minstrells sang: A Beaked Pillar likewise was by decree of the Senate erected in the Market-place, of white *Parian Marble*, which is yet to be seen (but many of the Letters worn out with Age) containing the Number of ships taken and drowned, the Summ and Weight of the Money taken. There were taken of Gold three thousand seven hundred pieces, of silver above an hundred thousand, of heavy Bras seven score hundred thousand pounds. The Triumph being accomplished, *Duilius* called an Assembly, wherein *L. Cornelius*, *L. J. Cn. N. Scipio* and *C. Aquilius M. F. C. N.* were chosen Consuls. The Senate ordered their Provinces to be *Sicily*, and the Navy. The Admirall had permission, if he thought it for the Publick good, to touch upon *Sardinia* and *Corfica*. This Charge happening to *L. Cornelius*, having prepared his ships he failed away.

This was the first Roman expedition into *Sardinia* and *Corfica*, the Islands are so near adjoining that they seem but one and the same, yet much unlike, as in the temper of the Air and Soil, so in the Dispositions of the inhabitants. *Sardinia* as bearing the shape of a mans foot, was by the Ancients called *Johnus* and *Sandalistis*, afterwards 'tis said, That *Sardus* the son of *Hercules* of *Lybia* much frequenting the Island, gave it the name it is now known by. Old Fables affirm that the Grecians came into those places with *Arifæa*, and after the Trojan war the Trojans. For extent of ground and fruitfulness of soil, it yieldeth not much to the biggest and best Islands of those seas. It breeds excellent catel, very fruitful it is of the best Corn, rich in Metals, especially Silver. But the air is not so wholesome, inasmuch as foreign Nations commended not so much its Fertility as they didpraise its Peltitent air; for in Summer it is sickly, especially in the moist fruitful places. It produceth likewise an Herb, much like the Bee flower, of very violent Poyson, being eaten it distracteth the mind, and forcibly attracting the Nerves disorteth the lips as in laughter: the juice of it is mortal, unless after vomiting you drink good store of milk and honyed water: the present force of the disease is so remedied, the other incommodities thereof are cured by the same means as other Convulsions of the Nerves.

Likewise there is a very little creature called *Salsuga*, a kind of Pismire, which is deadly to those who unawares sit upon it, it is so much the more dangerous, because hardly to be seen or taken notice of by those who are ignorant of its nature. The Sardinians being a Nation mixed of divers sorts of Barbarians, when they are left to their own liberty, chuse rather to live by robbery and plunder, then by husbandry: They are armed with a Target and short Sword, their

Zonaras

Auctor de viris  
Illust. 138.  
ZonarasEutropius b. 1.  
Orosius 4.7.  
Florus 1.1.  
Zonaras  
PolybiusDiodor.  
Elog. 131.  
Zonaras  
Diodorus.Eutropius b. 1.  
Tacitus 1.49.  
Colum. Triumph  
Glora 1.1.  
Livie. Epit.  
Plinius 34.5.  
Sextus Fin. 6.  
Pighis annali

194.

Satius. Hist. 1.1.  
Dion. 3.7.  
Silvius. b. 1.1.  
Satius. Fragm.  
Pausan. 1.10.  
Ælian apud  
Hist. Anim.  
1634.Solinus 1.10.  
Pomp. Mela. 7.  
Strab. lib. 5.  
Plinius 10.11.  
Mathiol. In  
Dioscor. 6.14.Solinus  
Plin. 20.4.  
Lucan 8. 837.  
Strabo.

Brest.



Ætænan  
Clandian de  
bel. Gildanio  
Euphantian  
Dion. arephry.  
Sulph. Hith. 1.1  
Strabo

Brett-plates they sew together the out skins of their Rams, which they call *Mufmone*, bearing not wool as others, but in stead thereof hair like Goats. Their chiefest City is *Corfica*, looking towards *Africa* and from thence built, with a very fair Haven. *Corfica* is not to be compared with *Sardinia* either for largeness of Territorie, or for Riches, yet is thought to be the third in bigness of all those Islands. The inhabitants derive the name from one *Cofa* a woman, out of whose Heard a Bull crossed over into this Island from *Liguria*; the Greeks called it *Cyrnus*. It is Mountainous and Rugged, in many places almost impassible; and the people like to the earth are very rough, without ordinary civility, as untractable as the wild beasts. When they are taken prisoners they hardly grow gentle, but either out of impatience of labour and servitude kill themselves, or by their contumacy and stubbornness are troublesome to their masters.

Plinie 16.16  
Lycus 7.104  
Albernum b.  
Marrian.  
Capella  
Diodorus  
5.13  
Seneca Conf. ad  
Helianum c.8

The Island is plentiful in Honey, but it is of a bitter taste, much like the flower of Box, which tree in great number groweth there; yet it is very wholesome, and many think your Corficans to be therefore long-lived, because they ordinarily use that Honey. Their Towns are not very great nor very populous, yet there is above thirty of them, the principal whereof are *Aleria* a Colony of the Phœacians, and *Nicea* of the Etrurians. The Air is here very troublesome, and therefore the seas rough. The Carthaginians therefore had long wars with these nations, and obtained the dominion of both Islands, except places inaccessible. But because wild and rude men were easier to be vanquished than tamed, they brought themselves of many means whereby to keep them under, they likewise corrupted all the fruits of the Island, and under pain of death prohibited the Natives to sow or plant any such thing, that they might be forced to fetch all necessities from *Africa*, till at length grown somewhat more gentle they learned with patience to bear the yoke.

Ariftole  
arifi. danyla.  
arifi. danyla.  
arifi. danyla.  
arifi. danyla.

To these Islands at this time did *Cn. Cornelius* steer his course, and first in *Corfica* stormed the City *Aleria*, after which without much labour or danger he took the rest. From thence as he sailed towards *Sardinia*, he met the enemies Fleet, which he presently put to flight before they came to grapple. After this he went to *Olbia*, where seeing many Carthaginian ships in the Haven, and thinking himself not strong enough in force to storm a City so well fortified, and defended by a great multitude, for the present he omitted the business, and sailed home for a recruit of men.

Erta. ad Flo.  
2.1.16  
Zonaras.

About the same time a servile Commotion, in the City, which was in the beginning happily suppressed, did both afflict the Commonwealth with great fear, and likewise secure it. Many out of the new conquered Nations, were preffed for sea service, whereof there were then four thousand in *Rome*, most of them Samnites, these men abhorring the sea, did secretly bemoane their own Condition and so far exasperated one another that they were resolved to burn the City and plunder it: They had already drawn in above three thousand accomplices into the conspiracy, which daily gathered more strength, when *Erius Potellus*, Commander of the Auxiliaries, did by his wisdom prevent all danger. For he feigning himself engaged in the same faction, was made privie to all their Contrivances; he was acquainted with the number of them, nay, with the nation, and name of every particular person in the conspiracy; he knew the place and the time where and when they intended to act any thing. He now wanted nothing to the accomplishment of his own private design, but onely to discover theirs to the Senate, but thither he could not find no opportunity of going, because the Samnites would never suffer him to walk alone; at length having devised this trick, he perswaded them, That when the Senate next met, they should come by bands into the market-place, and complain that they were cheated in the Measure of their Corn, that then they should have occasion offered of executing their Purpose, or at least understand of what mind and opinion the Fathers will be in upon such sudden motions and stirs. And to gaine the more Credit in the business, he went along with them, manifesting himself not only a Companion in the Tumult, but the Author and Ringleader of it. Whereupon being called into the Senate he discovered to them the danger of the secret Plot and cause of his own dissimulation. The Fathers, taking no notice of what they knew, sent Messengers with good words to pacifie the Rout, and command them home, assuring them with all, That the Senate would take order for Redress of their Grievance, and that every one should enjoy his Right. The Conspirators, thinking their Designs was still kept close, went their way: The night following every Master bound his servants, whom according to *Pestilus* his Information, he knew guilty of the treason, the Samnites also were most of them seized upon in their Quarters. Either the care of this or some other business, or sickness was an hindrance to *C. Florus*, that he did not goe into *Sicily* so soon as ordinary, whereby *Hamilcar* after his last Victory had time much to encrease the Carthaginian Power there. For having taken *Camarina* and *Enna* by Treachery, he fortified *Drepanus*, where was a very fair Haven, and enlarged it in forme of a Town, bringing the Erycines thither to dwell, whose City, left should be servicable to the Romans he totally demolished, excepting the Temple of *Venus*. After this he reduced many other places under his power either by deceit or by force, and was in a likelihood of conquering all *Sicilie*, but that *Florus*, for this reason not daring in winter to forsake the Island, tarried to oppose him. The other Consul had an Easter Task with the Sardinians and Carthaginians at *Olbia*; whether being returned with encrease of strength, he found *Hanno* there, who after the removal of *Hannibal* was made Admiral. The battle was

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ing vehemently hot, *Hanno* courageously fighting, seeing his own party worsted, rushed in to the thicket of the Enemies and was there slain: After which the Town yielded itself. The Consul much graced the fame of his Victory by his singular humanity toward the Enemy. For he took care to have the Body of *Hanno* to be conveyed out of his Cabbin to Burial, and made a large Funeral for him, laying aside hatred after Death, and rightly judging that virtues to be honoured even in an enemy. Then not suffering the Terror of his late Victory to grow stale and be forgotten, he took many other Cities of *Sardinia*, furthering his Courage with Councils and stratagems. For he used in the night time to land some choice bands not far off those townes he meant to assault, who conveniently placing themselves in Ambush lay quiet, till the Consul coming to the walls and giving an Alarm, had under pretence of Flight drawn the Townsmen a good way out of their works, then they in Ambush hastily arising took the City void of Defendants: By this wile he obtained many places, and so prosecuted his Atcheivements, that the Carthaginian armies had no abiding place either in *Sardinia* or *Corfica*. For which cause, at his Return, there was no doubt made, but a most ample Triumph decreed him, which he made over the Carthaginians. *Sardinia* and *Corfica* the fifth of the Isles of *March*, having brought great store of plunder out of those Islands and many thousands of Captives. But in *Sicily* *C. Florus* besieged *Agathyrus*, which was attempted in vain, neither could it be gained till the new Consul *A. Atilius A.F. C.N.* came thither: For to him was allotted *Sicily* for his Province, the Navy was committed to his Colleague *C. Sulpicius Q. F. Q. N. Paternulus*. They understanding that *Panormus* was the Carthaginians winter Quarter, marched thither with all their Forces, and, ordering their Men, presented Battel to the Enemy, but no man coming out against them, they went thence to *Hippana*, which City in their journey they stormed and presently mastered. Thence *Atilius* marched to *Mythistratus*, which being stoutly defended, at length the Garrison soldiers, being wearied with the cries and Lamentations of women and Children, forsook it. The Carthaginians went out in the night time, at break of day the Townsmen opened the Gates. But the Romans bearing too much in mind the Incommodities they had endured in the siege thereof, slew every one they met without distinction of age or sex, till *A. Atilius* the Consul caused proclamation to be made, That both Plunder and Prisoners should belong to those who took them. Then at length Covetousness overcame Cruelty, and the rest of the Citizens were saved and made Captive: The City was plundered and demolished. The Army being thence led towards *Camarina*, fell into very great danger, for want of knowledge in the Country. For the Carthaginian General meeting them had first possessed the higher places, and as it were besieged the Romans rashly entered into a disadvantageous vallie, every one thought they saw before their Eyes the very picture of the *Caudine* overthrow; but the wisdom and Valour of *M. Calpurnius Flammas* a Colonell in the army, in their utmost point of despair did relieve them. For he following the Example of *P. Decius*, who being a Colonell in *Janninus* had done the like, taking three hundred soldiers along with him, went up to possess a certain Hillock, not out of hope to escape, but both he and his souldiers being animated with the Love of honour, and desire of saving the whole army: 'Tis said when he had brought them thither, he thus spake unto them, *Let us die, fellow Souldiers, and by our death deliver the Legions now roundly besieged*. And so it came to passe, for while the enemy converted themselves wholly upon these men, they being resolved to die, did so long maintain a sharp fight with the greater number, that the Consul had time to explicate himself out of that unhappy place. The Carthaginians having slain those who did indeed on purpose offer up themselves (putting no hope in their ambush which was now discovered) departed. The fortune of *Calpurnius* was next to a Miracle, for he being found among the heaps of his own and the enemy's dead bodies, was the only man had breath left in him; and being carried away and diligently fomented: (among many wounds having not one mortal) he recovered, and afterward did great and faithful service to the Commonwealth, and proved of great terror to the enemy. If he had among the Grecians performed such a deed of Valor, they would not have known how to have bestowed rewards, or have decreed Monuments enough to his Honor: *M. Gato* spud But being a Roman all the reward of such an exploit was a Garland made of Grass; nay, they were so negligent in the memory of the very Fact, that the name of this valiant man is scarcely known: Most Authors call him *Calpurnius*, but *M. Gato* calls him *Q. Cadius*; *Clandius Quadrigarius* gives him the name of *Labeius*: But the Consul being freed from those straits he was in, made his error an argument of shame, and his danger of watchfulness and circumspection. Therefore with the greater courage and care he proceeds to the assault of the City, and being not able to prevail against it without Engines of battery, he borrowed some of *Hiero*. With them he brake down the walls, and reduced *Camarina* into his power, the Citizens for the most part he sold for slaves. Thence he marched to *Enna*, and had that by treachery delivered to him; the Garrison souldiers were part of them slain by the Romans after they were entered, the rest fled away and betook themselves to places possessed by their own party. *Sittana* was obtained not by craft but courage, the defendants being driven back and the City stormed. Some smaller Towns in that part of *Sicily* made no delay, but forthwith sent messengers with promise of submission. The Consul placing Garrisons in all places convenient, marched into *Zonaras*, the *Agrentine* Territories, and by treachery had the Castle *Camici* delivered to him. *Florus* 2.2. Where.

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Fasti Capitol.

Eurapius b. 2.

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Diodorus

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Polybius 1.24.

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Whereupon the Garrison of *Erbesfluss* being disheartened, forsook the Town. So *Erbesfluss* came again into the Romans hands. The Consul Encouraged with this success, and thinking that many of the *Lipareans* favoured him, advanced with his Army to their City: But there he had not the like Fortune. For *Hamilcar* having intelligence of the Romans Design, privately entered *Lipara*, and diligently expected the time of Action. The Romans being ignorant of this, boldly and unwarily coming up to the walls, were by a sudden fall of the Carthaginians beaten back. Many were wounded in that Conflict, and no small number slain. In the mean time *C. Sulpicius* the Consul had many encounters with the Enemy in *Sardinia*, and all prosperous. And his mind was so erected, that he made bold to sail toward *Africa*.

The Carthaginians by no means enduring any such Attempt, once more made *Hannibal* Admirall, who since his flight out of *Sicily* had continued at *Carthage*, along with him they sent their best Sea Commanders, with Order, *To chase the Enemies Navy from their Country-shore*. He puts to Sea with a resolution to fight, but a Tempest prevented the Encounter, which being very violent on both Navies, drove them against their wills into more calme places: Both Admiralls fortuned into *Sardinian* Ports. There lying at Anchor, *Sulpicius* to draw the Carthaginians out to sea, suborned some, under pretence of Runnagates, to perswade *Hannibal*, that the Romans were again sailing to *Africa*. He being deluded by this Craft, suddenly setting sail, before he was aware, met with the Consul who in a convenient place waited for him: Many Carthaginian ships were sunk, before they knew what they were about, the Consul's stratagem being much favoured by a Mist opportunely arising: At length understanding what was the matter, the other ships went some back into the Haven, others drove themselves on shore, where the men landing themselves, most of the Vessels were taken empty: *Hannibal* despairing to recover the Port, betook himself to *Sulci*, where, in a sedition, being apprehended by the Carthaginians, who had fled out of the same fight, he was by them Crucified, saying, that his Folly and Rashness was the cause of their Overthrow. But this Victory of the Romans was an occasion of some loss to them afterwards. For being freed from fear of the Carthaginian Navy, while they boldly and securely waited the Grounds, they were suddenly routed by an unexpected incursion of *Sardinians* and Carthaginians, one *Hanno* being Commander. *C. Duilius* was this year Censor, and built the Temple of *Janus* in the *Herb-Market*. After this two Triumphs were made, the one of *C. Aquilius Florus* Pro-consul over the Carthaginians, the fourth of the Nones of October, the other of *C. Sulpicius* the Consul over the Carthaginians and *Sardinians*, the third of the Nones. When *C. Atilius M. F. M. N. Regulus*, and *Cn. Cornelius, L. F. Cn. N. Blasis* again were Consuls, the Senate ordered Sacrifices to be made for avoiding the Omen of some Prodigies. In the *Albano Mount*, and other places, and in the City it selle many stones fell as Haile; 'Twas thought fit to Solemnize the *Lavinian Festival*, and in order to that, a Dictator was created, *Q. Ogulnius, L. F. A. N. Gallus*. The Master of Horie was *M. Latorius, M. F. M. N. Plancianus, C. Atilius*, the Admirall having sailed to *Tyndarides* in *Sicily*, when he espied the Carthaginian Navy passing by, out of order, suddenly resolved to set upon it; And commanding the other ships to follow, hastily sets forward with ten, which were Ready, and with all speed both of sail and Oare endeavours to overtake the Carthaginians, still before him. *Hamilcar*, a very considerable Commander, was in that Fleet, who seeing but few ships near him, others scarce yet out of the Haven, the greater part still at Anchor, steering back, circumvented *Atilius*, and his ships with his whole Navy, nine of them he sunk presently, not able to maintain fight with so great a Number. The Admirals Frigate being better manned, and the Mariners encouraged by the presence of the Consul, brake out from amongst them by main strength and saved it selfe. For the other Roman Vessels were now come up, by whose help the Fortune of the Battell was changed. Eight of the Carthaginian ships were sunk, ten with all their men taken; the rest steered to the *Liparean* Islands. These things were done at Sea. The Land Forces were not so quick at their Work, having in vain assaulted the City *Lipara*: But with all hostility they spoiled the open Fields; the same Calamity also attended the Island *Melitis*, not farre distant. For these Exploits *C. Atilius* the Consul made a Navall Triumph over the Carthaginians. The same year *A. Atilius* the Pro-Consul Triumphed over the Carthaginians of *Sicily* the fourteenth of the Calends of February. The Romans were then in a very joyfull state and Condition, being Victors not onely at Land, but at sea also. And did now begin to Consult not onely of the Conquest of *Sicily* and the Neighbouring Islands, which they thought rare enough their own; but of invading *Africa* also, and bring the Terror of the War to the Gates of *Carthage* it selfe.



## BOOK VIII.



Afterwards *L. Manlius, A. F. P. N.* commonly called *Longus*, did enter upon the Consulship, and *L. Cadiarius, Q. F. Q. N.* after whole death, *M. Atilius, M. F. L. N. Regulus*, who had been sometimes Consul, succeeded in his Office. Then onely in this year *Africa*, which hitherto had been free from any miseries by an Enemy, began to be sensible of a war, when the Romans had made an invasion therein, after they had in a great Sea fight gained the Victory over the Carthaginians fleet, which exploits, as they were achieved, we shall in this Book set forth, and both the one and the other fortune of that same *Regulus*, and his end not suitable to the gallantry of the man; The year before when the Carthaginians, *C. Atilius* being Consul, did so strive to get the best in a Sea-conflict, that when they had lost many ships, they first gave over fighting, yet because they had sunk some certain of the Roman Vessels, they would not take themselves to have been of lesser reputation; On the other part, the Romans did judge that event as an undoubted Victory. So it was that the vast multitude on both sides did bend their mindes with greatest emulation to the study of Sea-Affaires. And therefore the Consuls being charged to remove the warre into *Africa*, when they were come to *Messana*, with an Armado of three hundred and thirty ships, and from thence passing by the Coast of *Sicily* on the right hand beyond *Pachinus*, to take in the Foot Forces, they having also some Forts near the Hill *Ennomus*, they failed forward. And about the same time *Hamilcar* General of the Carthaginians, and *Hanno* the Admirall, being Commanders of a Fleet of three hundred and sixty ships, having passed by *Lilybaeum* in *Carthage*, and then *Hieraclea Minoa*, in that bay they consult of calling Anchor, observing the motions of the Romans, and if they durst bend towards *Africa*, they were in a posture to stop their course; which when the Consuls were informed of, they with good advice make all things ready for either chance, that they might not be to seek for Counsell, whether they were to engage in a Sea-conflict, or to draw some whither for safety: therefore committing the ships to some of the stoutest Souldiers, they make four Squadrons, as so many parts of the whole fleet; the choicest men they set in the first Squadron, the two next Squadrons they place in their order, in the Rear-guard they put their chiefeest men for strength, the Triarii, these forces they dispose of in such array, that each ship did carry 300 rowers, and six score Souldiers. So the Muster-Roll in the whole Navy did amount to an hundred and forty thousand men.

The Carthaginians did somewhat exceed that number, leading more souldiers than an hundred and fifty thousand. And indeed the Consuls did scarce esteem of any other sort of souldiers in comparison of their own. There was so much the more consulting, when it did appear, they must needs fight in the deep Ocean; where the swiftness of the ships, and the skill of the Pilots are of much advantage, to the fit ordering the front of the battell array against that danger; finally they consider of placing the whole Fleet aright. They set two Gallies wherein the Consuls themselves were carried, very even in the Van, to both those Gallies they joyn on this side the first Squadron, on that side the second in a long continued row; the ships being placed in such manner, that the fore-cables of them all were turned outwards, and the

From the foundation of the City.

497. Capitoline Table.

Polyb. 1. 15. Orsius 4. 8. Polyb.

the Gallies did move almost joyned together, the ships next to those did keep from each other more apart, and so consequently the space left between the opposite ships did grow wider according to their being set in order. So when the form of the Van in manner of a wedge was shaped, with small distance between the first ships, and with great spaces between the last, then did they cause the third Squadron to advance, which bearing that open space between the two first ships, did merely by their order, exhibit a triangular form of the whole array; behind this, at the third Squadrons back, the long boats were drawn by a Barge with Cables to pull with, reaching to the ships of the *Triarii* souldiers. The *Triarii* the souldiers set in the Rear-ward, did to inviron the former, the ships being stretched out into a half circle, that from each Wing they did appear; So the whole body with a deep hollow front, the hindmost parts being firmly solid, did resemble the snout of a ship, not less able to receive a violent assault, then fit to give one.

But the Carthaginian Captains having intelligence by their Scouts of the approach of the Roman fleet, when they considered, the passage to their City was not difficult, the common sort were nothing manly, the bordering Neighbours inconstant, and very prone to fall from their fidelity, they conclude to go out to meet them: being resolved first to try all that might be, rather then they would suffer, that the Roman Vessels should have a safe Voyage into Africa. Therefore they betake them to their ships, encouraging their men in short, *That they would undertake the fight with minds firmly bent and chearfull, well remembering they were to fight, not only touching things present, but in reference to all things, which each one held precious at home; and with their own good hope, and that of their fellow Seamen, they lanch forth out of the Harbour; nor was the Romans fleet far distant, therefore not far from Hercules they give the shock against each other with equal stoutness.* The Carthaginian Captains did so provide, that *Hanno* should charge on the Right Wing, (but it was he that had been unfortunate at *Agripinum*) *Hamilcar* should be Commander over the rest. And they also divide their ships into four Squadrons, having observed the array which the Romans had made use of. Of these, that which was the left Wing of the whole array being crooked like a bow, did make towards the shore, the rest were extended in their plain order, and turned upon the first Squadron of the Enemies ships. Hereupon the Right Wing in which there were very swift Vessels with snouts and five oares in a seat, *Hanno* did stretch it out all he could towards the main Ocean, being ready to surround the Enemy, if the skirmish should begin at any other part. And the Consuls not staying long did venture themselves with their two Squadrons into the midst of the Carthaginian ships; *Hamilcar* that he might break the array of the Romans did charge his souldiers, when the Conflict began, they should presently take their flight, which being done, and the Romans eagerly pursuing them, the Carthaginians indeed had no hurt by their flying, in regard their ships were swift: but the array of the Romans, as *Hamilcar* wished, and had foreseen, was rent asunder, when yet the *Triarii*, and the third Squadron did keep their places, which, when he saw it performed, he suddenly gives a sign out of his own ship, that their fore-castles being turn'd, they should encounter those that did pursue them: the fight was doubtfull, the Carthaginians excelling in swiftness, and in skill for Navigation. The Romans being farre transcendent in the stoutness of their souldiers. Therefore so long as the fight rather of the ships, then of the men, did last, the Carthaginians had the better clearly: But when they began to fight hand to hand, the ships being fastned close with grappling irons, then the Victory did certainly incline towards the Roman party: When the souldier full of confidence through his hand-strokes, and fighting before the Consuls, did strive to approve his valour to them with a more notable endeavour: while the skirmish was so managed in that part, *Hanno* with the Right Wing, which hitherto he kept unmov'd, made a fierce assault, being carried by the tide amongst the ships of the *Triarii*, and did create them much troublefome work, when they were brought to great distress. At the same time almost, the Left Wing also of the Carthaginians, the first posture being changed, and with a front made even, does assail with dangerous beaks the third Squadron of the Romans, which drew their long boats by a Barge. The Romans having flippt their Cables, did prepare themselves for resistance: Hereal- to they shew much Gallantry: So in three places, there do happen even just to many Sea-fights, far distant from each other.

When they had fought so hard, the Victory long enough inclining to either side, at last it changed, as needs it must, where there is fierce bickering in sundry places at once, with equal force and vehemency, that the selfe-same part which is first routed, should cause the whole Victory. For when *Hamilcar* was utterly unable any longer to withstand the Violence of his Enemies, his single flight did immediately disperse even the whole fleet of the Carthaginian. For *L. Manlius* one of the Consuls, being very much busied about bringing together the ships that were taken, and chaining them to his own, *M. Regulus* elysing the fight to begin afresh in another place, he made haste to relieve his own side, taking to him the ships of the second Squadron, all that escaped out of the former fight safe and unshattered; The *Triarii* did soon perceive that relief, and recollecting their Spirits, which had even failed them in extremity of Danger, they began to oppose their Enemies with great undauntedness. *Hanno*, when he saw that both those before him made stout resistance, and that himselfe was so over-charged on the Rear with fresh supplies, hoisting up sail he did his best to avoid his approaching overboard. And when *L. Man-*

*lius*, amidst these tryalls beheld the third Squadron of the Romans to be enforced towards land by the Carthaginians Left Wing, he steer'd that way, and *M. Regulus* overtook him unawares, who had even now set the long boats and the *Triarii* out of harmes reach. So the state of things is soon quite changed, and they are surrounded very close, who but just before had hemmed the Romans in. Whom indeed being strangely encompassed, and in a manner straightly besieged, they might e're this have utterly destroyed, unless not daring to go near them for fear of the iron raven-beaks they were wont to grapple with, they gave the Consuls time enough, that themselves being safe they might even secure their own side, and the Carthaginians, that were environ'd by a sudden surprizeall, had leisure to take, as with a net, fifty ships, and all that were therein, so the other few stealing away by the very shore side did make their escape.

This Sea-conflict as well in regard of various ill accidents, and the eagerness of the encounter, as also for the number of ships lost on both sides, was of fair remark. Of the Carthaginian ships sixty and three were taken, above thirty were sunk. The Conquering Romans lost four and twenty by reason of foul weather, but not one of them did fall into the hands of the Enemy.

When this victory was over, returning to *Messana* they allotted certaine daies to mend their ships, and refresh their men, and to take in store of new provision. Amongst which *Zonaras* *Hamilcar* when he would not yield by any means, the Romans should go to Africa, but wanted strength to stop their march, he betook himself to stratagems, and fought, by sending *Hanno* to them to sue for peace, to prolong the time, till the arrivall of the forces which he lookt the Carthaginians would send him. *Hanno* when he made his address to the Consuls, and heard the exclamations of the people, that the same decree ought to pass against him, which five years before the Carthaginians had deliver'd against *Cornelius Africa* then Consul, he shifted off the threatened mischief with a subtill answer, *Verily if ye shall do so (saies he) ye shall not be better at all then the very Africans; and presently the Consuls well content what he said, commanding those to be silent that had voted him to chains, and there was a voice heard well becoming the gravity of the Roman stock, O Hanno, the faithful dealing of our City deserves thee from that fear.* It was in vain to move for peace because the Carthaginian did not deal sincerely, and the Consuls did rather aim at Victory then at Peace. Therefore they had no mind to defer any longer their intended voyage to Africa; Neither did the Carthaginian Commanders cross the design, though they engaged to each other, not to endure the enemy should march without disturbance, but to insist him from sundry quarters, and to bar his passage. *Zonaras* *Hamilcar* making halt to fortify *Carthage* beforehand, *Hamilcar* not daring to attempt ought, carries at *Hercules*. The Romans ships made a safe voyage free both from enemies and from tempests. And there wanted not some that did strangely abominate any travelling far by sea, and the enemies coast, and the very name of Africa. *Manlius*, an Officer among the souldiers, did first begin to speak ill of government, but *Regulus* was so incensed against him, that he threatened him that scourges and the axe should be his lot, unless he would submit. So at length the Consul was obeyed, and the nearer and the greater fear did expel the dread of travelling by sea. The Promontorian sea. That coast was first found out by the Roman ships, then after a little stay while the whole fleet came up together, the Consuls having passed by the coast of Africa, they arrived at the Citie *Clupea*. Here the souldiers are exposed to hazard, and when the ships were put into harbor, there was a Trench drawn round for the more security. The Citie because it refused to surrender, was besieged, and presently through the timorousness of the Citizens it being either yielded or deserted (for tis reported either way) it was reduced to the obedience of the Romans.

But the Carthaginians though they did endure things truly harsh, and very strange, yet they rejoiced at their weal, that they fared somewhat better then they expected: for when they heard what issue the sea-fight had, they were fore afraid, least presently the conquering forces would have been drawn even against *Carthage* it self. Therefore re-assuming some courage after their former fright, they were fully bent to make what strength they could to defend their City and the Suburbs thereof. Mean while the Consuls having sent messengers to *Rome* which would acquaint the Senators what exploits had been achieved already, and should beseech their advice touching new attempts, they make *Clupea* a Garrison, that they might make use of *Zonaras* that feat of war. And having set a guard to defend the City and field adjoining, they march, which a great way forward with all their other forces, they utterly waste a very fruitful Country, from the dayes of *Agathocles* had not seen the sword of an enemy; they destroy many goodly Villages, they force away whole droves of cattel, moreover they lead away by force above twenty thousand men, no man daring to gainstay; they also take many Towns by storm or by surrender, wherein they apprehend several Revoltors, and set free many Roman Captives, that were taken in the late wars, amongst whom I believe even *Cn. Cornelius* to have been, that was chosen Consul again after two years were expired. While things are thus acted, they that were sent to *Rome* by the Consuls, return with Orders from the Senate. One of them was commanded to quarter in Africa, with such considerable forces as they held needful to be kept there. The other was required to bring back the rest of the fleet, and the residue of the army

*Zonas* to Rome. So Winter now drawing near, *M. Regulus* continued there with almost fifteen thousand foot, five hundred horsemen, and with forty ships, what remained of the Fleet being richly laden with Captives, and other booty *L. Manlius* having safely passed by the Coast of Sicily, he carried back to Rome. I find he led along with him to Rome twenty seven thousand Captives, and the Navall Triumph over the Carthaginians was ordain'd for him. Afterwards *Ser. Fulvius*, *M. F. M. N. Patinus* the more noble, and *M. Atilius*, *M. F. L. N. Paus.* were made Consuls.

The Government of Sicily and the Command of the Fleet are committed to the charge of those two: They were not minded to call back *Regulus* from amidst his Victories, while he went on prosperously in Africa; and he was ordered by the Proconsul to manage the War there. That decree of the Senate no one did wrothly resent, than he himself, for whose honour

*Livie. Epit.* 18 it was made. Therefore in his Letters to the Senate he made that his grievance, and set it as the main ground of his suit, that another might succeed him in his Office, upon the death of his Bailiff (he undertook to manure a piece of ground of seven Acres, which his Master had in *Papilio* having gained an opportunity, he thence delivered up his Commission, and left his charge; wherefore he must needs depart, least in his absence, when his ground lay untill'd, his wife and children should want bread. And the Senate did ordain, that *M. Regulus* his ground should be dressed at the Publick charge, that what damage he had sustained should be made good, and that provision should be made for his wife and children. Such good orders were then in use!

But when I read of or relate these things and the like, I cannot chide but recollect with my self, which is the more lasting recompence for virtue, a reward by Coin, or by commendation; by pounds, or by praise. *M. Regulus* his renowne does endure many ages after his death; the wealth of others hath perisht with their Masters, and oftentimes before them: In the mean season the Carthaginians having chosen two Generalls at home, *Aidubal*, *Hanno's* sonne, and *Bostar*; they sent also for *Hamilcar* their third Commander in chief to come out of Sicily. Who with five thousand Foot, and five hundred Horse came in all haste from *Heraclia* to Carthage. These having called a Councell do decree, that the Army should not be kept within Walls, as the manner heretofore had been, neither should the Roman souldiers be permitted to do what they list without any punishment. So when they were encouraged to wage War, the Army was drawn out.

In the mean time *M. Regulus* did march to all places near adjoining, through which the River *Bagrada* does slide, subduing all before him, not far from which the Romans that held certain Castles, were smitten with a sudden pestilence, and lost many, and were fore amazed. A water-Serpent of huge bigness did set upon the souldiers, and they being much affrighted, and resisting all in vain, the Serpent did swallow down many of them with his wide yawning jaws, others he bruid'd to pieces with his furious windings, and with the strokes of his tail, some again he paylond to death with the blasting of his pestiferous breath, and he made so much ado for *M. Regulus*, that with all his forces he must fight with the Serpent for the possession of the River, which when it was done with the loss of many souldiers, and the Dragon could neither be overcom, nor wounded, he with his extrem hard cruelt of Scales easily repelling, what ever darts they did throw at him, they must make use of Engines, and without great Guns and Mortar-pieces, like a well fenced

*Florat. 2. 2.* Tower, the Enemy is not to be overthrow; After severall hurlings that were made in vain, a great stone being cast, did break his back-bone all to shivers, and did dissolve the vigorous violence of the formidable Monster. And the business was effected with so much difficulty, and with so great terror to Horse and Foot, that the souldiers did averre they had rather oppose Carthage it selfe, then such another Monster. And the Camp could stay there no longer, but must flin the infected waters, and all the Country round about, which was blatted with the contagious stink of his lying there. This was some thing to the pride of men, which are wont to think very fondly, that they can Conquer all things. Truly when *M. Regulus* was General, that had been Conquerour by Sea and Land, one single Serpent when he was alive, did hold the whole Roman Army in plea, and being killed, he made the Army draw off. And therefore the Proconsul did hold it no immodesty to send the spoils even of this very Enemy to Rome, and to acknowledge with a publick Monument the greatness of his own fear, and his rejoicing at the victory. For he took order the skin of the beast should be taken off and carried to Rome, which is reported to have lasted even till the Wars at *Numantia*. When the Camp was remov'd from *Bagrada*, the Consull commanded the Army towards the City *Adu*, all Towns and Castles being won and demolisht that lay in their road.

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fore encouraging his souldiers, and diligently observing what reason did suggest, he goes out of his Camp before the dawning of the day, and does cause his army to advance towards the hill directly opposite, where the Carthaginians had pitcht their Tents. First of all, the audacious confidence of the Romans did even amaze the Carthaginians, which being far less in number did set upon such a vast army even in their own trenches, from a low place, and of great disadvantage. Then they were in the greater confusion even in this respect, because the horsemen and Elephants, from which they did hope for most assistance, were not only of no advantage, but did extremely hinder and disturb them, and the very time did augment their trembling, that the Romans did set upon them unawares, and most of them, as yet, being fall asleep, there fore many of them are put to the sword even in their beds, the others straggling in their amazed flight, and not knowing where to hide themselves, were taken by parties set on purpose to way-lay them.

Nevertheless the Carthaginians Mercenary souldiers, the Spainards and the French, being instantly in a good posture, and fighting Courageously on the other side of their bulwark it was doubtfull a great while which would get the upper hand. The forlorn horse even now being put to the run, the whole Roman army had been overthrow, if the horse from another quarter that were commanded to wheele about had not in the very nick of time charged the enemy on the reare that were pursuing those which fled. Then they also which a little before had deferred their station might now be rallied up and encouraged to fight afresh. So the enemy being set upon both sides, when he had for a long time with much gallantry made resistance, he was constrained to cry quarter. When the Carthaginians saw what was done, immediately they fling themselves out of their Sences, and fall to running with all the speed they could make, and indeed the Elephants and the horsemen when once they came into plaines they could retreat well enough and safely too. The Conquerors having purified the infantry somewhat far, they turn back at length to throw down their fortifications. In this Battell there were leventene thousand of the Carthaginians that were slain, five thousand are reported to be taken prisoners, and eighteen Elephants. The success of this battell did purchase the Romans much friendship not only from all the Countreys round about, but even from people that were most remote. And in few days about fourscore walled towns vowed fidelity to the Romans. Whereas upon the news that *Tunis* such a fenced City was taken by *Regulus*, did even although the Carthaginians that were greatly straitened before, and which was built twelve miles from Carthage, least it suffer what ever they did there to be kept secret from the enemy, then being a fair prospect both to the very City it selfe, and to the sea hard by.

And the terrible dread of their war with the Romans did not only dance round the Carthaginians, but the Numidians also, out of an old grudge being stirred up by a fresh opportunity, took up arms, and by spoiling and firing the Carthaginian towns, brought more terror and misery upon them, then the Romans did. And the Boores from all parts flying for refuge to the City, did cause not only a huge dread, but also a great dearth, when such a multitude of people did devour a world of provision, and the avarice of the owners did conceal the plenty as yet in store, who gaping greedily for gain by that Common Calamity were full of hope the price of victuals would raise daily according to the decrease of their most necessary food. Whereupon it followed, the Embassy of *Marcus Regulus* was hearken'd to with greater heed, who aiming at the honor of finishing the war, and fearing lest some one that might succeed him with a new commission from Rome should prevent him, he moves the Carthaginians to Conditions for peace. To that purpose some of the prime Senators are sent unto him, but when they saw strange harsh conditions offer'd, and their business at a stand, they took their leave of *M. Regulus*, who was verily perswaded he had Victory by the hand. Sicily forsooth, and all *Sardinia* were commanded to yield, to send freely home what Romans they had taken, to ransom their own men, to bear the whole charge of the war, and to pay besides a pension by the year. They had other impositions, full as burthenome as these. That they should be confederates with the Romans for offence and defence, that they should use but one great ship; But the Romans they should assist with fifty galleys well appointed as oft as they should be required. The Embassadors being transported with wonder at such Articles, and that *Regulus* might grant his vanquish supplants more milde conditions, he made this answer, *Men must either Conquer or crutch to those that subdue them.* By the return of which words the Carthaginians were much incensed, though they had often made suite for peace, yet they are fully bent, rather to endure the work that could happen than to embrace those Conditions, which they held no other than the bondage and servitude of their Citie.

In that state, of affairs certain ships which were sent to waite some souldiers into Greece, did return when they had gathered up no small body of Mercenary souldiers; Among these there was one *Xanthippus*, by race a *Lacedaemonian*, who did couple the noble exercise of warfare with the discipline of his Country, wherein he had been well trained up from his youth. He sufficiently understanding what feats had been done already, and having insight enough into the other furniture of the Carthaginian forces, of the Elephants and Horsemen, he made bold to speak a proud word openly, that the Carthaginians were not subdued by the Romans, but by themselves, by the weakness of their Commanders, that knew not the duty of their places. This rumor being soon dispers'd, when *Xanthippus* was call'd before the Magistrates, he does produce

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such evident reasons of that his judgement, that scarce ought could be more manifest; *he shews* them that in all their expeditions, in making their Fort, in joining Battell, it was their manner still to pick out places utterly unfit, if they would listen to his advice, he does assure them not only of safety, but also of Victory. When several of the Chief Citizens do approve of his judgement, and the very Commanders also themselves, and with beseeching modestly preferring the welfare of their Country before his single opinion, they agree and ordain that the guidance of his Army should be committed to a foreigner; *Xanthippus* having undertook his charge, daily drawing his souldiers out of the City, he does accustom the field Forces to observe and change their ranks, and instantly to do what they are commanded, and the confidence of better success does fill the souldiers with admiration of him, the whole City being cherished even in desperation, is raised up to expect joyfull things to come. When the Commanders behold this universal Cheerfulness, they also taking heart thereby, resolve to give the Enemy another charge, and encouraging their souldiers, as opportunity did require, they march out against the Romans, even with almost twelve thousand Foot, with four hundred Horse, and well nigh as many Elephants; that thing alone did perplex the Romans, that they saw the Carthaginians make their inroads through the plain fields, having changed their first design, avoiding all steep and craggy places: But being puffed up with pride through their constant felicity, they set at nought the souldiers that were wont to vanquish, and *Gracchus* his Leader. And *Regulus* was not corrupted with that flattering poison of fortune waiting on him. When he well considered that he had routed the Sea-Forces of the Carthaginians, and the foot Souldiers too, that he had taken almost two hundred Townes, two hundred thousand men, and that *Carthage* being fore streighted, might be enforced to surrender, he denied them peace when they sued for it on reasonable termes, and wrote to *Rome*, That the very Gates of *Carthage* which he had begit did tremble at him. So also moderation hath often deserted great Spirits in prosperity, then constancy in adversity: But the Carthaginians having pitcht their tents in a plain field, *M. Regulus* whose chiefest strength was in his infantry, and thither he could not be followed but over Mountinous and steep difficult places, thinking it all one to his Valour where he fought, he was not afraid to trust himself in the Camp, even to the greater vanishing of his confidence, passing over the river that was in the midst, and distant from the Enemy even two hundred thousand paces. *Xanthippus* perceiving the indiscretion of the Roman Leader, did avouch this would be the very time, wherein he would performe what he had promised the Carthaginians; for he had got the Romans even tired with long Marching, where his heart could with them; he nothing doubted the Victory would be certainly his own; the time also did seem most commodious for the fight, because the day now drawing towards the evening, the *Africans* knowing well all places thereabout, if they should be overcome, they might make their escape the better in the night, or if they should conquer, the night would not hinder the pursuit of the Victory. Therefore the Carthaginians consulting what was to be done, *Xanthippus* calling for the help of Gods and Men, that they might not lose such a singular opportunity he did earnestly persuade his men to undertake the Battell, so much the easier, because the souldiers themselves crying out to *Xanthippus*, they did of their own accord with unusuall cheerfulness desire to encounter with the Enemy, therefore the charge of the main affair is granted to the *Spartan*, he draws out the Army, and does exercise them after this manner. A four square body of 8000 Carthaginians, which were the prime Chosen men of all their foot, was set for a relieve; before this body, a convenient space being left between, the Elephants are set in order, being drawn up as broad as that square body, on either Wing the Horse are placed, behind these on the Right Wing stands the main body of hired souldiers. The Army being set in such array, he commanded the skirmishers, that having thrown their darts, they should stand in open order for the advantage of their own side, and when their main body should joyn with the Enemy, they should violently break out again from the Wings, and should on a sudden furiously flanke the Romans, when they were charging the opposite reserve. On the contrary part *Regulus* having well drawn up his Army, when he saw the Elephants in the Front of the Carthaginians, he soon takes advice, he brings his souldiers lightly armed to the Van, he sets the well Compact foot-Companies in the Reserve, the Horse are drawn up in the Wings, the Army is firme in respect of depth, but much narrower then before; so that the chief danger being feared from the Enemies Elephants and Horsemen, they did indeed take a right course against the Elephants, but being in an open and Champain Country, there was room sufficient for the Horse to surround, the whole Army being so close compacted. The Fight was began by the Elephants, which *Xanthippus* commanded to be led against the opposite Regiments, and the Romans making a great shout, set forward to meet them. The Horse were likewise engaged in both Wings, but the Romans being much inferior in Number, and not able to resist the Enemies charge, fled away. But the Foot which were of the Left Wing, (whether it were to avoid the Elephants, or that thereby they thought the more easily to obtain the Victory) charged the Mercenaries, and putting them to flight, pursued them to their very Camp. The rest of the foot had an harder taske against the Elephants, by whose vast bodies their ranks were disordered, themselves trodden under foot, and whole Companies like a falling house, struck down to the ground, yet the very thicknes of the Battell hindered them from breaking through; till at last they were distressed on all parts, for the Flanks and Rear were galled by the Horse, the foremost who made a shift to break through the Elephants, were slain by the Enemy

Enemy standing yet Entire, and the light armed men flying in upon them. There was no less execution done in the Flight, the Elephants and *Nomidian* Horse pursuing them in an open plain field. *Regulus* with almost five hundred souldiers was taken alive by the Enemy; of the whole Army there escaped but about two thousand (who had charged and put to flight the Mercenaries) *Florus* 2.2. *Polyb.* *Oxyg.* *Diap.* *Eutropius* *Polyb.* Of the Carthaginians there were not many wanting beside eight hundred of the Mercenaries, who had fought against the Left Wing of the Enemy. When the Army returned to *Carthage* after to great a Victory, carrying the Roman General Prisoner, a multitude of Citizens came out to meet them, others standing in the streets, or in their houses, beheld the spectacle with wonderfull Pleasure, which they durst lately scarce hope for; their mindes being not capable to believe so great a Happiness attending them; For being of late so near despair, giving not only their Country, but very City for lost, they durst scarce believe to great a Change, though they saw it with their eyes: But they took most special notice of the Generalls, every ones eye and thought being settled on them, looking sometimes on *Xanthippus*, sometimes on *Regulus*, Extolling the greatness of their own Commander, by the Elimination they had of the other. *He must of necessity be a gallant Man who hath overcome so stout a General, so fortunate a Warrior, a grand Conquerour, an implacable Enemy, the Terror and Plague of Carthage, now of a sudden bereaved of a numerous Army, having lost his antient Fame and Liberty together.* Their Admiration was increased by the habit and Garbe of the Man, who under a small body, and none of the best looks, carried a large and virtuous mind. For this Exploit *Xanthippus* had much glory, and withall as much envy, to avoid which he used as much art as in finishing the Warre, for whereas he might justly expect an everlasting reward of his good service at *Carthage*, yet he resolved to leave those doubtful hopes and fill of Treachery, and return home, before other mens affections, or his own fortune were altered. For this is for the most part the disposition of men, that openly they profess the love of their Country, but really study their own private good; as long as their City being in safety, they can obtain and quietly enjoy Honour and Riches, they pretend mighty love to their Country: But where there is danger left they should bestow the same benefits on others for their egregious merits, they had rather want a man who doeth good to the Common-wealth, than have him in the least way hinder their private commodity: As long as they think themselves able to equal others, their envy is hidden and more remote, but when they see themselves farre exceeded, and that Honour duely given to others which they desired for themselves, then what they were not able by virtue to obtain, they seek it by Calumnies and Criminations. So that the best men have ordinarily most Enemies and are most subject to Treachery; But a Native of the Country hath some remedy against this Evil in his Friends and kindred: A stranger being void of all helpe and assistance increaseth the Malice of degenerate mindes by his being easy to be hurt, in that he is more exposed to Treasons, and may without a great labour or danger be offended, affronted and undone. That *Xanthippus* apprehended and considered these things, the sequel doth evidently demonstrate. 'Tis reported he was drowned by some sent after him from the Carthaginians, who after so great a benefit received, hated the Author of it, who being once dead, they thought it would quickly be forgot that their Country was preserved by a Foreigner.

Others deny *Xanthippus* thus to have perished, yet confesse the Treachery of the Carthaginians, who at his Departure allotted him an old ship, full of Leakes, fairly pitcht over as if it had been sound, but that he discovering the Cheat, went aboard on another ship and escaped the danger. About the same time they committed another fact of no less Treachery, but much more cruell, by reason of the number that perished thereby. The Mercenaries in somewhat a tumultuous manner claiming a Reward of their paines taken, and happy Valour, were put into ships being made believe that in some other place they should have their Desire: But the Captains of the ships who had such private Order, landed them and left them in a Barren Island, where being destitute of all helpe from man, without food, without ships, having famine on one side, and the Sea on the other, they pined away and perished; a fowl and horrid kind of Death. Others referre this Fact to former times, when there was warre between the Syracusans and Carthaginians, and that the Island was thereupon called *Ofidera*, or the *Bonie* Island, it lieth in the main Sea beyond *Lipara* Westward. These deeds whensoever and howsoever performed, do nothing disagree with the Carthaginians usuall Cruelty. And if thus they served their Friends and Associates, it is no wonder, they were more then ordinarily severe against their Enemies. Other Prisoners indeed were somewhat tolerably well used, for they likewise had many Captives at *Rome*, for whom they intended to make an Exchange. But against *M. Regulus* they could neither cover nor moderate their Anger, but vexed and afflicted him all manner of ways; they allowed him food which was neither pleasant to the Palate, nor strengthening to the Body, but which with much adoe by a slight nourishment served to produce his Miserable life. But more grievous were the Contumelies and Reproaches daily heaped upon him, amongst the rest, they would frequently on a sudden introduce an Elephant, to fright him with the noise and ugly shape of it, not suffering him to rest neither in Mind or body, and being thus miserably handled, and brought low, they cast him into the common Gaole.



When these things were heard at Rome, the City was filled not only with great grief but with fear also; for they mistrusted least the Carthaginians, provoked with the sense of their own calamities, and encouraged by this victory, should recompense them in the like kind and dare to come even to the walls of Rome to inflict on them the same mischiefs themselves had suffered. The Senate therefore commanded the Consuls, *To strengthen Italy as diligently as might be with sufficient Garrisons, themselves with a vast Navy to sail into Sicily, and thence if they thought fit into Africa, to divert the Carthaginians from any expedition into Italy.* But the Carthaginians in the first place made it their care to reduce those Cities which the Romans had possessed, to punish those Africans who had revolted from them, and by strength of arms to vanquish those who perished in rebellion. *Clupea* was indeed by the Romans stoutly defended, but in *Numidia*, and over the other Africans (though their war was great) their victory was easy.

In the mean time, understanding that a great Fleet was preparing in Italy, they left the siege of *Clupea* which they had commenced, trimmed up the old ships, built new ones, and studiously endeavour'd to prevent the Romans from landing on the African shore. The Consul used such incredible diligence, that by the beginning of Summer they had three hundred and fifty ships ready fitted and laden, with which sailing to Sicily, when they found all things safe there, no danger, but that they were full of expectations and fears, they left Garrisons where most need was, and with the rest of their army sailed towards Africa. But being by a tempest forced upon *Cosura* (an Island between Africa and Sicily, near the Promontory of *Lilybæum*) they waited the grounds there, took a City of the same name, and plac'd a Garrison in it. Then they let forward to the Promontory of *Hermæus*, which being in the mid-way between Carthage and *Clupea*, shuterh in one side of the Carthaginian Gulf. At this place the Carthaginian Navy met them, and a very sharp fight was enter'd into on both sides, when help came to the Romans from *Clupea*, which totally inclin'd the victory, being before doubtful. An hundred and four of the Carthaginian ships were sunk, thirty taken, and fifteen thousand soldiers lost; on the Roman side eleven hundred men were lost, and nine ships. The fleet then sail'd to *Utica*, where they landed their men, and pitched their Camp near the City. The Carthaginians likewise brought their forces thither under the conduct of *Hanno*, where in a land fight they were overcome with the loss of above nine thousand men. There were some Noble men taken prisoners, whom the Consuls reserved whereby to redeem *M. Regulus* and others who were in the like condition. They then consulted on present affairs, and conceived great hopes they might keep Africa in possession: Nevertheless the country round about being plunder'd and spoiled, they, fearing a famine, thought fit to return into Sicily, together with those Romans who had defended *Clupea*. They carried away very vast and rich spoils, which had been laid up in *Clupea* in the time of *Regulus* his prosperity, and much encreas'd by late victories. They had a safe Voyage into Sicily, and sufficiently fortunate had been the Consuls if they would have set a bounds to their happiness. But because in their return to Italy they thought by the by to take some Port towns of Sicily, not regarding the ship-masters counsel (who advised them, *Not to sail in those dangerous and rough seas against the coast of Africa, nor Orion and the Dog Star were rising*) they suffered such shipwreck by tempest as hath hardly been heard of, of three hundred threescore and four ships, scarce fourscore, having cast out all their lading, were saved; much about the same number of horse-boats and other sorts of vessels were lost, inasmuch as the whole shore, even from the coast of *Camarina* (where the storm began) to *Pachynus*, was filled with the Corps of dead men, and horses, and pieces of broken ships. In this their hard distress the humanity of King *Hiero* was no small comfort to them, who bountifully entertained them, furnishing them with cloths, and victuals, and tacking for their ships, and conducted them safe to *Messana*. But the Carthaginians made no delay to take advantage of this their misfortune, they presently regained the Island and City of *Cosura*, and forthwith crossing over into Sicily besieged *Aggrigentum* under the command of *Carthago*, and no relief coming, they took it and demolished it: A great multitude of persons were here slain and taken prisoners, the others, who escaped through the midlands into the territories of *Syracuse*, planted themselves in a Village near the Temple of *Jupiter Olympus*. Neither were they out of hopes of recovering the whole Island, but that the Romans associates confirmed and strengthened themselves against present fears, hearing what diligence was used in preparing a new Navy; for the Consuls were so intent upon the work, that with wonderful speed, in the space of three months, an hundred and twenty ships were built. With these *Cn. Cornelius L.F. C.N. Scipio Africa*, and *A. Attilius A.F. C.N. Calpurnius* being Consuls again, having made a new levy of stout soldiers, were commanded with the first opportunity to set to sea. This *Cn. Cornelius* was a great example of the Inconstancy of Fortune, and of Patience in Adversity, for having seven years ago, when he was Consul, been circumvented by the craft of the Carthaginians, and suffer'd captivity, imprisonment and chains, and whatsoever misery is incident to man's kind, he now refused not only the other Ornaments of his degree, but likewise the Consular Dignity with so much the more joy, by how much the sadder misfortune he had been before bereaved of them.

The Consuls having arrived at *Messana*, and joyn'd to themselves what ships they found there, being chiefly the Relicks of the last shipwreck, sail'd with two hundred and fifty ships

to the mouth of the River *Himera*, and took by treachery the Town of *Cephaladium*, some eighteen miles distant upon the same shore: From *Trepanus* (for thither they had fled) their course they departed without effecting their purpose, being not able to take it on the sudden, and *Carthago* having sent thither supplies in case of a siege. Being not thereby discouraged from farther attempts, they happily accomplished another design of greater moment. They directed their course to *Panormus*, the principal City of the Carthaginians jurisdiction, and possessing the Haven, face down under the very Walls, and the Panormitans refusing to yield, they encompass'd the City with a Ditch and Bulwark. The nature of the ground favour'd their intendments, yielding plenty of materials and wood for their works, which being finish'd, they began the assault, and battered down with their Engines a Tower by the sea side, and the soldiers entering by the breach, with great slaughter of the enemy, took the outward City, which was called *New Panormus*, the old City did not long hold out, for a great number flying thither out of the new City, bringing along with them more terror than provisions, they were dejected with consideration of their present danger, and fearing sudden scarcity, sent messengers to the Consuls with proposals to yield up all but their bodies; the Consuls knowing the wants of the besieged, accepted not the conditions unless they would redeem themselves at a certain price. Every head was valued at two *Mine*, fourteen thousand persons were ransomed, the rest, being thirteen thousand were sold together with the plunder. This Victory was very glorious of great and sudden concernment, for hereupon many Towns on that coast, some also far distant, call out the Carthaginian Garrisons and submitted themselves to the Romans. The Jetines began, and their example was followed by the *Solutines*, *Petines*, *Tyndaritanes* and others. Affairs being thus transacted, and a Garrison left at *Panormus*, the Consul returned to *Messana* and so to Rome. The Carthaginians lying in wait for them at their return, surpris'd some ships of Burthen with *Zanarus* money in them.

At Rome there was two Naval Triumphs made immediately one after another, by the former Consul (whose command was prorogued) over the Corsicans and Carthaginians; *Serv. Fulvius* triumphed the thirteenth of the Calends of February, and *M. Aemilius* the day after. The five hundredth year after the foundation of the City a fruitless expedition was made into Africa. *Cn. Servilius Cn.F. Cn.N. Capis*, and *Cn. Sempronius T. F. T. N. Blæus* being Consuls, crossed over into Sicily, where having in vain attempted *Lilybæum*, they directed their course to Africa with two hundred and threescore ships, and sailing along the coast and sometimes landing, they took many Towns and got great plunder. They effected nothing of greater moment, being hindred of entering into the most convenient Towns by the Carthaginians who every where met them with very good courage, having recovered whatsoever *M. Regulus* had possessed, and punished the revolters. For *Hamilcar* having ranged through *Numidia* and *Mauritania*, had reduced and quieted all that Tract, imposing a fine of a thousand Talents of silver, and twenty thousand Oxen, and punishing the prime men who were thought to favour the Romans, three thousand whereof were Crucified. But the enemies encounter was not so formidable to the Romans as their own ignorance in the places, and their dangers in the sea; for sailing to *Meninx*, an Island of the *Lophagi*, near unto the lesser *Syrte*, they struck upon shallow places, the Tide going out, and were detain'd till the ships being emptied of their burthens, were by the Tide coming in again relieved from extreme danger. Having therefore escap'd to a great distress, and fearing those dangerous places, without delay they sail'd away as if they fled, not that no less a calamity attended them then what they had avoided. To *Panormus* indeed they returned very safe, but in their Voyage to Italy, as they sail'd about the Promontory of *Palinurus*, which reacheth out into the sea from the Lucanian Mountains, a terrible storm arising sank above threescore great ships, together with many horse-boats and vessels of Burthen. The City being exceedingly grieved at such frequent losses, as if the very winds and water deny'd the Romans the Sovereignty of the sea, the Senate decreed that their Navy should consist but of threescore ships, for the guard of Italy and transportation of provisions to their Army in Sicily. Nevertheless this misfortune hindred not one of the Consuls *C. Sempronius* from his Triumph over the Carthaginians on the Calends of April, ten days after *Cn. Cornelius* Proconsul had made the like Triumph. There were Censors that year created at Rome, but *L. Posthumius L.F. L.N. Megellus* (who was likewise then Pretor) dying in his Office, the other Censor *D. Junius D. F. D.N. Pera* did also lay down his Office.

The next Summer *C. Aurelius L.F. C.N. Cotta*, and *P. Servilius C.F. Cn. N. Geminus* being Consuls, crossed over into Sicily, and amongst other Towns took *Himera* (upon the River *Himera*) but void of Inhabitants, whom in the night time the Carthaginians had carry'd away. Yet it was a great advantage to have the possession of so considerable a place, and hereby the Romans wip'd away that disgrace they had heretofore received at this City, for they had fail'd of their expectation of taking this City (named likewise *Therma*) by the covetousness of their soldiers. [For a certain Captive within the City, to whom was committed the custody of one of the Gates, that he might thereby recover his liberty, did upon an appointed night give admittance to the Roman Soldiers, who were sent to take possession of the City. When the chief of them were enter'd, they desiring to ingross the richest spoils unto themselves, gave order, *To leave the Gates shut again and no more men to be let in.* Whereupon the Thermitar's receiving an Alarm took arms, and the Romans by reason of their small number not able to resist,

reflit, and having no reliefe from their Friends, whom they had shut out, were rewarded according to their Folly, being every man of them slain.] *Himera* being thus reduced into the Roman Power, *C. Aurelius* the Consul thinketh of besieging *Lipara*, which had been so often in vain attempted; And in order thereto gathereth together the choicest souldiers they had in all *Sicily*, and borrowing ships of *Hiere*, transporteth them into the *Liparaan* Island. From whence having occasion to return to *Melana*, to consult the Entrails of Sacrifices, he deputed his Lieutenant in the siege his Kinman *P. Aurelius Pecuola* (some say *Q. Caffius* a Colonel) with order, diligently to defend the Works, but otherwise not to fight at all. But he, not observing the Consuls advice, and thinking it would much redound to his Credit, to take *Lipara* in his absence, made an Assault upon the City, and that to his Cost; for, not being able to Master it, he lost many men, and by a fallly out of the Town had one of his Forts set on fire, having also much ado to defend his Camp. But upon the return of *Aurelius*, Fortune wheeling about, there was a very great slaughter made at the taking of the City, after which he proceeded to the punishment of the Colonel, whom he commanded to be beaten with stripes, and take pay among the common souldiers; a very remarkable severity, whereof he made some other proofes in the time of his Consulship. When *Lipara* was taken, an Immunity was granted to the Posterity of *Timasichus* (once Governour of these places) that they should for ever be free from all Taxes and Tribute; wherein the Romans manifested the cunctancy of their Thankfulness, not to be outworne by time, because when the Pirates of *Lipara* had taken a Golden Cup, which they had sent to *Apolla* of *Delphos*, *Timasichus* caused both it, and the Embassadors who conveyed it, to be safely conducted into *Greece*, and the Men back again to *Rome*.

The Romans afterward besieging *Eriza* a very strong Castle, with forty thousand foot, and a thousand Horse, were neither able to take it, neither durst they fight with the Carthaginians: For since the misfortune of *M. Regulus*, the Romans stood so much in fear of the Elephants that they always avoided Battell. Oftentimes within the Territories of *Lilybæum*, and often in the *Selinuntian* fields, they have stood in Battell-array about halfe a mile from the Enemy, yet durst neither venture according to their wonted Courage, to begin the Charge, or defend into plain and open ground, but still kept themselves in craggy and difficult places. The Carthaginians hereupon erecting their Spirits, (seeing they now had Confidence in their land Army, and knew the Romans had greater losses by tempests at Sea, then themselves by unluckie fights, especially having intelligence of the Senates Resolution to set out no more Navies) conceived hopes of recovering *Sicily*, if they did but send good store of land and sea-forces thither. But their main impediment was want of Money, the late continual Warres having exhausted their Old store, and consumed their new raised Taxes. They sent therefore Embassadors to *Ptolemy* King of Egypt, to borrow two thousand Talents of Money. The King being loath to offend either them, or the Romans (being both in League with him) offered himself as a Mediator of Peace between them: But notwithstanding all importunities he denied the Carthaginians Request, saying, *He would willingly helpe a Friend against an Enemy, but thought it not fit to assist one Friend against another*. About the same time at *Rome* *Tib. Coruncianus* was the first of the Plebeians who was created Chief Priest. The same year also Censors were created, because the Duties of that Office could not last year be performed, one of the Censors dying, and the other laying down his Commission, *M. Valerius M.F. M.N. Maximus Messalla*, and *P. Sempromius P.F. P. N. Sophus* made the seven and thirtieth Lustration. Two hundred ninety seven thousand, seven hundred ninety seven Citizens were rated. This was a sad and severe Census, for in taking a view of the Senate, Thirteen were degraded, four hundred young Knights had their horses taken away, and made common stipendiary souldiers. This came to pass by the Complaint of *C. Aurelius* the Consul, who informed the Censors, *That in Sicily, when need required, being commanded to their Duty, they had refused to obey*. The Consul, not content with this Revenge for their contempt of Discipline, prevailed likewise with the Senate to keep back their Pay. And truly as times then went, the consideration of his severity and strictness of Discipline, as well as his exploits performed, was occasion of his Triumph made over the Carthaginians and Sicilians upon the Ides of April. The next year was fuller of Threats, then action: For great preparations being made on both sides, and each landing in some fear of the other, the whole summer passed away without any considerable thing done. *L. Cæcilius L.F. C. N. Metellus*, and *C. Furius C.F. C. N. Pacilus*, being Consuls, transporting their Legions over into *Sicily*, neither themselves much provoked the Enemy, or were provoked by them, though *Africabal* a new Carthaginian General was lately come thither with two hundred ships, an hundred and forty Elephants, and twenty thousand Horse and Foot. This business caused the Senate to enter into Consultation of preparing another Navy; for the Publick Treasures began to be exhausted by protracting the Warre, and since the Misfortune of *M. Regulus*, the Legions degenerated from their wonted Valour, and though all things should succeed prosperously at Land, yet 'twas manifest, the Carthaginians could not be kept off *Sicily*, so long as they had the sovereignty of the Seas. Refuming therefore their former resolutions, they began to put confidence again in their ships, and with all care to trimme the old, and build new ones. In the mean time *L. Metellus* being left at *Panormus*, *C. Furius* returned to *Rome*, to the chusing of the new Consuls, who were *C. Attilius M.F. M. N. Regulus*, and

and *L. Manlius A.F. P. N. Unfso*, to these was committed the charge of preparing the Navy and men for the ships; *L. Metellus* was continued in his Command, with Commission to manage the War in *Sicily* as Proconsul.

*Africabal* understanding that one of the Romans Generals was absent with half their forces, and computing with himself, that though the Armies had long stood in Battell-array one against the other, the Romans had out of fear declined fight, being now no longer able to bear the complaints of his own souldiers who accused him of cowardize, he drew all his forces out of *Lilybæum*, and after a long and difficult march through the *Selinuntian* Territories, he invaded thole of *Panormus* and there pitched his Camp. It fortuned, that the Proconsul, with the remainder of the Roman strength was then at *Panormus* to guard their Associates, now harvest grew on, in reaping and carrying in their grain. He, having intelligence that some of the enemies spies lay secretly at *Panormus*, commanded every man in the City to meet together in an Assembly, then giving order they should examine one another, and question thole who were least known, *What they were, or what business they had* at *Panormus*, found out the spies and seized on them. By them he understood the enemies designs, and observing there was more rashness then good counsel in their expedition, pretended great fear, and kept himself within the works of the City, that so he might encrease their foolish confidence. Whereupon *Africabal* growing bolder, advanced his forces, spoiling and burning all the corn in the fields, and marching up even to the walls of the City. The Proconsul regarded neither the loss sustained nor the disgrace thence redounding, foreseeing that if he did a little longer forbear, the Carthaginians would sufficiently satisfy him for both with good Ufe. Above all, he thought good to expect till they crossed the River *Oresthus*, which runneth on the South side of the Town, and then he had contrived a sure and sudden Victory. To effect this, as all other things were ordered to finish his fear, so he placed but few souldiers upon the walls, desiring that the enemy should not understand either the courage or number of his men. This counsel succeeded according to his expectation, both the enemy by his confidence, and fortune by a sudden chance furthering the design: For *Africabal* forded the River with his Foot, Horse and Elephants, and planted his Camp close under the walls of the City, with so much contempt of the enemies Cowardize, that he pitched his Tents without any works of defence about them, thinking there was no need of ditch or bulwark.

Thither the Suters and Merchants bringing great plenty of Corne and Wine, the Mercenaries drank stoutly, and elevating their voices according to their several dialects, in much noise and confusion gave good notice of their present temerity, that they were not very sober. Then did the Proconsul think the fittest time to send thole his men who were ready armed to provoke the enemy to fight, and it succeeded so happily, that still sending out by degrees fresh supplies, *Africabal's* whole Army at length came out of the Camp. *L. Cæcilius* the Proconsul placeth part of the light armed men before the Trench, giving order, *If the Elephants approached to fling their darts at them, and if they found themselves fore pressed to retire into the Trench, and thence come out again to a fresh charge*. The mean Artificers and common rout he commanded to carry darts and weapons, and fling them over the wall that the light armed men should not want plenty of them. Himself with his companies completely armed, stood in Rank and File within the gate over against the enemies right Wing. They who were already engaged sometimes being overpowered in number retreated in good order, sometimes being assisted by supplies from the Town did maintain the fight. When the Rectors of the Elephants desiring in emulation to seem Authors of the Victory as well as *Africabal*, and advancing with their beils, beat back thole who opposed them, and rashly pressing upon them (as they retired toward the City) came up even to the Trench. But then a shower of Arrows flying from the walls, and fresh light armed men assaulting them with Spears and Darts, the Elephants being wounded began to rage, and betaking themselves which way soever anger and pain led them, turned upon their own men, trampled under foot, routed and disordered whole companies of armed men.

Whereupon the Proconsul crying, *This is the time of the long look for Victory*, issued out, and being fresh and in good rank had an ease victory over the confused multitude of the enemy; there was a great slaughter made both in the field and in the pursuit, their calamity being encreased by a sudden chance which one would have thought of advantage to them: For about the same time the Carthaginian Navy appearing at shore, the whole multitude trembling and blind with fear, promiscuously ran thither as to the only refuge, in which hurly burly many were trodden under feet by the Elephants, many venturing to swim, and many too hastily scaling the ships and tumbling down perished in the sea. Neither before this time nor after it, amongst all their prosperous exploits, had the Romans any Victory more glorious; whereby the Romans resumed their former confidence and courage, and the enemy was so disheartened with fear, that they cast off not only all hopes but all thoughts of a land Army so long as that War lasted.

Twenty thousand Carthaginians are said to be slain, fix and twenty Elephants were presently taken, and afterward all the rest. For the Proconsul thinking it hard for his ignorant men to catch the beasts being loose and enraged, commanded a Cryer by Proclamation to promise *Liberty and safety to any prisoner by whose means the Elephants should be taken*; hereby laying first

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Strategem. 1.7.  
Zonasar.  
Plin. 8.9  
Zonasar.

Orosius

Zonasar.

Appian apud  
Fulvium Virgi-  
nium.

Dia apud

Fulvium

Virgini-  
um.

Cicero de Officiis.

3. 17

Dionys. apud

Fulvium

Virgini-  
um.

Liv. Epit. 18

Zonasar.

Silius b. 6

Cic. de Officiis.

3. 17

first hold on those who were most gentle and familiar, by their help they easily brought in the rest. *L. Metellus* lent them all to *Rome*, having invented a pretty way for their transportation; for his ships not being fit for the purpose, he gathered and bound together many Hog-heads, fastning a Kaffer between every two that should neither dash together nor yet part one from the other, then planting them over, spreading earth and dirt upon them, and erecting walls on each side in the form of stables, the Elephants otherwise very fearful of falling by water, entered them and were safely conveyed to *Rhegium*.

*Adruball* from this overthrow escaped to *Lilybæum*, but being condemned at *Carthage* while he was absent, and afterward upon his return apprehended, he was accordingly executed. The *Carthaginians* now considering their Armies were routed, their Elephants taken, all *Sicily* lost except *Lilybæum* and *Drepanus*, that the Romans having again set out a Navy, were very potent both at land and sea, began to think of Peace, willing to accept of it on any tolerable conditions. Whereupon they remembered *M. Regulus* and the conditions he once propounded to them, and perfwaded themselves that by his means they might prevail either for peace or at least for what they next desired, an exchange of prisoners; nothing doubting but that for his own sake he would effectually interpose himself in such a business: For what man can be imagined so obstinate as not to free himself from the miseries of a Galle, and desire to see his dearest relations, and enjoy his Liberty, Country, Dignities and Honours? *M. Regulus* hath a wife and children at *Rome*, friends and kindred in the Senate and publick office, a Confin German now Consul, he is both much beloved by the Senate and people of *Rome* for his former victories, and pined for his afflictions; if therefore he heareth any good will to himself, or findeth any respect from his friends, no man certainly will be more earnest in procuring, or is more likely by favour to effect such a design.

He accepted the employment, not out of any hope or desire to do himself good, as afterward appeared, but that he might in person the more effectually move the Senate to have a care of the Commonwealth. So being joynd with the *Carthaginian* Embassadors, when he was come to the City, he would not enter the Gates though much entreated by the Romans, alledging, The Customs of his Country to give Audience to the Embassadors of an enemy without the City. The Senate being accordingly assembled, he amongst the *Carthaginian* Embassadors delivered his Message, That himself also being by the War a servant to the *Carthaginians*, had command from his Masters to propound chiefly, That the war may be concluded upon what terms should seem fit to both parties, or that at least an exchange of prisoners would be granted. The Embassadors presently withdrawing, he likewise accompanied them; neither, though he was earnestly solicited, would he be present in the Senate at the debate of the business till the *Carthaginians* assented to it. Then sitting silent till his opinion was required, he thus expressed himself, 'Conscript Fathers, I am still a Roman: my Body indeed, as Fortune would have it, is in the power of the enemies, but my Soul, not subject to Fortune, is still the same. Following therefore the reason of my Soul, which is my own, rather than the inclinations of my Body, which is anothers, my advice is, You would neither exchange prisoners nor conclude a peace. For to restore the Captives while the war continueth is disadvantageous: They have no Commanders in hold but my self who am an old man, you have many, and those young, amongst which are some no way to be despised. And to finish the war, unless upon very ample terms, or without a complete universal Victory, as it becometh not your Wisdom, so it is pernicious to the Commonwealth. I know you meet with many difficulties in managing the war, for no great affairs can be transacted without great pains and cost: But if you rightly consider the state of *Carthage*, you will find all things tending to victory to be much the better on your part. We were indeed once overcome in a great Battel, whether it were my fault or fortunes, but we have so often routed their Armies, that the confidence they had assumed upon my overthrow is now, by the Victory at *Panormus*, pressed down to the utmost despair. They have lost all *Sicily*, except one or two Cities, and in the other Ilands their condition is naught. You have a Navy which they dare not encounter, so that in that part of the war ye are also superiours. And the losses ye have sustained by Tempest hath not bereaved you of so much strength as it hath taught you Circumspection. The want of money perhaps is equal on both sides; but the *Italians* are more obedient to you than are the *Africans* to the *Carthaginians*, whom as they never truly loved, so have they of late learn't to hate more perfectly. For not being provoked by any kind injury they revolted freely to me, but now since their former masters have wasted their Grounds, plundered their Cattel, exacted their Monies and slain their Nobles, what do you think they can more desire, than that a new Army would come from hence into *Africa*? But that your levies of men are easie and large, that your souldiers are valiant, of the same Language, the same Mind, the same Manners, Religion, City and Kindred, I take to be so great an advantage, that if in all things else ye were exceeded, this one only thing would be sufficient to balance the war, and make the Victory doubtful on the enemies side, for what help is there in a company of Mercenaries against such a force? and if there were any, the *Carthaginians* have bereaved themselves of it by their cruelty, and they have made it now as difficult to hire strangers, as it was before to govern them. *Xanthippus* to whom *Carthage* is indebted for its preservation, having been so ingratiously and treacherously used, is sufficient warning to others how they lend their assistance to such a people who know not how to recompence the greatest desert but by the greatest injuries. Nay, the very common and manifest

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'Barbarians, a Brutish and slavish sort of men, will be deterred by Cruelties to often exercised upon their Fellowes, who have been sometimes murdered by hangmen, or their fallen Soul-diers, sometimes exposed into barren and uninhabited Ilands, receiving instead of the pay they have fought for, most inhumane punishments, and horrible deaths. And this Conscript Fathers is my Opinion, that neither Peace is to be made with *Carthage*, nor yet an exchange of Prisoners granted.

This Counsell displeased not the Senate, if it could have been executed with the safety of him who gave it; but the more he neglected himself for the Common good, the more they pitied him, and manifestly inclined upon any termes whatsoever to restore so Gallant and Generous a Person to his Country. And voices were given out, that seeing he was now so happily returned from foreign Captivity, he might lawfully carry in the City, or be detained there. The high Priest likewise affirmed, that he might stay, without incurring the guilt of Perjury. But he to the Amazement of the Senate it self, with a fierce Spirit, and severe Countenance, proceeded, saying, Why do ye not resolve this doubt? follow my Advice and regard not me. Ye in vain attempt that which will be neither pleasing to your selves, nor profitable to the Conventy, nor honest in me. For suppose, for a while ye would be willing and joyfull to see me amongst you, when once the short sport of this affection is vanished, the Balenels of my Return will make me more odious to you, than my absence made me delectable. For my part I am resolved not to live in that City, where after an *African* slavery, I cannot maintain the dignity of an honest Citizen, and if I should desire it, my fidelity would hinder it, the remembrance of my sacred Oath would hinder it, and my Reverence of the Gods, by the Invocation of whom I assured the *Carthaginians* of my return: And should I forswear my selfe, I fear that Revenge would be taken not only on me, but on your selves, and the whole Roman People also. The Gods, believe me, are no vain things, and will not without Punishment be affronted by the Perjurers and Contempts of Man. If any one be of opinion that in Religion I may be absolved, that the books of the *Augurs* mention expiations of such crimes, and that Attorneys may be made by Ceremonies and Sacrifices for Perjury and Treason; I would have him understand the Majesty of the Gods is more severe, then being offended by Perjury, to be appeased by any inventions of Men, neither is it agreeable to Reason, that a Guilt contracted by the sins of men, should be washed away with the blood of Beasts. As for my selfe, I am not ignorant that great and exquisite torments are prepared for me at *Carthage*. But to deceive a trust, I think to be worse then all of them, for this would indeed hurt me, as for the Torments they hurt only something about me. I think not that man miserable who is able to endure misery. Slavery, Reproach, Contempt, Griefe, Hunger and Watching, I never yet esteemed evil, but now by a long custom they have left off to be troublesome to me. That they are tolerable, I have learn't by suffering them; and if once they beintended to that degree, as not to be born by Man, Death will quickly free me not only from them, but from all other Calamities. Nothing therefore is to be feared for him who feareth not Death, which is easie at any time to obtain, and truly I had inflicted it on my selfe, but that I thought it the part of a man rather to overcome sorrow then to avoid it. I have spoken these few and confused words, that ye may understand, I am not to be perfwaded from my Opinion, and withall that you should not bewaile me as an unfortunate and miserable Man: My Resolution is easy and constant: 'Tis my care to return to *Carthage*, what I shall there suffer I leave to the Gods.

'Tis reported that the more effectually to move them he affirmed, that before he was dismissed from *Carthage*, they had given him a gentle Poison, which by slow degrees feeding on his vitall spirits, should consume him after the exchange was made. Wonderful was the constancy of this Man, who rather then swerve from the Rule of Honesty, did with more earnestness pursue Contumelies, Torments and Death, then others avoid them; a true and profitable Lesson to Posterity. That those men only are prepared to endure any Torments, and are constant in their honest resolutions, who have a sense of their own nobility, and think themselves borne not onely for this world. For certainly *M. Regulus* would not willingly have undergone so great miseries, if he had not thought that after Death there are great Rewards for the Virtuous, and great punishment for evil men. The Senate therefore having made a Decree according to the opinion of *M. Regulus*, he with a settled countenance followed his Sullen and angry Masters, by whom it appeared that they would cruelly revenge the indignity of their repulse upon his Person, inasmuch as many were moved to detain him against his will. Moreover his Wife *Marcia*, and his Children making Lamentable complaints, the Consuls said, if he carried they would not deliver him up, neither would they hinder his going. So he refusing to discourse with his Wife, and avoiding the Embraces and kisses of his little Children, was carried back to *Carthage*, where with cruel torments he was put to death. For cutting off his Eyelids they kept him awhile in a dark place, then in the heat of the Sunshine they suddenly brought him out, and forced him to look up into the sky, at length they put him into a Wooden chest (right over against the Sun) full of snails on the inside, and so narrow that he was forced always to stand upright; if at any time *Val Maximus*, he leant on one side to ease his weary body, he was pricked and goared with the snails, and so in a torment and continual watching yielded up the Ghost.

This was the end of *M. Atilius Regulus*, much more glorious then his Life, though long led with

Tacitus Metaphrasis in Eutropium.

Eutropius b. 6

Silius b. a

Zonasar.

Tacitus Metaphrasis in Eutropium.

Silius b. 6

Zonasar.

Silius.

Dia. apud

Fulv. Virgini-  
um.

Liv. Epit. 18

Autor de viris

Illust. cap.

Aug. de Civ.

Dia. 1.15

nales on the inside,

he leant on one side to ease his weary body, he was pricked and goared with the snails, and so in a

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Tacitus apud

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Cicero Off. 3.17

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Tullian. apud  
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Valef. apud

with great honesty and Honour: He was a man of great Integrity of Manners, of an invincible Spirit, and for his Counsell not to be despised, wherein neither his own nor after ages could accuse him, but that he seemed not very moderately to bear his prosperous Fortune, and that by denying the Carthaginians request he was the occasion of the wars continuance for many years after to the great detriment of both Cities. But he wiped off this his fault by his other many egregious virtues, and chiefly by his wonderful constancy at his death, being more happy in suffering calamities than if he could have avoided it. The Senate hearing the news of his death, and the Barbarous cruelty of the Carthaginians, delivered up the Noblest of the Captives to Marcia and her children, whom they shut up in an Engine thrust through with sharp irons, resolving to put them to the like death as Regulus had suffered; for five whole daies they had no food allowed them, in which Bostar with grief and hunger pined to death, Hamilear being stronger in body continued five daies longer, that together with the carcass of Bostar, with sustenance sufficient only to prolong his miserable life, Till at length the Magistrates understanding what was in doing, did restrain their cruelty, commanding that the Ashes of Bostar should be conveyed into his own Country, and that the other prisoners should be handled with more mercy. Whereby appears a remarkable difference of manners in the two Cities, in that the one being not unjustly offended, nor able with security to offend, with horrid punishments extinguished that virtue they ought to have revered; the other mitigated a most just revenge not regarding their own enraged grief, but the Rules of Humanity, and that moderation which becometh illustrious Empires.



## BOOK IX.



UPON the departure of the Carthaginian Embassadors the Consuls having Order from the Senate to transport their Army into Sicily, did very readily obey, being highly incensed against the enemy *or M. Regulus* his fate, and likewise provoked with emulation and conceiving great hopes from the Victory of *L. Metellus* Proconsul. For they measured not the greatness of the business so much by the loss of the Carthaginians, who were much weakened by the loss of an Army and so many Elephants, but chiefly they were encouraged because the soldiers, having successfully fought against the beasts, did now no more stand in fear of them. And hopes were conceived the war might suddenly be finished if opportunities were not neglected. The Consuls therefore with a Navy of two hundred ships, and four Legions sailed to *Panormus*, where taking in likewise the other forces and ships (unless what were left for the guard and security of some places) they went to *Lilybaeum* with 240 Beaked ships, threecore Barks of a shorter size, called *Cercurs*, and many other vessels of all sorts, with resolution to make an assault upon it. This is that famous siege of *Lilybaeum*, which beginning the fourteenth year of this war, lasted full ten years. and at length was ended, neither with the surprise of the City, nor with its surrendry, but together with the whole War. For both the Romans and Carthaginians well understanding of what concernment that City was, either to the Guard of the *African* Coast, or the Empire of *Sicily*, did with all their might, the

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one assault, the other defend it. The Triumph of *L. Metellus* did somewhat comfort the City of *Rome*, after their sorrow for *M. Regulus*, not only with the memory and consideration of their successes, but with the sweetness of Revenge also over so cruel and inhumane a People: He Triumphed Proconsul over the Carthaginians; the seventh of the *Ides of September*, thirteen of the Enemies Commanders were led before his Chariot, and a great troupe of Elephants, even an hundred and Twenty, some reckon many more. These being afterwards produced when the Games were celebrated, were chased up and down the *Circus* with spears headed with iron, that the People might accustom themselves to contemn those beasts they had heretofore so terribly feared. *Virrius Flaccus* affirms they were all slain, the Romans not caring to make use of them themselves, and thinking it no way for the advantage of the Common-wealth, to make a Present of so considerable a strength to any Prince. The same year Corn was very cheap at *Rome*, a bushell for a penny, at the same price was sold a gallon of wine, thirty pound of dried figs, ten pounds of oile, and twelve pound of flesh. For there was greater store of these Commodities then of money, which by the long continuance of warre grew very scarce. While these things hapned at *Rome*, the Consuls in Sicily assaulted *Lilybaeum* with all their strength, and the besieged as stoutly resisted. The first attempt was against a Tower, which stood farthest toward the *Lilybae* sea, this being demolished, they did by degrees proceed to those which were next, till they had destroyed six. For the more easily battering of the rest they began to fill up the Trenches, that they might draw over and plant their Engines. Though the labour were very great (for the ditch was threecore cubits broad, and forty deep) they did readily set upon and diligently promote the work. The Carthaginians to hinder their design, made holes on the inside of the Trench, out of which they cast the rubbish again, but, the heapes still encreasing, and the ditch at length made even with the ground, (by reason of the multitude of Labourers) they changed their Counsell, and erected another wall within the former: *Himilco* being at all Workes indefatigable, who besides the multitude of Inhabitants in the City, had ten thousand Mercenaries, and did by his wisdom, Vigilance and constancy elude and overcome all the Enemies force and Stratagems. He suffered nothing to be out of order among his own men, nor any thing to be secure on the Enemies part; he built Work against Work, digged Mine against Mine, opposed Armes to Armes, sometimes he issued forth, fighting with such resolution, that in these tumultuary skirmishes there were sometimes slain little fewer, then usually fall in set Battels.

The Romans undermining the Foundation of the Walls, *Himilco* made his countermine over against the place where he observed the Romans to cast out earth, and opening their Mine he sent in forthwith a Band of Armed souldiers, who set upon the naked Romans built at work, and slew a great number; and as many were burnt with brush faggots (thrown into the Trench and set on fire) while they approached the Walls to help their fellows. Notwithstanding feare and consternation of mind encreased among the besieged, whereby some Mercenary Commanders taking advantage, and pretending want of pay, plotted to betray the City to the Romans; nothing doubting but that they could easily induce every man his souldiers to approve of the design. On a certain night therefore slipping out of the Town into the Roman Camp, they declared the state of the City, and what they had intended. Amongst the other Mercenaries at *Lilybaeum*, there was one *Alexon* an *Aebaeian*, a Man not unskillfull in Martiall Affaires, and of singular Integrity: He understanding the Traytors design, without delay discovers it to *Himilco*, *Himilco* as in a great and imminent danger, immediately summons together all the Mercenary Commanders, who were yet in the Town, declares to them what was in agitation, and by whom, and vehemently inveighing against them, he exhorteth those who are present, not to become partners in the Treachery and Treachery of others; that persisting in their Duty, they should find all fair dealing from the Carthaginians, their Pay should be certain, and great Rewards moreover accumulated, that if they raised them (close with the infamous crime of Treason, they would be hateful to God and man, with all, as much money as in haste and fear he could at present raise, he distributes among them, promising that, himselfe would take care to see the Common souldiers pay assured as may be discharged.

An Oration made in season, hath certainly great power over the Minds of men, especially if the gravity of the speaker be mixed with truth and sincerity to be relied upon. Every one assented to what *Himilco* spake, and cheerfully offered their utmost endeavours to continue their souldiers in their Duty. *Himilco* commending them, and furthermore encouraging them with hopes, commands every one to apply himselfe to his own Company, and endeavour to keep them in subjection: He sendeth likewise along with them *Hanniball*, the son of *Hanniball*, who perished in *Sardinia*, and *Alexon* the *Aebaeian*; *Hanniball* to the Gauls, with whom he was acquainted, and very gracious, by Reason of his former conversation with them in the Wars; *Alexon* to other Mercenaries of severall Nations, by all whom he was equally beloved. These engaging their Words, that whatsoever *Himilco* had promised should be performed, so effectually made up the business, that the Traitors a while after returning to the Walls, were not only kept out, but beaten back with darts, and reproached for their Villany. So they returning to the Consuls without effecting their Design, were nevertheless rewarded with Gifts, and had Land in *Sicily* bestowed on them.

Thus did the fidelity of *Alexon* at that time support the Carthaginian Affaires, brought at

Caton Trium.  
Livy Epit. 19.  
Dionys. b. 2.  
L. Euse. apud  
Plin. 18. 6.M. Varro apud  
Plin. 18. 3.

Polybius 1. 42.

Zonaras

Dionodorus 24.

Zonaras.

Dionodorus

Polybius

Polybius 1. 42

Zonaras.

Polyb.

Zonaras

Polyb.

Dionius 24

Polyb.

Zonaras.  
Origenes 4. 10  
Polyb.

Diodor.

Polyb. 1. 45

Diodor.

Zonaras

Dionius

Zonaras

Dionius

Polyb. 1. 47.

Dionius.

Polyb. 1. 46

most into a desperate condition by this Treason: He had before likewise preserved the Agri-  
genines, whom the Mercenaries of *Syracuse* had by the like wickedness plotted to betray, and  
therefore deserved to have his memory and praises recorded in History.

The Besieged were afterward much encouraged by the coming of new Auxiliaries. For the  
Carthaginians, though they were ignorant of what hapned at *Lilybæum*, did judge it fit to cae-  
ry on affairs with much Vigour, therefore they commanded *Adherbal* the Admiral to provide  
a Navy and convey Men, Money, and Corn to *Lilybæum*. By him was sent *Hannibal* the son  
of *Hamilcar*, who having a fresh gale of wind from the *Ægean* Islands, sailed directly into the  
port of *Lilybæum*, his men ready armed for fight, and resolving to break through all oppositi-  
on. The Romans had from the beginning of the siege stopped up the mouth of the haven by sinking  
fifteen ships, which they had for that purpose laden with stones, being therefore suddenly over-  
taken with the Enemies host, and fearing lest themselves might by the force of the winds be  
driven into the Port, a place made unsafe for Navigation, they did not at all oppose the Enemy.  
*Hannibal* safely entered the Harbour, and landing his men to the number of ten thousand, was  
received into the City with very great joy of the *Lilybæans*. The Romans seeing they could  
not prevent the Enemies Arrival, entered into Consultation how to defend their Works, which  
they thought *Himilco* would not delay to set upon, having to great a recruit of fresh soldiers;  
neither were they deceived, for *Himilco* intending to make use both of his new strength and of  
the Courage of the others now revived, summons all his forces together, and by hopes of Victo-  
ry and ample rewards persuades them to make a sallie, and having disposed his Companies as  
the Occasion required, by break of day he assauleth the Romans works in many places. The  
Romans were provided for them, and where they feared most danger had placed strong Guards,  
with these a very sharpe fight was begun, many fell on both sides, for they fought with great  
Courage and Resolution, and the number of men was great on each part, no less then twenty  
thousand issued out of the City, and were opposed by a greater Multitude of the Besiegers.  
For the Consuls having raised Auxiliaries from their friends in *Sicily*, were above an hundred  
thousand strong, whereof threecore thousand were employed in the siege, the Residue being  
sent abroad to bring in Provisions. The fight therefore being very hot in every place, the  
sharpest Contention was about the Engines, some striving to spoile them, other to defend them,  
with so great Vehemence, that they spared their own lives no more then their Enemies. A great  
number of slain men lay in that station where the Assault first began, the Clamour and noise of  
the Warriours, and Terroure of the Batel were much encreased by another Company, which brake  
out with links and torches, rushing through all dangers and Deaths to set fire on the Engines;  
and the Roman souldiers were very near giving place to the fierceness of the Enemy, as no  
longer able to defend their Engines. But *Himilco* seeing many of his men perish, and the Ro-  
mans as yet nothing to remit of their Courage in retreating, sounded a Retreat, and went first  
out of the Battel. Neither did the Romans pursue him, being content they had preserved their  
works which were almost given for lost.

The next night *Hannibal*, while the Enemy was weary after the fight, and observed not his  
Motion, secretly stole out of the Harbour with the ships he came in, and went to *Adherbal*  
at *Drepanus*, carrying along with him the Horsemen, who being of no use to the besieged in a  
close place, he rightly judged might otherwise be better employed. These making frequent ex-  
cursions from *Drepanus*, infested the high ways, obstructed the Conveiance of provisions, sur-  
prized many foragers who straggled far from the Campe, afflicted the Roman Associates with  
all kinds of misery, and very much confounded the counsells and designs of the Consuls. *Ad-  
herbal* likewise much perplexed them at sea, suddenly falling sometime on the *Sicilian*, some-  
time on the *Italian* shore, leaving nothing unattempted whereby he might mischief the Romans.  
Hence it came to pass that there was great scarcity in the Roman Camp, for they had almost no  
food left but only the flesh of beasts, many died of Famine, and many more, as is usual in  
such cases, of Diseases; whereupon many thousands perished, and therefore it was con-  
cluded that one of the Consuls with his Legions should return to *Rome* to the Assembly  
of the People, that the other Besiegers might have the greater Plenty. After this the  
Romans again with greater pains and diligence endeavoured with earth and stones to stop up  
the mouth of the Haven, fortifying the Damme on both sides with strong pieces of timber  
joynted together cross-ways, and fastened with iron Anchors, to containe the heap of earth and  
stones from washing away: But their labour though great proved fruitless, for the sea  
was so deep, that whatsoever was flung in, was carried aside before it lighted right, and  
upon the arising of Tempests, the Tide being very violent, destroyed their Work.

But the very same of the Work did for a time keep the Haven blockt up, which very much  
troubled the Carthaginians: that they could now by no means hold intelligence with their  
friends, neither durst any man undertake to visit the *Lilybæans* and give an account of their  
Condition, till at length one *Hannibal* surnamed *Rhodius* ingaged himself to enter the City,  
and having viewed all things, to returne with a faithfull Account. The promise pleased the  
Carthaginians: but they had little faith in it; because they knew beside the heapes of rub-  
bish, that the Haven was watched and warded by the Roman ships at Anchor there: But he  
having rigged a private ship he had, sailed to one of the Islands over against *Lilybæum*, and the  
next day having a favourable wind, at ten of the clock in the day time, openly in the face of  
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the enemy wondring at his confidence entered the Haven. But the Consul to intercept him in  
his return, in the night time placed ten choice ships on each side the Haven, five as near the  
mouth as might be. *Hannibal* trusting in the swiftness of his Vessel came out in the day time;  
the Romans were ready in the expectation of him, and with all their endeavours set forward a-  
gainst him, but he was so much too quick for them, that not contenting to escape he more-  
over insulted over them, sometimes failing, sometimes wheeling about as if he would challenge  
them to fight. When he had often used this bold exploit, it proved of great advantage to the  
Carthaginian affairs, in that the Besieged were infinitely comforted with messages from their  
friends, in that at *Carthage* they daily understood the state and progresse of things at *Lilybæum*  
as occasion required, and in that the Romans were so much ashamed and madded at the rash-  
ness of the men which they could not revenge. He was much helped in his design by his know-  
ledge of the Channel and the passages thereabouts; for between those Fenny and moorish places  
whereby is the passage to *Lilybæum*, he diligently observed a very safe and sure course for  
his ship. For when he came from the main Sea within sight of the City, he so turned his ship,  
that the Stern of it was toward *Italy*, and from the Foredeck the Tower of *Lilybæum* which  
was upon the shore, hindered the sight of all other Towers toward *Africa*, and this is the only  
safe way of entering the Harbour with full sail.

And now many more being encouraged by the boldness and success of *Hannibal*, began to  
correspond with *Lilybæum*, till at length by a certain chance a vessel of great swiftness was taken.  
For though in other places the Romans Dams were carried away by the winds and water, yet in  
one place, where the Sea was somewhat shallow, they stood firm; there the ship striking and  
being detained was taken by the Romans, and being furnished with stout souldiers and good  
zowers proved the ruine of *Hannibal* also. For having entered the City in the night time and  
returning in the open day, he spied this ship every where waiting upon his motion, whereupon  
apprehending danger, at first he fled, but that being in vain, he made some opposition and was  
taken by the Romans.

The Romans being possessed of this ship, and observing the same course of entering the  
Haven, did afterward easily hinder any other vessels from failing to *Lilybæum*. The Besiegers  
began now very fiercely to intend their main business, and assaulting one of the Works near  
the Sea, drew the whole company of the besieged to defend that side where the storm was made,  
whereby opportunity was given to other forces who were reserved for that purpose to make an  
assault upon the contrary part and take the outward wall, but this proved in vain, for the Car-  
thaginian General seasonably coming with a supply of choice men, beat the Romans out with  
great slaughter. Another greater fortune gave the Besiegers hope of the universal Victory;  
there arose by chance very great gulfs of wind, which as it were on purpose blew hard upon  
the Romans works, shaking their very Ramps, and tumbling down the Towers built thereon.  
The townsmen were not ignorant of this, and thought now an opportunity given them by the  
gods of firing the Romans Engines, which they had so often in vain assaulted. The substance of  
the Engines was very apt to take fire, having been long felled and dried with the heat of the Sun.  
The Romans were not slack in defending themselves, but not to much purpose, for the enemy  
was directed by the light of the fire which had seized on the Engines, and assisted with the strength  
of the wind to cast their darts more surely and with greater force, the others received no less  
hinderance and danger thereby, then by the weapons of the enemies, for the wind being fierce  
and against the Romans blew smoke and flame, and ashes into their mouths and eyes, and brought  
the enemies darts with greater violence upon them, whereas themselves by reason of darkness  
were uncertain whither to direct their strokes, and by reason of the vehemency of the gulfs were  
not well able to stand. So that all the Roman Engines and works either for digging of mines or  
battering the walls were every one consumed by this fire.

Then as all hopes laid aside of taking *Lilybæum* by force, and the siege had been presently  
raised but that *Hiero*, sending plenty of Corn and provision, perswaded the Romans to stay,  
where not intending to make any more forms upon the City, they did on every side fence their  
Camp, resolving to commit the issue of things to Time and Fortune. The besieged likewise  
building up what part of their walls had been battered, were now the more encouraged to en-  
dure the siege hereafter. These news were very sadly entertained at *Rome*; nevertheless they  
determined by war to make up what losses by war they had sustained: and their resolution here-  
in was so immovable, that, 'tis said, a Senator was slain in the very Court because he made men-  
tion of Peace.

Great preparations were now made, and a new leavy of ten thousand Rowers sent into *Si-  
cily*, for they had sustained a great losse of them. The Consuls were *P. Clodius* and *Ap. F. C. N.  
Pulcher*, and *L. Junius C. F. C. N. Pullus*. \*Tis falsely by some delivered that this *Clodius* was  
the son of *Cæcus*. He, when he was come into *Sicily* and had taken possession of the Army at  
*Lilybæum*, assembled the Souldiers together, and sharply reprehended the former Consuls, *That  
by their idleness and luxury they had trised away time before Lilybæum more like men besieged  
then besiegers, without any fruit, and to the lesse and dishonour of the Roman Majesty*. He was  
a very crabbed low man, and being Violent by Nature, and Arrogant by reason of his Nobili-  
ty, he was apt to let fall Speeches and perform Actions not well becoming a serious sober man.  
He was very severe in punishing, letting passe no crime with pardon, but prosecuting even the  
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Diodorus.  
2. 15  
P. Julius  
Polyb. 1. 46  
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very small with too great feverity; himself in matters of the greatest moment miserably failing, even to madness. For he followed the former Consuls course which he had so sharply condemned in damning up the Haven, and (what argued greater folly) he rashly and inconsiderately assaulting *Drepanus* lost a very gallant Fleet, no less by his own indifference than by the valour of *Asherball*. He periwaded himself and his soldiers, that the enemy not having intelligence of what supplies were come from *Rome*, might be unawares surprised at *Drepanus*; not believing that the Romans had either courage or strength sufficient to provoke them at sea. So that making choice of two hundred and twenty of the best ships with the stoutest Rowers, and most valiant men out of the Legions (for they offered themselves freely as to a short business and certain prey, *Drepanus* being not above fifteen miles from *Lilybaeum*) he privately set sail about the third Watch, and had in the night time no doubt was made but that to *Asherball*, because such a sight was there unusual, inasmuch as no doubt was made but that it was the enemy who approached; the Carthaginians were forced either presently to encounter and enter fight, or to suffer themselves to be surrounded and besieged by the enemy; this latter they resolved against, because, as it would have involved them in much trouble and danger, so it would have been imputed as a crime upon their miscarriage. *Asherball* therefore on a sudden called together his Sea-men, and by a Cryer summoning the Mercenaries to an Assembly, in a short but very pithy speech admonished them what hopes there were of victory if they would readily and cheerfully take Arms, and what danger of a siege was imminent if they declined battle. When every man with one consent had agreed to follow his counsel, *Asherball* commending their obedience, forthwith gives order that they should take ship, and observing what course the Admiral steered (wherein himself failed) to follow it. Whereupon he before the rest sailed toward the main sea, going out of the Haven just under the Rocks hanging over it at the same time when the Roman ships entered on the other side. *P. Claudius* finding the enemy no whit dismayed, or declining fight, as he had hoped, but stoutly prepared to defend themselves, was much troubled, and retreated back with his ships to encounter the enemy in the open seas. But his were in no good order, but as chauceably they had outlasted one another, some were entered the Haven, others were making toward it, and some were just in the mouth of it: Whereupon it came to pass, that while they all endeavour'd to make a sudden return, they dashed one against another, and truck their Oars together, till being got out of the Haven as well as they could, because they wanted time, they ranged themselves in Battel-array just under the shore.

Diodorus 1. 4.  
Polyb. 1. 51.

The Consul, who had failed in the Rere before, now changing his Station, came before all and placed himself in the left Wing; but the Carthaginians failing by the enemies left Wing with five Beaked ships, tacked about facing the Romans, and had the open sea on his back, so that his ships as they came he commanded to place themselves at a convenient distance, and when all were order'd according to his mind he set forth forward against the enemy. And now sign of Battel being given from both the Admirals they fiercely encounter on all sides, at first with equal hopes, but afterward to the Carthaginians better fortune. For though they had the lesser number of ships, to wit, but ninety armed; in other respects they did exceed, for their ships were better and their water-men more skilful; they had likewise made choice of a most convenient place of fight, for as often as they were hard put to it they had free egress into the open sea, where they could easily by their swiftness avoid the enemy, or if he long pursued them, return and encompass him. But the Romans being so near the shore had not the like convenience, they could neither sail into the main nor with safety well retire, but as often as the enemy pressed upon them, they either stuck in the sands or endanger'd themselves upon the shore. Being therefore unable to break through the enemy by force and charge him in the Rere, by reason of the slowness of their ships and unskilfulness of the Rowers, and being cooped up in a narrow place not able from the Stern to help their fellows who were in danger, they were beaten to the Carthaginians little loss.

Eurapian 2.  
Cicero de natura deorum  
2. 3  
Florus 1. 29  
Valerius 1. 4. 3  
Sueton. Titus.  
c. 2  
Polyb. 1. 51  
Eurapian 2.  
Diodorus.  
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To these difficulties was added another cause of despair from their Religion, and they thought themselves worsted by the anger of the gods, because the Consul undertook to fight contrary to the indication of the Birds, adding likewise a fear to his neglect; for because the Chickens did not eat, he commanded them to be flung into the sea, that they might drink though they would not feed. This occurrence made the soldiers more slack and faint-hearted, fighting, as they thought, with the ill will of the gods. But the author of all this calamity, when he had lost every thing else, he wanted neither wit nor boldness to preserve himself; for when he saw his ships in such numbers sunk and taken, he slipped away between the shore and the enemy with thirty ships which stood next him. And that he might safely arrive to his Army at *Lilybaeum*, being to sail by some of the Carthaginians Guards, he adorned his ships in token of Victory. The Carthaginians therefore imagining the Consul had been victorious, and that his other ships would suddenly follow, suffered him safely to pass by, being themselves much terrified and dejected. The enemy took all the ships the Consul left behind, even ninety and three, together with the Soldiers and Rowers, except only those who striking upon the shore, call themselves on land and fled. But in the fight a great number were sunk; for *Claudius* brought above two hundred from *Lilybaeum*. This great victory cost the Carthaginians very little, for they lost

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not a man, much less a ship, and very few are said to be wounded; of the Romans eight thousand men were slain, and twenty thousand taken.

About the same time likewise the Carthaginians took some ships laden with Corn from *Pachynus*, and carried them to *Drepanus*, and carrying provisions into *Lilybaeum* from the Territories of *Drepanus*, did plentifully relieve the besieged with accommodation of all sorts. Neither here did this year's fortune make a stop, but assisted the Romans with another great calamity, whereby they lost not only the present possession of the seas, but all hopes of regaining it. For the other Consul *L. Junius* coming out of *Italy* with many ships of burthen, laden with Corn for the Army, and fifty beaked ships arrived at *Messana*, where he met with a great number of other Vessels, from the Army, and other parts of *Sicily*. Joyning himself with these, he made up a Navy of an hundred and twenty long ships, almost eight hundred ships of burthen, and sailed to *Syracuse*. Being arrived thither, he lendeth the *Quaestors* before with part of the Navy to *Lilybaeum*; himself remaineth at *Syracuse*, expecting those others from *Messana*, who were not able to overtake him, and taking in grain which his Midland friends brought down to the sea side. In the mean time *Asherball* having sent the Roman ships and Captives to *Carthage* (Fortune and Glory putting him forward to action) delivered thirty ships more to *Carthago*, who had brought seventy, with as many ships of Burthen from *Africa*, and sent him to drive out the Roman ships from the Haven of *Lilybaeum*, or to fire or sink them. He at break of the day entering the Haven with great Terror, some ships he boarded, and others he fired; in the mean time *Himilco* Governour of the City, made a sally with the Mercenaries upon those Romans who went to defend the ships, which caused great fear in the Camp. In fine *Carthago* having destroyed not very many, carried away five, and directed his Course to *Heraclea*. Lying there in wait to obstruct the Romans Voyage to *Lilybaeum*, he heareth news of a considerable Navy of all kinds of ships sailing by.

He therefore joyning other Commanders with himself, made up a Navy of an hundred and twenty good ships, confiding in which strength, and animated by former success, he presently maketh out of the Haven to meet the Enemy. By the shore of *Gela* the Navys came in sight one of the other, but the Roman *Quaestors* fearing a disadvantageous encounter, diverted their course to *Phinias*, a Town in League with the Romans, at *Phinias* there is no Haven, only the rocks running out into the sea afford a pretty late riding for ships. Here the Romans landing, prepared themselves for the Enemies coming, having brought Engines of offence out of the Town, and placed them on the shore for safeguard of the ships. The Carthaginians at first resolved to have besieged the Enemy, thinking that out of fear they would have fled into the Town, and have left their ships for a Prey: But when the Romans stood stoutly to their own defence, and that they found the fight full of danger, likewise not much trusting in a place somewhat inconvenient for the ships they desired; and having taken a few Vessels laden with provision they sailed to the River *Halyeus*, not far distant, there they healed their wounded men, observing the motion of the Enemy. Other Writers following, I believe, *Phinias*, affirm, that the Romans sustained greater loss, that the *Quaestors* being damned at the first sight of the Enemy, in their flight to *Phinias* left behind their ships of burthen, and all other Vessels but men of War, that in the fight fifty round Vessels, and three score long ships were sunk, and thirteen so split and shattered that they were made unfit for service.

Not long after the Carthaginians still abiding at the River *Halyeus*, *L. Junius* the Consul, having done his business at *Syracuse*, sailing toward *Lilybaeum*, about the Promontory of *Pachynus*, was discovered by some of *Carthago*'s ships, who thereupon with all speed makes out to meet him (being ignorant of all passages at *Phinias*) that he might fight him as farre from *Quaestor*'s Navy as might be, lest they should come in for his succour. The Consul seeing the Enemy make up toward him, not daring to fight, nor being able to avoid them, drives his ships into a rough and troublesome creeke, near *Camerina*, a greater fear overcoming this lesser, lest his whole Army should fall into the Enemies Power. *Carthago* not daring to venter into the same place, takes up his station at a certain Promontory, from whence he might equally intend himself against either Navy. A while after, when the Winds blew high, the Carthaginian shipmasters (skilfull in such Affaires) foreseeing a tempest, persuaded *Carthago* to forsake that station, and retire to *Pachynus*, and so the Carthaginians, but not without great paines, avoided the force of the Tempest; But both the Roman Navys utterly perished upon the Rocks, inasmuch that of the whole shipwrack there remained not a piece of board of any use, excepting only two ships, wherein the Consul with the small remainder of his men arrived at *Lilybaeum*. All the ships of provision were lost, and above an hundred long ships; but part of the Armie was saved, leaping into the sea and swimming to shore. The Senate, who had lately called home *P. Claudius* the Consul, for his miscarriage in *Sicily*, hearing also of *Junius*'s misfortune, gave over all confidence in the seas, resolving nevertheless with all their strength and Council to prosecute the Warre by land. They thought good to continue the siege of *Lilybaeum*; appointing certain men to take care of conveying necessary accommodations in good season, to the Army there. Though the Carthaginians were Masters at sea, yet they were encouraged, in that at land they were superior, and that almost all *Sicily* was either under their power, or in League with them: But they were not pleased with their Consuls this year, neither did they think that things would succeed prosperously under the Consuls

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command, because they had profaned the Rites of Religion; for 'tis said that *L. Junius* did likewise let fail neglecting the Indication of the Birds. They fled therefore to a new and unusual Refuge, and created a Dictator to go into *Sicily*, whereas, before this time, never any one so impowered, had led an Army out of *Italy*. The Infolence of *P. Clodius* the Consul was then very notable, and almost incredible; For being commanded by the Senate to nominate a Dictator, he named *M. Claudius Glycias*, who was either his Scribe, or one of his Sergeants; as if he had not sufficiently offended his Country, by what losses he had brought upon it, unless he had likewise abused the Majesty of the Empire with such a scoffe. Whereupon the whole Senate being justly incensed against him, he was forced to resign up his Office, and was referred to the censure of the People. What Authors *Cicero* had read, report he was condemned; but others have observed, that when *no Question* was to be made but that the People would condemn him, he escaped by a sudden chance, a Storme then arising which dissolved the Assembly; And it seeming hereby that the Gods interposed themselves, they thought not fit to ordain any other meeting for the purpose. But *Glycias* being forced to disclaim his Office, in that the City was ashamed to see a man of mean ranke to be in Supreme Dignity, was nevertheless admitted to all spectacles after this time in a Noble Man's Robes. In his room *A. Atilius A. F. C. N. Calatinus* was nominated Dictator, who made *L. Caelius L. F. C. N. Metellus* Master of the Horse, he who had Triumphed over the Carthaginians. These two went indeed into *Sicily*, but performed no very memorable action there.

In the mean time *L. Junius*, much troubled at his cross fortune, and desirous to wipe away the blot of his shipwracke, by some noble Exploit, watching all opportunities of Action, did at length find a way to take *Eryx*, by the Treachery of some within it, whom he had corrupted by gifts and promises. *Eryx* is the highest Hill in *Sicily* except *Ætna*, situate between *Panormus* and *Drepanum*, in that part of the Iland which lieth towards *Italy*, being more craggy toward *Drepanum*. In the top thereof there is a Plaine whereon standeth the Temple of *Venus*, therefore called *Erycina*, the Richest in all *Sicily*, just under the Top of the Mount, in the midst of the Ascent, is a City of the same name, very hard to be approached unto, the way to which with much difficulty is overcome by long and narrow passages from the foot of the Hill. *L. Junius* therefore well understanding the nature of the place, appointeth a strong guard both upon the Ridge of the Mountain, and likewise in the narrow passages below, being very safe himselfe, and having the advantage with much ease to repulse the Enemy. He also encompassed *Ægithallus* with a wall, and strengthened it with a Garrison of eight hundred men. But *Carthalo* landing his men there in the night time, stormed that Castle, and took and killed part of the Garrison soldiers, others escaped to *Eryx*.

The other passages concerning *L. Junius* are very doubtfully reported by Historians, some affirm he was taken by *Carthalo* at *Ægithallus*; Others that he killed himselfe fearing to be condemned for the loss of his Navy. There is no less uncertainty whether the *Secular* Sports were celebrated this year, or fourteen years after, when *P. Cornelius Lentulus*, and *C. Licinius Varrus* were Consuls. I think it more probable they were celebrated this year, the fear conceived from their late overthrow, and hope of better fortune, inviting them thereunto, if their Religion were diligently performed. This was a very fruitfull year, inasmuch as twelve pound of oile was sold for an *Assis*. In the mean time the Dictatorship being expired, or *Atilius* having resigned it up, *C. Aurelius L. F. C. N. Cotta*, and *P. Servilius Q. F. C. N. Geminus* were chosen Consuls. The Consuls were prettily successfull in *Sicily*, yet obtained no great Victory, nor reaped any great profit for the Common-wealth. They kept in the Carthaginians of *Lilybeum* and *Drepanum*, that they could make no large Excursions, nor so often as they had done, and took their Garrisons which were remote from the sea. *Carthalo* having made many attempts against them in vain, resolved at length to waiste the Italian Coasts, that thereby he might divert the Consuls from *Sicily*, or if they refused to come back to succour their Country, depopulate their grounds, and take Cities. But fortune did not herein favour his designs. For the *Prætor* being sent out with the City-forces for defence of the Country, compelled him to return to *Sicily* without effecting his purpose.

Where when the Mercenaries mutined for want of Pay, he exposed many of them in barren Ilands, and sent others to receive their Punishment at *Carthage*. The rest being incensed hereby, began manifestly to revolt, so that a new warre was feared from them: But *Hamilear* who succeeded *Carthalo*, coming in season, fet upon them in the night time, slew some, and drowned others; the remainder submitting themselves, and begging pardon he received into Grace. This was that *Hamilear* surnamed *Barcar*, one of the best Commanders *Carthage* ever bred, and indeed without compare, but that *Hanniball* was his son. From this time the Warre began to be more difficult on the Romans side; For having suddenly appeared the Mercenaries, he failed to *Italy*, and in very great compals spoiled the *Lacrian* and *Berrian* Territories.

But the Romans having found the faith of *Hiero* King of *Syracuse* very constant toward them, and his merits great, freely remitted unto him that yearly Tribute they had in the former League compounded for, and made a perpetual band of friendship and society with him. In the interim *Hamilear* being returned out of *Italy* landed in the Panormian Grounds, and pitched his Camp between *Panormus* and *Eryx*, in a place by nature very strong, it is called *Ephiræ*, an Hill craggy and full of cliffs on all sides, exalting it self from the circumjacent Region to a very

very great height; The top of it is not sharp, but continueth a plain of above an hundred furlongs, of a very profitable soil for the feeding of Cattel and bearing of Fruits, being open to the winds from sea, and void of all harmful and venomous creatures. Therein is a certain Hillcock which supplieth the place of a Tower, from whence may be viewed all the grounds round about. Near it is a very convenient Haven for those that fall from *Drepanum* and *Lilybeum* to *Italy*, with store of fresh water. There are three ways of ascending this Mount, two from the Land, one from the Sea, but all very difficult and full of obstructions. Here did *Hamilear* plant his Camp with much confidence having no confederate City near him, and being in the midst of his enemies: But trusting in the strength of the place and his own courage and skill in Marshal affairs, he found the Romans work enough, and very well fetted the Carthaginian affairs, which now began to succeed well at home also. For another Carthaginian General, *Hanno*, who had a great emulation of *Hamilear's* Virtue, to obtain honour, and employ the Army without the Commonwealths cost out of the enemies Country, invaded a port of *Lybia* about *Hecatomyra*, and having obtained the City, sent three thousand Hostages to *Carthage*; yet they had some alay of this their prosperity. For *L. Caelius L. F. C. N. Metellus* being the second time Consul, and *Nm. Fabius M. F. M. N. Buto* being his Colleague, a Navy was built at the charge of private men, which waisted the Coast of *Africa*. For though the Senate had again resolved against sending out of a Navy, yet at the Citizens request they gave leave to have one prepared, upon this condition, That they should safely recover those ships which were built at the publick Charge, relieving the prey to themselves; so that a Fleet was set out very considerable, which brought much terror and damage to the Coasts of *Africa* and assaulting Kings: *Hippo*, one of the nearest Cities, they fired the ships of *Hippo* and many buildings. In their return finding the mouth of the Haven chained up, by art and counsel they devised a way to explicate themselves out of present danger, for sailing with all the force they could, when they came near the Chain, all the men retired to the Stern, and so the Fore-Deck being lightened easily waisted over the Chain, then suddenly running to the Fore-Decks and depreffing them, the Stern likewise slid over, and they had free liberty of sailing, having delivered themselves from imminent danger.

After this escape, they fought with the Carthaginian Navy, and prevailed against them. The Roman Consuls divided their forces, *L. Metellus* besieged *Lilybeum*, and *Nm. Fabius Drepanum*. Not far from *Drepanum*, toward the South, lyeth an Iland, or rather a Rock, which the Grecians call *Pellæ*, we *Columbaria*, which the Consul stormed in the night time, and slew the Carthaginian Garrison there. *Hamilear*, who came to defend *Drepanum*, made no delay, but at break of day set forth to recover the place again, which the Consul observing, being not able to relieve his own men, with his whole strength assaulted *Drepanum*, whereby drawing *Hamilear* from his design, he kept the Iland in possession, and afterward made much advantage of it in besieging *Drepanum*, for he dammed up the sea, and joynted it to the Continent; and because the Walls of the City were weakest on that side, they there began his assaults. But the encounters between *Hamilear*, and these, and the Consuls of the following years, *Polybius* thinks impossible to be described because they were so many, and judgeth it unfit, lest it might give an occasion of the like. For *Hamilear*, having his Camp at *Ephiræ* for almost three years together, had almost daily encounters with the Romans, especially when their Camp being before *Panormus* was scarce five furlongs distant from the enemy. For neither did they refrain from skirmishing, having their Armies so near; Neither did they ever come to the trial of a main battel having many hinderances, especially because their forces being equal and their Camps alike strong, they were likewise on each side protected by the vicinity of their Camp, to which the party worsted might quickly retire. Hence it came to pass that as in fight some were always slain, so when the battel declined they had a safe refuge to their Works. But while *Drepanum* was besieged, the Carthaginians Fleet infested not only the *Sicilian* but the *Italian* shores; and *Hamilear* plundering as far as he could, waisted the *Italian* territories even to *Cuma*. Many of the Romans Citizens being fallen into the Carthaginians power by these incursions, and the *Sicilian* fights, the Roman Commanders agreed with the Carthaginians for the exchange of Prisoners, which party received any overplus back, was to give two pound and an half of silver for an head, and the Carthaginians receiving more then the Romans paid down the money accordingly.

I find two Colonies planted in *Italy* this year, one at *Æstum* the other at *Alifum*. There was likewise a Lustration made at *Rome* (being the eight and thirtieth) by *A. Atilius A. F. C. N. Calatinus*, and *A. Manlius T. F. T. N. Arvian* being Censors; and there were rated two hundred fifty one thousand, two hundred twenty two, whereas in the former Lustration there were found little less then three hundred thousand; so great a number of Citizens were consumed by War and Shipwracks. Nevertheless the *Sicilian* army was duly recruited, the supply being led by the Consuls *M. Otavius C. F. M. N. Crassus* (the second time Consul) and *M. Fabius C. F. M. N. Licinus*. These had a very brute and difficult warfare, but not being able to dispossesse *Hamilear* of his strong holds, they performed nothing memorable. Which happened likewise to the succeeding Consuls for the same reason, as likewise because new Generals *Zonarus*, (being on the sudden every year elected against an old experienced Commander) spent more time in making their preparations, chusing their ground, and insinuating themselves with the foul-

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diery, then was left for the management of Affairs. It was therefore this year concluded (when the time of assembling the people drew nigh) rather to chuse a Dictator then to reassemble the Consuls out of Sicily. *Ti. Cornelianus* M. F. T. Nepos was chosen to summon the Assembly; he nominated for Matter of the Horse *M. Fulvius* Q. F. M. N. Flaccus. In the mean time the two Tribunes of the people, *C. Fundanius* and *Ti. Sempronius* appointed a day for *Claudia* the daughter of *Appius Cæcus* to plead her cause before the people, being accused, that returning from a Play, and her Chariot having no ease passage through the crowd of people, she let fall a wicked speech, *Oh! that my brother were alive again and had Command of the Fleet.*

Suetonius

There was hardly any Noble Family in Rome but had had some relation to the Claudians, either by Cognation or Affinity, so that the wanted no Patrons to defend her. declaring, *The Nobility of her house, the merits of Appius her father, the frailty of her sex; that it was a thing unheard of for a woman to be called into Judgment: Neither was now the cause so great why a new custom should be begun against Claudia, which had not by any plot or practice offended the Majesty of the people, but only in a few words.* On the contrary, the Tribunes alledged, *What an impious and execrable speech the hath vented, ye are not ignorant, O Romans, neither is there any need of Witnesses, she her self confessing it; neither indeed can she deny it if she would, because she spoke openly and in publick, not reverencing either the Gods or the multitude of Citizens round about her.* When therefore the crime is manifest, why should we doubt of the punishment? Have not the Laws made sufficient Provision? Or while we read the Letter of the Law, shall we suffer our minds to be deluded in the Sense of it. *Tis objected, That it is unusual thus to accuse a woman; if it be so, why it is unusual likewise for a woman thus to offend: Neither hitherto did our Commonwealth ever afford so wicked and impudent a woman. And we wish that there were now no need of making a new Precedent being desirous that (offences being avoided) the Law might lie hidden and quiet, rather than be made use of against the guilty with a profitable severity. But a City that intends its own establishment, must of necessity observe the Laws, which they of all men ought least to pervert who would be esteemed the Princes and Pillars of the Commonwealth; who being skillful in the Laws cannot be ignorant, that though in most of them there be no mention expressly made of women, yet in these words, *If any One*, and the like, both sexes are equally comprehended. What wonder is it then if we believe the Law against Treason to concern both sexes; seeing this very *Claudia* is an example that both sexes may offend against it? But they Extenuate the business, and would have the crime seem small, because it was only in Words. What? this yet was wanting; she did not joyn her endeavours, counsels and actions with the Carthaginians; she did not raise Troops, armè Slaves, seize on the Capitol, nor actually with her hands effect that wickedness against the City which in words she expressed. Notwithstanding this, the Laws provide not only for the punishment of Deeds but of ill Counsels and designs also; if indeed a mad man or an infant do hurt to any, the Law layeth no hold on their actions; yet the mind and intentions of others in many causes is made as manifest by Words as by Deeds. She who made so detestable a wish, what would she have done if it had lain in her power to have brought it to pass? Unless we despise the Judgment of other men (which we have no reason to do) we shall find that in other places wicked wishes are accounted Crimes. At Athens, which for reputation of Wisdom exceedeth all Cities of Greece, there was a man whose office was to provide necessary accommodations for Funerals, condemned, because he wished he might make great gains, which could not be unless a great number of Citizens died: Yet those words might admit of a more favourable Interpretation. But *Claudia* plainly, and without any ambiguity wished Destruction to the Citizens, Overthrow to the whole Army, and Calamity to the whole Commonwealth. *would my Brother were alive again!* A naughty wish it is, if he had made it only for her brothers sake; for why should life be restored to him by whose means so many Citizens lost their lives; who no less affronted the Commonwealth by his Arrogancy, then he did afflict it by his Rashness? who being by the votes of all men precondemned, avoided not the infamy of his judgment, but by accident escaped the punishment? Would you, if you were wife, have this man to live again, whose memory if you could hide in the flame Grave with his ashes, it were your duty to do it? For as other Matrons do not vainly glory of the Egregious virtues and merits of their Brethren, so would he be a shame to you if any name or modesty be left in you. But let a Noble Lady be pardoned, though perhaps foolishly she hath desired her brothers company, if she did it out of any pious and charitable consideration. Yea, clearly absolve her, if the cause of her wish be not more abominable than the wish it self foolish and insolent. For why did you wish your brother alive again? that you might be comforted with the countenance of a near Kinsman, that his labours might redound to your profit, his Authority be a protection to you, and his Honour a grace? None of all these. And what then? Even that he might command the Navy again: This, this wicked wretch, was the reason why you desired, as much as in you lay, to raise the Dead, to reduce Nature to its former habit, and unlock the Cloisters of the Grave that you might find a man by whom we might be destroyed! This is the Woman, Romans, whose impunity is craved by those who while they approve themselves good Kinsmen, regard not though they be esteemed ill Citizens. And truly no man is against it, that (according to their desire) ye should have*

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mercy on her, had she had any mercy toward you. But seeing the hath wished the death of some, the grief of others, that they should be childless and fatherless, nay, the general calamity of all: who will be so foolishly tender as to judge her hostile, cruel, inhumane soul worthy of any mercy? What great lamentations and complaints were made when the Centurions upon the last Lustration gave in the number of the Citizens? Though many things these years last past succeeded prosperously, yet good men thought the Commonwealth in no very safe or good condition by reason the number of the Citizens was so much decreased. But this woman nothing moved at the loss of those who perished, therefore only grieveth because any are remaining. She complaineth of the two great crowd in the City, the wisheth him alive by whose fault chiefly the number of Citizens is so small. But it may be said, The woman her self being indeed unworthy your mercy, will ye not yet pardon her crime for her Ancestor's, for her Father's sake? Shall we then establish such a Law in our City, That if any man by any means do good to the Commonwealth his posterity shall have the liberty to offend it without punishment? Truly our Fathers were not of this Opinion, when they precipitated *M. Manlius* from the Rock, whereas the Capitol, the Romans last hope and refuge was, not by his Father or Grand-father or any of his Progenitors, but by himself defended from the Gauls. For saving or afflicting the Commonwealth there ought no other reward to be required but the conscience of the fact: But *Appius*, if ever he did good to the Commonwealth received abundant reward, being much enriched and full of honour, in which state he continued flourishing even to his last old age. Though perhaps it were safer not to make any mention of *Appius* and the former *Claudii*, then to put you in mind of those injuries, very high and bold ones, which that Family (from its first Original never well affected to the people) hath committed against you. For what *Appius* is it they would have you remember, but him who always with an enemies mind, crossing your designs, chose rather to perish with his Army then be saved by his Colleague, being a Plebeian? who against the will of all the Deities and Tribes persisted in his Centorship beyond his due time? And now let them reckon up the merits of the *Claudian* Family, even from the time of the *Decemviri*, or from the first Original thereof, they shall find matter whereby to prove this woman like her Ancestors in pride and contumacy, rather then to make it appear the ought to be pardoned for their fakes. What cause therefore have these, or can any other man alledge why this woman ought to go unpunished, unless it be feared the City should loose a woman of so good example? of which opinion if ye also are, O Romans, keep her, keep *Claudia* amongst you; that when our Matrons kneel at the feet of the gods, supplicating them for the Commonwealth in time of trouble, she may hinder their devout Prayers by her Curses; that while they wish for Salvation for our Armies, she may wish Destruction; while they desire to free theouldiers return safe and found, she may desire to hear they are vanquished, captivated and slain; that while they solicit the gods that few or none may fall in battel, she may repine and accuse Providence if any return home. Keep the woman, that as other Matrons provoke and encourage their children and kinsmen, in emulation of Illustrious men, to Virtue, Courage and Love of their Country, she may instruct hers by the example of *P. Clodius* to fight rashly, to run basely, wickedly to destroy the Citizens, and arrogantly to have the Commonwealth itself in contempt. Let her propound these things unto young Nobles to be resolved upon from their Infancy, to be practised in their Youth; so let those men be educated to whom you must hereafter commit the charge of your Navies and Armies.

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diery, then was left for the management of Affairs. It was therefore this year concluded (when the time of assembling the people drew nigh) rather to chuse a Dictator then to recollect either of the Consuls out of Sicily. *Ti. Cornelianus* & *F. Ti. Nepos* was chosen to summon the Assembly; he nominated for Master of the Horse *M. Fulvius* & *F. M. N. Flaccus*. In the mean time the two Tribunes of the people, *C. Fundanius* and *Ti. Sempronius* appointed a day for *Claudia* the daughter of *Appius* *Cæcus* to plead her cause before the people, being accused, that returning from a Play, and her Chariot having no easie passage through the crowd of people, she let fall a wicked speech, *Oh! that my brother were alive again and had Command of the Fleet.*

There was hardly any Noble Family in Rome but had had some relation to the Claudians, either by Cognation or Affinity, so that the wanted not Patrons to defend her, declaring, *The Nobility of her house, the merits of Appius her father, the frailty of her sex; that it was arising unheard of for a woman to be called into Judgment: Neither was now the cause so great why a new custom should be begun against Claudia, which had not by any plot or practice offended the Majesty of the people, but only in a few words.* On the contrary, the Tribunes alleged, *'What an impious and execrable speech she hath vented, ye are not ignorant, O Romans, neither is there any need of Witnesses, she her self confessing it; neither indeed can she deny it if she would, because she spoke openly and in publick, not reverencing either the Gods or the multitude of Citizens round about her. When therefore the crime is manifest, why should we doubt of the punishment? Have not the Laws made sufficient Provision? Or while we read the Letter of the Law, shall we suffer our minds to be deluded in the Sense of it. 'Tis objected, That it is unusual thus to accuse a woman; if it be so, why it is unusual likewise for a woman thus to offend: Neither hitherto did our Commonwealth ever afford so wicked and impudent a woman. And we wish that there were now no need of making a new Precedent, being desirous that (offences being avoided) the Law might lie hidden and quiet, rather then be made use of against the guilty with a profitable severity. But a City that intends its own establishment, must of necessity observe the Laws, which they of all men ought least to pervert who would be esteemed the Princes and Pillars of the Commonwealth; who being skilful in the Laws cannot be ignorant, that though in most of them there be no mention expressly made of women, yet in these words, *If any One*, and the like, both sexes are equally comprehended. What wonder is it then if we believe the Law against Treason to concern both sexes; seeing this very *Claudia* is an example that both sexes may offend against it? But they Extenuate the business, and would have the crime seem small, because it was only in Words. What? this yet was wanting; she did not joyn her endeavours, counsels and actions with the Carthaginians; she did not raise Troops, arme slaves, seize on the Capitol, nor actually with her hands effect that wickedness against the City which in words she expressed; Notwithstanding this the Laws provide not only for the punishment of Deeds but of ill Counsels and designs also; if indeed a mad man or an infant do hurt to any, the Law layeth no hold on their actions: yet the mind and intentions of others in many causes is made as manifest by Words as by Deeds. She who made*

so detestable a wish, what would she have done if it had lain in her power to have brought it to pass? Unless we despise the Judgment of other men (which we have no reason to do) we shall find that in other places wicked wishes are accounted Crimes. At Athens, which for reputation of Wisdom exceedeth all Cities of Greece, there was a man whose office was to provide necessary accommodations for Funerals, condemned, because he wished he might make great gains, which could not be unless a great number of Citizens died. Yet those words might admit of a more favourable Interpretation. But *Claudia* plainly, and without any ambiguity wished Destruction to the Citizens, Overthrow to the whole Army, and Calamity to the whole Commonwealth. *Would my Brother were alive again!* A naughty wish it is, if she had made it only for her brothers sake; for why should life be restored to him by whose means so many Citizens lost their lives? who no less affronted the Commonwealth by his *Arganoy*, then he did afflict it by his *Rashness*; who being by the votes of all men condemned, avoided not the infamy of his judgment, but by accident escaped the punishment? Would you, if you were wife, have this man to live again, whose memory if you could hide in the same Grave with his ashes, it were your duty to do it? For as other Matrons do not vainly glory of the Egregious virtues and merits of their Brethren, so would he be a shame to you if any shame or modesty be left in you. But let a Noble Lady be pardoned, though perhaps foolishly she hath desired her brothers company, if she did it out of any pious and charitable consideration. Yea, clearly absolve her, if the cause of her wish be not more abominable than the wish it self foolish and insolent. For why did you wish your brother alive again? that you might be comforted with the countenance of a near Kinsman, that his labours might redound to your profit, his Authority be a protection to you, and his Honour a grace? None of all these. And what then? Even that he might command the Navy again: This, this, wicked wretch, was the reason why you desired, as much as in you lay, to raise the Dead, to reduce Nature to its former habit, and unlock the Cloisters of the Grave that you might find a man by whom we might be destroyed! This is the Woman, Romans, whose impunity is craved by those who while they approve themselves good Kinsmen, regard not though they be esteemed ill Citizens. And truly no man is against it, that (according to their desire) ye should have

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Diodorus 4. 2

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narrower bounds. The Romans (as hath been already declared) had planted a Garrison above the City *Eryx* upon the Top of the Mountaine, another below at the foot of the Hill. The natural strength and situation of the place, with the helpe of these guards, seemed sufficient to secure that City from fear of any surpris. But the boldness and Valour of *Hamilcar*, making any thing possible, which he lifted undertake, in a very short time reduced it into his Power. For he in the night time, setting forward with his forces, and without noise ascending thirty furlongs up the Hill, himself marching in the head of the party, surpris'd the Romans unawares, and having slain great part of those he found in the Towne, he sent the rest into *Drepanum*. From this time the face of things was very strange, and the warfare very hard and severe, for *Hamilcar* being now in the midst of two of the Enemies Garrisons, was himself besieged by them below while he besieged those above; both the Romans and the Carthaginians undergoing incredible paynes and danger, did for almost two years next insueuing performe the office of most Valiant souldiers; For the Camps being so neare there passed not a day, nay scarce an houre without alarmes and skirmishes, neither party all this while fainted or yielded, neither did Victory or overthrow part them; but still they continued equal and unvanquished, desigining in the mean time to prosecute the Warre at Sea also.

This year a Colonie was planted at *Brundisium*, in the *Salentin* Territories, twenty years after that Countrey was subdued by the Romans. About this time *T. Cornucianus*, who was the first High Priest of the Plebeians, died in a great old age, and in his place succeeded *L. Caelius Metellus*. The next Confuls were *C. Fundanius C. F.*, *Q. N. Fundulus*, and *C. Sulpicius C. F. Ser. N. Gallus*. By them the war with *Hamilcar* was managed in the same manner, and with the same fortune as before, onely the Mercenary Gauls, and others who kept Garrison in *Eryx*, being discontented for want of Pay, and other injuries, endeavour'd to betray the City to the Romans, but not being able to effect it, they revolted to the Confuls, and these were the first Forreigners the Romans ever entertained into society of Armes. Notwithstanding this access of strength, they were not able by their Land-forces to finish the War, chiefly by reason of *Hamilcars* virtue, who could neither be circumvented by craft, nor vanquished by Force.

Once more therefore they consulted about setting forth another Navy to Sea; For by no other means could the Carthaginians be kept from *Sicily*, unless they were mastered by Sea. And they were much encouraged in their resolution, by reason of their former success, when the Navy was set forth at the cost of private men: But money was wanting, the Treasury being long ago exhausted with the charge of a continuall War. Then did the Noble Roman Spirit seasonably relieve the wants of the Common-wealth, so generous were the Senators, that in a time of publick danger they scorned to spare their private purses, out of which on the sudden more money was raised than the building of a Navy required. Those who were richest did every man undertake to build a *Quinqueme*, setting it forth completely manned and arm'd; others according to their estates joyned two or three together in the same design, upon this condition, that when the Common-wealth was restored to a better Condition, every mans money should be paid back again. By this means two hundred ships of five Oares on a side were made ready, according to the pattern of that Gally they had taken from *Hanniball Rhodius*. Great was now the expectation of all men, for being put to their last refuge, they resolved with this Navy of Necessity to hazard the Fortune of the whole War. While these thing were in doing, *C. Lutatius C. F. C. N. Catulus*, and *A. Posthumius A. F. L. N. Albinus* entered the Consulship. *A. Posthumius* was then Priest of *Mars*, and therefore when he desired to cast lots for his Province, *L. Metellus* the High Priest would not suffer him, pronouncing it unlawful for a Priest to depart from the place of his Office, and leave the Ceremonies unperformed, which was likewise allowed of, and agreed upon by succeeding Generations. The Senate likewise at the same time shewed a like Example of defending their Countrey's Religion, for they forbad *C. Lutatius* the Consul to ask counsell at *Preneste*, and manage the Affaires of the Common-wealth by direction of outlandish Auguries. Then intending their minds upon the War (because both the Confuls could not be spared with safety of their Religion, and one seemed not sufficient to bear the whole burthen) they ordained one of the *Prætors* (this being the first year wherein they began to create two) to accompany *C. Lutatius*, and it fell to the Lot of *Q. Valerius Falto*. These gathering together all the Publick and private ships to the number of three hundred, with Ferry-boats, and other Vessells to the number of seven hundred, as soon as Winter was over, sailed to *Sicily*, whither being come, they find both the *Lilybanum* and *Drepanitan* Havens open for them; For the Enemy not expecting any Navy from *Italy*, were returned to *Africa* with all their ships. The Consul animated with this prosperous beginning, being by nature full of spirit, hating Idleness, and desirous of Action, besieged *Drepanum*, raising Workes against it; in the mean time not omitting to train up his Sea-souldiers, daily exercising them (as foreseeing sudden use of them in fight) inasmuch as they who were utterly ignorant of Maritime Affaires and chances, seemed sufficiently prepared for any Encounter.

The City of *Drepanum* being fiercely assaulted both by Sea and land, and now reduced even to the utmost danger, part of their Wall being battered to the ground; It chanced that the Confuls

Conful Valiantly fighting in the head of his men, received a deep wound in his thigh; where upon his Souldiers troubled at his fall, and running in to him, missed the opportunity of taking the place, when it was even almost in their hands: Before the Conful had recovered the use of his foot, news was brought of a great Carthaginian Navy approaching, to the number of four hundred ships, stored with provision for their Army, with a very great strength of souldiers, and abundance of Armes and Money. *Hanno*, a Carthaginian Noble Man, was Commander in Chief; his chiefe care was to get safe to *Eryx*, safe his ships of their burden, and so manning them with stout Souldiers from *Hamilcar*, to return and fight the Roman Navy. His design was well contrived, but prevented by the wisdom and circumspection of *C. Lutatius* the Conful, who knew it would be of great moment to the Victory, to encounter the Carthaginians while their ships were heavy laden, and encombrd with the burthen of their own provisions. Therefore upon the Ides of March, filling his ships with choice souldiers, he saileth to the Ilands *Ægates*, over against *Lilybanum*, where he discovereth *Hanno* coming from *Hieronefus*; then encouraging his Sea-men and souldiers he appointeth next day for the fight: But at break of day he began to doubt, because the wind was arisen favourable to the Carthaginians, and contrary to himselfe. Weighing then the Reasons on both sides, he thought it safer to fight with the winds, and *Hanno* while he was alone, and had his ships laden, then suffer him to pass by to unlade his ships, and bring back into battell the flower of their foot Army, and also *Hamilcar* himselfe, who at that time was very formidable. Observing therefore the Enemies ships as they passed by with full sail, he setteth forth out of the Haven, and to encourage his men, causeth himselfe to be carried into the Admirall. *Gally* having not recovered the use of his limbe, signe of battell being given on both sides, *Q. Valerius* performed the Office of General, by reason of *C. Lutatius* his infirmity, not suffering to supply the place. The fight lasted not long before it plainly appeared on which side the Victory inclined; for the Roman ships being light and nimble, did on every side, at their pleasures assault the Carthaginians, being heavy, and almost immovable; they were likewise in every thing else superiours, being taught by experience to avoid and amend whatsoever heretofore they had found inconvenient, and harmful; Their ships were built after the best fashion, they had carefully laid aside all lumber which was of no use in fight, their Rowers were lusty, and well trained up, and they had a very considerable strength of Legionaries: All these were very great advantages toward the Victory. On the other side, the Carthaginian ships were heavy with burden, their Rowers newly leaved, and their men negligent, as being in security; for they had hoped the Romans would no more have tried their fortune at Sea. Therefore, as it must needs be, where the difference is so great, the Victory was not long in obtaining, the Carthaginians lost an hundred and twenty ships, seventy whereof were taken, with all the men, to the number of ten thousand, the rest upon an hapie change of winde in the time of fight, escaped to *Hieronefus*. This was that famous battell at the Ilands *Ægates*, as it is chiefly described by *Polybim*.

For other writers affirm, that seventy three ships were taken, an hundred and twenty five sunke, two and thirty thousand men taken prisoners, and thirteen thousand slain, the Prizes taken were very great, not only in Provisions and Armes, but in gold and silver also. Of the Roman Navy twelve ships were lost. This reported that from the beginning of the fight a fiery meteor was seen in the aire, threatening as it were the Carthaginian Navy with its point directed against it, presignifying the event which presently ensued. *Hanno*, with the rest of the ships which escaped out of the Fight, except those which fled to *Lilybanum*, returning to *Carthage*, was put to death for this his Misfortune. *C. Lutatius* the Conful went to the Army before *Lilybanum*, where, while his wound was in curing, he spent his time in taking an account of the ships, and Captives, and ordering how they should be dismissed. Thence he went to *Eryx*, where he fought *Hamilcar* with good success, having slain two thousand Carthaginians. The Carthaginians at home understanding what a great Overthrow they had received, though their spirits were great, yet found that they wanted strength and meanes, to renew and carry on the War. For they were not able, so long as the Romans were Masters at sea, to supply their Army at *Eryx* with necessary accommodations; and, if that Army miscarried, they knew not where to raise any more souldiers, or find a General they durst confide in. Being by this Necessity driven into despair, they sent to *Hamilcar*, empowering him with full Commission to do what he himself should think fit or convenient for the Republick: He having thither to performed the Office of an excellent General, did now no less behave himselfe as a good Citizen. For having duly and seriously considered all arguments on both sides, when he found there was no other means but Peace, whereby to preserve the Common-wealth; he sent Embassadors to the Conful to treat with him thereabout. The mention of Peace was not unwellcome to the Conful, for being now shortly to lay down his Office, he could not by any meanes hope for the obtaining of a greater Glory, then that, of having finished the War; and to transmit that to his successor which was in his own power to accomplish, and most properly belonged to him, he thought both unseasonable and unadvised: He was the more forward, as being very well conscious of the wants of the Common-wealth, and that he thought it fit his Countrey, after so many yeares continuall labour, should enjoy some rest. Wherefore after a long dispute of Articles on both sides, it was agreed, that the Carthaginians should totally depart *Sicily*; that they should not wage war against *Hiero*, and the *Syracusans*, or any of their

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Polyb. 1. 60

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*Appianus apud*  
*Philibianus* 1. 63  
*Polib. 2. 27*  
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Associates, that they should forthwith without ransom restore all Captives, and deliver up all *Evangelus*; that they should in the space of twenty years, by equal portions, pay two thousand and two hundred *Enchican Talents* of pure silver: That the confederates of each party might live secure and unmolested; That neither party should exercise any command, or make any public building, or raise any soldiers within the others jurisdiction, nor admit the others associates into friendship and confederacy. 'Twas added, that these Articles were firmly concluded, if the people of Rome would agree thereto.

*Livie 2. 1. 4. 6*  
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*Polibian*  
*Antid. viris*  
*Illus. c. 12*

But it could by no means be obtained (though the Consul earnestly insisted upon it) that the soldiers within *Eryx* should resign up their Arms; *Hamilcar* protesting, That he would rather sacrifice himself and his country to destruction, then yield to such a disgrace: Nevertheless he condescended, That every man at his departure thence should pay eighteen pence. Hereupon messengers were sent both by the Consul and the Carthaginians to inform the Senate and People of the Conditions agreed upon. The people did not allow of the peace, but sent ten Delegates to take an exact account of all circumstances, who being returned, they heightened the Conditions, That the Carthaginians should presently lay down a thousand *Talents*, and within ten years after pay two thousand two hundred, that they should clearly quit not only Sicily, but all other Islands between that and Italy, that they should not sail in a long ship either into Italy or any of the Romans Islands, nor hire any soldier from thence.

*Zonaras*  
*Liv. Ept. 19*  
*Polib. 1. 66*  
*Zonaras*  
*Polib. 1. 64*

The Carthaginians, so they might have peace, refused nothing; *Hamilcar*, before the Articles were sworn unto, laid down his Command and went to *Lilybæum*, and from thence to *Carthage*, having approved himself, without comparison, the most excellent of all their Generals in that War, both in Courage and in Counsel. After this manner was managed and finished the first Carthaginian War, which lasted for four and twenty years with various chances and great losses, but to the greater damage of them who at last proved Victors. For they who have made a particular Account, report about five hundred Carthaginian ships to have been lost, and seven hundred of the Romans, which is a great argument of the Romans Constancy and Resolution, that, not regarding to many losses by fight, or shipwrecks sustained, they did yet with patience bear and overcome the power of their Enemy, the frowns of Fortune, the tedious labour and pains, and the poverty of their Treasuries.

*512*  
*Fasti Capitol.*  
*Zonaras*

After this the Government of *C. Lutatius* the Consul was prorogued, that he might settle affairs in Sicily; thither likewise was sent his brother one of the new Consuls, *Q. Lutatius C. F. C. N. Cerco*, whose Colleague was *A. Manlius T. F. T. N.* These did by their wisdom order the Province, and settled all things in peace and quiet, desisting all controversies and taking away all causes of quarrels and tumults, which after to great motions and alterations were unavoidably remaining. They disarmed all the Sicilians who adhered to *Hamilcar*, as likewise the *Gauls* who had revolted from him; furthermore the *Gauls* were commanded to depart out of the Roman Empire, because, besides other offences, when they were in the Garrison on the top of Mount *Eryx*, they plundered the Temple of *Venus*. The Sicilian Cities according to their several abilities were forced to pay Tribute and Custom; and it was made a Province, whither a Pretor was sent to command and govern yearly.

*Polibius 2. 7*

*Appian*

*Extropius b. 2*

In the mean time Embassadours came from *Carthage* to intreat, They might redeem their Captives, and by Order from the Senate they were all restored without Ransom, as many as were in Publick custody; they who were prisoners to private men were redeemed at a certain rate, the greater part whereof was by command of the Senate paid out of the Treasury. But unlucky accidents at home did much diminish the joy of the Roman people. The River *Tiber* did this year flow higher then ordinary, and filled all the lower parts of the City with large Pools of Water. Many buildings were by the first force thereof washed to the ground, and others, having their foundation rotted (for the Inundation continued many days) after the fall of the water, did much decay.

*Orosius. 4. 20*  
*Antid. de Civ.*  
*Did. 18*

*Val. Max. 1. 4. 4*  
*Orosius*

After this there happened a greater calamity by Fire, which suddenly beginning in the night time, and running through many streets of the City, destroyed an incredible multitude of houses and men; and, not content with private harms, consumed all the buildings in the whole Circumference of the Forum. At length it seized upon the Temple of *Vesta*, but then *L. Cæcilius* the Chief Priest, seeing the Holy things and secret Pledges of the Roman Empire to be in danger, behaved himself worthy of his Office, for he leaped into the midst of the fire without any care of himself, so he might but rescue the Holy things which the Virgins had forsaken and left behind them, which accordingly he performed. Himself having his Arme half burnt and his Eye-sight spoiled, beside the comfort he received from his good act, was eminently rewarded by the people of Rome, who Decreed, That as often as he went to the Senate he should be carried in a Chariot, which from the Foundation of the City was never granted to any man before.

*Val. Max.*  
*Livie Ept. 19*  
*Antid.*  
*Dionysius 2. 67*  
*Orosius*  
*Vitruv. 7. 43*

In the mean time *Q. Lutatius* the Consul, with his brother *Catulus* and *Q. Valerius* the Proprætor, having settled affairs in Sicily returned home to the City and made each of them

them their Triumph; *C. Lutatius Catulus* on the fourth of the Nones of *October*, and *Q. Valerius* on the day before the Nones of the same month. There was a memorable strife between these two concerning the Triumph of *Valerius*; for *Lutatius* his Triumph being without dispute agreed upon, *Q. Valerius* contending that his pains and labour were equal in the Victory desired the like honour as he had undergone the like care and danger. *Catulus* on the other side alledged, That the lesser authority should not be equalized with the greater in the distribution of honours.

The question being hotly argued, *Q. Valerius* challenged *Catulus* to stand to arbitration; Whether or no the Carthaginian Navy were not overcome by his conduct? *Catulus* refused not to answer him; whereupon *Asinius Calatinus* was chosen Arbitrator, who asked *Valerius*, Whether the Consul's authority or the Pretors ought to have prevailed in case they had differed in their consultation about fighting? and in case their *Augurics* had been different whether of the two ought to have been followed? To which when *Valerius* answered, That in both cases the Consul's authority ought to have prevailed above the Pretor's; *Calatinus* not expecting till *Catulus* spoke, passed sentence on his side. But *Q. Valerius*, though he was cast by the judgment of the Arbitrator, did yet obtain liberty to Triumph, his virtue and courage having been very famous in that War. This year *C. Aurelius Cotta*, and *M. Fabius Buto* being Censors, made the ninth and thirtieth Lustration. There were numbered two hundred and three score thousand Citizens; two Tribes being superadded, the one called *Velina* the other *Quirina*, the number of Tribes was made up five and twenty, and so continued. Sicily being now wholly subdued, as much as belonged to the Carthaginians, and peace with them concluded, all things seemed not only quiet but very safe and secure; when behold a sudden war, arising from whence it was least feared, did for a few days astonish all Italy both with the terror and fear of an intestine broil, as likewise with wonder at the speedy dispatch and issue of it.

The *Falisci*, I know not upon what account, grew so mad as to rise up in arms against the Romans; but the Consuls being sent with the Legions quelled them within six days, and reduced them to subjection. In the former battel, for 'tis reported two were fought, the Victory was doubtful, for their foot prevailed though their horse were routed. But in the latter the victory being on the Romans side complete, caused the *Falisci* to humble themselves and beg peace, having lost fifteen thousand men: upon their yielding they were fined with the loss of their arms, horse, household-stuff, servants and half their Territories. Their City in whose strength they confided was translated from a craggy difficult place into plain open ground. The people of Rome were meditating a more severe revenge, out of anger against a City which had so often rebelled, but restraining their wrath by the advice of *Papirius* (who had written the form of submission by the Consuls own command) That the *Falisci* submitted not to the Power but the Faith of the Romans: And so much did the sacred name of Publick Faith prevail with them all, that they adjudged the conquered party to no severer punishment then was agreed upon. This war gave occasion to have this year ended with the Triumphs of the Consuls; *Q. Lutatius* Triumphed on the Calends of *March* over the *Falisci*, *A. Manlius* the fourth of the Nones of *March*.

*Agellius 13. 14*  
*Valer. Maxim.*

*Pighii Annal.*  
*Euseb. num.*  
*Livie Ept. 19*

*Extropius b. 2*  
*Livie Ept.*  
*Polib. 1. 65*  
*Zonaras*  
*Orosius 4. 14*  
*Extropius*  
*Val. Max. 6. 5. 3*

*Fasti Capitol.*



## BOOK X.



Arno 513.  
Ag. 17. 2. 1.  
Liv. 7. 2. 6.  
Cic. Bruto  
c. 18. Et Cato  
24. 69. Tul. 1. 2.  
Cassiod. Cron.  
Felic. 1. 14. 8.  
Plin. 18. 2. 9.  
Ovid. Fast. 5.

Ovid. Varro de  
ling. Catina.

Orellius  
Tacit. 1. 4. 2.

Liv. Ept. 20  
Val. 1. 14. 8.

514.  
Fasti Capitolini  
Marc. Varro  
apud Cluv.  
Dionys. 1. 18.  
Livie Ept. 20  
Orell. 1. 4. 2.

Zonaras

Siculus Catina  
atque F. 11. 11.  
Velleius 1. 14. 8.  
Velleius.

**L**Italy being now once more at Peace within it selfe, their Publick Pleasures, and Delights did likewise encrease with their Power and security. When the Roman Games were exhibited, C. Claudius A. P. F. C. N. Centhe, and M. Sempronius C. F. M. N. Tuditanti being Consuls, L. Livius Andronicus, in imitation of the Græcian Comedies and Tragedies, reduced the Stage-Plays, which heretofore were only Satyrs into Fables, and feigned representations. The same year likewise gave beginning to another sort of sports. On the fourth of the Calends of May, the Floralia were instituted out of the Sybil's books, to avert the blasting of fruits and plants then springing forth. L. and M. Publicius Malcolus, Brothers and Ediles of the People did exhibit publick shows out of the Fines raised from Herdsmen who had fed their Cattel on Commons. The Magistracy of these Brethren was in another respect very memorable; in that they caused that Clift (which from them received the name of Publicius) to be made plain and even, for the more commodious passage of Carriages into Mount Aventine, whereas before the Rock in that place was craggie and almost impassable. They likewise built the Temple of Flora in the great house place.

These things were acted at home, while all things were quiet abroad, only there was a suspicion that the Gauls and Ligurians had a designe for War. That these Provinces therefore were assigned to the Consuls, and war then commenced with the Gauls, is rather a Conjecture, then a true History, there being no ancient writer extant which accurately describes those things; This one thing is Certain, that a Latine Colonie was planted at Spoletium in Umbria. The next year also 'tis easier to say, there was no Peace because the Temple of Janus was not shut, then to declare where or with what success the war was managed. And the Consulship of Q. Mamilius Q. F. Q. N. and Q. Valerius Q. F. P. N. is hardly known by any other passage then that Ennius the first Elegant Roman Poet was that year borne. But the year after, when Ti. Sempronius Ti. F. C. N. Gracchus and P. Valerius Q. F. P. N. Falto were Consuls, the Gallick wars brake out again, and the Ligurians a new Enemy, were then first invaded by a Roman Army. This Province fell to the lot of T. Sempronius. P. Valerius encountered the Gauls, at the first with ill success, having lost three thousand five hundred men: But, entering fight again he obtained a signal Victory, wherein fourteen thousand Gauls were slain, and two thousand taken. But, by reason of the loss sustained in the former battell, the Consul was denied the honor of Triumph, especially feeling his prosperous fight was rather to be attributed to the Fortune of the Common-wealth, then to his wise management of the business. For after the first fight, understanding that assistance was coming to him from Rome, he said, he had rather perish with all his Army, then obtain Victory by the help of others; and in this fury he cast himselfe and the Roman Army into the hazard of a battell. T. Gracchus had better and more happy success, for having overthrown the Enemy in a set battell, he depopulated great part of Liguria: From thence he crossed over into Sardinia and Corsica, and bringing back a vast multitude of Captives, gave occasion to that proverb of Sardi Venales, whereby is signified any thing that is plentiful, and at an underrate to be sold.

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But to confess the truth, the Romans had at this time rather a good opportunity then a just cause of possessing Sardinia and Corsica. The Carthaginians after the Sicilian Peace, were involved in a very troublesome war with their Mercenaries, and reduced even to the utmost extremity; whereupon other their Hirelings, who were in a Garrison in Sardinia, flew before the Carthaginian General with all his men: Hanno being sent from Carthage to punish their Villany, they inveigled his Army into a society of Rebellion, and apprehending him, nailed him to the Cross, and having slain all the Carthaginians, they had possessed almost all the strong holds throughout the Island, till upon a falling out between them and the Sardinians, they were expelled the Island, and betook themselves into Italy. Then did they accomplish that which while they were in Sardinia they could not, for at that time they had invited the Romans to the Dominion of that Island: But being now present either by the importunity of their Entreaties, or by plainly demonstrating what an occasion was offered of encreasing the Roman Power, they prevailed with them to fall over into Sardinia. For it is a virtue of no ordinary strain, to abstain from other mens goods when they may with ease be possessed, neither can covetous or ambitious men well or long dissemble their greedy desires: But 'twill not be amiss for the better understanding of this business, to relate some foregoing circumstances. The Romans, that they might gain the Reputation of Humanity, did in the beginning of this Warre, very much favour the Carthaginian cause. And, though they sent them no assistance as was desired, yet they refused to entertain the Uticans, or any others who revolted to them: They commanded their Merchants out of Sicily and Italy to accommodate the Carthaginians with all necessary Provisions, prohibiting all traffick with their Enemies; and gave licence of hiring men out of Italy for this war. They sent likewise Embassadors, though in vaine, to compose the strife: A little before there arose a controversie, because the Carthaginians had taken some Italian Merchants conveying Commodities to the Enemy, and secured them in publick Prisons, and they had now five hundred of them in chains, and having slain not a few, had cast them into the sea to prevent the discovery of the thing; whereupon the Romans declared themselves agrieved, and began to threaten War: But the Carthaginians restoring those whom they had in custody, so pacified the Romans, that they in answer sent back without Ransom all other Prisoners taken in the Sicilian war. Yet at length Ambition prevailed, with a desire to crush that People, with whom they had for four and twenty yeares together waged war with various success, and foreaw, that unless in time they prevented it, they must be forced to fight again. Wherefore when the Carthaginians, (having against their wills lost Sardinia, and now finished their war with the Mercenaries) meditated Revenge upon the Authors of Rebellions and Revolts, the Romans laid hold of this occasion, and decreed, that War should be proclaimed against Carthage, unless they laid down their Arms, which they had taken up, seemingly against their Rebels, but indeed and really against the Romans. Whereupon the Carthaginians unwilling in an unreasonable time to undertake so great a War, did not only quit Sardinia, but upon the Romans demand, added likewise twelve hundred Talents of silver, to their former fine. This injury did most of all incense the minds of the Carthaginians, and is thought to be the only cause of that war which was soon after commenced, and prosecuted by Hannibal. For Hamilcar's constant Hatred of Romans (to which the second Punique war is chiefly impugned) was not by any other meanes more hotly exasperated, or strongly fomented. But these things happened afterwards.

In the mean time L. Cornelius L. F. Ti. N. Lentulus Claudianus, and Q. Fulvius M. F. Q. N. Flaccus being made Consuls had Gaul on this side the Po for their Province. That a Colonie was this year planted at Valentia, though many affirm it is no constant and general opinion, unless there be another Valentia besides Vibo, which Authors of better credit affirm to have been peopled fifty yeares after in the Consulship of Quintus Flaminius and C. Domitius Enobarbus. The Consuls in Gallia, while they kept their forces united, had a safe and prosperous Expedition, but after they had divided their Legions out of greedinesse to waste more places, the Camp of M. Fulvius was in the night time assailed and very hardly defended. The Gauls departing without effecting their design, did afterward return with greater terror having their forces much augmented. For the prime men of the Boii taking counsell together, raised a vast power of Transalpines against the Romans. In the mean time L. Lentulus the Consul, who had marched with his Army into the Ligurian Territories, obtained there a great victory. It was ordered therefore he should make a Triumph, which accordingly he did on the Intercalary Ides. Some Authors report, That these Consuls were the first who led the Roman Army over the Po, and that in divers fights were slain four and twenty thousand, and taken five thousand of the Ligurians and Insubrian Gauls. But I rather believe, that the Po was crossed over and the Insubrians first encountered in their own Country in the next Gallick commotion. About this time Embassadors were sent to Ptolemie King of Egypt to profer him assistance in his wars against Antiochus and the Syrians. The King returned thanks, telling them wicall, That he had now no need of assistance inasmuch as the quarrel was compounded. After this Hiero came to Rome to the great joy of the Romans, who entertained him with all the respect as befitted them to do, being a confederate Prince, having deserved much of them, and a companion in their greatest Victory. He bestowed on the people of Rome two hundred thousand Bushels of Wheat; he came to behold the sports which were prepared against next year.

For according to some Authors the secular sports were celebrated in the Consulship of P. Cornelius

Polyb. 1. 65

Polyb. 1. 83

Polyb. 1. 88

Zonaras  
Polyb. 1. 83  
Cornel. Nepos.  
Hamilcar.  
Aspian. spud

Fulu. 11. 11. 11.

Zonaras

Aspian

Polyb. 1. 83

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*Fasti Capitolini* Cornelius L. F. T. N. Lentulus Caudinus and C. Licinius P. F. P. N. The Masters of the Revells were M. Aemilius M. F. & M. Livius M. F. M. N. Sallinator. In the mean time the Boian Princes, confiding in the multitude of Auxiliaries they had from beyond the Alps, sent to the Consuls demanding, That *Ariminum* with it's Territories, which without doubt of right belonged to the Gauls, should be restored them, otherwise a terrible and destructive War would ensue. The Consuls, having not drawn their forces together, durst not hazard those few they had in the fortune of a Battel, neither could they consent unto the Gauls their demand, they answered therefore, They should send Embassadors to the Senate, to signify their minds. The Gauls accepted of the condition, and a truce was concluded on for some days, while the Embassadors could go and return again. The Ambassadors at Rome received a denial from the Senate, and greater preparations were made for this War, whereof there was afterward no use, inasmuch as Fortune without the expence of Roman blood put an end to it. While the Embassadors returned, the Boians fought a set Battel with their *Transalpine* Auxiliaries, upon this Occasion; The Auxiliaries without the knowledge of the Boian people, had marched as far as *Ariminum*, whence a suspicion arose, that their maine Errand was to possess that Territory themselves; the Boians therefore were so enraged, that having slain their Kings *Aster* and *Galatus* as Traitors, they endeavoured by force to expell these strangers out of their Land, whereupon a Battel was fought with much slaughter, and both sides being thereby much weakened; the *Transalpines* returned home, the Boians bought their Peace of the Romans with part of their Grounds. This war being so quickly dispatched, the Consuls went into *Liguria*: where P. Lentulus, having in a set Battel Overthrown the Enemy, led his Army through the whole Region, taking Castles, some by force, some by composition. C. Licinius intending to saile over into *Corsica*, not having boats enough to transport his whole Army, sent M. Claudius *Glycias* before, with a Party; who, being vainly arrogant, when he saw that the Corsicans were terrified at his coming, without any respect to the Consul by whose direction he was sent, or consideration of his own office and duty, made a league with them, upon certain Conditions, in his own Name; thinking thereby to attain unto himselfe the Glory of having reduced that Island. But the Consul following with the Residue of the Army, forbore not to prosecute them with armes (notwithstanding they alledged in their own behalfe the *Claudian Peace*) till he brought them into subjection. The Senate to clear the Commonwealth from the Imputation of Breach of Faith, ordered *Glycias* the Author of that dishonourable peace, to be delivered up into the hands of the Corsicans; and they refusing to take him, he was put to death in the Common Gaole. This year were Censurs L. Cornelius L. F. T. N. Lentulus Caudinus & Lucius C. F. C. N. Cerco, who made no Lustration because *Q. Cerco* died in his Censourship. For all *Claudius* was delivered up to the Corsicans, and then executed as a Malefactor, yet the Barbarians could not by any means be persuaded, that the Roman war afterward was just against them. Their minds therefore being agrieved with the memory hereof were easily tempted to break out in armes, in imitation of their neighbour land *Sardinia*. For the Carthaginians by secret promises had incited the Sardinians to Rebellion, who readily entertained the motion, as not too much hating their old Masters, nor loving their new ones.

This news being brought to Rome, filled the City both with fear and indignation, not that they much regarded *Sardinia*, but because they perceived the Carthaginian war would break out again; which because they believed the sooner it was begun would prove the easier; (The Carthaginians having not well recovered themselves since the last war) they resolved to prepare themselves, and commence it as soon as might be. The Carthaginians, willing at that time to endure any thing rather than a Roman war, were hereupon so terrified, that having once and again sent Embassadors in vaine, they did at length send ten of their Prime Nobility, most humbly entreating, That they might enjoy the Peace they had obtained. Nevertheless they could not receive any mild Answer, till *Hanno* the youngest among the Embassadors, but of an undaunted mind, and a free tongue, replied, If you are promptly determined to deny us that Peace which we have bought, not for a year or two, but for ever, at least restore us our price we gave you, Sicily and *Sardinia*: In private contracts 'tis no honest man's part, when the bargain is made void, to receive his Commodities back, and not return the money laid down for them. Then the Romans, being ashamed to seem the Authors of an unjust war, dismissed the Embassadors with a better Answer. So one of this yeares Consuls C. Atilius A. F. A. N. Bullus (now the second time Consul) remained in Italy, the other, T. Manlius, T. F. T. N. went accor- ding to his lot into *Sardinia*. He, in many places encountering the Enemy with good success, appeased the whole Island, subdued the Sardinians, and triumphed over them the sixth of the Ides of March.

These things being accomplished, and the Roman Armes laid down, as having no Enemy, the Temple of *Janus* was shut; an unusual sight in Rome, and not seen, after the dayes of *Numa*, for the space of about four hundred and forty yeares. In which respect I account the City of Rome very unhappy, that being perpetually employ'd in great and difficult labours, could never obtain the fruits thereof. For, whereas no wife man wagh war but to procure Peace, this City after so many and great warres happily finished, sometimes could not obtain: but never could long keep Peace. For even then new Rumours of War, after a few moneths, were heard

*Dis. apud Valerium*  
*Zonaras*  
*March. 14. 40.*  
*Val. Maximus*  
*6. 3. 3.*  
*Fasti Capitolini*  
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*Zonaras*

*Orsius. 12.*

*Dis. apud Eul. Hieronymum*

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*Fasti Capit.*  
*Zonaras*  
*Liv. 23. 14. 12.*  
*Capit. Columna*  
*Florus. 2. 5. 1.*  
*Pol. 2. 18. 3.*  
*Liv. 1. 19. 3.*  
*Orsius. 4. 12.*

of, which bereaved them of the sweetness of that Peace, which they had scarce well tasted of. The Sardinians, who had lately been subdued, shake off the yoke, and the Corsicans brake out in Rebellion, and the Ligurians raised Tumults, even in Italy it selfe. Therefore L. Posthumus A. F. A. N. Albinus and Sp. Carvilius Sp. F. C. N. Maximus being Consuls had order to leavy new Armies, which being disposed of in three bodies to prevent the enemies from helping one the other, L. Posthumus assailed the Ligurians, Sp. Carvilius the Corsicans, and P. Cornelianus was designed for *Sardinia*. This Island being of a very unwholsome aire afflicted his Army with the Plague and other diseases, whereby many mortals with the Pretor also himself perished. Hereupon the Sardinians grew bold and high, but were soon quelled after the arrival of Sp. Carvilius in a great set battel; the Corsicans were likewise subdued by him. For which exploits it was decreed he should Triumph, as he did on the Calends of April. In *Liguria* likewise affairs succeeded well by the management of the other Consul with his Army. At *Rome* *Tullia* one of the Veltal Virgins being condemned of Incest which she had basely committed with a slave, slew her self with her own hands. After this C. Atilius A. F. A. N. Bullus A. Posthumus A. F. L. N. Albinus being Censors, made the fortieth Lustration. 'Tis probable the number of Citizens was this year lesse then heretofore (though I find not the number recorded) because the Censor, in order to the encrease of Citizens, compelled every man to swear, That he would marry for the Procreation of children. This year Cn. Nevius a Campanian who had received pay in the Carthaginian war, did sift ad Fables to his Scenes. In the mean time the Ligurians and Sardinians again rebelling, were allotted Provinces to the new Consuls; *Q. Fabius* *Q. F. Q. N. Maximus* *Verrucolus* managed the Ligurian War, M. Pomponius M. F. M. N. Marbo the Sardinian; whereas it was reported, That the Carthaginians were the cause of this *Fasti Capitol.* commotion, by private messengers stirring up the Barbarians to Rebellion: There were Embassadors sent to Carthage with very harsh instructions, To require the tribute due, to command them to abstain from all Lands under the Roman jurisdiction, adding threats of war unless they performed what was required at their hands.

The Carthaginians had now since their former calamities gathered strength and courage chiefly by the indulgy of *Hamilcar*, who did not only reduce those who had revolted in *Africa*, *Valerium* but had further extended the Empire: They had likewise by his conduct acquired great Dominions in *Spain*. Wherefore they answered the Embassadors roughly enough to all particulars; but when they, according to their instructions, propounded to the Carthaginians a Spear and a Caduceus, offering them their choice of which they pleased, they answered, That they would chuse neither, but would accept of which sever the Ligates should think fit to leave behind. Henceforward a cruel hatred began to burn between these two people, but neither party being willing as yet to commence the war, they continued in a shew of friendship, rather because they did not fight, then that the peace was firm.

Both the Consuls, returning to Rome and declaring what they had done, obtained leave to Triumph. *Q. Fabius* had slain many Ligurians in battel, and had compelled the rest to contain themselves upon the Alps, and made the skirts of Italy secure from their plundrings. He Triumphed over the Ligurians on the Calends of February, Upon the Ides of March afterwards M. Pomponius Triumphed over the Sardinians, whom he had overcome. Nevertheless the Sardinians did not abstain from War, but being by their losses rather incited then broken, they renewed the Rebellion with much greater strength. Therefore both the Consuls, M. Aemilius M. F. M. N. Lepidus and M. Publius L. F. L. N. Mallentus were sent into *Sardinia*: they gathered together great store of plunder and spoil in that land, which when they carried over with them into *Corsica* they utterly lost, the Islanders there taking it from them. At home likewise there were very vehement tumults at this time, for C. Flaminius Tribune of the people propounding an Agrarian Law, That the *Picene* and *Gallick* grounds which belonged to the Senones should be equally divided among the people. The Senate opposed it, and not being able to persuade the Tribune by entreaties or threats, at length gave order to the Magistrates to raise an Army for defence of the Commonwealth; Flaminius could not yet be drawn from his resolution, oblatine against all force, and inexorably by intreaties. His father likewise admonished him, To submit himself to the will of the Senate, and not be esteemed an author of sedition. But he still persisting in his design, called an Assembly, intending to recite the Law. But then his father Flaminius in grief and anger came to the Pulpit, and taking his son by the hand pulled him away.

A wonderful Example was there shown with what Piety and Reverence all men held esteem of the power of a Father: For he who had contemned the indignation and cruel threats of the whole Senate, now in the heat of work, in the view of all the Roman people, to whom the Constitution of Law would have been most acceptable, suffered himself by the hand of one only old man to be drawn down from the higher place. The Modesty of the Assembly in this business is not to be forgotten, who though they saw all their hopes frustrated by the Tribune's departure, did not by the least murmur signify their discontent at his fathers action. But the Law was by this means rather deferred then avoided. C. Carvilius the other Tribune assisting his Colleague, this as it caused corruption of manners among the Commons, so it gave beginning to that most grievous Gallick war which brake out the eighth year after the division of the grounds.

*Flur. 2. 3.*  
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*Zonaras*

*Livie Epl. 2d*  
*Capitol. Column*  
*Zonaras*  
*Livie Epl.*  
*Marianus Scet.*  
*lib.*

*Agellius. 4. 3*  
*Agel. 17. 21*  
*Zonaras*

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*Zonaras*

*Dio. apud Valerium*  
*Pol. 6. 1*  
*Cornelius Nepos*  
*in Hamilcar*

*Plin. Fab. 6. 1*  
*C. Capitol. Tatal.*  
*Aut. de viris illust.*  
*lib. 6. 43*

521.  
*Zonaras*  
*Pol. 6. 12*  
*C. Capitol. Tatal.*  
*C. 2. & Aul.*  
*Quint. 4. 5*  
*Val. Max. 5. 4. 5*

*Cicero de Ju- ven. 17*

*Val. Max.*  
*Cic. Cicerus apud Sospitum*  
*de Claris.*  
*Pol. 6. 2. 22*  
*Fasti Capitol.*



and other Illyrians who had revolted to the Romans, then *Tenta* began utterly to despair and thought of buying her peace upon any conditions whatsoever. At the beginning of the spring therefore she sent Embassadors to *Rome*, excusing what was past as being done by the Command of *Agron* whose Acts it was necessary for her to maintain. The Romans granted peace, not to her, who had no proper power of administering affairs, neither had deserved any favour at their hands, but to *Pinnus* the son of *Agron*, on these conditions, *That he should duly pay what tribute was imposed on him, that he should quit all Illyrium, some few places excepted, that he should not sail beyond Lissus with above two Boats, and those unarmed.* By this peace *Coryca*, *Pharus*, *Jssa*, *Dyrachium* and the *Afintines* became wholly the Romans; what else was under *Agron* his jurisdiction being left to *Pinnus*. *Tenta* either for shame or by the command of the Romans left off the Government of the Realm, which *Demetrius* undertook under the name of Protector.

Thus being ended the Illyrian Quarrel, and the Limits of the Roman Empire extended even to *Greece*, the Commonwealth on the other hand was perplexed, for the Gauls were ready to rise up in Arms, and the *Carthaginians* power did mightily encrease in *Spain*, which could not be established without great danger to the Romans. *Hafdrubal* the Son-in-law and successor of *Hamilcar*, having revenged the death of his Father-in-law, did, partly by Arms, but more frequently by his Wildom and Eloquence, wherein he excelled, reduce many Nations to the *Carthaginian* subjection; and built another *Carthage* called the *New*, in a gulf of the sea by a most commodious Haven. But the Gallick affairs being of nearer concernment, hindered for the present their designs against the *Carthaginians*: They endeavoured therefore to stop the proceedings of the Gauls by leagues and Covenants; They sent likewise Embassadors to *Carthage* and to *Hafdrubal*, warning them, *To contain themselves beyond the River Iberus, and permit the Saguntines to enjoy their liberty, and live according to their own Laws.* These things happened in the year when *Sp. Carvilius Sp.F. Cn.N. Maximus* and *Q. Fabius Q.N. Maximus Verrucosus* were again Consuls. About the same time *L. Posthumus Proconful*, who wintered in *Illyrium*, sent Embassadors from *Coryca* to the *Ætolians* and *Achaïans*, declaring what he had done, *For what causes the war was undertaken, with what success managed, and upon what conditions finished.* They were kindly entertained forasmuch as those Nations and all the *Grecians* did vehemently hate the *Illyrians* by reason of the continual Piracies exercised by them under *Agron* and *Tenta*.

The Senate hearing this, did allow of what the Proconful had done, and moreover decreed another Embassie in the name of the Commonwealth, to the *Corinthians* and *Athenians*, declaring, *The people of Rome good affections toward them, and their equity toward all men.* Hereby the Romans purchased great good will amongst those people, and the *Corinthians* forthwith decreed this honour to the people of *Rome*, *That they should be Partners in the Isthmian Games*, which was one of the four greatest Solemnities in *Greece*. They were chiefly moved hereunto because the Romans had set at liberty, as *Apollonia* and other *Grecian Cities*, so *Coryca* likewise, which was a Colonie of the *Corinthians*; the *Athenians* also embraced the Roman Society, and decreed, *They should have the liberty of the City of Athens, and of the Eleusinian Mysteries.* In the mean time *Cn. Fulvius Proconful* made a Naval Triumph over the *Illyrians* on the Calends of *Quintilis*, and beheaded the *Illyrian Nobles* whom he led in Triumph. This was the first Triumph over the *Illyrians*.

The next year *P. Valerius L.F. M.N. Flaccus*, and *M. Atilius M.F. M.N. Regulus* being Consuls, the number of Pretors was doubled, and they thought fit to create four that they might send some with command into *Sicily* and *Sardinia*. Amongst these *M. Valerius* was Pretor of *Sardinia* and *Cervica*, *C. Flaminius* of *Sicily*. At this time there was very great fear of a Gallick war, for 'twas reported that the *Boians* and *Insubrians* consulted not only one with the other, but with the *Transalpine* people, and had hired a great strength of Mercenaries of the *Gelatæ* a people of *Gallia*. They used therefore not only ordinary remedies against this evil, but such as a severe judge would by no means excuse, but that the love of ones Country makes some things pardonable which in themselves are horrid. For when besides other prodigies they were terrified with) they found in the *Sybil's* books, *That the Gauls and Grecians should one day possess the City of Rome*; That they might by craft avert the threats of the Prediction, by the advice of the Priests, they buried alive two Gauls, of each sex one, and likewise two *Grecians* a man and a woman, in the Decr-marker, that so they possessing part of the City, might seem to have fulfilled the Prophecy. This was done when *M. Valerius M.F. M.N. Miffalla* and *L. Apustius L.F. C.N. Fulvo* were Consuls. This year, amongst other no considerable occurrences, was most of it spent in making preparation for the Gallick War. There was raised a most incredible number both of horse and foot, toward this war all *Italy* in general joining with the Romans. *Q. Fabius* the Historian, who was present at the transaction of these affairs, reports, *There were in arms eight hundred thousand men.* That the number of the Romans and *Campanians* amounted to the number of two hundred forty eight thousand and two hundred footmen, and six and twenty thousand and six hundred horsemen. All the other multitude were *Italians*. The *Veneti* also and *Cenomanii* afforded the Romans the help of twenty thousand men, who by frequent alarms and incursions might compel the neighbouring *Boians* to tarry to the defence of their own Country, and not join themselves with the other forces of the

the Enemy, because they refused to hearken to Terms of Peace which the Romans propounded. For the *Veneti* and *Cenomanii* being persuaded to renew friendship with *Rome*, the *Insubrians* *Strab. b. 5* and *Boians* perished in Hostility; nevertheless their strength was not great, their Kings not daring to lead out all their armed men: but being forced to leave some at home to defend their Countries, with the rest (to wit, fifty thousand Foot, and twenty thousand Horse) they began their march through *Etruria* towards *Rome*.

In the mean time *L. Amilius*, *Q. F. Cn.N. Papus*, and *C. Atilius M.F. M.N.* had *Sardinia* and *Ariminum*, with the adjoining Gauls for their Provinces. For the *Sardinians* being aggrieved at the perpetual preface of a Pretor, with his Virges and signes of Authority did again move Tumults; but *C. Atilius* the Confull soon quieted them without any great difficulty. *L. Amilius* had more to do with the Gauls, having broken through *Etruria*, and marching to *Rome*. The Pretour of *Etruria* being not able to hinder their passage, overtook them at *Cinifum*, and late in the Evening planted his Camp not farre from them. The Gauls invented a stratagem whereby to entice the Romans out to battell. In the dead of the night they marched with all their Foot to *Fesula*, leaving the Horse behind with instruction at break of day only to shew themselves to the Enemy, and presently betake themselves to the Foot Army, where should be reception for them in a convenient Camp, from whence likewise they would on the sudden charge the Romans unawares.

The Romans were hereby deceived, and pursued the horse as if they had fled, and about *Fesula* were received by the Enemy, fresh and ready prepared, being themselves weary and void of Council, as in an occurrence not foreseen by them: Their only course was either by fight to defend themselves, or to sell their bloods at a dear rate: But the Gauls exceeding in number, besides other advantages, flew of the Romans six thousand upon the place, and put the rest to flight. The Gauls endeavouring to take a fenced place upon an hill, (whither the greatest part of them which fled had betaken themselves) finding their strength to faile with their last nights march, the dayes fight, retired to cure and refresh their bodies, leaving a party of horse to besedge the hillcock, not doubting to reduce it into their power the next day, either by force or compulsion. In this very nick of time came *L. Amilius*, rather to be wished for, then upon any reasonable ground expected. For upon the first newes of the Gauls setting forward, he was sent to *Ariminum*, to defend the Coasts upon the *Adriatick* shore, but hearing their intention was to march to *Rome*, he marched by very great journeys from *Ariminum*, and by good luck came to this very place, and pitched his Camp not farre distant from the Enemy. The besieged seeing fires in the night time from that part, judging, as was true, that the Roman Army was come, sent out some of their men unarmed, that they might the easier pass the Enemies Guards. The Confull by some understanding the state of Affaires, without any long deliberation, which the time would not permit, at break of day set forward with his horse to the Hillcock, giving order to the Tribunes to follow him with the Legions. The Gauls likewise were informed by the same fires; that the Romans were come, and entred into counsell concerning the present affaires. King *Anserosus* advised, *that they should not encounter the Enemy, whose soldiers were laden with rich spoiles, but to return home, and lay aside their plunder, and then, if occasion were given of fighting, to return empty and nimble.* Every one approving the counsell, they departed before night, taking their journey through *Etruria*, by the sea side. *L. Amilius* having taken in those who fled to the hill, and having intelligence of the Enemies march, would not fight him in a set battell, but resolved to follow them, laying hold of what opportunity time should afford.

In this conjuncture of Affaires fortune once more dispensed an unexpected accident. The other Confull *C. Atilius* arriving at *Pisa* from *Sardinia*, and there landing his Army, marched toward *Rome*, along the very same *Etrurian* shore where the Gauls were returning. Near *Telamon* a Port of *Etruria*, the Scouts of each Army first met one the other, and the Confull, by some Prisoners who were brought to him, understanding of the Gauls march, and his Colleagues following them, wondered at so unusual a chance, and being confident of Victory, having the Enemy cooped up between two Confular Armies, gave order to the Colonells, *To array the Army as well as the ground would permit, and lead their Regiments in a square body, and a slow march:* Himselfe, observing a piece of high ground, opportunely overlooking the way the Gauls must of necessity pass, set forward with a Party of horse to prepossesse it. For he made what hast he could to fight the Enemy, being assured, if he were any thing worsted, to be relieved by his Colleague, if his undertaking succeeded, to carry away the chief Glory of the Victory. The Gauls seeing a troop of Enemies in the higher grounds, conjecturing it was a party of horse, sent round about in the night time by *Amilius*, sent out likewise some of their own horse, with the assistance of some light armed men, to open the passage. But being informed that the other Confull was come, he was forced to array and marshal his foot, with their faces each way toward the Enemy, having in the middle their backs joined one to the other: For they saw *C. Atilius* before them, and well knew that *L. Amilius* followed them behind. Against *L. Amilius* they placed the *Transalpine* Mercenaries, in the front (who from their weapons are denominated *Gelatæ*) behind these, for a reserve, were the *Insubrians*. Against *Atilius* were opposed the *Taurinians* and *Boians*. The Waggon and Carts were placed as a rampire about each Wing: all their plunder, with a sufficient guard, was laid aside upon a neighboring hill, *Livie. 16. 6. 4. Orosius 4. 13. Polyb. 2. 25.*

Appian

Polyb. 2.

Appian

Polyb. 2.

Zonaras

Diodorus 15.

Livie 2. 2. 5

Polyb. 2. 25

Livie 26. 4. 1. 6

Polyb. 2. 25

Appian Hist.

Polyb. 2. 25

Livie 2. 6. 4

Zonaras

Polyb. 2. 25

Zonaras

Polyb. 2. 25

Appian Hist.

Thucyd. 7. 10. 8

Zonaras

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Livie 2. 6. 4

Eutropius 6. 3

Zonaras

Polyb. 2. 25

Livie 2. 6. 4

Orosius 4. 13

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hill. The fight was now begun at that hill which *C. Attilius* had possessed, whereby *L. Amilius* conjectured that his Colleague was there, of whose journey he knew nothing certain, only he heard that he was arrived at *Pisa*. Taking Council therefore on a sudden he commanded some of his own horse to ride to the place of fight. There the horse on both sides had a very hot encounter wherein *C. Attilius* the Consul was slain, and his head carried to the Gallick Kings: At length the Romans fighting with all might and main, kept the place, and repulsed the enemy. The Horse-fight being thus managed, the Foot charged each the other. There was to be seen a very terrible encounter, as for the number & strength of both parties, so for the strange ordering of the Battel; for the Gauls being included between two Roman Armies turned their faces on each side to battel, it being very doubtful whether this posture was a greater advantage to them, in that (having to deal with two enemies) they kept their Rear secure, and were of necessity compelled to stand to it having no way to flee; or that it was a greater disadvantage to be hemmed in by two Consular Armies. But the Romans were partly terrified with the very aspect of the men who stood in the front, with stern countenances and vast bodies; partly encouraged not only with the sweetness of praise, but of plunder also, for among the former ranks of the Gauls there was not a man, but glistred with golden bracelets and arme-strings.

The fight being begun, the light armed men made a great slaughter of the Enemy, especially where the *Gastatz* stood, who in a barbarous ostentation had flung away their garments and fought naked in the front. For the Gallick shields being long and narrow not able to cover the whole body, they stood like so many marks exposed to the Roman darts: and they fell without revenge, being not able to strike the enemy, not to come to pel-mel with light armed men. Wherefore growing desperate some running rashly upon the enemy were killed with darts before they could come to handy-strokes; others by degrees retiring backward disordered their own Battel. The *Gastatz* being thus vanquished by the light-armed men, the compleat-armed did on every side charge the Boians, Infubrians, and Tauricans and slew a great number, nevertheless the enemy stood with resolute minds, being in nothing inferior but in their weapons; for neither did their shields defend their bodies, neither did their swords much offend the Romans, for being made only to hacke and hew they had no good poynts; they were likewise made crooked at the first blow, and unfit for a second, unless they be frightened againe by your foot on the ground. The Romans having already the better, were assured of the victory by the returne of the horse, who, having put the Gallick horse to flight, riding down the hill made an impression upon the flank of the enemy, so much the more irresistible coming from the higher ground. After this manner *Polybius* distribeth the Battel of the Gauls in *Etruria*, from whence others with little reason do dissent. For who can easily believe, that the Gauls were compelled by a tempest to fly in the night time fearing the anger of the Gods? And that *C. Attilius* setting upon their Rear was slain? That afterward, each party for some dayes kept within their defences, *L. Amilius* fought happily with them? neither are they any more to be credited, who relate the Battel as fought, not on the sea Coasts, but, in the *Aretine* Territories. There is no question made but that forty thousand Gauls were then slain, little lesse then ten thousand taken, with *Concelitanus* one of their Kings: the other King *Aureolus* who was of greater reputation for power and courage, elcasing with a small company, in his flight cut the throats of all his Kindred and his own also. There was great plunder found, which the Consul caused to be restored to those from whom it was at first taken, every master owning his own goods. Then marching with his own Army and that of *Attilius*, through *Liguria* into the Boians Country he gave it in plunder to his soldiers as a reward of their pains taken, and they in a few dayes being sufficiently laden with spoils, he returned to *Rome*, to the greater joy of all, because the war was formidable. Scarce any mans Triumph was ever so much celebrated with acclamations of the people; being otherwise of it self very gallant and memorable as for the glory of his noble performances, so for the number of the Captives and the worth of the spoils. There were many military Ensignes, and abundance of gold Chains and Bracelets, the ornaments of valiant men amongst the Gauls. But all men eyes were chiefly intended upon *Britomarus* and the other Gallick Princes, whom *Amilius* by way of scorn led girt and armed into the Capitol, as if thereby he took care they should fill the vow they had made, *Never to unloose their girdles or Belts, till they had ascended the Capitol*. *L. Amilius* made this Triumph over the Gauls on the third of the Nones of march. This year was made the one and fortieth Lustration by the Censors, *Q. Claudius Ap. F. C.N. Cnibio* and *M. Junius D. F. D.N. Pera*. The fear of the Gallick war was over, but the desire of revenge remained, and both the next years Consuls had *Gallia* for their Province; the Consuls were *T. Manlius T. F. T.N. Torquatus* and *Q. Fulvius M. F. Q.N. Flaccus* again. The people cheerfully decreed their Armies and whatsoever accommodation belongeth to the Commencing or prosecuting a War. For it was hoped, that after so great a victory, they might easily drive away the Gauls from about the Po if they minded their business. The Consuls being gone with their Armies presently terrified the Boians into submission; their expedition afterwards was not so quick by reason of the Pettillence and so many thowrs which fell. Others affirm, That these Consuls crossed the Po, and in a set battel overcame the Infubrians, that they slew three and twenty thousand and took five thousand. But I rather follow the authority of *Polybius* in these affairs.

Dialorus b. 27

Polyb. 2. 33

Polyb. 2. 30  
Zonaras  
Polybius

Zonaras

Orosius 4. 13  
Eutropius 3  
Polyb.  
Dialorus 25  
Polyb.  
Zonaras  
Polyb.  
Dialorus  
Polyb.Flor 2. 43  
Zonaras  
F. H. Capit.§ 29  
Polyb. Capitol.  
Polyb. 2. 31  
Zonaras  
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Orosius 4. 13

In the mean time because the Consuls being in a far Country, and were hindred either by action, or by shewes, so that they could not return to the general Assembly: *L. Caelius L. F. Fijfi Capit. C.N. Metellus* was Created for Dictator, who consecrated for Master of the Horse *M. Fabius M. F. N. Buteo*, by the Assembly, and *Flaminius C. F. N.* and *P. Furius Sp. F. M. N. Philus* were made Consuls. These as I think were the first Romans, who making an invasion into the Infubrians Country, crossed the Po with their Army, where the River *Padosa* falleth into the Po.

This boldness cost them much labour and some blood; for in their passes over the River, and while they pitched their Camps, the enemy fiercely falling in upon them slew a considerable number. The Romans trouble and care upon this News, was mightily encreased by many Prodigies related, as that in the *Picene* Territories, a River ran blood, that in *Etruria* the skye was seen to burne, that at *Ariminum* in the night time light appeared, and three Moones were seen at the same time; also a Vultur was said to sit many dayes together in the Forum at *Rome*. For though about the same time *Caria* was shaken with an Earthquake, and the *Rhodian* Colossus fell down, these things were not thought to concern the Romans at all: Concerning the other Prodiges, the Augurs being asked their advice, answered, that the Consuls were not rightly chosen, whereupon letters were sent after them to recal them back to the City. In the mean time the Consuls having made a Truce, had quitted the Infubrians Country, and afterward having raised Auxiliaries in the Country of the *Cenomanni*, had againe begun to infest the grounds lying under the Alpes; whereupon the Infubrians enraged with anger, carried into the field the golden ensignes (out of the Temple of *Minerva*) which were called *Immoveable*, because it was not lawful to stir them but in the time of Extreem Necessity; and had now met the Romans with an Army of fifty thousand men, ready to enter battel. At this very time came the letters from the Senate. *C. Flaminius* either guessing at the substance of the letters, or being pre-informed by his friends, perswaded his Colleague, not to open them before battel.

Being resolved to fight, they consulted about their Mercenary Gauls, lest if they were neglected, they might have cause to quarrel; and if admitted to the fight, they might have occasion of doing harm. For they feared their inconstancy, especially fighting against Neighbours and Kinsmen. At last they thought fit to place them on the other side of the River, where the bridges being beaten down, they neither could do any harm to the Romans, nor have opportunity to flee, but to truft in their courage: After a sharp dispute the Romans obtained the Victory, to the greater praise of the Tribunes then the Consuls. For *C. Flaminius* had ordered the Battel so near the brink of the River, that there was no space left to receive the Troopes in case they had been forced to Retire, which without doubt would have proved the ruine of the whole Army. But the Tribunes having had experience by former battels, that all the Gallick Vaw consisteth in the first charge, which is very hot, but short, and if the brunt of it be once borne, there is no more to be feared from them; did divide the spears of the Triarii among the first ranks, that with them they might receive the first onlet, and afterward flinging them away, draw their Swords when the fight began; the Gallick Swords were prettily blunted, and made crooked at the first stroke upon the spears, and while they were buise in making them straight, the Romans advancing with their drawing Rapiers, took from them the use of their Weapons: For this inconvenience is in the Gallick Swords, that being made only to hack, some time is required in lifting up the hand, and preparing for the strokes, which if it be denied, they are of no use: But the Romans thrusting with the point could do their business in a moment, and so pressing forward to the bodies of the enemies, they did securely thrust them into the face and breasts.

It is reported that nine thousand Gauls were slain, and double the number taken. After the Victory, they spoiled the grounds round about, and gathered much Plunder. Then at length they thought fit to read the Senates letters, the contents whereof *Philus* was ready to obey: But *C. Flaminius* insisted, that this was the envy of some Senators, and not the faith of the Auspices; *Zonaras* whereof there could be no more certain argument, then the Victory they had obtained; he said also he would not return till either the War was finished, or his Magistracy expired: adding moreover, that he would cause the Romans to leave off the foolish observation of *Auspices*, and such other superstitious. Nevertheless *P. Furius* persisting in his resolution, the Army of *Flaminius*, fearing that after his departure they should not be very safe in the enemies Country, perswaded him to tarry for some few dayes, but he did utterly abstain from all actions, *Flaminius* taking in the mean time some Cattle, as also a City of no small renown among those people. The spoiles he gave to his soldiers, to prepare their minds for his defence in that quarrel he knew would arise between him and the Senate. This City indeed was so moved with indignation, that none went out according to the custome to meet the Consuls, and not only *Flaminius* but for his sake *Philus* also was denied the honour of Triumph. At length *Flaminius* by the peoples favour entred the City triumphing on the fourth of the Ides of *March*. Many rich spoiles were to be seen in that Triumph: Great store of Armes, and chains of Gold, out of which *Flaminius* dedicated a Token of Victory to *Jupiter* in the Capitolium, inverting the Gallick Vow, who had promised out of the Romans spoiles to dedicate a Chain to *Mars*. Afterward the other Consul triumphed over the Gauls, and the Ligurians on the fourth of the Ides of *March*. The Senates ill will being hereby rather intended then overcome, did

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Liv. Epin. 20.  
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Polybius 2. 23.Zonaras  
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Strab. b. 5. p. 149.

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not cease till they were both forced to disdain this their second Triumph: about the same time, by the like severity, two very eminent persons were deprived of their Priesthood, *M. Cornelius Cethegus*, because he had not aright laid open the Entrails, and *Q. Sulpicius*, because in the time of sacrifice his cap fell from his head. When these Consulships time was out, the Assembly was held by an Interrex, where *M. Claudius M. F. M. N. Marcellus* being made Consul, assumed for his Colleague *C. Cornelius L. F. L. N. Scipio Calvus*. These Consulships denied Peace to the Insubrians though they petitioned for it, *M. Marcellus* chiefly refusing all Conditions, out of his desire to Triumph. And the Gauls themselves seemed to meditate war rather than Peace, for having a new hired thirty thousand *Gastæ*, and overcome the Alpes, they had gathered together a far greater number of Insubrians.

The war being thus begun, the Consulships set out in the beginning of the spring, and besieged *Acerra*, a Town between *Po* and the Alpes. It seeming difficult to drive the Romans from the siege, *Britomarus* with ten thousand *Gastæ*, resolved to go forth, and waste the Regions about *Po*, which the Consulships understanding, so divided their Forces, that *Cn. Cornelius* might with part of the Army prosecute the siege, while *Marcellus* with two thirds of the Horse, and a choice company of light armed men, went about to succour and defend their Associates. Having chosen the lightest and nimblest, not above six hundred, with these and his Horse he marched day and night toward the Enemy, whom having overtaken at *Clastidium*, he presently encountered before he could refresh his men, not of his own good will, but forced by the fury of the *Gastæ*, who being superior in number, and arrogating to themselves the mastery in horsemanship, hearing the Consul had brought but few foot along with him, left off their siege of *Clastidium*, and forthwith spurr'd on to crush him. *Marcellus*, having drawn out his battell at length, that he might not be encompassed by the multitude of his Enemies, marched forward to meet them. Their bodies were now not far asunder, when the Consul intending to begin the Charge, his Horse affrighted with the clamour and shouts of the Gauls, started aside and carried him back. The Consul fearing lest this accident being esteemed an ill omen, should daunt the courage of his men, as his horse wheeled about he adored the Sun, as if he had turned about his Horse for the same purpose, according to the ancient custom, men using to turn themselves about when they worshipped the Gods: 'Tis reported, that before the first onset, he vowed to *Jupiter Feretrius* the fairest of the Enemies Armes: And presently flying *Britomarus* in the head of his Troopes, his armour glittering with Gold and Silver, and other colours, he judged that to be the Armes which he had vowed. The King also, having seen the Roman General, advanced far before his men, and by voice and gesture challenged him to Combat; *M. Marcellus* accepted, and immediately having run him through the breast-plate, wounded him with the spear, and with the force of his horses Carriage tumbling him to the ground, reiterating his strokes he slew him in the place, whereupon leaping off his horse, and holding the armes in his hands, he lift up his eyes to heaven, saying, *Jupiter Feretrius, who beholdest the deeds of Valiant Commanders in battell! Behold, I the third Roman, as thy self canst witness, a General having slain a General of the Enemies, doe consecrate the Royall spoils unto thee: Doe thou suffer our affaires prosperously to succeed even to the issue of the war.* *Marcellus* taking horse again, they entered battell with all might and main, the Romans fighting most courageously; the Consul's boldness and good Fortune having filled them no less with Valour for the Encounter, then with hopes of Victory. Wherefore neither the Gallick horse nor yet the Foot which came to their relief could endure the brunt; so that a few men, which is rarely seen, carried away the Victory from a numerous Army. The spoils being gathered up, the Consul returned to his Colleague, who having taken *Acerra* where he found great store of Corne, being now about *Mediolanum*, had much ado to defend himselfe from the Enemy, for while he was busie in the siege of their strongest and most populous City, the Metropolis of *Insubria*, they had as it were round besieged him with great multitudes: But *Marcellus* his approach quickly altered the Scene. For the *Gastæ* being informed of their Kings death, went away, and *Mediolanum* being by them forsaken, was not able to defend it selfe. So that many of the *Insubrian* forces being slain, *Mediolanum*, and after that *Comum* taken, the other Cities together with the whole Nation submitted themselves to the Romans, being fined in a summe of money, and part of their grounds, having otherwise good Conditions of Peace. *M. Marcellus* being returned home, made a most illustrious triumph over the Insubrian Gauls, and the Germans on the Calends of *March*. This is the first mention of the Germans in the Roman History, who being hired, came from the Nations beyond the *Rhena*, under the conduct of *Virdomarus* their General. These and the Gallick Captives, men of vast stature of body, with other rich spoils were led before the Triumphant Chariot. The Consul followed, with the rarest spectacle, carrying the armes of the slain General to *Jupiter Feretrius*; after him marched his souldiers harnessed with glittering Armes, making shouts, and Military Acclamations. In this order being come to the Temple of *Jupiter Feretrius*, *M. Marcellus* descending from his Chariot, dedicated his Royall spoils to *Jupiter*, being the third after *Romulus* and *M. Cornelius Cossus*, who had done so, and after him no man ever did the like. The people of *Rome* beheld these Armes with the greater pleasure, in that the Enemies were said to have vowed the Roman Armes to *Vulcan*. So great was the Joy of this Victory, that the Romans out of the spoiles, sent a Golden Cup to *Apollo* of *Delphus*, and of the Gallick Armes to their Associate Cities round about.

about. To *Hiero* King of *Syracuse*, besides some of the spoiles, they sent the price of that Corn he had accommodated them with during the Gallick War. After this a new enemy arose, the *Ibrians* who infested the Seas with Piracy, and had taken some of the Roman Cornships. Against these both the Consulships were sent, *P. Cornelius*, and *M. Minucius Rufus*, who brought into subjection many people either by force or composition. Nevertheless I do not find that these Consulships Triumphed; perhaps because their Victory cost so much Roman Blood. This year arose a Starre in *Spain* destructive to many Cities and Nations; to wit, *Hannibal* the successor of *Halsdrubal*, of whose beginnings and proceedings ye will shortly read more from a greater Person.

In the mean time the new Consul *L. Veturius*, and *C. Lutatius* marched to the Alpes with their Army, but making more use of Treaties than Armes, they joynd many of those people with their own good liking to the Roman societie. At this time the Illyrian War was renew'd, by *Demetrius Phariensis* his fault, against whom many complaints were made, in as much as under pretence of the Roman friendship, he had vexed and afflicted the neighbour Cities according to his pleasure. For being by the Romans invested with power, because he had revolted from *Tenta*, and having the *Tatition* of *K. Phinens* whose mother *Tristina* he had married, he behaved himself like a King, and grew very heavy and intolerable both to the people of the Countrey, and to Neighbouring Regions. He endeavoured likewise to bring under his own Dominion, the people of *Illyria*, the friends and associates of the Romans, and moreover contrary to the league, he sailed beyond *Lissus* with fifty Armed Vessell, to the Ilands *Cyclades*, some of them he plundered, from others he exacted money, and had now drawn into his party, as many Illyrians as since the late War bore a grudge to the Romans, and forced the *Aristantes* to his side. Neither did he any whit fear the Romans, who being involved in a Gallick War, and fearing a *Phœnic* one, he thought had neither strength nor Liefure enough to revenge the Injuries of their associates. And he promised himself any favour from *Philip* Kings of *Macedon*, whom he had assisted in the *Cleomenian* War, being General of the Illyric Auxiliaries: A War was therefore decreed against him, and preparations made. In the mean time *L. Amilius* and *C. Flaminius* being Censours made the three and fourtieth Lustration, there were numbered two hundred and seventy thousand, two hundred and thirty Citizens. A promiscuous multitude of Liberties being dispersed amongst the Tribes, had hitherto made great confusion; in imitation therefore of *Q. Fabius Maximus*, the Censours reduced them into four Tribes, the *Esquiline*, *Palatine*, *Suburrae*, and the *Colline*. *C. Flaminius* in the same Censourship fenced in the high way to *Ariminum*, and built a shew-place, both called by his name. The *Flaminian* shew place, and the *Flaminian* way. The same Censours committed *Masilæ* of the Dyers trade to the judgment of the people; not thinking it to be beneath the dignity of so high a Magistracy to enquire into petit things. About the same time the *Illyrian* rebellion caused the Senate to give the charge of that province to *M. Livius M. F. M. N. Salinator*, and *M. Amilius*, *M. P. Paulus* the Consul. *Demetrius* on the other side, was not slack in preparing himself for the War; having sent a strong Garrison to *Dinatus*, and providing all necessaries for the sustaining of a long siege. In some places he gave order for the slaughter of the prime men, whose fidelity he mistrusted, and committed the Government to his own creatures. Out of the whole Kingdom he gathered a choice strength of six thousand men, whom he kept with himself in Garrison at *Pharus*.

In the mean time *L. Paulus* the Consul setting forth in the beginning of the spring, sailed over into *Illyria*, and understanding that the enemy put great hopes in the strength of *Dinatus*, which they thought impregnable; he rightly judged that it would strike much terror into them, in case he should make himself Master of it: Assaulting it therefore with very much courage and cheerfulness, he took it by storm in seven dayes time. Neither was the Consul deceived in his project, for the news hereof being spread into the neighbour Regions, messengers came flocking from every City, offering up themselves, and all their goods into the hands of the Romans. The Consul having received them into protection, sailed to the Iland of *Pharus*, where *Demetrius* kept his Court. But understanding that it was well manned with a Garrison of four thousand Souldiers, furnished with provision of all sorts; strong, both by situation, and also with artificial works, and guarded with the presence of the Tyrant himself, the Consul unwilling to begin a tedious siege, contrived a stratagem of great use to the speedy effecting of Victory.

For sending over the greater part of his Army in the night time, with order to cover themselves in woody Tracts; Himself appears in open day with twenty ships making towards the Haven, whereby he drew out the *Phœnians*, among whom was *Demetrius* himself, to hinder his landing. Upon the first engagement it happened, as is usual, that many more by degrees running to the succour of their friends, the City was left almost naked of Souldiers. In the mean time those Romans who had landed in the night time, taking their journey through covert places, possessed an hill even in the midst between the City and the Haven, thereby rendering it impossible for those who were come out of the Town to return safe back.

